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No discord in PML-N leadership, rivals can dream on: Maryam

LAHORE: PML-N Vice President Maryam Nawaz said Sunday her press conference on Saturday was misunderstood quoted out of context. In a statement, Maryam said that she shares a extremely respectful and very cordial relationship with her paternal uncle Shehbaz Sharif and believed that it was her prime duty to take him into confidence over every matter. During his budget speech Shehbaz reminded that his offer for a Charter of Economy right after the PTI took charge was rudely dismissed by the government. The house speaker Asad Qaisar said that he would take Shehbaz up for his offer to which Shehbaz replied, 'it's never too late", she reminded. During her press conference, said, Marriyum

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Enthusiasts enthralled by JF-17 Thunder

ISLAMABAD: Hordes of aviation lovers turned up to see the static and aerial display of PAF JF-17 Thunder on the last day of 53rd Paris Air Show at Le Bourget, Paris, says a PAF press release on Sunday. The excitement of the eagerly awaiting crowd was worth watching as the aircraft roared in the skies of Paris. The much anticipated display was thoroughly enjoved by the spectators and they fervently clapped as it landed back at the airstrip. Being a weekly holiday, the vast venue was filled with the excited spectators of all ages as the gates opened for the general public. Elegantly

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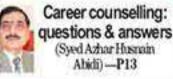
Country on road to progress, says Buzdar

LAHORE: Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar has said that under the vibrant leadership of Prime Minister Imran Khan the country is moving forward to its real destination of development and progress. In a statement issued here Sunday, Usman Buzdar said the system was not corrected to facilitate the general public by previous government as the outdated system had not given any relief to public. -P13

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(Tang Butt) -P5



Calling Imran 'selected PM' banned in NA

Omar Ayub moves privilege motion and deputy speaker passes ruling to stop use of term 'selected PM' for Imran; Ahsan Iqbal says PTI no more on container and should tolerate criticism

Muhammad Anis

Qasim Khan Suri Sunday and get its programme, banned calling Imran Khan "se-

Minister Omar Ayub Khan said lion dollars loan," the PML-N PTl government," he said. he wanted to move privilege leader said, adding the budget lected Prime Minister" for ment for the poor masses. Imran Khan. "Calling Prime minister said.

ian from now on.

Meanwhile, Former Minis-General Chaudhry Ahsan Iqbal, poor performance instead of

APC to decide

charter of

economy:

Zardari

Says Maryam will

also follow narrative

of joint opposition

Asim Yasin

ISLAMABAD: Former presi-

dent and President Pakistan

People's Party (PPP) Co-

Sunday said all the opposition

parties were bound to follow

In a media talk on his arrival

at the Parliament House, media

persons asked him is views on

statement of Maryam Nawaz

on charter of economy. Zardari

said Maryam Nawaz is his

daughter but the opposition's

narrative will be that which

emerges in the all parties con-

ference. He said Maryam will

also follow the combined oppo-

of conference.

sition's stance.

kicking off debate on the fed-making hue and cry and put-

On a point of order, Federal to get its programme of six bil-erument but it is failure of the

Minister Imran 'selected' is budget did not contain any in- control its current expendibreach of our privilege and gredients which are required to tures resulting in record deficit privilege of the House," the increase economic growth in the history of the country The Deputy Speaker said and social investments in sec-external and domestic loans. every member of the House tors like education and health. had been elected; therefore, "The government wants to get PML-N government obtained the word 'selected' would not the budget passed at any cost Rs10600 billion loans but it was be used for any parliamentar- to get six billion dollars loan also a fact that from 2013 to from IMF," he said.

ter for Planning and Develop- the PTI government would around 12000 megawatts of ment and PML-N Secretary have to be answerable for its

eral budget in the NA, said the ting all the blames to inherited ISLAMABAD: National Assem- government prepared the economy and levelling allegably (NA) Deputy Speaker budget only to please the IMF tions of corruption. "Not being able to meet revenue targets of "It seems that the present Rs400 billion and failing to conlected Prime Minister" in the budget has no other agenda but trol current expenditures is not to please IMF, meet conditions failure of the last PML-N gov-

The veteran politician said motion to stop use of word "se- had brought mere disappoint- the government staged drama of austerity, auctioned buf-Ahsan Iqbal said the federal faloes and vehicles but did not rate, create job employments and now they are compelled

He said it was true that the 2018, then government used Iqbal went on to say that the money on generation of

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energy, tourism, hospitality industry Emir expresses desire to employ

100,000 workers as well as trained security personnel from Pakistan; Chairman Asif Ali Zardari leaves for home; Firdous terms Qatari Emir's visit PM's great achievement the narrative in the all parties

Muhammad Saleh Zaafir

Arif Alvi at the Aiwan-e-Sadr in construction sectors. which both sides agreed to Afghan peace talks.

"We will follow the collecon Saturday on a two-day visit mote world sports. tive decision of opposition in heading a high-powered delethe APC," he said. When asked Prime Minister Imran Khan.

whether he stood with the narrative of Nawaz Sharif or Shahbaz Sharif, Zardari replied that in a warm and cordial atmos- Ports, the president underlined phere covered bilateral rela-Continued on page 8 | tions and regional issues.

The president complimented Sheikh Tamim for his ISLAMABAD: Emir of Qatar astute leadership, enabling Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Qatar to make major strides in Thani Sunday met President Dr energy, tourism, aviation and

In the regional context, the continue working closely for president lauded Qatar's role in regional peace and stability promoting peace and reconcilwhile taking note of the iation in Afghanistan, which progress achieved in the was a notable contribution to regional peace. The president Sheikh Tamim arrived here admired Qatar's efforts to pro-

Taking note of 70% increase gation on the invitation of in Pakistan's exports to Qatar following direct linkage be-The wide-ranging talks held tween Karachi and Hamad

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LONDON: Chief of Army Staff Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa waves to spectators during World Cup match between Pakistan and South Africa at Lord's. -AFP

ADB restores Pakistan's status as family station

Re-classification done after improved security environment

Mehtab Haider

ISLAMABAD: In a major development, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) has abol- to World Cup ished status of non-family elimination station for its staff working in | and Pakistan after witnessing improved security environment.

The ADB has reclassified country. Now the ADB staff will be allowed to bring tered out on 259-9. wife/spouse into Pakistan during their stay in the country. Pakistani authorities will have to showcase more steps for further improving its reclassification in months ahead.

The ADB's mission visited Islamabad early this month and after taking stock of the whole situation took decision for restoring Pakistan's status as family station for its staff members. Now the formal decision to this effect is expected to be announced early next month. "Pakistan is no longer a non-family station for the ADB staff as this decision will help attract quality staff of the Manila-based multilateral lending institution to work here in the country," top official sources told The News here Sunday.

Earlier, the United Nations had also restored family station status for its staff working in Pakistan. Sources in the ADB and other multilateral donor agencies told this correspondent that after withdrawal

ICC World Cup

Pakistan overcome first of four hurdles

Defeat South Africa by 49 runs, Proteas eliminated from World Cup

LONDON: Pakistan condemned South Africa their

own slender chances of advanc- their embarrassingly early exit, ing to the semi-finals with a 49- with matches against Sri Lanka its assessment and declared run win at Lord's on Sun- and Australia still to play. For Pakistan as family station for day. Chasing 309 to remain in just the second time in their hisits duty staff working in the the hunt for a last four berth, tory, and the first time since South Africa's survival bid pe- 2003, South Africa have failed to

ing saw Shadab Khan and not doing ourselves justice as a Wahab Riaz take three wickets each as South Africa surren-

dered without a fight. Faf du Piessis's side had al-

ready been roughed up by Haris Sohail's brilliant 50-ball innings of 89 in Pakistan's total of 308-7 from their 50 overs. South Africa's fifth defeat in seven World Cup matches confirmed reach the knockout stages. Disciplined Pakistan bowl- "The biggest downside is we are

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COAS watches Pakistan-SA match at Lord's

> ISPR DG, PM's son Suleman Khan also watch match

LONDON: Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Qamar Javed Bajwa visited the Lord's cricket ground on Sunday to watch the Pakistan cricket team playing

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Pakistan, EU to sign new strategic plan: Qureshi EU lauds Pak sacrifices in war against

terrorism; FM leaves for Brussels ISLAMABAD: Foreign Minister continue, 2 added Qureshi. Ac-Shah Mehmood Qureshi on cording to details, Pakistan and

Sunday lauded the sacrifices of the European Union will sign Pakistan in a war against ter- various projects in the fields of "Pakistan and the European June 25 in Brussels, FM Qureshi

ening bilateral ties, Tasaid FM Foreign Relations and Security Qureshi while talking to media Policy Federica Mogherini will just before leaving for Brussels. lead her delegation. The foreign minister said that during the visit, he will meet would also address the Pak-Nato general secretary at its istani community in Brussels. headquarters in Brussels.

tionship with Nato in defence Continued on page 8 and security matters should

trade, investment and energy on Union will sign a new strategic would lead Pakistan's team engagement plan for strength- while EU Representative for

During his visit, FM Qureshi Earlier on March 25, Pakistan "We believe that our rela- and the European Union (EU)

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FBR proposes valuation rates hike in 18 cities

Our correspondent

ISLAMABAD: The FBR has proposed hiking of valuation rates of property in 18 major cities and bringing close to fair market value for collection of taxes on

transaction of real estate. The valuation rates for Karachi and Quetta have not been proposed to be increased

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through proposed hike in rates. Now the average valuation rates have hiked in the range of 25 to 35 percent, jacking it up from 60

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Fazl's brother elected JUI-F chief for KP

Bureau report

PESHAWAR: Maulana Ataur Rahman was elected unopposed as the president and Maulana Ataul Haq Darvesh general secretary of the Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam-Fazi (JUI-F) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa chapter as the election for the provincial office-bearers were held here on Sunday. The election was held at the provincial executive council meeting of the party. The incumbent provincial head Maulana Gul Naseeb Khan, who was also contesting for the slot again, withdrew his candidature at the eleventh hour, paving the way for the unopposed election of Senator Maulana Ataur Rahman, who is the brother of the party's chief Maulana Fazlur Rahman. A tough contest was witnessed for the office of general secretary between the incumbent general secretary Maulana Shujaul Mulk and Maulana Ataul Haq Darvesh. The latter emerged victorious. Members from across the province had gathered for the election at the provincial secretariat of the party on Ring Road.

Girl abducted Our correspondent

TOBA TEK SINGH: A girl was abducted at Chak 90/JB, Gojra, on Sunday. The daughter of farmer Muhammad Afzal was alone at her home when accused Ali Raza of Thikriwala along with his six accomplices, Ghulam Qadir, Muhammad Rafiq, Khair Din, Abdul Khaliq, Qamar Lugman and Zafar Igbal, entered the house and allegedly abducted

the girl. CHILD RECOVERED FROM HOTEL: District Labour Welfare Department AD Muhammad Shahbaz on Sunday recovered a minor boy from a hotel at Gojra. Police have registered a case against the hotel owner on the charge of hiring minor boy Ali Hassan as a waiter in his hotel, which was against the Child Labour laws.

MPs panel to discuss MNAs' development schemes

Privatisation of Haveli Bahadur Shah, Balloki power plants to also come under discussion

verted Rs24 billion of the come under discussion too. ber 108, which already has an power distribution companies. allocation of Rs5 billion.

able Development Goals Ministry. (SDGs) Achievement Fund. first year in power.

political agendas. The CPEC in Islamabad. and other initiatives have a Rs24 billion suggests that on the harassment of a senior cation fee from students.

The National Assembly lance Standing Committee on Energy will also discuss a calling

attention notice regarding difficulties being faced by resi-ISLAMABAD: A parliamentary dents of Islamabad due to ban panel will discuss on July 2 the on new electricity and gas condevelopment schemes of nection and metres moved by members of the National As- Ali Nawaz Awan of the PTI sembly (MNAs) and their ap- The non-availability of gas transmission line to the NA-24 The government has di- of the Charsadda district will

China-Pakistan Economic Cor-ridor (CPEC) and other initia-Standing Committee on Pritives for spending on MPs' rec-vatisation meeting on June 28 development will get a briefing on the finanschemes. This amount has cial advisors' report regarding been taken from grant number privatisation of Haveli Ba-137, which is related to CPEC hadur Shah and Balloki Power and other initiatives. The plants and on the report premoney has been moved to the pared by the Task Force on Cabinet Division's grant num- Energy for privatisation of

On June 24, the Standing With this additional Rs24 Committee on Defence will billion, the total spending on take up the issue of General MPs' schemes has gone up to Sales Tax (GST) shares of the Rs29 billion. Previously, the Cantonment Boards from Pakistan Muslim League- Sindh and Balochistan. It will Nawaz (PML-N) government get a briefing on grant-in-aid to had spent Rs32.6 billion under these boards which is not the Prime Minister's Sustain- being given by the Finance

The Inspector General Po-The Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf lice (IGP) and Deputy Com-(PTI) administration has missioner of Islamabad will on begun the journey with Rs29 June 27 brief the Senate Funcbillion spending plan for its tional Committee on Human Rights and submit a report as Both the PML-N and the discussed in its last session on PTI have used the name of May 24 on the murder of 10-SDGs to push ahead with their year old girl Frishta Mohmand | lief through implementation complaints from parents.

> journalist an English daily in and scrutiny



ISLAMABAD: President Arif Alvi confers Nishan-i-Pakistan on Emir of Qatar Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani at Aiwan-e-Sadr. —APP

Private schools defy SC orders, charge summer vacation fee

Yousaf Ali

and notification of the Khy- June, July and August. ber Pakhtunkhwa Private summer vacation.

The defiance has forced the parents to ask the apex opinion that they had taken of their directives. The KP-

Islamabad and on the surveil- on May 30, 2019, the regula-

PESHAWAR: Most of the pri- the private schools have not a heavy fine in case of non- already been sealed for vate educational institutions been complying with the di-submission of the fee as they charging summer vacation have been blatantly defying rectives and have issued fee are not sure that the PSRA fee and allegedly harassing the Supreme Court orders vouchers to the students for would implement its direc- students and their parents. Several schools have also

court and the regulatory the step in light of the started taking action against KP-PSRA Asad Haroon urged Now the parents are

Besides, the IGP and Intel- PSRA has strictly barred all knocking the doors of media number of schools on the the schools forcing them for total approved allocation of ligence Bureau director gen- the private schools from houses to reach the govern- complaints of parents.

> private school (s) not to body wants them to cooper- sults of the students. Continued on page 8 | charge summer/winter vaca- ate with it by not depositing

However, the majority of that they would have to pay and a few other schools have

body to take notice of the sit- Supreme Court directives the schools for charging parents to cooperate with uation and provide them re- and an increasing number of summer vacation fees and the regulatory authority by harassing parents.

Bloomfield Hall School, cerned," he had stressed.

the fee. But they are afraid University Town Peshawar

The authority has also There may be an excep- asked parents not to deposit School Regulatory Authority warned the parents of fines tion of just a few schools the summer vacation fee and (KP-PSRA) by making the in case of non-submission of that have redesigned their instead lodge a complaint parents pay the fee for the the fees within the stipulated fee structure in such a man- against the schools demandner that they have covered ing it. In a recent telephonic The KP-PSRA is of the the summer vacation period, conversation with this KP-PSRA has already scribe, Managing Director

> not submitting the fee and The authority sealed a lodging complaints against summer vacation fee.

Rs27 billion and diversion of eral will brief the committee | charging summer/winter va- ment and the regulatory It was reported that some "If any school forces Colony, which resulted in colbody and urge them to im- schools were harassing par- them to pay the fee, they lapse of the house. As a result, ents to force them to deposit should lodge a complaint | Razia Bibi (70), wife of Mian There is confusion among the vacation fee and they with the authority and strict Khan, and Ali Hussain (24), of | tory body directed "All the the parents as the regulatory had even withheld the re- action would be taken | son of Karam Din, received inagainst the school con-

'JI not to attend APC

Our correspondent

OKARA: Jamaat-e-Islami Okara chapter general secretary Amirul Azeem has said that his party will not participate in the All Parties Conference (APC) of Maulana Fazlur Rahman on June Addressing a gathering of the

JI workers here on Sunday, Amirul Azeem said that the ruling parties of the country were responsible for the present economic crisis. He demanded the former rulers apologise from the nation for their actions and bring back the money which they had hoarded during their rule from the national resources. He said that the PTI used to be an ideological party when the JI was working in coalition with it in the KP. Today, he added, the PTI had become a status enjoying party while the JI was still running a movement against status quo. He said that whenever any big party leader faced a difficult situation in politics, he sought help from the JL BREACH IN CANAL: Hun-

dreds of acres of crops were damaged due to a breach occurred in a canal on Sunday.

The sources told The News that a huge beach was occurred in the bank of the canal alongside 48/D village at Depalpur area, which inundated the crops. The Canal Department officials were informed about the matter but no action was taken yet.

GIRL RAPED: A girl was raped at Sodheki village on Sunday. Accused Allah Rakha entered the house of Muhammad Javed and allegedly raped his daughter. Police have registered a

Gas leak blast leaves two injured

FAISALABAD: Two persons were injured when a building collapsed in Mansoorabad police area on Sunday. Rescue 1122 spokesman said that due to gas leakage, a blast occurred in a house at Gulistan juries and were shifted to the Allied Hospital. —APP

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Provincial Disaster Management Authority Government of the Punjab

Wasa ordered to de-silt drains to counter emergency in monsoon

Our correspondent

FAISALABAD: Punjab Housing and Public Health Engineering Secretary Nasim Sadiq has directed the Wasa authorities for de-silting of drains to counter any emergency situation in monsoon season.

He said this while holding a meeting with the Wasa officers during his visit here on Sunday. MPA Khayal Ahmad Kastro, FDA Chairman Dr Asad Moazzam, Wasa Vice-Chairman Sheikh Shahid Javed, Punjab Housing DG Liagat Ali Chattha, FDA DG Amir Aziz, Wasa MD Fagir Muhammad Ch and other officers attended the meeting. The Punjab Housing secretary said that the Wasa services were very much important during the monsoon season and all arrangements should be fi-

nalised before monsoon. He said that forecast of rains should be noticed and all drains and sewerage system should be cleared before rains. The secretary stressed upon best services delivery of the Wasa at doorstep of citizens by using advance technologies and close liaison should be developed with public through the SMS regarding managing and delivering of services. He asked the Wasa officers to visit different localities for ascertaining public complaints and problems for attaining the public trust on the Wasa services, He directed for repatriating the employees on deputation and said that long leaves should not be granted.

He sought the details of vehicles and machinery for their auction and said that new vehicles and machinery would be purchased from these funds.

He directed for comprehensive survey of private water filtration plants and said that technical guidance should be provided to them as they were assisting Wasa in providing clean drinking water to the public. He hoped for considerable revenue collection if the Wasa provides best services and quality expectation of the public.

He stressed upon disposal of all pending complaints immediately and directed to bring positive change and behavior of the Wasa officers/officials. The secretary said that the Wasa Faisalabad would be role model for other cities.

Flood relief camps established in Jhang

level in River Jhelum.

said that flood medical relief quired medicines. camps had been established at

thority has established flood re- fected areas. The Health CEO cuers were provided with boats, lief camps for the villages af- said that DHO Dr Ahsan and the life jackets and other necessary fected due to the rise of water DDHOs of all our tehsils were su-equipment for rescuing the pervising the flood medical flood-affected people. DHA Chief Executive Officer camps to ensure availability of

JHANG: The District Health Au-lief to the residents of various af-Hasnain told reporters that res-

Meanwhile, DPO Attaur Dr Samiullah while giving details snake bite vaccine and other re- Rehman has directed the SHOs of Massan, Qadirpur, Athara He told that 47 rescuers, in- Hazari and Kot Shakir police the Government high School cluding Rescue 1122 officers, stations to enhance police pa-Haveli Sheikh Raju and at the had been deputed in these trolling in flood affected areas Government High School Mon- areas. District Emergency Offi- to provide safety and security to day Syed to provide medical re- cer/incharge of Rescue 1122 Ali the villagers. - Correspondent



ABDUL ALI ABDUL GHAFOOR ABDUL REHMAN ABOUL SABOOR ABID ADNAN AHMAD AFZAAL SHARFOO AHMAD ALI AJAZ KHAN AMJAD KHAN ASIA BIBI AWAIS YAQOOB

FAHIM AHMED

FAISAL SHABBIR

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No hospital to be

handed over to private

sector, says minister

13,000 candidates appear in UAF entrance test

Our correspondent FAISALABAD: The first entrance test for the undergraduate programmes of the University of Agriculture Faisalabad was held here on Sunday. Total 13 centres were set up for the entrance test across the province in which 13,000 students participated. As many as 8,500 students took part in the main campus while the rest of the students appeared in other 12 centres. UAF Vice-Chancellor Dr Muhammad Ashraf along with Director Admissions Dr Shahbaz Talib and others inspected the arrangements.

14 power pilferers caught

Our correspondent

GUJRANWALA: Gepco regional task force and surveillance teams on Sunday caught 14 power pilferers redhanded during a crackdown here. The teams conducted raids at various parts of the region and found 14 consumers electricity stealing through direct lines. Cases have been registered against the accused persons.

CIVIL DEFENCE: ADC-G Khalid Umar on Sunday visited the Civil Defence emergency check-post and inspected there. arrangements Bomb Disposal Squad incharge Ubaidullah briefed the ADCG about the machinery, staff and other matters. The ADCG appreciated the performance of the Civil Defense officials and assured to provide necessary machinery and staff to the

check-post. 130 DRUG PUSHERS BOOKED: City police have booked 130 drug pushers and recovered narcotics from them during a crackdown here. The police also recovered 1,790 grams heroin, 9,060 grams charas, 545 grams opium and 121 litres liquor from the accused persons. The police also recovered illegal arms from various criminals.

FOUR MINI PETROL PUMPS SEALED: AC City Usman Sikandar on Sunday sealed four mini petrol pumps and one gas refilling shop. The AC sealed the mini petrol pumps on Ferozwala Road, Race Course Road and Peoples Colony.

and Fung summit. **



RAWALPINDI: Emir of Qatar Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani being briefed by Pakistan Air Force officials on the JF-17 Thunder aircraft at the Nur Khan Airbase. - APP

How hawala/hundi business goes on

Ashraf Malkham

these transactions.

highly profitable business.

ther disclosed that dollars pur- over one billion dollar a completed and approval from which will be more harmful.

chased from market are sent month, which flew abroad IMF board is awaited. abroad mostly through air through black market. So, in a vealed that in case Forex com- ably. A source in Finance Min- tions. panies deposit dollars pur- istry, privy to this business, chased from open market, disclosed that issue was dis- to accept a list of harsh condi-

mented.

ISLAMABAD: Majority of Pak-route and most of the agents year at least \$12 billion flew from Karachi while taking to istan's registered Forex com- travel to three different desti- from Pakistan. Then this cash The News said that these figpanies collect at least \$40 mil- nations every day and come comes back through banking ures are almost correct and lion (\$42 million is also quoted back next day. Two of these channel, mainly telegraphic there dire need to stop this ilby private market players) in a destinations are in Middle East transfer (T T). On Return fifty legal business which will be single day and deposit with and one in Far East. Profits percent of this cash is retained helpful to stop rupee devalua-

A renowned business man State Bank of Pakistan just \$10 earned, from this business, is with forex dealers and fifty tion at this stage. Otherwise, distributed among all Forex percent submitted with SBP. inflation will be unmanageable Remaining \$30 million is companies equally, and agents The News also learnt that the and effect business as well as used for hawala/hundi busi- of these companies travel daily money retained in shape of for- common man negatively, he ness, which is highly profitable to transport cash abroad, eign currency is provided to added. He also suggested that business for the operators of mostly from Karachi interna- the importers who use to make SBP should make efforts to get tional airport. On airport, all payments of under-invoiced the entire dollar and other cur-A background discussion agencies deputed to check imports and they make pay- rencies from forex agents persons handling smuggling are part of this dirty ment abroad or is utilised to every day at an agreed rate, hawala/hundi business re- game, The News learnt reli- buy property in other destina- and this was only possible if a win-win situation for SBP and On other side, Pakistan has forex dealers is created.

When The News asked SBP with SBP, they earn one rupee cussed at the highest level in tionality attached by Interna- governor in his first press conand maximum two rupees per Islamabad many times and tional Monetary Fund (IMF) to ference to frame a mechanism dollar. If they use this money every time directions were is- get \$2 billion in a year or six to tap this huge amount of dolfor hawala/hundi, they earn 4/5 sued to stop this business but billion in three years. Now lars which are smuggled out of rupees per dollar, which is these were never imple- Pakistan is likely to enter in Pakistan, he said if SBP purpackage with IMF for which chases dollars from Forex Forex market sources fur- If counted this figures is staff level dialogue has been market, this will create panic,

14 killed as jeep plunges into river in Kolai-Palas Our correspondent

province, she informed. She

kid health would be estab-

lished in the south Punjab.

Yasmin stated that another garh.

tionary steps were being mood.

taken in the health sector. MEPCO

MANSEHRA: At least 14 persons, including a man, his wife and two siblings, were killed and seven others injured when a passenger jeep plunged into Indus River in Shalkanabad area of

Kolai-Palas district on Sunday. "We have fished out eight bodies and the search for another six is still underway. The seven injured were taken to the hospital," M Iftikhar, the district police officer of Kolai-Palas, told reporters. The jeep, carrying a total of 21 passengers, was on its way to Said Ghaziabad from Ghardar through Palas-Ziarat road, when it skidded off the road and plunged into the Indus River. "Seven passengers who jumped out of the jeep before it could fall into river sustained injuries and the rest drowned," said the official. He added that bodies of eight persons were fished out and shifted to hospital. "The search for the missing people is still underway and personnel of police and locals are taking part in the operation," the official added. Those whose bodies were recovered from the river were identified as Shamsur Rehman, Amal Fareed, Gulrang, Shad Muhammad, Gul Bahadar, and wife, daughter and son of Shah-i-Room.

MULTAN: Punjab Minister reduce burden of patients on The Multan Electric Power for Health Dr Yasmin Rashid the existing hospitals, she Company (Mepco) installed has said that no hospital will hoped. She said that house 1,978km high tension (HT) be handed over to private job officers were deputed lines and 1,421km Low Tenpurely on merit at the sion (LT) lines during the Talking to media, she said Nishtar Hospital. Vice-Chan-current fiscal year 2018-19. that Prime Minister Imran cellor Dr Mustafa Kamal According to the Mepco Khan had given clear instruc- Pasha, Nishtar Hospital MS sources, it was top priority of tions that no hospital would Dr Ashiq Malik, MPAs the Mepco to provide early be given to private sector. Saleem Labar, Waseem Khan new connections and elec-She said the government was Badozai and Sabeen Gull tricity with best voltage to taking all possible steps to were also present. the consumers. provide top quality health- 2,295 POWER PILFERERS The administration incare facilities to the masses. CAUGHT IN 2 MONTHS: stalled 1,978km high tension The government recruited The Multan Electric Power lines for upgradation of the over 11,000 doctors and also Company (Mepco) caught system and to provide elecenhanced seats of PGRs, she 2,295 power pilferers from tricity with best voltage to added. Similarly, 2,422 Basic the south Punjab between the consumers, the sources Health Units were functional May and June, an official of added. The total length of the

round the clock across the the company said on Sunday. HT line reached to 75,853km The Mepco teams accom- in the region, they said. The stated that 2,200 specialist panying by the task forces Mepco administration had doctors were recruited in the raided different places at also installed 1,421km low Multan, Vehari, Sahiwal, tension (LT) line during the About Health Cards, Dr Rahimyar Khan, Muzaffar- same period and the total Bahawalnagar, length of LT lines reached to 800,000 people would get Khanewal, and Dera Ghazi 49,981km across the region, health cards during July Khan and detected theft of the sources added. From July 2019. She informed that three over 3.8 million units, the 2018 to May 2019, the HT more hospitals for mother- Mepco spokesman said. line, including 137km HT and A sum of over Rs 68.8 41km LT lines installed at million was imposed as fine Multan circle, 163km HT and She maintained that funds on power pilferers. The ac- 76km LT line in DG Khan cirfor the south Punjab would cused were pilfering electric- cle, 268km HT and 14km LT be spent locally, adding that ity by tampering with meters, lines in Vehari, 336km HT corrupt elements in the from direct supply, installing and 38km LT lines in Ba-

Health Department would loop in meters, slowing down hawalpur, 475km HT and not be tolerated. She also meters, meter dead stop and 11km LT lines in Sahiwal, chaired the syndicate meet- meter screen wash. The 89km HT and seven km LT ing of the Nishtar Medical Mepco official said that a lines in Rahimyar Khan, University. The syndicate ap- crackdown would continue 137km HT and one km LT proved different projects of without any discrimination lines in Muzaffargarh, 168km Nishtar Burn Unit. The min- as per directives of Mepco HT and 43km LT lines in Baister informed that revolu- CEO Engineer Tahir Mah- hawalnagar while 201km HT lines and 1,185km LT lines INSTALLED had been installed in aThe establishment of the 1,978 KM HT, 1,421 KM LT Khanewal circle, the Mepco Nishtar-II would surely help LINES DURING 2018/19: sources added. —APP

KP CM visits Shangla

Our correspondent BISHAM: Chief Minister Mahmood Khan on Sunday visited the residence of provincial Minister for Information Shaukat Ali Yousafzai at Bisham in Shangla district to condole the death of his mother. He expressed grief and sorrow and prayed to the Almighty Allah to rest the departed soul in eternal peace and courage to the bereaved family to bear the irreparable loss with fortitude.



TICE: The power supply from Marzipura, sion of electricity lines.

Rajana feeders originating loadshedding from 9am to police on Sunday. from 132-KV Mureedwala grid 1pm on June 24. station would remain sus-

book account. On a from Rasheedabad, Rehmat complaint, the police arrested Town, Jalal Street and Gen-RB were upset after being the accused and recovered eral Hospital feeders emanat- scolded by parents over a doweapons from his possession, ing from 132-KV University mestic dispute. Qaisar swal-POWER SHUTDOWN NO- grid station, GM Abad, lowed poisonous pills and he the following feeders will re- Qadirabad, Ahmadabad, Sub- precarious condition where main suspended on Monday hanabad, Sidhupura, Faizabad he expired. (today) due to necessary re- and Aminpur feeders originatpair, maintenance and expan- ing from 132-KV Narwala grid the body to his family after station would remain sus- completing necessary formal-According to the schedule, pended from 8am to 1pm ities. power supply from Mongi whereas all feeders emanating ELECTROCUTED: Road feeder from 132-KV from 132-KV Ibrahim Fiber teenage boy was electrocuted Gojra grid station, Khalid and grid station would observe in the area of Peoples Colony

pended from 6am to 10am from Yasrab feeder originat- house at D-Ground area when while Kashmir Wood, Ahmad ing from 132-KV OTP grid sta- he accidentally touched a Enterprises, Jewan Shah, Ab-tion, Munirabad, Qaim Sain, livewire. He received fatal dullah Fibers, Ariyan Textile, Raja Chowk, Qudratabad, electric shock and died on the Tayyab Textile Mill, Sarfraz Ejaz Town and Saeedabad spot. - APP

police on Sunday arrested a Al-Murtaza feeders emanating KV University grid station youth on the charge of dis- from 132-KV Kamalpur grid would also remain suspended playing weapons on social station and Faisalabad Road from 8am to 2pm on June 24. feeder originating from 132- YOUTH COMMITS SUI-Accused Iftikhar Hussain KV Chiniot grid station would CIDE: A youth committed of Chak 651/2-GB had up- observe power shutdown suicide over a domestic disloaded his pictures with auto- from 7am to 11am on June 24. pute in the precincts of Madmatic weapons on his face- Similarly, electricity supply ina Town police on Sunday. Qaisar Latif of Chak 209-

> Rehmatabad, was rushed to a hospital in The police handed over

Ghulam Rasool was busy Meanwhile, power supply working on the rooftop of his

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Ahmed Nawaz Sukhera Secretary Commerce in Shanghai at Li

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wall gates Our correspondent BARA: The elders from Khyber district have asked the government to help make the gates in Hayatabad boundary wall to facilitate the dwellers of Bara tehsil. The elders and political leaders have staged a sit-in camp at Shahkas on the Frontier Road in Jamrud tehsil to press the government to accept their demand. Speaking on the occasion, Saeedullah Afridi, Sher Bahadur Afridi, Sher Afzal Afridi, Amanat Ali Afridi and others said that the tribal people had been suffering a lot due to no-entry to Hayatabad from Shahkas and other areas. "Now we have been merged into Khyber Pakhtunkhwa but why the provincial government has not fixed the main entry points for the tribal people in Phase-6 and

Phase-7," Saeedullah Afridi asked while talking to The News. He said the tribesmen had already suffered during militancy where their houses were destroyed, in addition to their businesses, education and health sectors. He said the tribal people had rendered sacrifices and supported the security forces during militancy but the now there was no focus on their problems.



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AGP report on BRT a test case for NAB: **QWP** leader

Bureau report PESHAWAR: Qaumi Watan Party (QWP) leader and former senior minister Sikandar Havat Khan Sherpao on Sunday said the report of the Auditor General of Pakistan about irregularities in the Bus Rapid Transit project was a test case for the National Accountability Bureau. He was speaking at a press conference here, where vilcouncil Khazana Nazim Basharat Khan announced joining the Qaumi Watan Party along with his family and supporters. Qaumi Watan Party leaders Hashim Babar and Asad Afridi Advocate were also present on the occasion. Sikandar Sherpao said the provincial government was now closing the Project Management Unit for pinpointing flaws in the BRT project. Commenting on the federal budget, he said that new taxes had been proposed in it which would add to the miseries of the people. He said the federal budget had been made on the diktats of the International Monetary Fund. The WWP leader said that Rs45 billion were allocated for undertaking uplift projects in Karachi and Rs15 billion were earmarked for Quetta, but no allocations were made for Peshawar in the federal budget. He said that conducting the election for the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly seats in the merged districts under the supervision of the army showed that the civil administration did not have the ability to hold the polls. Sikandar Sherpao said the announcement of the uplift projects for the tribal districts amounted to pre-poll rigging and the ECP should take its notice. The QWP leader said a three-member delegation of the Qaumi Watan Party led by its Chairman Aftab Ahmad Khan Sherpao would attend the all parties conference convened by the opposition to iron out a strategy on how to deal with the problems facing the country, Sikandar Sherpao said the people particularly the youth had become disenchanted with the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf government due to its flawed policies in the last 10 months. He said his party would soon launch a

in the country. Poor condition of road troubles tourists in Kaghan

mass contact movement to

mobilise the people and

stage protests against

price-hike and employment

Our correspondent MANSEHRA: The danger-

ous condition of Balakotsection Mansehra-Naran-Jalkhad

road is a big hurdle to promote tourism in scenic Kaghan valley. "The chief minister wants to promote tourism in the province but the highly dangerous and dilapidated condition Mansehra-Naran-

Jalkhad road is a big question mark on the claims being made by him in this regard," said Abdul Waheed, a tourist from Lahore. The deteriorated road condition and frequent landslides disrupt traffic and put the lives of travellers in a danger. The National Highway Authority and Communication and Works Department didn't construct embankments walls at most of Balakot-Naran section of the road. "Big ditches and cracks in roads and frequent landslide is a big hurdle to smooth travelling on this road," said Waheed. Another tourist, M Jibran, said two tourists were killed last week when a heavy landslide hit a vehicle but even then the government was not sincerely working to re-carpet this road and construct embankment walls around it. "In some areas, one can experience that road is being eroded into Kunhar River posing a serious threat to travellers," said Jibran, Matiullah, the president of hoteliers association in Kaghan valley, when contacted said that a delegation of hoteliers met with local lawmakers and visiting ministers and apprised them about their problems including the dilapidated condition of the road. "And we waiting for their response," he added.



Criticism of budget discounted Pervez Khattak advises Opp to suggest measures for masses welfare

Mushtag Paracha

ter for Defence Pervez Khat- bility, come what may. tak on Sunday defended the tion to give suggestions for Ulema-e-Islam-Fazl the sake of criticism.

epared and presented keep- the JUI-F was a component. ing in view the present ecoof the country.

is without any reason," he said culties in the initial days of this while addressing various the government but things functions in his hometown of will improve and they will the Nowshera district.

The defence minister inau- analysis," he said. gurated various development schemes, attended receptions comed the recent visit of the and spoke at a function where Qatari emir. Pointing to several workers quit the agreements inked with Qatar Awami National Party (ANP) during the visit, he hoped and announced joining the these would bring positive Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf impacts on the economy. (PTI). Pervez Khattak behad inherited the poor econ- Maulanabad area of Manki omy from the past rulers.

raise in debts and hike ryakhel. in a mark-up. "But the people

Coming down hard on the Sajjad Khan Khattak. Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) and Pakistan from Cherat in Khattak Nama People's Party (PPP), the de-quit the ANP and joined the fence minister said both the PTI as well in his presence. parties ruled the country for a KP Minister for Irrigation Lilong time but did nothing to agat Khan Khattak, Member

again, adding all those who had looted the exchequer NOWSHERA: Federal Minis- would have to face accounta-

Pervez Khattak criticised

budget and asked the opposi- the ANP and the Jamiat the welfare of the masses in- well. He said corruption stead of making criticism for was at its peak during the rules of ANP-PPP and the Mut-

He hoped Prime Minister nomic and financial condition. Imran Khan would make the country an economic power. The opposition's criticism "People may face some diffifeel a change in the ultimate

The federal minister wel-

Earlier, Pervez Khattak inlieved the present government augurated solar tube well at Shareef and water sewerage He blamed the previous scheme. He opened a gas supfederal government for the ply project at Watar So-

The defence minister atwill see improvement in the tended a reception hosted by situation soon," he promised. Syed Lali Shah Khattak and

Two influential families improve the lot of the poor. Provincial Assembly Mian He said the PML-N and the Jamsheddin Kakakhel and PPP leaders would not be Tehsil Councillor Riaz Ali adable to deceive the people dressed the gatherings.

Khalid Mirza asks management to enforce board decisions

brokers' licences.

a matter of regret that the pol- penditures (which the Board | porating ideas promoting or ment of final results. icy directions of the Board had already unequivocally raising religious, sectarian, ethaimed at facilitating business stated that it would not apand reducing the cost of doing prove) shall more than adebusiness had not been imple- quately compensate for the demented. The Board noted, "The cline in revenue caused by the Commission has, yet again, Board's direction of fee reducflouted the orders of the Board tions. The Board has directed and is averse to ensuring com- the management to revise the pliance of the directions." Mirza proposed annual budget and expressed dissatisfaction and submit it in its next meeting to

directed the management to en- be held on July 1, 2019.

sure that all decisions passed by the Board be implemented un-ISLAMABAD: The Securities conditionally and expeditiously. and Exchange Commission of The Board rejected the SECP Pakistan (SECP) Policy Board 2019-20 annual budget and has directed the Commission noted that the reduction in regthat Listed Companies (Buy ulatory fees, that it had ordered, Back of Shares) Regulations re- had not been incorporated and cently approved by the Board still constitute the anticipated should be revised and restric- revenue of the Commission. tion of period of buy-back after The Board is of the view that a capital issue be reduced to six reduction in fees is essential for months from earlier three growth and development of various segments of the capital The SECP's Policy Board market and that volumes have that met here with Professor to be increased which, in turn, Khalid Mirza in the chair gave will produce revenue for the these directions. However, the regulator. The management did Board expressed concern over not share views of the Board the SECP's not implementing and held that the regulator its earlier decisions regarding would be reduced to a finansubstantial reduction of regula- cially dependent and ineffective tory fees charged to the asset one. In response, several Board management companies, with-members observed that 20 perdrawal of cases and officers cent cut in staff, as already difrom National Accountability rected by the Board, pruning of

Rising political uncertainty

Mazhar Abbas

"The federal budget was tahida Majlis-e-Amal of which | June 26, to chalk out a plan for not well in the PML-N. an anti-government movement These two developm

many see this development as litical significance. politically significant.

Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) movement. and Prime Minister Imran Khan

Bilawal Bhutto Zardari recently engaged all the coalition par- of some saner voices within made a hard-hitting speech in ties and accepted their respec- the PTI, and the government While political temperatures in Nawabshah on the birth an-tive demands, including giving and the opposition reached an the Parliament have somewhat niversary of slain prime minis- one ministry each to the MQM- understanding that no one lowered since the last week ter Benazir Bhutto and vowed P and the PML-Q. over debate on the national to overthrow the government, budget, after initial rumpus in On the other hand, PML-N some difficulties in handling whether from the government the National Assembly and leader Maryam Nawaz looked the six-points of the Balochis- or the opposition. Senate, it is certainly on the in a defiant mood with her first tan National Party-Mengal formal press conference since (BNP-M). Opposition's only of two MNAs from tribal areas, Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam-Fazl long and surprised many with hope to block the budget de- who belong to the Pashtun (JUI-F) chief Maulana Fazlur her criticism of the govern- pends on division within the Tahafuz Movement (PTM), Rehman has finally announced ment, establishment and a PTI-led ruling coalition. the date for much-awaited op- clear dissent against her own position's all parties confer- party president Shahbaz Sharif. has called the APC after taking sition also did not raise much ence (APC) for Wednesday. This also indicated that 'all is all the opposition leaders into voice on it, except for Bilawal

and the proposed Islamabad have further increased politi- who is serving seven-year im- would invite the PTM to the Now it depends on Prime tain situation and it will be a currently. Minister Imran Khan and his real test for the prime minister.

Pakistan is facing some of APC would not only release a party's support. the most serious economic 'Declaration' but also short-

blame the previous govern- few days before the debate on The announcement about may not face much difficulty in leader Khwaja Saad Rafiq. the APC date has been made at getting it passed, particularly a critical time. PPP Chairman after prime minister personally ened his stance on the advice @MazharAbbasGEO

confidence including former Bhutto-Zardari. prime minister Nawaz Sharif, Now, whether

team's strategy to handle the his interior minister Brig cided about attending the APC, Supreme Court has taken up a situation with "a carrot or a ((retd) Ejaz Shah. How things but the Maulana did held an petition of the JUI-F defeated stick". With some high-profile will shape up in the next one important meeting with its candidate in 2018 against reshuffle in the establishment, or two months would be of po-leader, Sardar Akhtar Mengal Mohsin Dawar. few days back and the latter Opposition sources said the put certain conditions for his at a time when elections in

challenges currently and, in the term and long-term strategies after the opposition staged a July 21, and Asif Ali Zardari last 10 months, the government before the final 'march on Is- protest during the budget has expressed his reservations has been unable to provide any lamabad'. One has to wait and speech in the presence of over the presence of law-enrelief to people. There has been see whether the APC would be Prime Minister Imran Khan, forcement agencies inside the an unprecedented rise in prices converted into any formal who showed his strong anger polling stations. and gas and electricity tariffs grand opposition alliance or and issued directive to his The APC has been called baz Sharif to speak.

ments. He has also constituted budget would conclude and after former president Asif Ali would include Maryam Nawaz a high-powered commission to the finance bill would be put Zardari was arrested by NAB, as the latter knows her abinvestigate the foreign loans for vote in the assembly. The and National Assembly Speaker sence would be felt, JI Ameer acquired during the past 10 conference will also work out Asad Qaiser came under pres-Sirajul Haq, ANP's Asfandyar years and their use, but the a strategy whether to get the sure, reportedly from the PM Wali, National Party's Hasil things did not look good on the budget passed or go for voting not to issue the production Bizenjo and others. At present, the government order for Zardari and PML-N

would create rumpus during However, he is still finding the speech of any member, But, the production order

Mohsin Dawar and Ali Wazir, Maulana Fazlur Rehman were not issued and the oppo-

cal heat in an already uncer- prisonment at Kot Lakhpat jail APC or not is yet not clear, as the two sides have political dif-The BNP-M is still unde- ferences as well and the The APC is also being held

> tribal areas, which were earlier Political temperatures rose postponed, would be held on Those who will attend the

have been increased, for which constitute a committee for the party's MNAs not to allow APC include high powered delleader of the opposition Shah- egation from the PPP, led by Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, PML-N Situation further aggravated led by Shahbaz Sharif and

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Japanese envoy calls on Punjab governor

Saeed Ahmed

ISLAMABAD: Ambassador of Japan H E Kuninor Matsuda called on Governor Punjab Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar at Punjab House here on Sunday.

Matters pertaining to mutual interest, economic development, bilateral relations and promotion of trade and commerce between two countries were discussed in the meeting. Governor Punjab apprised

Ambassador of Japan about the initiatives of government for bringing economic stability and social reforms to mitigate the sufferings of common people. He said that special em-

phasis has been laid on pro-

motion of economic activiso that new opportunities of jobs and business could be created. He also mentioned foreign visits of Prime Minister

of Pakistan Imran Khan and foreign delegate's visits to Pakistan for strengthening economic relations. Chaudhry Sarwar said

that we are committed to bring visible change in Pakistan with sustainable development and in order to obthis objective: government has adopted drastic steps to observe austerity and utilize all available resources with best plan-

The governor appreciated the support of Japanese Government in education, health, social and economic sector in Pakistan and said that the close cooperation among Pakistan and Japan would be further developed with the passage of time. He was of the view that

remarkable industrial development of Japan is a role model and we are trying our best for capacity building and resource mobilization in this sector by following such success stories under the leadership of Prime Minister Imran Khan.

Punjab Governor during the meeting also pointed out the direct foreign investment opportunities provided by government of Pakistan in different sectors and asked that Japan can also get benefit of this market.

He said we are giving due priorities to the neglected sectors and allocations had been earmarked in current fiscal year budget to provide helping hand and social security to the downtrodden.

During the meeting matters about peace and tranquility in the regions also came under discussion.

Japanese Ambassador lauded the efforts of Government of Pakistan for national development and assured that Japan would continue its support and bilateral ties among two countries would be further pro-

50pc FNC members to be women

Guidelines for FNC polls approved; candidates should not raise more than Dh2m; candidates should furnish statements of accounts for all donations received; no candidate is allowed to use offensive language or insult others; officials of government or any official authority are not allowed to back any candidate or run a campaign in favour of any candidate

Monitoring Desk

with the decision of the Presi-

20 of the 40-member house will any other emirate. be women. Meanwhile, the National Election Commission every voter has one vote and emirates to the FNC.

the FNC polls. Under the genrespectful of social values.

deception or fraud.

campaigns. Candidates are not cial for assistance. allowed to spend on their campaigns from public funds, violations that could hinder lion spending ceiling of cam- by each candidate and candi- or any other documents.

budgets of public ministries, the progress of elections or ob- paigns, but prevented them dates are not allowed to agree

Under the general rules, to the candidate.

rules for elections under which tion round. He is not allowed to nouncement of candidates committee for approval. sectarianism and intolerance deputise or represent any other lists, but can return to his job if have no place in campaigns for person to cast his electoral vote. he doesn't win the FNC seat. lowed to use the emblem or The NEC shall be in charge

dacy, grace period of with- upon candidancy.

nic and tribal or bigotry will also set up sub-commit- TV, radio and print media, hold candidate's campaign. against others. Similarly, they tees of elections and deter- symposia and press confercampaign involving any act of setting up teamworks for run-laid down by the NEC. ning the elections process and

sulting others are prohibited in and second government offi- normal or legal individuals, only allowed in halls assigned not allowed to distribute - by The NEC will look into any should not exceed the Dh2 mil-shall be conducted individually action plans, bulletins or slips

ABU DHABI: The representa- ments. Public utilities are not sued instructions, and take ac- cash or kind. tion of women in the Federal to be used in campaigns. Also tion by warning member of the National Council (FNC) will be the use of SMSs is not allowed electoral college of withdrawal account statements of the do-running the campaigns. raised to 50 percent in keeping by companies in the campaign. from electoral lists or from the nations they receive to the emi-The rules allow every UAE list of candidates for the cur- rate election committee. It is to- prohibited from showing any il-

get their messages across in dates for each emirate, issuing certificate of leave from his electoral bulletins and all sorts which the government owns advertisements and posters a time frame for elections, set- employer. If he is a member of of publications and illustra- part of their stakes are not alwithout being offensive or dis- ting dates of the start of candi- the judiciary, he should resign tions. He is not allowed to use lowed to offer any forms of fi-The guidelines say candidacy, date of The resolution specified the other than FNC elections. Gov- any facilities or resources to Bureau (NAB) and renewal of excessive expense allocations dates have the right to pro-holding elections in each emi-elections campaign rules under emment and semi-government any candidate or assume any

The rules have allowed can-photos on vehicles or car. Also favour of any candidate. On the Tactics of defamation or in- have the authority to deputise didates to raise donation from the use of loudspeakers are day of elections, a candidate is provided that these donations to this purpose. Campaigns himself or through others -

departments and establish- struct implementation of is- from offering gifts to voters in on unified electoral lists for the Candidates should furnish gether directly or indirectly in

No candidate shall be al- the FNC members.

Under the rules, the NEC programmes through the local mails should not be used in the or against the candidate.

dent His Highness Shaikh citizen registered with the electron or future elections, cancel tally prohibited for candidates legal, direct or indirect behav-Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nayhan. toral college in his emirate to any names stated in the elector receive funds or donations tour or acting or using offending International media re- cast his vote only in the emi- tions lists, even they are final, from outside the country or language or insult against other ported that as per the decision, rate he represents and not in revoke the licence of adver- from foreign circles. All candi- candidates. Campaigns should tisement and promotion given dates shall be committed to not include phrases, speeches, spending a ceiling of campaigns statements or bulletins that Every public servant can of Dh 2 million, and to disclos- harm or touch any other candiapproved the guidelines for can elect only one candidate of nominate himself for the FNC ing sources that finance their date. Keeping in mind the role elections of representatives of the emirate he or she repre- membership under the rules campaigns, besides submitting of the FNC member, the candisents. A voter is not allowed to and he shall not assume his the campaign plan and budget date should not announce dur-They outline the general vote more than once in an elec-public job from the date of an- to the elections management ing his campaign promises or plans breaching the powers of Under the regulations, gov-If the candidate is a military symbols of the UAE in his ernment departments or com-

eral rules, candidates should of announcing the list of candi- personnel, he should furnish a meetings, advertisements or panies and corporations in his campaighn for any purposes nancial or moral support or and elimination of certain mote themselves freely, but rate and grace period for chal-which cast of votes shall be schools, universities, institutes, act that can affect directly or The Board noted that it was major or uncalled capital ex- | they should refrain from incor- lenges and date for announce- through direct secret balloting, mosques, hospitals, buildings, indirectly the campaign of any Candidates can present their public parks and commercials candidate whether in favour of Also, officials of the govern-Candidates are prohibited to ment or any official authority

are not allowed to launch any mine their functions, besides ences according to conditions post bulletins, advertisements are not allowed to back any or any types of illustrations or candidate or run a campaign in

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Trouble with talks

ew Delhi appears to be sticking to previ-ous reluctance to resume dialogue with Pakistan, with the Ministry of External Affairs making it clear it had not made any request for talks with Pakistan. The statement came after reports appeared in the Pakistani media stating that following Prime Minister Imran Khan's congratulatory messages to Prime Minister Modi, a wish had been expressed by India to put the talks process back on track. Pakistan's Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi has also stated there was no evidence, at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Summit or elsewhere, that India was in any mood to enter into dialogue.

The exchange of warm messages between the prime ministers of the two countries, even as a diplomatic exercise, is however encouraging. Pakistan's gesture in this respect brought from Modi a response, saying his country wished to build an environment of 'trust' and one that was free of terror and hostility. The need to push away terror and violence was also stressed by External Affairs Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar. It seems then that India is clinging on strongly to its previous line on terrorism and has no immediate intentions of shifting its focus. The lines then are clearly drawn. While Pakistan has said it is open for dialogue on all issues, India has been less enthusiastic and in fact appears to wish to stay away from dialogue, even while talking about regional peace and development. The message about the significance of peace and stability in the region has also been reiterated by Pakistan's Army Chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa while speaking at the prestigious IISS.

It is obvious that there can be no real peace in the region unless core issues between New Delhi and Islamabad are tackled head on. These issues have become especially urgent since the war-like situation which developed early this year following India's aggressive actions post the Pulwama attack. Pakistan has consistently been mature about the need to keep talking to India. But, somewhat like a recalcitrant child, Modi's India has kept itself away. If allowed to go on, the status quo will continue to mar cooperation, development and lasting peace in South Asia. It will also mean that the plight of the Kashmiri people in particular will not change. Pakistan needs to bring in influence from other quarters to further its cause. There can be no doubt about the need to resolve conflict and ensure a stable relationship between the two nuclear-armed neighbours. And it would be in the interest of the world to work towards this using whatever means is available to them.

Black and white

he report about Anita Bibi in Lahore, who allegedly with the help of an aunt burnt her two young children with a candle while performing a black magic exorcism of some kind at her home in Qila Gujjar Singh has made the national media. Anita Bibi is currently in custody, awaiting trial. Her children, Maryam, 3, and George, 2, are under treatment at Mayo Hospital and mercifully stated to be in a stable condition. Their father is tending to them and has stated he was shocked by what he found when he visited the home where the ritual was taking place, with a goat tied in the same room as the two children, who had been fastened to a bed and a sofa.

The account has drawn public interest. Its details are bizarre. But perhaps this is so because many of us, especially those who considered themselves educated and removed from the world of superstition and shadow that so many in the country live under, do not know what happens in homes all around us. There have been no authoritative surveys on such practices and the extent to which they prevail in Pakistan. But the anecdotal evidence which exists suggests that the practice is extremely widespread, with a foothold in almost every home across the country, even those belonging to the privileged. In the cases of those who are less able to turn to science, modern medicine or other expert help due to a lack of resources and a lack of knowledge, black magic is still more popular. It has brought terrible tragedies. It is almost inevitably the poor and most vulnerable who suffer as victims. We do not know what was going through the mind of the mother who used a candle to burn her chil-

Sadly, too many in our country are left in this uncertain world of such practices. There does not appear to have been a reduction in the dominant belief in such dark practices, even as we enter the modern age and literacy grows in the country. To liberate people from the hold of those who manipulate them using their lears, and create more streamlined knowledge which can help society move forward, we need to re-examine teaching at schools, the science curriculum and the manner in which it is delivered to children. Reports that these practices are on the rise may be due to the increasingly uncertain times we live in. There is no evidence of precisely what is happening, but clearly we must not accept any situation in which persons do harm to others.

A problem for every solution

hy did Ghalib drink alcohol on credit when he knew that his habit would land him in prison? We are about to explore this question, even when Ghalib is sitting among creditors, drinking even more expensive wine - and in larger quantities.

The prime minister has found another Kekra well to keep his core sufficiently engaged and angry and to keep his political opponents in perpetual fear and awe. Exploring Pakistan's addiction to loans (once called aid, now termed package) is important because loans are a major symptom of the two chronic diseases (fiscal and current account deficits) our economy has suffered from for decades. Though not terribly high in GDP terms, these loans are fast becoming unsustainable, again due to the two diseases they are rooted in.

Exploring the question of loans can help us understand our morbid political economy. It can expose the fault lines of an elitist economy that works very well for special interests but badly fails the poor majority. A panel of top national and international economists and socialsector experts would have been most suitable for such an investigation. Their recommendations might have provided us with the milestones for a new national economic policy built on solid evidence and national consensus – a Charter of Economy.

We have hit rock bottom, to borrow the words of Pervez Musharraf. Unfortunately, whenever we hit rock bottom, our ruling elite reaches for a drill to dig a hole. The PTI is one party which has a problem for every solution and this problem is, of course, corruption. Why is the party making a commission when it already knows that everything in Pakistan happened due to corruption and corruption happened due to politicians who refused to join the PTI?

Now that corruption is over, the twin diseases of fiscal deficit and current account deficit still persist, forcing the government to seek more and more loans or Zamzam packages. These diseases can be temporarily solved with the IMF's help, as has always been the case but they will return soon if we do not rect taxpaying category. They are all rich change the very structure of our economy. This will not happen through the simplistic narrative of corruption. Had NAB been a solution to our economic problems, we would be a Holland already, even if the prime minister did not feel inclined to ride a bicycle from Bani Gala to Constitution Avenue.

The prime minister is telling his core that former governments took large amounts of loans and now he is trying to pay those loans back by taking more loans. He is again being generous with the truth. His government is borrowing a lot more than the loans it is paying back to foreign creditors. He is carrying the same begging bowl and for the very same reasons – because his government is running huge fiscal and current account deficits. The reasons for the two deficits are also the same – low taxation and low export base.

This year, the budget deficit can reach the historic figures of Rs2800 billion. Alongside various expenses, the main reason lies in the failure of the govemment to increase taxation. The govemment may face more than Rs450 billion revenue shortfall, which amounts to



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In the next financial year, Pakistan's federal government has targeted fiscal deficit of Rs3500 billion, again due to the low taxation base. Pakistan is one of the least taxed countries in the world. Even in our less developed region, most countries collect 18-20 percent of GDP in taxes while Pakistan collects less than 11 percent. Last year was one of the worst in our history in terms of collection of taxes. In fact, tax receipts went down by one percent of GDP.

So the real question for the economists and everyone to ask is: Why have successive governments failed to collect taxes and chosen to fill the gap through loans? One simple answer is: because they could. For a good part of our history, cheap loans and grants were available and our governments had no hesitation in seeking them. We have reached a point where such lux-

Born and bred in the house of protection, our industry will takes years or even decades to become competitive once it is weaned off from the blood of the poor

ury is not available, unless something dramatic happens in the region and opens the door to the cave of wonders for us once again.

There is an underlying cause for this behaviour. Taxes are unpopular and they result in citizens making governments accountable. In Pakistan, an unwritten social contract has existed between the ruling elite and the rich. By rich, I mean all people who fall in the diin the Pakistani context. The rich (including the middle class) don't pay their taxes, sometime not even their utility bills, and in return they don't make governments accountable.

Take one simple example. Pervez Musharraf, who was showered with loans and grants by the West, was so uninterested in collecting taxes that he abolished the wealth tax in 2003. The wealth tax is good source of revenue and redistribution, used by most developed countries.

In fact, successive Pakistani governments have used aid ie loans (Zamzam packages), just the way some oil-rich countries use oil to avoid accountability. This is how Stewart Patrick explains this situation in his book, 'Weak Links: Fragile States, Global Threats, and International Security':

"Most obviously, easy resource revenues eliminate a critical link of accountability between government and citizens, by reducing incentives to tax other productive activity and use the revenue to deliver social services effectively. The same revenues also generate staggering wealth that facilitates corruption and patronage networks. Together,

they consolidate the power of entrenched elites and regime supporters, sharpening income inequality and stifling political reform."

However, we must remind ourselves that not all loans were misused. For decades, our social sector was mostly reliant on foreign aid. Without foreign aid, perhaps our ruling elite would have kept us even more illiterate and unhealthy. More recently, we have built infrastructure and power houses through CPEC loans that can be a great foundation for economic development.

Then there is another, bigger, problem. We also borrow because of our huge current account deficits, mainly created due to imbalance between imports and exports. A good part of the deficit is covered by our poor workers, mainly based in the Gulf, whose families back home fail to get much from

Why have we failed to grow exports? After all, most developing countries grew their economies on the back of the textile sector. Being a major cotton producer, we were most suitable to use this great vehicle of upward mobility.

There are two simple reasons for this. The export sector requires productive, skilled workers and entrepreneurs. Both skilled workforce and entrepreneurship require investment in human development. This is what Mahbubul Haq and Amarya Sen have argued in their work and showed how the East Asian Tiger became an economic miracle by investing in human development. Amartya Sen argues that the difference between development in China and India also lies in China's high human development. Pakistan, I need not tell you, lies at the bottom of the heap in terms of human development.

The second reason is linked to our political economy. Instead of entrepreneurship, we have promoted crony capitalism. Crony capitalism feeds on state patronage, exploits primary producers and makes easy money without getting into the trouble of innovation or hard work.

We mainly export cheap sootar (yarn) and grey cloth because our textile sector can make loads of money just by exploiting farmers and getting subsidies, tax exemptions and cheaper utilities from the government. Why would these elites get sycophantic with international importers and burn the midnight oil when they can make money even after attracting dumping duties?

Born and bred in the house of protection, our industry will takes years or even decades to become competitive once it is weaned off from the blood of the poor and taxpayers money. Our current problems can only be solved through Foreign Direct investment (FDI) in the export sector that can link our production into the international value chain.

Unfortunately, foreign investors, including the Chinese, are a jittery lot. We are joining the game too late, at a time when investors are flying away from emerging markets and we need to work very hard to attract them. To attract them, we must have political stability. Kaptaan can either bring in FDI or keep his core sufficiently angry and his opposition sufficiently scared.

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THE HOLY QURAN

Let not their wealth nor their children astonish thee! Allah purposeth only to punish them thereby in the world, and that their souls shall pass away while they are disbeliev-

Surah At-Taubah - 9, Verse - 85

Normalising atrocity

Kenn Orphan

ast week President Trump vowed mass arrests and the removal of "millions of illegal aliens" by early this week. These proclamations have become increasingly normalized in an age where his absurdities are spouted daily, but this is the kind of rhetoric which often precedes atrocity. "Mass arrests" of millions

of people is the kind of language that communicates the naked aggression of the state against the "other." It permits a sweeping dehumanization of entire groups. That they are non-violent or paying taxes is of no consequence. They are "aliens" who must be "removed," extracted from the so-called "legal" population by any means. In the last 20 years this has generally meant people of color, especially those with non-Anglo surnames. Yet, in response to this latest threat I saw a comment from one American liberal which read "meh, the logistics of doing something like this are enormous." In other words, "it can't happen here." History begs to differ.

Thousands of socialists and leftists were marched into stadiums in Chile in the 1970s and gunned down, tortured, or disappeared in a country with a much smaller military than the US. Between 1965 and 1966, at least a million communists, or those believed to be communists, were hunted down and brutally murdered in Indonesia by rightwing death squads and the police.

And millions of Jews, Roma, communists, homosexuals and the disabled were persecuted, rounded up and sent to concentration camps in the 1930s and 40s in Germany and Nazi occupied countries, where most perished at a time when many ordinary people thought "the logistics" of doing something like that were too "enormous" to be fathomed, much less carried out. And each atrocity was preceded by the rise of a pernicious fascism and the language of dehumanization by leaders.

The notion that atrocity 'can't happen here" is soundly refuted by the fact that it has happened here. And countless times. The US, a nation founded upon or-

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ganized ethnic cleansing and genocide of the native population, and the brutal enslavement of millions of Africans, has also been home to more recent mass atrocities. Thousands of black and brown men and some women were lynched over the early part of the 20th century. Events organized and sanctioned by authorities, police and politicians, where popcorn, postcards and body parts were sold as souvenirs to the ghoulish onlookers. Thousands of Japanese Americans were rounded up and put in internment camps in the desert during WW2 for the

sake of "national security." Indeed, over the 20th century the US military, energy, and intelligence agencies have been at the forefront of atrocity, conducting medical, chemical and radiation experiments on millions of unsuspecting people. Whether it was feeding radioactive food to mentally disabled children and conscientious objectors, or irradiating pregnant women, infants or prisoners, or releasing radioactive chemicals over US and Canadian cities, the US establishment has demonstrated it is quite at home in administering atrocity and then burying it all until years later.

And this is not counting the non-Americans in the Marshall Islands where the US tested its nuclear bombs. Or the millions of deaths caused by American imperialistic wars which carpet bombed cities and villages used napalm and Agent Orange or, more recently, the use of burning white phosphorous and cancer causing

depleted uranium. Entire regions have been devastated, scores slaughtered from American forays. But one thing has been consistent, the vast majority of the victims of American atrocities have been women, the poor, and people of color.

So to some, alarm at Trump's threat may seem hyperbolic. Indeed, there may not be any nascent mass atrocity unfolding here at this time. Others might say he is merely removing people who are in the US illegally, or that it could simply be more distraction, a nod to his

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xenophobic base.



Approximately more than 20 years back the then government had announced that senior citizens, ie 65 years and above, shall be given special treatment at public places. This included separate counters at NSCs and places/government departments doing public dealing. Initially, there were a few banks which opened up special counters for senior citizens. Unfortunately, this was for just a few months.

Empathetic centres

Now I come to the most important place for pensioners and senior citizens where a majority of them have to go every month. This place is the National Saving Centres, where most of the old people have invested their money. The NSCs offer excellent schemes which give reasonable returns on the money invested. The conditions there though are quite bad, in fact sometimes humiliating. The Ministry of Finance should address this issue seriously. The NSCs have to be made more spacious and staff strength has to be increased to boost efficiency and reduce the waiting time. Also, senior citizens have peculiar habits which are sometimes irritating for others. The NSC staff is requested to show a bit of tolerance and extend a helping hand to them as everybody has to some day reach this stage.

Sqn-Ldr (r) Tarique Mahmood Malak Rawalpindi

Rising temperature

According to some media reports, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) announced that two recent temperature readings have been accepted among the hottest recorded on Earth. One of

the scorching marks came from the Middle East, the other from

Rigorous investigations such as this independent temperature sensor calibration give us much higher confidence in our existing climate records, and consequently provide a solid basis for examining records being broken around the world and for studies of attribution of extremes to climate change. The WMO archive of weather and climate extremes includes the world's highest and lowest temperatures, rainfall, heaviest hailstone, longest dry period, maximum gust of wind, as well as hemispheric weather and climate extremes.

Khan Faraz

EOBI in neglect

The government is finalizing various budgetary proposals for the fiscal year 2019-20 including provision of benefits to serving as well as retired employees of various organisations by enhancing monthly remuneration besides other supporting measures. A look into these policy measures reveals that EOBI pensioners have been totally ignored for any type of assistance.

The current EOBI pension amount is a meagre one and not even sufficient to meet one's kitchen requirements. A retired person is in dire need of proper medical care, in addition to many other hardships faced in post-retirement life. Realizing the hardships of EOBI pensioners, Special Assistant to Prime Minister on Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development Syed Zulfikar Abbas Bukhari in the recent past had vowed to enhance the amount of

the Employees Old-Age Benefits In-

stitution (EOBI) pension thus giving a hope to EOBI pensioners. All that hope has totally vanished after the budget. The prime minister needs to immediately take notice of this serious issue and approve an increase in pension amounts to a minimum Rs20,000 per month to be implemented from the next fiscal year 2019-20

> Khalid Mahmood Islamabad

Jobless and Pakistani

In Pakistan, unemployment -

which is increasing rapidly - is creating problems for the citizens of the country. According to a report, at least 5.3 million people in Pakistan are unemployed. Another report says that only 39

percent of the youth are employed while 61 percent youth is still jobless. This issue needs a holistic approach and the government must

Sager Ahmed

Karachi's water woes

The water shortage in Karachi has started deepening as warm weather arrives in the megacity of Pakistan. Citizens in many areas have been compelled to drink contaminated water. These areas include Lyari, Baldia, Orangi, Keamari, Shershah and parts of Gulistan-e-Johar. Despite several protests across the city and raising of the issue in the Sindh Assembly in almost every session, there is

According to a report, 40 percent water in Karachi is being wasted due to leakages, whereas District

Budget blues

am amazed at the revenue minister's budget presentation. He announced an increase in salaries while giving a long list of taxes that would bring our salaries back to where they were - or even lower. The minister asked us to hope that the difficulties arising out of budgetary measures, including inflation, would subside over six months or a year. Did he think how people would survive in this time? Did he realize that people can end up committing suicide due to inflation?

The magnitude of the problem can be judged by the fact that they did not have a full-time finance minister to present their first federal budget. It sounded good when the budget offered to help the poor, increased allocations or social safety nets, social protection programmes, interest-free loans etc - but these all are empty promises that have no place in the given budget. I do not consider the budgetary measures to be favourable to the ordinary folks if the items of daily use like food and fuel are taxed more heavily while there is no scope to receive additional incomes to sustain a sane standard of living. In the present circumstances, it is hardly expected that the new fiscal measures will be of any help to match the increasing expenditures.

Izhan Ahmed Karachi

West faces acute water as the water level in Hub Dam is low. The city is getting low water supply to the pumping stations due to non-desilting of water channel from Keenihar Lake, which is a bulk water supply source for the city. A water tanker of 1000 gallons in Baldia and Orangi towns is sold for Rs2500, which is slightly brackish. People in many areas are running from pillar to post to get drinking water.

Alma Zehra

The loan question

This refers to the letter, 'Where's the appreciation? (June 22) by Egr Asim Nawab. The best policy for a nation is to remain within its means and seek a loan only when unavoidable. In the case of Pakistan, the priorities for the general public include clean drinking

water, food, healthcare, quality education, affordable transportation, and shelter. However, the percentage of GDP in the budgets on basic needs has been abysmally low since independence. Successive governments had

been borrowing excessively for investing in certain projects for political gains. Every mega project carries some benefits, but it is a question of priorities for more urgent needs. Even if these projects were corruption-free, how would the huge loan with interest be paid back? Were any strategies in place to generate revenues to return the borrowed money? Political parties instead of striving for a zero-sum game should seek a win-win strategy to take Pakistan out of the quagmire of loans.

Dr Najeeb A Khan

Ex-FM **Abdul Sattar** passes away

away on Sunday, according to the Foreign Office. "We are deeply saddened to announce that former foreign minister Abdul Sattar has passed away. He was an illustrious diplomat and an accomplished author," the statement read. Sattar served as foreign minister under then president Pervez Musharraf from 1999 to 2002. He was with Musharraf during the historic Agra summit between Musharraf and then Indian prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Sattar also served as the foreign secretary from 1986-88. "We offer our profound condolences to the bereaved family and pray for the departed soul," the communique added. His funeral prayers will be offered today (Monday) at Islamabad's Sector H-11

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graveyard.

Rawalpindi based Quetta hotel and cafes. The panel will also be given briefing by the University of Punjab Vice Chancellor regarding the quota of Balochistan students for admission. The Senate House Committee will be briefed on June 26 by Capital Development Authority (CDA) chairman on the negligence of the organisation in the bidding process of shops at Parliament Lodges with particular reference to unrelated firms in the exercise and illegal issuance of bidding documents on the date of opening of the bids, and on the joint measurement of additional block of Parliament Lodges. The Civil Defence director general will brief

COAS watches

the body on the mock drill

in Parliament House.

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against South Africa in their key World Cup match.General Bajwa was accompanied by British Foreign Secretary Jeremy Hunt and Director General Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) Major General Asif Ghafoor to the cricket stadium. Prime Minister Imran Khan's son Suleman Khan also went to Lord's to watch the match. Suleman Khan was standing with a group of people and shied away from responding to any questions. —Agencies

Qureshi

Continued from page 1 had agreed to a strategic partnership in the fields of trade, investment and energy. The understanding came at the strategic dialogue between the two sides at foreign office in the federal capital. Qureshi had said Pakistan would continue to fulfill its responsibilities visa-vis peace in Afghanistan and the region. The foreign minister had also apprised the EU delegation about

Maryam

gross human rights viola-

tions in the Indian Held

Kashmir. —NNI

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had simply pointed out that the PTI regime had made a mockery of country's economy and had destroyed it beyond repair. This statement she was grossly misconstrued and misrepresented out of context in the coverage of her press conference which was extremely disappointing. The Sharif family, by the grace of God, she said, was completely united and on the same page without any disagreements or discord. The rivals of the Sharif family had been working day and night for the past three decades to drive a wedge between the two brothers but the family had stood strong against such conspiracies and will continue to do so in future, she concluded.

Power Division

Continued from page 12 MMBTU, instead of Rs275, showing an increase of 168pc. The monthly bill of this category will increase by 101pc to Rs6,918 from Rs3,449. About 12pc con

sumers fall in this category.

Ogra worked out an increase

of 42pc for consumers using

300-400 cubic meters per

month to Rs1,107 per

MMBTU from Rs780. In con-

trast, the regulator worked a

reduction of 24pc in existing

rates of consumers using

more than 400 cubic meters

per month to Rs1,107 per

MMBTU from Rs1,460.

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question as to where this presthe last 10 months," he said. Chowk.

ans sitting on the treasury 22 billion dollars. "But still the be enhanced to six percent in benches have a heavy respon- PTI government is blaming the last year with an average sibility of tolerating the criti- past governments for its fail- of five percent. cism instead of demonstrating ures," he said.

vestors would opt for making it was then President Asif cent. He said 10 million jobs investment in Pakistan when Zarari who undertook fre- will be created in five-year its Prime Minister would intro- quent visits of China and term of the PTI government. bankrupt nation in the com- off. "We never made tall cated to improve power trans-

Pakistan with best stock mar- country," he said. ket in Asia and strong cur- He observed that the gov- billion for agriculture sector. has come down to around 3 tinue accountability but terming the budget as anti-

situation and gave country Vi- the only way to put the coun- ciety. sion 2025 and prepared a na-try on path of development, tional roadmap with consulta- progress, and prosperity. of the business

PPP parliamentarians Raja ment.

ADB restores

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sion would definitely im-

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of bailout package from the

IMF's Executive Board in

early July 2019 will give pos-

itive signals about Pakistan

and it would be followed by

other multilateral donor in-

stitutions for increasing their

funding for the programme

loans as well for project

Pakistani ministers an-

nounced the ADB funding of

\$3.4 billion before its Board

approval, Pakistani authori-

ties were very cautious in re-

leasing any details even

about positive development,

so top officials working in

economic ministries made

efforts to stop publishing of

was paying dividend as the

number of foreign visitors

stood at 0.6 million in 2013

which had now increased to

the UN and ADB, now the

image of the country would

be improved and there is

need to attract foreign

tourists to showcase Pak-

istan's beautiful places hav-

ing potential to earn billions

of dollars provided the secu-

rity remained improved and

infrastructure built to cater

their requirements.

With reclassification of

over 3 million in 2018.

However, sources said

this information.

After surfacing of an unwarranted situation where

Sources said the approval

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Calling Imran 'selected PM' banned in NA

electricity, roads and motor- ward instead blaming the past GDP ratio is 11 percent, which ways infrastructure across the governments for failure of its will be enhanced to 12.6 percountry. "But I want to ask a economic policies. ent government spent over ments in Pakistan would say revenue collection. Rs5000 billion loans taken in that they took over reigns of

He said the PTI leaders ronments. should understand that now they are sitting on the treasury over in difficult period but government to provide 35 perand were not standing in the D gave jobs to thousands of job-cent more funds to provinces.

in attitude while sitting on the cent," he said. treasury benches and agitating

their same old behavior.

Continued from page 1 Pervaiz Ashraf asked the gov-

less people and also increased

Ashraf urged the government taxes on people. He recalled that when the to take the business commu-

community and political lead- should not be humiliated in tilizers and pesticides. He said the name of criticism to main- PML-N in its tenure added Former Prime Minister and tain harmony in the parlia- 12,000 megawatts of electric-

Minister for Planning ernment to take country for- Khusro Bukhtiyar said tax to cent as no economy can func-Saying none of govern- tion without having sufficient

He said the government the country in conducive envi- has set an ambitious revenue collection target of over 5,500 "Our government also took billion rupees, enabling the

He said Sindh alone will There is much difference salaries of by over 100 per- get Rs200 billion more funds if the revenue target is achieved. He pointed out that aver- He said in first year of the govwhile standing on the D age deficit during the PPP ernment, focus will be on eco-Chowk's container," he said. tenure was 2.5 billion dollars nomic stabilisation with a He said the parliamentari- which now had surged to over growth rate of four percent to

The minister said private He said every government investment will be taken to 18 He said no foreign in- was taking credit of CPEC but percent from existing 15 per-

duce his country as the most talked about Gwadar so that Khusro Bakhtyar said 80 corrupt, money launderer and mega CPEC project is kicked billion rupees has been alloclaims because we knew that mission system, 43 billion ru-"We have left a prosper there are many enemies of pees for higher education and knowledge economy, and 13

rency but now the growth rate ernment and NAB could con-Shahida Akhtar Ali of MMA percent, has worst currency should not harass the business poor urged the government to and stock exchange in Asia," community. Raja Pervaiz reduce the burden of multiple

Tashfeen Sadfar of PTI PML-N took over in the year nity onboard to enhance their terming the budget balanced, 2013, it did not get economy in confidence over economic said government wants to upbetter shape but bolster up the policies adding democracy is lift the deprived sector of so-

Rashid Ahmed Khan of PML-N said subsidy should be He said political opponents provided to the farmers on ferity to the national grid.

Erdogan's party loses controversial replay of Istanbul poll

Continued from page 12 ances in just 50 days.

one of our fellow Istanbulites districts. or our challengers, if we have

of invincibility and embolden "Stand guard for democracy" rivals within his party, while

brought prosperity and has speech. fiercely defended the country's interests. Most accepted improved security situation | the line that the re-run was increase on his victory in necessary. "If there's some- March, when he won by just thing like stolen votes, I think 13,000. That win was annulled it's better to redo the election by election authorities after in the name of democracy," Erdogan's AKP party claimed said 45-year-old Huseyin as there was corruption in the

he queued to cast his ballot. Erdogan maintained his allegations of irregularities as to work in harmony with you. he voted on Sunday, saying I convey from here my rethe last election "should not quest to meet with you in the

have happened like that".

Erdogan has played down several huge transport proj- the importance of the re-run, ects and served as prime min-saying last week that the ister, had already struck a choice of mayor was "only a conciliatory tone earlier on change in the shop window' Sunday, "If we have wronged, since the AKP controls alknowingly or unknowingly, most two-thirds of the city's

Fearing fraud, the opposidone something unjust, I ask tion mobilised an army of for your forgiveness," he said. lawyers from across Turkey Analysts said the re-run to monitor Sunday's election, was a lose-lose proposition with the Istanbul Bar Associfor Erdogan: a second defeat ation unfurling a huge banner would undermine his image at their headquarters reading:

Meanwhile, the winner of a victory would forever be Istanbul's mayoral election seen by the opposition as re-run, Ekrem Imamoglu, said stolen. It came as an eco- Sunday that the victory nomic slump and rising prices marked a "new beginning" for have dented the president's Turkey and offered to work reputation for economic closely with President Recep stewardship, with the AKP Tayyip Erdogan. "It was not a also losing the capital Ankara single group or party, but the whole of Istanbul and Turkey For many conservatives, that won this election,' Erdogan remains a hero who Imamoglu said in his victory

His lead of more than 775,000 votes marked a huge

counting. "Mr President, I am ready shortest time possible," But the controversy over Imamoglu said. "I will work the re-run may have ex- diligently without discriminatplained his relative silence, ing against anyone," he added, with no repeat of the tireless before concluding with his rallying for the March polls, campaign slogan: "Everything which included 102 appear- will be fine." -AFP

Pakistan, Qatar to boost cooperation

in energy, tourism, hospitality industry

husband, a former grade-21 income tax officer, namely Mubeen Malik, was shot in Lahore six years ago. She has three children from her first

Zardari

he will follow the narrative of the combined opposition. Asked reconciliation, Zardari

Meanwhile, Senate Chairman Sadiq Sanjrani held a meeting with the PPP co-chairman at the chamber of the PPP Chairman Bilawal Bhutto Zardari at the Parliament House. Dr Abdul Qayyum Soomro was also present in the meeting. The meeting was important as agenda of removal of Sadiq Sanjrani as Senate chairman is also on the agenda of the all parties conference which is scheduled to be held on June 26 in Islamabad.

The ANP had already made matter into the APC.

Pak Navy ship ASLAT receives warm welcome at Port Salalah of Oman

ited Port Salalah of Oman as ment. part of overseas deployment lease on Sunday.

is primarily focused on ensur- the occasion. ing safety and security of inneering Works.

for Regional Maritime Secu- the ship was given a warm tion of the multifaceted long nity visited the ship. rity Patrols (West) in North welcome by the officials of term collaboration that exists Arabian Sea, says a press re- Royal Navy of Oman (RNO). between the two navies. Defence Attaché of Pakistan Deployment of PNS ASLAT at Muscat was also present at onboard PNS ASLAT. Athar upon culmination of the same,

waters. PNS ASLAT is front ASLAT, Captain Shafiq Ur guest. line warship of Pakistan Navy Rehman PN separately called

of the art weapons and sen-sincere regards from Admiral patriates. Later, the ship was verse avenues.

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Navy sors, capable of undertaking Zafar Mahmood Abbasi, Chief opened to the visitors during Ship (PNS) ASLAT with em- wide range of maritime opera- of the Naval Staff to the Royal which officers & men from barked AL-43 helicopter vis- tions in multi threat environ- Navy of Oman & Omani peo- Sultan's Armed Forces and a ple and highlighted that visit large number of members of Upon its arrival at the port, of PNS ASLAT is a manifesta- Pakistani expatriate commu-In the last part of its visit,

PNS ASLAT conducted joint A reception was also held exercises with RNO ship and Salman, Deputy Head of Mis- the ship resumed its role in During stay at Salalah port, sion of Pakistan at Muscat, Regional Maritime Security ternational shipping in these the Commanding Officer PNS graced the occasion as chief Patrols (West) in the North Arabian Sea. Pakistan and The reception was at-Oman are tied in eternal Fleet & fourth ship of Sword on Commanding Officer tended by officers of the Sul- bonds of religion and brother-Class frigate project; built at Salalah Naval Unit and Com- tans Armed Forces, DA hood. The visit by PNS ASLAT Karachi Shipyard and Engi- mander 11 infantry Brigade. (China) and Commanding Of- will further enhance Pakistan During meetings, the com- ficer of PLA (Navy) Ship XIAN Navy's bilateral relations with The ship is fitted with state manding officer, conveyed and prominent Pakistani ex- Royal Navy of Oman in di-

Enthusiasts enthralled by JF-17 Thunder

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displayed alongside other aircraft and defence equipment, the indigenously manufactured JF-17 Thunder remained the star attraction of the show.

The eager crowd was briefed about the operational capabilities and its sophisticated weaponry by the PAF personnel.

The public was ecstatic to see the Pride of Pakistan in their midst and had selfies & photographs with the PAF contingent members.

Apart from the static display, the PAC manufactured aircraft also presented a farewell aerobatics performance. Participation of PAF contingent in the largest air show of the world has provided an excellent opportunity to showcase its cutting edge capabilities. It has also given an opportunity to the potential buyers to assess its immense potential in the international market.

Former actress Anjuman weds

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starring in films like Wadey Ki Zanjeer, Sher Khan, Chan Varyam, Jeedar, and others.

She is known for starring in lead roles alongside legendary Punjabi film actor Sultan Rahi, and has also co-starred with in non-Punjabi films with leading actors like Waheed Murad, Mo hammad Ali, and Nadeem.

This is the film actress second marriage. Her first

Continued from page 1 said it is out of question now.

a demand of replacing Sadiq Sanjrani and the opposition has decided to take up this

Pakistan overcome Their second win of the Earlier, man-of-the-match

team," said Du Plessis. "We Ahmed's side hope of making had set the tone for a dispiritare not playing the cricket we the semi-finals, with three ing day for South Africa. The are capable of and that is ex- matches remaining in the bat- 30-year-old, dropped followtremely disappointing.

pointment is we are letting

beset by problems on and off South Africa never looked like blitz, Haris Sohail gave Pak-World Cup was rejected and first 10 overs. As the pressure tory. compounded by an injury that mounted, Quinton de Kock out of the tournament.

the worst possible start when day international wicket. they were beaten by 104 runs by hosts England in the tour- when a mistimed swipe was a turning point. You see against Afghanistan.

Pakistan were also playing

tle to finish in the top four in ing Pakistan's opener against "For me the biggest disap- the 10-team group stage. the West Indies, made up for Bangladesh's 322-3 against lost time as he demolished ourselves down with the skill the West Indies was the only South Africa's beleaguered that is in that dressing room." successful chase of more than bowlers. Hitting nine fours South Africa have been 250 in this World Cup and and three sixes in his ruthless

tournament gives Sarfaraz Haris Sohail's dashing display

the field - starting when AB emulating that feat. The Pro- istan a shot of adrenaline after de Villiers' late offer to come teas lost Hashim Amla early Babar Azam's more sedate 69 out of retirement for the and managed only 38 from the laid the foundations for vic-*We made some changes ruled pace bowler Dale Steyn fell for 47, caught on the today for the good of the boundary by the diving Imam-team," said Sarfaraz. Their campaign got off to ul-Haq for Shadab's 50th one-"Haris Sohail came in, he

> was hungry to play in the Du Plessis perished for 63 match and the way he batted a simple catch.

nament opener and they never against Mohammad Amir bal- Jos Buttler play that type of recovered, with a single win looned high in the air for innings so the way he played to show for their efforts, wicketkeeper Sarfaraz to take was fantastic. It was a complete bowling effort, Wahab

Rassie van der Dussen (36) Riaz, Mohammad Amir, Shafor their World Cup survival went in similar fashion, skying heen Afridi all did their bit," and their army of fans turned Shadab to give Mohammad he added. "That what has Lord's into a vibrant mass of Hafeez a catch that pushed been missing in previous South Africa towards the exit. matches." -AFP

Trump vows new Iran sanctions, Tehran warns US

Continued from page 12 Javad Zarif on Saturday pub-

States. After the downing craft Thursday of the Global Hawk surveillance aircraft, Trump said the United about where the vessel was States had been "cocked & when it was brought down," loaded" to strike Iran.

But at the last minute, he said he pulled back as the re-downed, Trump secretly ausponse would not have been thorized US Cyber Com-"proportionate."

war with Iran, but if it came ported Saturday. view with NBC conducted News said a spying group reon Friday.

drone violated its airspace denies — but a commander charge d'affaires of the of the elite Revolutionary United Arab Emirates, from Guards, Brigadier General where the US drone Amir Ali Hajizadeh, told launched, to protest its decistate news agency IRNA that sion to "put its installations the violation could have at the disposal of foreign

"Nonetheless, this was an

Iranian waters, but Iranian sensitive Strait of Hormuz. Foreign Minister Mohammad —AFP

lished maps showing the airinside territory. "There can be no doubt

he wrote on Twitter. After the drone was

mand to carry out a retalia-The US president subse- tory cyber attack on Iran, quently said he did not want. The Washington Post reto pass, there would be It crippled computers "obliteration like you've used to control rocket and never seen before," accord- missile launches, according ing to excerpts of an inter- to the Post, while Yahoo

sponsible for tracking ships Tehran insists that the in the Gulf was targeted. Iran's foreign ministry something Washington said it had summoned the

forces for aggression." The US Federal Aviation act of trampling interna- Administration has barred tional aviation laws by a spy American civilian aircraft aircraft," Hajizadeh added. from the area "until further The Pentagon released a notice," and several major map of the drone's flight non-US airlines were alterpath, indicating it avoided ing flight paths to avoid the

| Farooq lambastes Indian soldiers harassing Kashmiris MIRPUR (AJK): National Con-

ference President and former puppet chief minister of Indian Held Kashmir, Dr Farooq Abdullah, expressed dismay over the frequent halt of the public transport by the Indian occupation security forces on Jammu-Srinagar road.

He said the security forces should not stop public and private transport on Jammu - Srinagar Highway in IHK and harass people while they are travelling, says a report reaching here Sunday from across the line of control. When I was travelling towards Pahalgam Saturday, I saw the Indian Held Kashmir security forces stopping vehicles, harassing drivers. They shouldn't hamper smooth travel of the people. This practice should be

Nowhere in the world do we see people stopped on highways and harassed, the ex-chief minister of held Kashmir told reporters in Pahalgam in occupied valley, the report said. Movement of public and private transport was banned for two days in a week during India-backed so called Indian parliamentary elections in the Indian Held Kashmir (IHK). -APP

stopped instantly.

percent to average 85 to 90 percent in comparison with fair market value of properties depending upon the locations of

Continued from page 12 the burden of upper judici-

FST 'Appellate

Division' on the cards

Court for appeals against the added the same sources.

Division, as appeals would justice. be filed at Appellate Davi-

bers would be the retired within two three months. judges of High Courts or senior lawyers.

sulted for the issue.

lation will not only reduce and Justice.

ary but also enhance the catheir job issues and Supreme pability of Tribunal. Qazi informed The News

decisions of Tribunals, that some 5300 plus cases are pending in FST and his Sources further added first priority is to overcome that said legislation would pendency and conclusion of reduce the load of cases all matters according to the from upper judiciary after law and constitution of the formation of Appellate Pakistan through speedy

Qazi further added that Federal Service Tribunal According to the pro- would set its operations in new revised rates are intended posed Bill, the criteria for Quetta, Bahawalpur, Multan to be applicable from July 1. late Division would be re- setup of bench has been valuation rates for Abbottabad, Sheikh Tamim left Pak- visit would be seen in all nopoly of India there in the IT | tired Judge of Supreme completed in Peshawar and Bahawalpur, Faisalabad, Gu-Court of Pakistan and mem- it will start its working He said that Lahore's

setup would also be en-Chairman of Federal hanced as the office of FST Service Tribunal Khalid Ali over there is working in a Qazi by confirming the move house of 10 marla which acof said legislation told 'The cording to him should be News' that he was also con-shifted to better place and such formal request has Qazi added that the legis- been sent to Ministry of Law

FBR proposes Continued from page 1

respective cities. "We have

brought close to 85 to 90 percent to the fair market value of properties in different cities of the country as it will help the tax machinery to maximise its collection," top FBR sources told The News here Sunday. The FBR intends to revise the value of immovable properties in various cities of Pakistan. The proposed draft of valuation tables for various cities is placed for views and comments which may be provided not later than June 30 at email address secy.itb@fbr.gov.pk. The jrat, Hyderabad, Islamabad, Jhang, Jhelum, Lahore, Mardan, Multan, Peshawar, Rawalpindi, Sahiwal, Sargodha, Sialkot, Guiranwala and Sukkur. In Islamabad, Sector E-7 has been highest valuation rate of Rs148,000

and I/16 Sector possessed low-

est valuation rate of Rs26,000.

The per square vard value in

Blue Area Islamabad ranged

from Rs31,000 to Rs247,000.

Continued from page 1 potential through more Qatari JF-17 Thunder aircraft. He help address Pakistan's en-

volume of bilateral trade and dustry. enhancing and diversifying

The Emir of Qatar thanked

the government and leader- istan after conclusion of his fields. ship of Pakistan for invitation two-day official visit. and hospitality, and acknowlsector as well as import of at the Nur Khan airbase. food items from Pakistan.

investments and technical took keen interest in the mul- ergy problems. the importance of increased support in the hospitality in-tirole fighter aircraft. Expressing satisfaction visit of Emir of Qatar Sheikh hance bilateral trade besides

Pakistan in fight against ter- Special Assistant to the PM on said his actions had proven tract tourists. rorism. He evinced keen inter- Overseas Pakistanis Syed Zul- his credibility worldwide. She laboration in the energy high civil and military officials been formed and some tar- to enhance bilateral coopera-Prior to his departure, he LPG, had been identified.

He offered assistance in was briefed by the Pakistan building Pakistan's tourism Air Force officials about the invest in the power sector to fense.

tial for enhanced Qatari in- Sheikh Tamim underlined of Prime Minister Imran Khan, Qatar. vestments in diverse fields Qatar's desire to import Special Assistant to the Prime

She expressed the hope Meanwhile, terming the that the Emir's visit would en-

Pakistan's exports to Qatar. over the pace of recruitment Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani to opening doors to more jobs He also focused on poten- of manpower from Pakistan, Pakistan a great achievement for the Pakistani youth in She said the two countries and prospects of further em- 100,000 workers as well as Minister (SAPM) on Informa- had agreed to increase the ployment of Pakistani work- trained security personnel tion Dr. Firdous Ashiq Awan number of Pakistani workers | the Chairman of the Appel- in the end of this year and | The FBR has proposed hiking Sunday said the impact of the in Qatar eliminating the mo-

sector. She said tourism in-In an exclusive talk with dustry development was the The Emir of Qatar and his the PTV News, she appreci- PM's vision but it required a edged the sacrifices made by delegation was seen off by ated the PM's initiatives and suitable infrastructure to at-Firdous said Pakistan and est in enhanced bilateral col-figar Abbas Bukhari and other said a joint working group had Qatar had agreed to take steps

> gets, including the LNG and tion in diverse areas including trade, energy, oil and gas ex-She said Qatar wanted to ploration, tourism and de-

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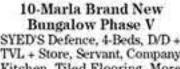
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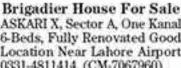
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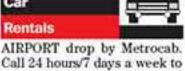


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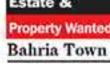
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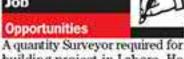
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the expiry of fortnight this Department shall not accept any responsibility what so ever. Deputy Director. Punjab Housing & Town Planning, Agency Sub-Region, Khushab. (CM-) WHEREAS residential plot/House No.22/R-60 situated in Area Development Scheme Jauharabad was allotted in favour Malik Mukhtar Ahmed son of Malik Ahmed Khan. The allottees of plot was appointed to Mst: Shahida Parveen wife of Mukhtar Ahmed as General Power of attorney for the said plot. The said deed was registered with the Sub-Registrar vide No.184-4 dated.01.07.1998. Now the allottee through General Power of Attorney has submitted an application alongwith affidavits that he has no objection if the said plot is transferred in favour of Mr. Muhammad Javaid son of Ghulam Muhammad. The allottee through General Power of attorney has submitted original deed of attorney and other documents with the request to transfer the said plot in name of Mr. Muhammad Javaid

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correct. (CM-5007459) WHEREAS Residential plot House No.1 Street no.WSI Block No. Y measuring (05Marla category) situated in Area Development Scheme Sargodha was allotted in favour Mr. Muhammad Aslam son of Muhammad Talib .The allottee of above mentioned House/plot was appointed to Mr. Habib Ahmed Khan son of Ch: Muhammad Khan as a General Power of attorney for the said plots. The said deed was registered with the Sub-Registrar Urban Sargodha vide entry No. 46-6 dated 09-05-2019. Now the allottee through as a General Power of attorney has submitted an application alongwith affidavits that he has no objection if the plot is transferred in favour of M/S Ch: Shahbaz Ahmed son of Ch: Muhammad Sarfraz and Muhammad Amin son of Muhammad Din. The Allottee through General Power of attorneys has submitted original deed of attorney and other document with the request to transfer the said plot in name of. M/S Ch: Shahbaz Ahmed son of Ch: Muhammad Sarfraz and Muhammad Amin son of Muhammad Din, If any one may gave any objection/ legal rights in this regard he should furnish the same in writing to the undersigned within of fortnights from the publication of this Notice. After the expiry of fortnight this Department shall not accept any responsibility what o ever, Deputy Director, Punjab Housing & Town planning agency sub-region Sargodha.

WHEREAS the residential plot No. 16-P-Z (3-Marla category) situated in Area Development Scheme Sargodha was allotted in the farvour of Mr. Muhammad Khalid son of Muhammad Afzal. The allottee was appointed to Mr. Muhammad Sarwar son of Fateh Muhammad as a General Power of attorney for the said plot. The said deed was registered with the sub Registrar Rural Sargodha. The said deed was registered vide entry No. 591-4 dated 08-11-1994, Now the allottee Mr. Muhammad Khalid through General power of attorney has submitted an applications along with affidavits that he has no objection if the said plot is transferred in favour of Mr. Muhammad Farooq son of Muhammad Sadiq. The General Power of attorneys have submitted original deed of attorney and other document with the request to transfer the said plot in the name of Mr. Muhammad Farooq son of Muhammad Sadiq. If any one may gave any objection/ legal rights in this regard he should furnish the same in writing to the undersigned within of fortnights from the publication of this Notice. After the expiry of fortnight this Department shall not accept any responsibility what so ever. Deputy Director. Punjab Housing & Town Planning Agency sub-region Sargodha. (CM-)

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Khurshed Bibi, Walayat Ali

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Bhagbanpura

Baghbanpura Ibrahim R/O Ghulam Nabi R/o 19 Farooq Ganj Gujranwala, Muqarab Nawaz S/o Muhammad Nawaz Cheema R/O Jhandiala Baghwala Guiranwala, Muhammad Riaz son of Rehmat Ali , R/o PB Model School Colony Ghulam Hussain Javed Gujranwala, , Mushtaq Ahmad Son of Muhammad Yaqoob R/o Hardopur Chak Ago Gujranwala, Rehman Ullah son of Pahinda Khan, R/O Bath Colony Alam Chowk Gujanwala, IN the Court of Manzir Hayat Fazal Qadir, son of Umer Din Sheikhan Muhammad Malik. R/o Mohallah Gujranwala , Muhammad Nawaaz Muhammad Yousaf Son of Ghu-Colony Akram Dogar Haflza- mash sons of Noor Hussain R/O abad Road Gujranwala, Muham- Gujranwala, S Muhammad mad Ashraf S/o Shari Muham- Aazam Son of Sheikh Muhammad R/O Kot Ishaq Gujranwala , mad Aslam R/o Mohallah Model Gulzar Ahmad S/o Umer Hayat Town external Lahore, Zulfiqar R/O Khalid Colony Haflzbad Ali Son of Hasan Muhammad Road Gujranwala, Kashif Yousaf R/O Rehman colony Gujranwala, Asif Yousaf, Shoiab Yousaf Ahmad Khan S/o Khan, Badshah Gujranwala, Shahibar son of Qazi akbar, Sultanpura Gujranwala, dants/ respondents are directed

wala, Muhammad Iqbal son of IN the Court of Manzir Hayat Muhammad Iqbal, R/O Town- Civil Judge 1st Class Gujranwala. Suit for Declaration. Haroon Ismail Vs Zahid Saleem etc Notice: Khalida Begum wife of Muhammad Yousaf son of Noor Muhammad Daud s/o Ibrahim, Ahmad R/O Kotli Rustam Gu- Ghulam Abbas S/o Umer Din, Abdul Ghani S/o Lal Din, Shabir Husain, M basher sons of Muhammad Ayub S/o Abdul Muhammad Din, Abbas S/o Haq Abdul Rehman S/o Muhammad Bashir , Sultan Ahmad S/o jranwala, Muhammad Nazir son Muhammad Aalam , Sana Ullah of Abdul Majeed R/O street S/o Khushi Muhammad, Muhammad Afzal s/o Abdul Ghani, Abbas Onchi Abadi Guiranwala, Allah Ditta S/o Faiz Muhammad, Amjad Hussain S/o Sufi Akhtar mad Amin S/o Allah Lok, Muhammad Ashiq R/o Shahrukh Muhammad Asghar S/o Muham-Colony Haftzabad Road Gujran-mad Sabir, Abdul Hameed S/o wala, Abdul Sattar son of Miraj Din, Muhammad Khan S/o Muhammad Abdullah R/O Kalar Zahid Saleem, Ghulam Rasool, Abadi , Muhammad Younas S/o Ghulam Haidar, Muhammad Muhammad Ramzan R/o Gujran- Sharif, Muhammad Hussain, wala, Farasat Ali son of Ch Muhammad Nazir sons of Allah Muhanmad Inayat, Muhanmad Ditta , Yaseen Ahmad, Nadeem Younas son of Haji Muhammad Asghar, Usman Ali sons of As-Mansha R/o Ladhewala Warri- ghar Ali , Khurshed Aalam S/o Caste Arain R/o Hallan P/o Khas, son of Ghulam Hussain R/O Jafreen S/o Hashim Gull, Khalid Present Address. Gurjanwala, Qurban Ali sons of sons of Ghulam Muhammad, Inayat Ali , R/O Kotli Rustam Gu- Fazal Hussain S/o Dewan Ali, jranwala, Rizwan Ahmad son of Fazeelat Bibi wife of Fazal Hus-Muhammad Sarwar, Uzma Riaz sain, Abdul Jabar S/o Fahad Sad-D/O Riaz Ahmad, R/O Bath dique, Muhammad Iqbal son of Colony Gujranwala, Muhammad Ghulam Nabi , Naheed Akhtar

Court Sheikhupura. Suit for Dissolu-Notices tion of Marriage, Maintenance Allowance, Mst. Javaria Ashraf Ahmad, Muhammad Khalil sons of Taj Din, Abdul Jabar S/o etc. VS Muhammad Abid Rana Muhammad Akram Zia, Muham- S/o Abdul Ghaffar Rana Caste mad Saleem S/o Maqbool Rajput R/o H. No. 76 Mohallah Ahmad, Muhammad Siddiqque, Rasool Park Shahdara Distt. La-Muhammad Hanif sons of Fahad hore now Present out of Country Yo Kyla 10D9 20540 Turko Nazir , Muhammad Yaseen S/o Muhammad Saeed, Ishfaq Finland. Whereas in the above-Ahmad S/o Ghulam Nabi, Abdul mentioned case it has been Satar S/o Rehmat Ali, Zafar proved to the satisfaction of the Muhammad Ashraf S/o Muham-sain S/o Khadim Hussain R/O Ullah Waseem S/o Ghulam Court that the above-mentioned Haidar, Muhammad Iqbal S/o defendant cannot be served in banpura Gujranwala, Ishaq S/o street 12 Gujranwala, Syed Zair Muhammad Ilyas , Mazhar Hus- the ordinary way. It is therefore, sain S/o Ahmad Ali, Ghulam Raproclaimed under Order 5, Rule sool S/o Murad Ali , Zulfiqar Ali 20 CPC that if the said defendant S/o Abdul Waheed, Muhammad will/shall not appear personally Nadeem Asghar, or through a duly authorized agent or pleader in Court at Usman Ali sons of Asghar Ali, 08:00 am on 25-06-2019 the pro-Amin , Abdul Hameed S/o Muhammad Bashir, Imtiaz Muhammad Amin , Muhammad Rizwan S/o Muhammad Sarwar, Abdul Rashed S/o Abdul Gafoor, Muhammad Ilyas S/o Muham-Akram, Muhammad Abbas sons of Muhammad Akram , Parveen W/o Irshad, Faisal Amin S/o Muhammad Amin Murtaza S/o Mustafa, Muhammad Ishaq S/o

Saeed, Abdul Rashed S/o Abdul

e-Azam, Lahore. Suit No. 66/2018. Shahzad Ahmed Plaintiff Versus Habib Bank Limited Defendants, Summons U/S 9(5) of Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, Muhammad Ismail, Dilawar Hus-2001 (Ordinance No. XLVI of sain S/o Karam Din, Muhammad 2001). Summon to: Habib Bank Mustafa S/o Ghulam Muham-Limited Branch Office, Litigamad, Muhammad Khan S/o tion Department HBL, Ground Daran Khurshed, Sajad Riaz, So-Floor 102, 103 Upper Mall, Lahail Riaz, Ali Riaz sons of Riaz, hore. Whereas the aforesaid Shareefan Bibi wife Zulfigar , plaintiff has instituted a suit Muhammad Farooq S/o Nisar against you and others for the Ahmad, Muhammad Zahid S/o recovery of Rs. Declaration Moula Bakhsh , Muhammad alongwith markup/interest and Ashraf S/o Muhammad Din, cost etc, claimed to be payable Muhammad Anún S/o Barkat by you. Summons U/S 10 of the Imtiaz Ahmad S/o Muhammad Ordinance No. XLVI of 2001 re-Saddique , Madrisa Taleem UI ferred to above is hereby issued Quran Ehle Sunat Wal Jamat requiring you to make within 30 Hanfi Barelvi, Muhammad days of the service of this sum-Aazam S/o Nazir Ahmad, Ilyas mon an application for leave to Ahmad S/o Muhammad Saddefend the suit U/S 10 ibid. Take dique, Muhammad Irfan S/o notice that on your failure to file Muhammad Usinan , Abdul such application within time Rehman S/o Muhammad Yousaf, specified above, the Banking Mateh Ullah S/o Abdul Razak, Court shall pass a decree as Ghulam Abbas S/o Umer Din prayed for in the plaint, in Fiaz Asam Son of Muhammad favour of the plaintiff Banking Sadiq , Arshad Late through Company. Next date for further legal heirs, Amjad, Wajid sons, proceedings in the case has Ashi daughter Irshad , Parveen been fixed on 01-07-2019. Given Bibi widow of Irshad, Muhamunder my hand and seal of the mad Hafeez son of Abdul Aziz, Court this 20-06-2019, Judge Muhammad Fiaz son of Taj Din, Banking Court-VII, Lahore. (CM-Ejaz Ahmad S/o Muhammad Saddique , Muhammad Bilal S/o Muhammad Rafique, Zulfigar IN the Court of Judge Banking Ahmad son of Muhammad Court-VII, Old State Bank Build

Rehman, Tariq Mehmood S/o e-Azam, Lahore. Suit No. Shabir Ahmaad, Aftab Ahmad 95/2018, ZTBL Plaintiff Versus Khan S/o Abdullah Khan, Faiqa Siraj Din Defendants. Summons Zareen wife of Faisal Hameed U/S 9(5) of Financial Institutions R/o Aalam Chowk Gujranwala. (Recovery of Finances) Ordi-Abdul Hameed S/o Muhammad nance, 2001 (Ordinance No Sharif, Abdul Aziz S/o Feroz Din. XLVI of 2001). Summon to: Siraj Muhammad Boota S/o Chiragh Din S/o Akbar Ali, Resident of Din, Muhammad Akram son of Hari Kay Noul, Kasur. Whereas Mian Inayat, Abdul Ghani son of the aforesaid plaintiff has insti-Muhammad Ismail, Haji Muhamtuted a suit against you and othmad Adrees S/o Abdul Ghani, ers for the recovery of Rs. Anwar Bibi wife of Muhammad 4,35,686/- alongwith markup/in-Bashir, Muhammad Bashir son terest and cost etc, claimed to of Umer Din , Muhammad Mushbe payable by you. Summons taq , Ishtiaq Ahmad sons of J/S 10 of the Ordinance No. Muhammad Saddique, Ghulam XLVI of 2001 referred to above is Haidar son of Noor Din , Zahida hereby issued requiring you to Parveen wife of Muhammad make within 30 days of the serv-Iqbal, Rashid Mehmood son of ice of this summon an applica-Muhammad Razman , Muhamtion for leave to defend the suit mad Yousaf son of Fazal Hus-U/S 10 ibid. Take notice that on sain, Muhammad Mansha Darr your failure to file such applica-S/o Muhammad Shafi, Abdul tion within time specified above, Gafar S/o Elam Din, Abdul Satar the Banking Court shall pass a Gulzar Ahmad sons of Fakir decree as prayed for in the Ahmad, Muhammad Hanif S/o plaint, in favour of the plaintiff Kareem Bakhash , Muhammad Banking Company. Next date for Ishaq S/o Elam Din , Muhammad further proceedings in the case Riaz, S/o Ibaram, Muhammad has been fixed on 31-07-2019 Din, Muhammad Ismail sons of Given under my hand and seal of Ali Muhammad, Abdul Mateen the Court this 21-06-2019. Judge Asim son of Muhammad Rafique Banking Court-VII, Lahore. (CM-Ghulam Qadir, Tariq Mehmood, Muhammad Arif sons of Muham-IN the court of Jahangir Ali mad Shafi, Muhammad Sarwar Gondal Additional District S/o Muhammad Saddique, Nasir Judge/Judge Gas Utility Court Ahmad, Bashir Ahmad sons of

ing Opp. GPO, Shahrah-e-Quaid-

Faisalabad. Suit for : Recovery Muhammad Hussain, Muham-Rs, 329400. Sui Northeran Gas mad Saddique, Muhammad Pipelines Limited VS Muhammad Ejaz. To: Muhammad Ejaz S/o Muhammad Ashraf R/o P-689 Street No 10 Khalid Abad Near Nazimabad Upper Portion Faisalabad. Whereas in the above titled case service of the defendant seems to be impossible through ordinary manner, tional District Judge/Judge Gas Before Khalid Arshad Judge Banking Court No.2. 92-P, Malik Road Gujjar Basit Faisalabad Suit Under Section 9 of the Financial Institutions. Suit for: Declaration Subject: Omer Waqas S/o Muhanumad Arif Eman Waqas VS Waqas Aslam S/o Muhammad Asiam Naseem

Javed Chak No 395 JB Sada Ariamyan Teba Tek Singh VS Habib Bank Limited Main Branch Toba Tek Singh Through Manager, Habib Bank Limited Manager Collection & Recovery 4th Floor Circular Road Faisalabad Whereas; the aforesaid plaintiff has instituted a suit against you account. A summon U/s 9(5) of ordinance No. XLVI of 2001 referred above is hereby issued requiring you to make within 30 summon. Next date of the further proceedings in this case has been fixed on 27-06-2019 Given under my hand and seal of the court this 22-06-2019. Judge Banking Court No.2. 92-P, Malik

Road Gujjar Basit Faisalabad

(CM-)



jranwala, Muhammad Saddique banpura Gujranwala, Muhamson of Muhammad Din, R/o Tim- mad Saddique son of Muhamber Market Hafizbad Road Gu-mad Nazir R/O Mohallah Noor jranwala, Bisharat Ali son of Pura Sialkot Gujranwala, Rahat Muhammad Ashraf R/o Ladhe- Khushnood D/O Rao Muhamwala Warriach Gujranwala, Ali mad Ali R/O Mianwali BAngla Akbar, Muhammad Akmal, R/o Daska Distinct Sialkot, Muham-Muhammad Address son of Alam Chowk Near Bypass Lad-Muhammad Nazir, Muhammad hewala Gujranwala, Ch Muham-Asghar Son of Nawab Din R/o mad Javed, Haji Muhammad Mohallah Mominabad, Now- Akram son of Haji Rehmat Ali shehra Road Gujranwala, R/O Gujranwala, Dilawar Husmad Ismail R/o Mohallah Bhag- Lohewali Puli, Nowshehra Road Taj Din R/o Daska District Hussain Bukhari son of Barkat Sialkot, Mohammad Ehsan son Ali shah, R/O. Rahwali Mohallah of Muhammad Ramzan R/o Sharif Form Gujranwala, Uzma Kalar Abadi Gujranwala , Riaz wife of Muhammad Riaz, Yaseen , Muhammad Shabir son of Sadar R/o bath Colony Alam Chowk Din R/o Garjakh Gujranwala, Gujranwala, Lubna Murtaza wife Faisal Amin S/o Muhammad Saif Ullah son of Muhammad of Murtaza, Uzma Rizwan, Wife Anwar R/o Nokhar Nowshehra Muhammad Rizwan R/o Gujran-Virkan Gujranwala, Asghar Ali wala, Muhammad Ashraf son of Ahmad S/o Muhammad Sidson of Ghulam Rasool R/o Muhammad Sharif R/O Gilgiti, dique, Shamim Akhtar D/o House No.1527/F-16 Noor Pur Guiranwala, Tahira Nawaz Wife Gujrat, Saif Ullah Son of Ghulam of Muhammad Nawaz R/O Nawa Dita R/o Abadi Mehar Lal Hus-Din, Ghulam Hussain, Fazal Hussain sons of Haji Ghulam Haidar R/o Shahrukh Colony wife of Muhammad Sabir R/o College Road Gujranwala, Muhammad Rafique Son of Muhammad Ismail R/o Hardo Deyori Gujranwala, Abdul Hameed son of Muhammad Sadiq, Muhammad Riaz Changar R/o Sultanpura Gujranwala, Moazzam Ali son of Muhammad Saddique, Iftikhar Ahmad son of jranwala , Muhammad Sharif

Tehsil

Peer Kot

Wazirabad District Gujranwala,

Zubaida Bibi wife of Akhtar

Ansari, R/o Faisal Colony Hafiz-

abad Road Gujranwala, Muham-

mad Aalam S/o Muhammad

Boota R/o Thatha Panjtana

Tehsil and District Gujranwala,

Siraj Din S/o Imam Baksh R/o

Chah Sirafan Gujranwala,

son of Riasat Ali R/o Qila Bagh

Singh Tehsil Wazirabad Road

Gujranwala, Muhammad Sad-

dique S/o Allah din R/o Kotli

Rustam Gujranwala, Muham-

mad Tufail S/o Ghulam Rasool

R/o colony Haji Ghulam Hus-

sain Javeed R/o Gali No.4 Gu-

S/o Barkat Ali , Samia Bibi wife

of Muhammad Sharif R/o Tal-

wandi Musa Khan Gujranwala,

Dilshad Ahmad Shad S/o Allah

Bakhsh R/o Pondawalan Gu-

jranwala, Abu Saeed S/o

Muhammad Siddique, Tahir

Saeed, Abu Raees alias Tayyab

Ahmad, Sayeed alias Ahmad

Raza sons of Muhammad Sid-

dique, Muhammad Siddique S/o

Fazal Ahmad, Mirza Muhammad

Siddique S/o Mirza Afzal Ahmad

R/o Pathanwali Gujranwala,

Abdul Lateef S/o Rehmat Ullah.

Muhammad Arshad S/o Abdul

Latif, Akbar Ali, Akmal Ali, sons

of Abdul Latif R/o Ghory Shah

Gujranwala, Muhammad Abdul-

lah S/o Lal Din, Abdul Rauf Son

of Sardar, Muhammad Ishaq S/o

Khushi Muhammad, Abdul

Rehman son of Muhammad Ali,

Muhammad Bashir son of Faqir

Muhammad R/o Aalm Chowk

Hafizabad Road, Gujranwala,

Abdul Satar S/o Abdul Latif,

Abdul Majeed son of Muham-

mad Bashir, Muhammad Arif

son of Umer Din, Muhammad

Arshad S/o Abdul Ghani,

Muhammad Nazir son of Faqir

Muhammad, Muhammad Shafi

Son of Chiragh Din, Allah Dita

son of Muhammad Sharif, Ghu-

lam Abbas, Umer Din, Hussain

S/o Muhammad Ali, Muhammad

Imran, Muhammad Hussain Son

of Allah Dita R/o Aalam Chowk

Hafizabad Road, Gujranwala,

Ghulam Qadir son of Nawab

Din R/o Jhalan Tehsil and Dis-

trict Gujranwala, Akbar Ali son

of Lal Din R/o Mohallah Islam

Pura Shama, Mehraj Bibi wife of

Akbar Ali , R/o Mohallah Islam

Pura Jinnah Road Gujranwala,

Muhammad Tufail son of Din

Muhammad R/o Mohallah

Afazal Abad Faislabad, Mistri

Abdul Relman son of Mistri Ab-

dullah Mohallah Suleman Pura

Gujranwala, Abdul Hameed Son

of GHuiam Muhammad Butt R/o

Gali Guizar e Madina Mohallah

Chah Chohanawala Gujranwala,

Javeed Iqbal son of Attah Ullah

R/o Nokhar Tehsil Nowshehra

Virkan District Gujranwala,

Muhammad Bibi widow of Ghu-

lam Rasool , Muhammad Aazam

Son of Muhammad Hussain,

Muhammad Afzal Son of Ghu-

lam Rasool R/o Dera Bhattan-

Guiranwala,

Mehmood S / 0 Dilshad Arshad

Javed, Muhammad Tayyab , S/o

Dilshad Mohallah Jinnah Park,

Muhammad Arif S/o Ashiq Hus-

sain R/o Muslim Town Gujran-

wala, Khurshed Bibi wife of

Muhammad Sharif R/o Gujran-

Presently Near Ghory Shah

HafiZbad Road Gujranwala,

Haji Bashir Ullah S/o Babu

Abdul Wahad R/o Galjakh Gu-

jranwala through Aqeel Adeel

Sohail, Kalsoom begum D/o

Abdul Khaliq, G. T Road,

through Aqeel Adeel Sohail

Citizen industries Gujranwala,

Muhammad Sarwar, Amjad Ali,

Shafqat Ali, Ghulam Safdar, Asif

Mehmood sons of Muhammad

Bashir R/o Harway Jaryal Gu-

jranwala, Muhammad Ishaq,

Muhammad Riaz sons of Taj

Din , Rasheed Ahmad son of

Muhammad Hussain, Muham-

mad Magsood Mirza son of

Fakhar Ud Din R/o Sialkot, Ri-

asat Ali son of Muhammad

Ashraf, Haji Aman Ullah son of

Allah Dita R/o Ladhewala War-

riach Gujranwala , Bushra Bibi

wife of Hadayat Ullah son of

Siraj Din, R/o Kalar Abadi Gu-

jranwala, Muhammad Saeed

Son of Muhammad Anwar R/o

Kareem Pura Gujranwala, Noor

Street No.2 Gujranwala, Aman

R/o Mohallah Bhagbanpura Gu-

jranwala, Razia begum widow

of Muhammad Saddique R/o

Ladhewala Gujranwala, Adeel

Ahmed son of Haji Bashir Ullah

Fardeen Akhtar wife of Riaz

Ahmad R/o Ghanta Ghar Abadi

Ichra Singh Gujranwala, Abdul

Rehman Son of Muhammad

Galjakh Gujranwala

R/o

Khan S/o Muhammad Sadique Hussain R/o Hajan Tehsil Pindi

Gujranwala,

Kilianwali

No.6

Bambi

Street

Muhammad Rafique R/o Warpal Wazirabad District Gujranwala. Whereas service of defendants/respondents is not going to be effected through ordinary

respondents is effected dents are directed to appear in

wala. Suit for Declaration. Ha- trict roon Ismail Vs Zahid Saleem etc wife of Mehboob Alam R/O Kot Notice: Rashed Ahmad S/o Lala, Nowshehra Virkan Gujran-Muhammad Hussain, Muham- wala, Jameela Begum wife of mad Aslam S/o Ghulam Hussain Muhammad Nazir R/O Gujran-Abdul Aziz son of Nazir Ahmad, wala, Safdar Hussain, Mudasar Atia Parveen alias Parveen wife Hussain sons of Muhammad of Yousaf Amin, Um e Rubab Hussain Raheel Safdar Hussain D/o Sheikh Muhammad Arif, R/O Alam Chowk Faisal Town Muhammad Yaqoob son of Noor Gujranwala, Ali Hussain son of Muhammad, Muhammad Arshad Aba Dan R/o Madni Chak S/o Abul Latif, Mumtaz Ali, S/o Wazirabad Muhammad Khalid, Abdul Satar, R/O Ladhewala Muhammad Sajad Butt, Hamir Warriach Haflzabad Road Gu- Nasir, sons of Haji Muhammad iranwala, Ghulam Dastigir son Nawaz Shabir Malik, Zubair of Haji Mehar Din R/O Gali Bagh Malik, Shuban Malik sons of Nankana Sahib, Muhammad Rehman Pura

Muhammad Arif son of Liagat to appear in the court in person Ali, R/o Mohallah Rasool Pura or through counsel on 04-07-Gujranwala, Safia Khanam , wife 2019 at 8:00am failing which exof Akbar Ali , Haji Ahmad Sar- parte proceedings shall be initifraz, sons of Muhammad Fazal ated against you. Civil Judge 1st

iranwala, Muhammad Manir, Rehmat R/O Aalm Chowk Gu-

No.16 Deganwala, Naheed Igbal Bibi, Muhammad Husain, Muhammad Khalid, S/o Abdul Gafoor, Muhammad Iqbal S/o

Khan R/o Dharoke Post office bhattian District Haflzabad, Javed Gujranwala, Muhammad Saleem, Chiragh Din son of against you. Civil Judge Gujat. Chaba Sanriwan Gujranwala, Muhammad Siddique Son of Amin, Muhammad Saleem sons Niyaz Din, Muhammad Shabir (CM-5007460)

Shah Guiranwala, mad Younas son of Lal Din R/o

Din , R/o Maraliwala Gujran- Pind Gujranwala, Rashed wala, Mehboob Aalm s/o Allah j Ahmad son of Muhammad Sadiq, Muhammad Sharif Son of mad Hussain, Asif Iqbal Wasim sain Gujranwala , Ch. Muham- Muhammad din, Mohallah mad Arif Son of Muhammad Karem Pura Qazafi Road Gujranwala, Haji Muhammad Akram son of Rehmat Ali, Muhammad Mushtaq Son of Gujranwala, Zahida Parveen Muhammad Sadique R/O Gali No.1 Mohallah Rasool Pura Gujranwala, Muhammad Saeed son of Haji Muhammad Amin R/O Baghbanpura Gujranwala, Muhammad

Nasir, son of Muhammad Bachiki Sheikhupra, Khawar Sharif Son of Muhammad Sharif R/O Gali Allah Din Hawaldar Baghbanpura Guiranwala, Shahid Naeem son of Malik Nawab Khan, R/o Chokhar Kalan Kharie n Gujrat, Muhammad Saddique son of

jranwała. (CM-)

sons of Muhammad Yousaf, R/o R/o Khan Sher Garhi Nowshera, Mehar Zulfigar Husasin S/o Saeed Khan Son of Qazi Bar R/o Nazir Ahmad R/O Masjid Shah Kot Shanak Tehsil sham District Sulema Wazirabad Gujranwala, Shangla Presently residing at Mehmood UI Hasan S/o Nazir Riaz Abad Gujranwala. Whereas Ahmad R/O Abbas Colony Haftz- service of defendants/responabad Road Gujranwala, Maneer dents is not going to be effected Hussain son of Inayat Ullah R/o through ordinary means. So, Gali No.2 Mohallah Isllamabad, service of defendants / respon-Ahmad Nagar Wazirabad Gu-dents is effected through proclajranwala, Muhammad Ashraf mation in the newspaper Daily son of Fazal Ahmad, R/o Mohal- THE NEWS Lahore. You defen-

ship Lahore, Zafar Iqbal son of Muhammad Hanif , R/O Abadi Nazir Gujranwala,

Kotli Wazirabad Gujran- Class Gujranwala. (CM-)

Amin , Muhammad Rafique, Muhammad Shafique sons of Ghulam Nabi, Khushi Muhammad s S/o Nizam , Muhammad Yaseen , Muhammad Muzamal sons of Muhammad Din, Miraj Akbar wife of Akbar Ali, Muhammad Mansha Anjum S/o Allah Ditta , Shamim Farooq widow of Farooq Ahmad, Imtiaz therfore, he is hereby ordered Ahmad S/o Muhammad Hafeez, through this proclamation that Shah Jahan S/o Noor Muham- they should appear before this mad, Muhammad Iftikhar S/o court on 06-07-2019 at 8:00 A.M Muhammad Sadiq Babar in person or through pleader Naseeb S/o Naseeb Ahmad, Za- positively and in case of failure hida Parveen D/o Lal Din, Liaqat they/he will be proceeded Ali , Riasat Ali , Ishfaq Ali sons of against ex-parte and afterwards Muhammad Sadique, Muham- no reason or justification in this mad Nazir S/o Muhammad Ha- regard can be accepted. Addineef R/o Gujranwala, Whereas service of defendants/respon- Utility Court Faisalabad (CM-) dents is not going to be effected through ordinary means So, service of defendants / respondents is effected through proclamation in the newspaper Daily THE NEWS Labore. You defendants/ respondents are directed Hussain, Anam Akbar, Muham- to appear in the court in person or through counsel on 04-07-2019 at 8:00am failing which exparte proceedings shall be initiated against you. Civil Judge 1st Class Gujranwala. (CM-) N the Court of Mrs. Sobia Bashir Civil Judge Gujat. Suit

for: Dissolution of Marriage.

of Muhammad Ali, Muhammad R/o Hafizabad Road Janobi ach Gujranwala, Altaf Hussain Ch. Muhammad Inayat , Gul Tehsil Phalia Distt. M.B. Din and others for the rendition of dants/ respondents is effected days from the service of this through proclamation in the newspaper Daily The News, La-hore. You defendants/ respon-

Ullah son of Mistri Fazal Karem Mughal Pura Garjakh Gujran- Mehmood S/o Muhammad Whereas service of defendants/ wala, Muhammad Ayoob S/o Aslam Jani, Fahad Mustafa, respondents is not going to be Nazir Ahmad R/O P.O Qila Muhammad Mansha, Muham- effected through ordinary Sawala Tehsil Pasroor District mad Ilyas, Muhammad Abbas means. So, service of defendents are directed to appear in the court in person or through counsel on 27.06.2019 at 08:00 Afzal son of Muhammad Akbar wife of Muhammad Iqbal , Nas- AM failing which exparte pro-R/o Colony Ghulam Hussain reen Akhtar wife of Muhammad ceedings shall be initiated

ceedings will be taken ex-parte. No arguments of any nature shall be entertained thereafter. Judge 1st Class Civil Sheikhupura. (CM-5007458) IN the Court of Judge Banking Court-VII, Old State Bank Buildng Opp. GPO, Shahrah-e-QuaidThe News International, Lahore Monday, June 24, 2019

Arabs renew pledge to give Palestinians \$100m in monthly aid

Palestinian Authority, a day could come out as late as No- process. after Washington unveiled its vember, after Israel holds new burdens", a statement said.

They also insisted, in an im- of Palestinian public funds". Isplicit rebuke to the White rael collects taxes on behalf of tion, which Washington has House's economic plan, on the the Palestinian Authority, but said would be unveiled later, "complete Arab support to the withheld \$138 million in trans- prompted rejection not only Palestinian state's economic, fers in February over Palestin- from Palestinians but also in political and financial inde- ian payments to political pris- Arab countries with which Ispendence". On Saturday the oners jailed for attacks against rael would seek normal rela-United States said its Middle Israelis. The Arab League ini-tions. East peace plan to be pre-tially pledged in April to pay a sented next week in Bahrain \$100 million to plug the gap commentators and ordinary aims to raise more than \$50 left when Israel blocked tax citizens denounced Kushner's billion for the Palestinians and transfers. Earlier this year it proposals in strikingly similar create one million jobs for said the US plan "will not suc-terms: "colossal waste of time," them within a decade.

The so-called "Peace to and comprehensive peace in Prosperity" plan is led by US the Middle East". President Donald Trump's son- KUSHNER'S ECONOMIC as an attempt to "consecrate in-law and adviser Jared Kush- PLAN FOR MIDEAST and legitimize" occupation of ner. The Palestinian Authority PEACE FACES ARAB Arab land and said in a joint is boycotting the Bahrain two- REJECTION: Arab politicians statement that any Arab parday Bahrain conference that and commentators greeted ticipation would be "beyond opens on Tuesday, charing U.S. President Donald Trump's the limits of normalization" that pro-Israel Trump is seek- Middle East \$50 billion eco- with Israel. ing to buy off the Palestinians nomic vision with a mixture of and deprive them of an inde- derision and exasperation, al- the political plan has been pendent state. Egypt and Jor- though some in the Gulf called shrouded in secrecy, officials dan confirmed they would be for it to be given a chance. sending delegations to the Set to be presented by jettisoned the two-state solu-Manama workshop, which will Trump's son-in-law Jared tion - the long-standing worldalso be attended by energy- Kushner at a conference in wide formula that envisages an rich Gulf Arab countries, Mo- Bahrain on June 25-26, the independent Palestinian state

deliberately avoided mapping tinian and neighboring Arab Gaza, —Agencies

CAIRO: The Arab League Sun- a political component. US offi- economies and is part of day reaffirmed a pledge to pay cials have hinted that the polit-broader efforts to revive the Is-\$100 million a month to the ical part of the plan - which raeli-Palestininan

"We don't need the Bahrain Middle East peace plan. Arab elections and forms a govern-meeting to build our country, finance ministers meeting in ment - will not mention the we need peace, and the se-Cairo renewed a promise first creation of an independent quence of (the plan) - ecomade in April to boost "the Palestinian state, a goal of nomic revival followed by Palestinian Authority's budget decades of US diplomacy. On peace is unrealistic and an illuwith a \$100 million monthly Sunday, the Arab finance min-sion," Palestinian Finance Mintransfer... as it faces financial isters also condemned what ister Shukri Bishara said on they dubbed as "Israeli piracy Sunday.

The lack of a political solu-

From Sudan to Kuwait, ceed in achieving long-lasting "non-starter," "dead on arrival."

Egyptian liberal and leftist parties slammed the workshop

While the precise outline of briefed on it say Kushner has blueprint envisions a global in- alongside Israel in the West The peace plan has so far vestment fund to lift the Pales- Bank, East Jerusalem and

> "A letter was sent by President Trump and correspondence between the two leaders has been ongoing," White House spokeswoman Sarah Sanders said in an

> > state-run news agency KCNA said Kim would put serious thought into the content of the letter, details of which it did not describe.

White House

confirms Trump

letter to North

Korea's Kim

ahead of Asia trip

WASHINGTON: The White

House confirmed on Sunday

that President Donald

Trump had sent a letter to

North Korean leader Kim

Jong Un, days before the

U.S. president leaves for a

trip to Japan and South

The KCNA report said Kim described the letter as being "of excellent content" and that he "would seriously contemplate the interesting content.

U.S.-North Korea talks stalled after a failed summit in February between Trump and the North Korean leader in Hanoi, Vietnam.

A U.S. official said on progress would require meaningful and verifiable North Korean steps to abandon its nuclear weapons program. Trump leaves for Asia later this week for the G20 meetings with South Korean President Moon Jae-in Seoul. -News desk

Saudi Arabia launches special residency scheme for expats RIYADH: Saudi Arabia on Sunday companies seeking to do long-term cent years amid rising costs after the launched a new special residency business in the kingdom. government imposed fees on dependents and restricted foreigners from

scheme aimed at luring wealthy expats as the petro-state seeks to boost non- ing non-oil revenue as the kingdom

250,000 people, which would make it the largest since the fall of communism in 1989. —AFP

The scheme offers a permanent residency for 800,000 riyals (\$213,000) and net last month, but the portal began aca one-year but renewable residency cepting applications on Sunday. costing 100,000 riyals (27,000), accordbuy property and sponsor visas for rel-residency rules. atives, the website said.

largely benefit wealthy Arabs who have quired to get visas to exit and enter the tude, unmanned U.S. drone, sparking lived in Saudi Arabia for years without kingdom. Saudi Arabia has seen a concerns about a threat to the safety of permanent residency or multinational strong exodus of foreign workers in re-commercial airlines. - Agencies

The move appears aimed at boost-

seeks to diversify its economy. It was approved by the Saudi cabi-

tions. The scheme will allow expats to many of whom are subjected to what do business without a Saudi sponsor, labour activists describe as restrictive day, citing its own correspondent.

STRAIT OF HORMUZ: Saudi Arabian Airlines has altered the path of its in-Saudi Arabia is currently home to ternational flights away from the Gulf ing to the online portal for registra- some 10 million overseas workers, of Oman and the Strait of Hormuz, Saudi-owned Al-Arabiya said on Sun-

SAUDI AIRLINES SHIFT FLIGHTS

AWAY FROM GULF OF OMAN,

working in certain sectors.

The US aviation regulator barred its Expat workers are typically spon- carriers from the area until further no-Analysts say the programme will sored by a Saudi employer and are re-tice after Iran shot down a high-alti-

Trump says reelection 'easier' if he is impeached

A woman holds a Czech flag during a rally demanding the resignation of Czech Prime Minister Andrej Babis in Prague. Huge crowds flooded central

Prague demanding Prime Minister Andrej Babis to step down over allegations of graft in a protest that organisers and local media claim drew around

view broadcast Sunday his there was no collusion. chances of retaining the White strengthened if Democratic over whether Trump should would harm their prospects in lawmakers start impeachment be impeached after the 2020. "I think she feels that I proceedings against him.

was illegal. "I was spied on.

summit in Osaka, Japan, and | legal. It was illegal on the other it would be a risky move with-paign welcomed and expected said. "So impeachment's a very partisan support. unfair thing because nothing

Asked on NBC's "Meet the interference in the 2016 elec-said. "I mean, I've been told Press" whether he thought im- tion outlined numerous con- that by many people. Wednesday the United peachment was good politics tacts between his campaign States had no pre-conditions | for him, Trump replied, "I think and Russians, as well as evi- Robert Mueller spent nearly for new talks, but that I win the election easier." The dence that the president tried two years investigating Russian president repeated his long- on several occasions to stymie election interference and possistanding allegation that the the investigation. While many ble involvement by Trump and FBI's counterintelligence inves- of the candidates for the Dem- his inner circle. He concluded tigation into his 2016 campaign ocratic nomination are pro-im- that there wasn't sufficient peachment, House Speaker proof of a criminal conspiracy What they did to me was il- Nancy Pelosi has argued that but found that Trump's camside. I did nothing wrong," he out an "ironclad" case and bi- to benefit electorally from in-

Trump told "Meet the through Russian efforts.-AFP

WASHINGTON: US President that I did was wrong. And if Press" Pelosi was staving off Donald Trump said in an inter- you look at the Mueller report, growing impeachment calls from within the Democratic This was all about collu- caucus because she agreed House in 2020 would be sion." The Democrats are split with his assessment that it

Mueller Report into Russian will win much easier," Trump

formation stolen and released

introduction of female sanitary products tax in Tanzania

Anger over

NAIROBI: A decision by Tanzania's government to reintroduce a tax on sanitary pads and tampons has angered women in the country, with one activist on Sunday saying it would have "heavy consequences" for women.

Taxes on female sanitary products — which are basic necessities - have come under increasing scrutiny across the globe, and Tanzania in 2018 decided to join those nations scrapping Value Added Tax on pads and tampons.

However the tax was re-introduced during the unveiling of this year's budget last week. Finance Minister Philip Mpango said removing the tax was counter-productive, as retailers had not lowered their prices. "Whatever the reason given by the government, the re-introduction of this tax is an unfortunate decision with heavy consequences for most women and girls," Anna Henga of the Legal and Human Rights

Centre (LHRC) told AFP. "The government should rather try and understand why the exemption did not lead to the expected results, and then correct the errors in the application of the exemption." Henga called for a "subsidy" of the products, or for them to be freely distributed in public health centres. Lack of access to pads or tampons and stigma over menstruation is often cited as a key reason girls miss out on school, or stop going entirely, in African nations.

Opposition lawmaker Zitto Kabwe, who is also an economist, told parliament on Friday that the government had acted too fast, "Is 12 months really enough to do an evaluation?" he said, urging government to better control the sale of female sanitary products.

When we scrapped this tax the whole world applauded. And many countries followed suit. And now we want to take a step backwards," he said. Even members of the ruling CCM called for the tax exemption to remain. "The government freely distributes condoms used by some to commit adultery. Why can't it give these pads freely to students," said lawmaker Goodluck Mlinga.

"The high rate of school failures by girls in rural areas is largely due to their absence during their periods," he said. On social media a campaign has been launched under the hashtag #PediBilaKodi (pads without tax, in Swahili). "Menstruation is not a luxury or a choice.-AFP



on the Champs Elysee avenue near the Arc de Triomphe in Paris, France.—AFP

Protectionism slammed as SE Asian leaders rally to trade pact

BANGKOK: Thailand's premier made an impas- Duterte during an ASEAN leaders meeting Satongoing disputes over the South China Sea will of labour and environmental safeguards. also be tackled by leaders at the final day of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations ration" to combat maritime debris, including (ASEAN) summit. But trade has topped the plastic waste, in one of the most polluted waagenda at the Bangkok meeting, as tit-for-tat tar- ters in the world. But disputes in the flashpoint iffs between China and the US cast a dark cloud South China Sea and Myanmar's persecution of over global growth. Thailand, which is chairing Rohingya Muslims are expected to be tussled ASEAN this year, rallied against global protec- over on Sunday. ASEAN leaders often put out tionism and called for urgency in concluding an image of unity during the annual summits, talks on RCEP — a China-led trade pact, which but the forum has been criticised for allowing once inked will be the world's biggest.

Partnership (RCEP) includes all 10 ASEAN system," Thailand's junta leader-turned- a crackdown by its security forces in 2017. premier Prayut Chan-O-Cha said Sunday.

sioned plea against protectionism on Sunday at urday. But progress on RCEP has stuttered in a meeting of Southeast Asian leaders where the recent months, with India digging in over fears fallout from the US-China tariff war has domi- the cheap Chinese goods could flood its masnated talks. A controversial repatriation plan for sive consumer markets. Australia and New the persecuted Rohingya Muslim minority and Zealand have also raised concerns over a lack

The leaders also adopted a "Bangkok Decladiplomatic niceties to outweigh concrete action The Regional Comprehensive Economic on the sharpest problems facing the region.

But Malaysia on Saturday called for the pereconomies, plus India, Japan, South Korea, petrators of the persecution of the Rohingya to Australia and New Zealand, "The winds of pro- be brought to "justice," More than 740,000 of the tectionism are hurting our multilateral trading stateless minority have fled Myanmar following

Their repatriation to Myanmar "must in-"ASEAN must hold our hands tightly in ne- clude the citizenship", Malaysian Foreign Mingotiating... on the RCEP, so it is concluded this _ister Saifuddin Bin Abdullah said according to a year. It will help off-set any impact from the on-tweet by his ministry. That flies in the face of going trade conflict." RCEP is seen as a mecha- Myanmar's official policy, which denies the Ronism for China to draft the rules of Asia-Pacific hingya full citizenship, instead labelling them trade, following a US retreat from the region as "Bengalis" - illegal migrants from Bangladesh. it withdrew from another trade pact at the start. The crisis has spread across the region with of President Donald Trump's administration. boatloads of refugees arriving on the shores of The trade war between the world's biggest Bangladesh, Malaysia and Indonesia. ASEAN two economies have sent reverberations across has come under fire for suggesting the refugees the world, said Philippine President Rodrigo should go back to Myanmar within two years, Duterte. The two countries "must both take the according to a leaked report seen by AFP high road and resolve their differences before though virtually none have volunteered to rethe situation spirals out of control", warned turn so far, citing safety concerns .-- AFP



grees Fahrenheit) as summer on violent storms. kicks in on the back of a wave

Hot and humid nights can

"Temperatures may exceed be expected, officials say, with 42 degrees" in the northeastern said they were expecting a

hit 40 degrees Celsius (104 de- the extreme heat could bring Britons to expect "hot, humid could damage crops. "Should and unstable" weather. we get tropical temperatures Spain's AEMET weather It issued a severe weather of 35 degrees or more, that of hot air from North Africa. agency issued a "yellow alert" warning for heavy rain and would depress the crop Europeans are set to bake for severe weather on Sunday, thunderstorms on Monday and yields," farmers' spokesman in what forecasters are warn- but said it expected the heat to Tuesday, saying the highest Joachim Rukwied told DPA ing will likely be record-break- peak later in the week with temperatures were expected news agency, saying grain ing temperatures for June with temperatures soaring over 40 later in the week rising into the crops had received just enough the mercury set to peak mid-degrees Celsius, particularly 30s in central and southwest rainfall last month and were going through an "important

In Germany, forecasters growing phase". many issuing guidelines for Ebro valley area from Thurs- week-long heatwave with tem- warned of a "hot, humid and unsurviving the scorcher, and day until Saturday, the agency peratures that could break the stable weather front that could local authorities and hospitals—said, indicating the heat could—2015 record of 40.3 degrees,—push the mercury up to 40 deon high alert for a surge in persist into early next week. blaming it on a front of "warm grees from Tuesday.—AFP



A man sits in a hammock under the pine trees along the banks of Saint-Ferreol at Revel, southwestern France. Forecasters say Europeans will feel sizzling heat next week with temperatures soaring as high as 40 degrees Celsius in an unprecedented heatwave hitting much of Western Europe. —AFP

Ethiopia army chief, local officials killed amid regional 'coup' bid

ADDIS ABABA: Ethiopia's on Sunday, as mourners, some during an attempt to overtries to reform the nation.

when a "hit squad" attacked a country. meeting of top officials, Abiy's office said Sunday.

coup plot.

wounds," she said, adding that

in his home in the upmarket of Sunday morning. Bole district of Addis Ababa,

apprehended while Asaminew sisters," he said. "They don't was still on the loose, sources accept totalitarian regimes. presence outside Seare's house common struggle."-AFP

still to be counted.

supporters and journalists.

Ruling party candidate

declares himself victor

in Mauritania vote

tory that looks set to see an had told reporters just before

army chief and a top local dressed in black, streamed to leader have been shot dead his house to pay their respects.

A parking attendant, who throw a regional government asked not to be named, said he in the north of the country, un- heard about 10 minutes of gunderscoring political instability fire at the residence at 9.00pm as Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed local time on Saturday before security officers arrived. Violence flared on Saturday Gedrekiristos Tessaye, 30, said afternoon in Amhara, one of he had come to pay respects to

"I am so worried, I want Ethiopia to be an ambassador Spokeswoman Billene Sey- of peace and democracy but oum told journalists the this kind of event shows that Amhara "coup attempt" was we are heading to anarchy," he led by local security chief said. Elsewhere in the capital it Asaminew Tsige, who was only appeared a normal, quiet Sunlast year released from almost day, with shops and restaua decade in prison over a 2009 rants open, however there was heavy security outside Abiy's State president Ambachew offices. According to the state-Mekonnen and his advisor ment from Abiy's office, the sitwere "gravely injured in the at- uation in Amhara region was | in a northwestern bastion of tack and later died of their "currently under full control".

Since coming to power in said. the regional attorney general 2018, Abiy has won praise for had been seriously wounded. his reforms to open up the three million people is sup-"Several hours later in what country from the iron-grip of posed to be protected by a seems like a co-ordinated at- his predecessors, but his September buffer zone deal, tack, the chief of the staff of moves have also brought to the | but the jihadist-run enclave the national security forces surface long-running ethnic has come under mounting Seare Mekonnen was killed in tensions and territorial dishis home by his bodyguard", putes. The prime minister took she said. Seare and a visiting to national television in miliretired general were shot dead tary fatigues in the early hours

"The people of Ethiopia do home to diplomats, aid work- not believe in silencing, killing and claiming power by spilling | province, said the Syrian Ob-The bodyguard has been the blood of their brothers and servatory for Human Rights.



nine autonomous regions, honour Seare's service to the A woman takes pictures of Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan (R, rear) as he greets people after casting his ballot, outside a polling station in Istanbul, during the mayoral election re-run.—AFP

ruling party candidate in the sition by just 13,000 votes.

controversial re-run of Istan-

Syria regime air strikes kill 5 civilians

BEIRUT: Syrian regime air strikes killed five civilians including two children Sunday the opposition, a war monitor

The Idlib region of some bombardment by the governlate April. An air raid by Damascus aircraft on Sunday killed five civilians, including two sisters under the age of 10, in the village of Josef in Idlib

rounding anti-government en- like the result, after a little- this nation." Imamoglu faces Bi- party, while a victory would clave, the Britain-based moni- known former district mayor, nali Yildirim, a mild-mannered forever be seen by the opposistart of the escalation in late April, more than 470 civilians have died in regime and Russian bombardment there.

In addition, 780 rebel and jihadist fighters and more than 610 pro-regime fighters have died in raids and clashes on the ground. The violence has forced around 330,000 people to flee their homes and hit 23 health centres, the United Nations says. The September deal signed by Russia and rebel backer Turkey was supposed to set up a buffer zone around the Idlib region, but the accord was never fully implemented as jihadists refused to pull back from the front lines. In January, Hayat Tahrir al-Sham — an alliance led by Syria's former Al-Qaeda affiliate — took over administrative control of the region, which is made up of a large part of the Idlib province and slivers of neighbouring governorates.

The Syria conflict has killed more than 370,000 people and displaced millions since it erupted in 2011 with the brutal repression of

defeat in Istanbul vote ISTANBUL: Binali Yildirim, the snatched victory for the oppo-several huge transport projects

Erdogan's candidate concedes

bul's mayoral election, con- Turkey's economic power- on Sunday, saying "If we have ceded defeat on Sunday. Initial results from the source of patronage for Islamic knowingly, one of our fellow Isstate-run Anadolu news agency conservatives since Erdogan tanbulites or our challengers, if showed opposition candidate himself won the mayorship a we have done something un-Ekrem Imamoglu leading with quarter-century ago. Imamoglu, just, I ask for your forgiveness." 53.69 percent to Yildirim's 45.4 of the secular Republican Peopercent with more than 95 per- ple's Party, has become a Erdogan's party remains the cent of ballots counted. "Ac- household name since being most popular nationwide, cording to the result as of now stripped of his victory, depict- adored by millions for overcompetitor Ekrem ing the rerun as "a battle for seeing dramatic growth, ment and its ally Russia since | Imamoglu is leading the race. I democracy". "Today our people fiercely defending the councongratulate him and wish him will make the best decision... try's interests abroad and algood luck," Yildirim said. Earlier, Istanbul returned for Istanbul and also for the le- a seat at the table. But doubleto the polls in a re-run of the gitimacy of all future elections," digit inflation and rising unemmayoral election that has be- he said after voting. His upbeat ployment have dented Erdocome a test of Turkish democ- message under the slogan gan's reputation for economic racy as well as President "Everything will be fine" is in stewardship and the AKP lost The strikes also wounded Recep Tayyip Erdogan's con- contrast to the usual aggressive control of both Istanbul and several people, some of tinued popularity at a time of name-calling of Turkish poli- the capital Ankara. Analysts said. There was a heavy police They've shown that through a | whom were in serious condi- | economic trouble. Election au- tics. At a voting station in the warn he faces a "lose-lose" sittion, said the Observatory. Ithorities annulled the first vote trendy Beyoglu neighbourhood, uation with the Istanbul rerun: since weanesday, more than | in March after Erdogan's ruling 31-year-old architect. Begum a second defeat would under-60 civilians have been killed party alleged corruption. Crit-said: "I voted against injustice mine his image of invincibility in regime air raids in the sur- ics say Erdogan simply did not and those who seek to polarise and embolden rivals within his

and served as prime minister. The city of 15 million is He struck a conciliatory tone house and has been a crucial wronged, knowingly or un-

The March election showed for the sake of our democracy, lowing religious conservatives

Thousands march in Ukraine capital's Gay Pride

KIEV: More than 8,000 people turned out on Sunday for Kiev's annual Gay Pride parade amid tight security as far-right activists sought to disrupt the celebration, organisers said. Waving rainbow and Ukrainian flags, dressed in bright colours, marched they marched through the centre of the capital as thousands of police and National Guards stood by to ensure order. "We go out to show that there are a lot of us and we have a lot of support," Ruslana Panukhnyk, director of the NGO KyivPride that organizes the parade, told AFP. "Because democratic values, human rights values are not empty words for a very large number of Ukrainians," she added. Vitaliy, now a 27ear-old man, was attacked with glass bottles after the parade in 2015. He admits that "it was scary" to participate in parade the very next year, but now, he believes, "Ukraine has made a big step forward" in terms of security.—AFP

Sudan court orders end to internet blackout

KHARTOUM: A Sudanese court Sunday ordered authorities to end a nationwide internet blockade imposed by the ruling generals after a deadly crackdown on protesters earlier this month, a lawyer said. Crowds of protesters were violently dispersed on June 3 by men in military fatigues, who stormed a weeks-long protest camp outside the army headquarters in Khartoum where they had camped to demand that the generals step down. Internet on mobile phones and fixed land connections was cut across Sudan by the ruling military council, with users saying it was done to prevent further mobilisation of protesters. Lawyer Abdelazim al-Hassan said he had filed a petition against the blockade, and on Sunday a court in Khartoum ordered that the services be resumed.—AFP



Artworks are seen at 'Dismaland' , a theme park-styled art installation by British artist Banksy, at Weston-Super-Mare in southwest England, Britain.—News desk

Bodies of 7 climbers retrieved from Indian mountain

NEW DELHI: The bodies of seven climbers killed on India's second highest mountain were retrieved Sunday, the border police said. The eight person group that went missing just under a month ago included four Britons, two Americans, one Indian and one Australian. They had set out to summit an "unclimbed peak" in the northern state of Uttarakhand. A group of mountaineers from the paramilitary Indo-Tibetan Border Police (TTBP) found the seven bodies near an unnamed peak on Nanda Devi East. The search for the eighth person missing would continue on Monday, ITBP spokesman Vivek Kumar Pandey told AFP. The bodies retrieved have been "taken to a nearby site", Pandey said, adding: "We have also found some mountaineering equipment and gear from the site." The identities and nationalities of those brought back from the mountain have not yet been determined. Four Britons were rescued earlier after separating from the main group and had been helping the search teams to locate the others.—AFP

India stampede leaves at least 14 dead NEW DELHI: At least 14 people were killed and dozens injured

in a stampede at a religious gathering in northern India Sunday, after strong winds caused a large marquee to collapse. More than a thousand people were at the event in Rajasthan state, where Hindu religious sermons were being given. "There was a stampede and it appears some iron pipes also fell causing grievous injuries," senior police officer Khiny Singh told AFP. He said at least 60 people were injured. Police have launched an investigation to see if rules were flouted by organisers. Photos showed wires, pipes and step ladders lying scattered about the venue. In a tweet, Prime Minister Narendra Modi was quoted by his office as saying the incident was "unfortunate" and wishing the injured a quick recovery. -AFP

DON'T FORGET TO WATCH

toring group says. Since the | 49-year-old Ekrem Imamoglu, Erdogan loyalist who oversaw tion as stolen.—AFP UK's Boris Johnson under pressure over domestic 'row'

LONDON: Boris Johnson, the mayor to "get off me" and "get adding Johnson had shown a

backed to beat Jeremy Hunt to kind of thing." become Conservative Party cut his support. The Guardian cannot be reached. reported that police were

Britain's next prime minister, eign secretary refused to an- his career. came under pressure from fig-swer questions about the inci-

leader, and therefore prime his policies, saying "we need to slashed from 27 percent to nine minister, a snap poll published get Brexit done" and promis- percent since Friday.--AFP in the Mail on Sunday sug- ing to prepare Britain for a no gested that the incident had deal exit from the EU, if a deal

Tory grandee Malcolm alerted early on Friday after a Rifkind criticised the response, neighbour heard a loud alter- saying "the fact is there was a cation involving screams, police visit. You don't just say shouts and bangs at the south 'no comment'. "That implies London property, shortly after you may have something you Johnson had secured his place don't want to disclose," he told in the final run-off to become BBC Radio 5. Former Tory forprime minister. The paper said eign office minister Alan Dun-Johnson's partner Carrie can told the Guardian his for-

strong favourite to become out of my flat". The former for- "lack of discipline" throughout Among all voters, Hunt is

ures in his own party on Sun-dent on the first day of the now the preferred candidate to day to explain reports of a do- month-long contest to win become prime minister, acmestic 'row' that led to a police over Conservative grassroot cording to the Survation poll in members, saying "I don't think the Mail on Sunday, as Johnson Although still heavily people want to hear about that saw a seven percent decline in support. He also saw his lead He instead tried to focus on over Hunt with Tory voters

elected president complete his voting ended. CENI said in a mandate and transfer power to statement that it would conan elected successor, although tinue compiling the results the opposition has raised con- from across the West African by military figures. Some 1.5 Council. In the meantime, it vote Saturday in the vast, pre- to show prudence and redominantly Muslim state, straint," and hoped the calm which is approximately twice climate seen during the cam-

NOUAKCHOTT: Government lation of just 4.5 million. Precandidate and frontrunner Mo-liminary official results had hamed Ould Ghazouani has de-been expected at the start of clared himself the winner of this week. But according to a the first round of Mauritania's source at the Independent Napresidential election, with tional Electoral Commission around 20 percent of the votes (CENI), Ghazouani had won 50.56 percent of the votes after The 62-year-old former 80 percent of the votes had head of the domestic security been counted. "There is only 20 service made the claim in the percent left (to count), but that early hours of Sunday in the will not change the final represence of current president sult," journalists quoted Gha-Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz, his zouani as saying. "Our candidate will win in the first round The ballot is the first in of voting," ruling party Mauritania's coup-strewn his- spokesman Sidi Ould Domane

cerns the vote could perpetu- desert country before handing ate a government dominated them over to the Constitutional million people were eligible to said it "advises the candidates



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INTERNATIONAL



Indian troops martyr four Kashmiri youths in Shopian

ISLAMABAD: In Held Kashmir. Indian troops in their fresh act of state terrorism martyred four Kashmiri youth in Shopian district on Sunday. According to Kashmir Media Service, the troops martyred the youth during a violent cordon and search operation at Daramdora in Keegam area of the district of IHK. Meanwhile, the occupation authorities have suspended internet service in the district. -PPI

Former actress Anjuman weds film producer Lucky Ali

News desk

LAHORE: Former film actress Anjuman Shaheen, one of the most successful artistes of Punjabi cinema, has wedded fellow film producer and director Waseem alias 'Lucky' Ali. The secret wedding ceremony of the 64-year-old actress took place on June 17 and was attended by only close family and friends. But the news was revealed earlier this week when pictures of the ceremony were leaked onto the social media. The two have now publicly confirmed the wedding. Speaking to Geo News, Anjuman said she was ecstatic on starting a new journey in her life. She said her husband gifted her a car and a house on the wedding, and said that she would share more pictures of the ceremony soon. Anjuman was one of the most popular actresses in the Punjabi film industry who shot to stardom in the 1980s and 1990s

Continued on page 8 Ethiopia army chief, local officials killed amid regional 'coup' bid

ADDIS ABABA: Ethiopia's army chief and a top local leader have been shot dead during an attempt to overthrow a regional government in northern Ethiopia, underscoring political instability in the country as Minister Abiy tries to push through reforms. The latest unrest in the Horn of Africa nation flared on Saturday afternoon in Amhara, one of nine autonomous regions, when a "hit squad" attacked a meeting of top officials, Abiy's office said Sunday. -P11

Power Division finalises gas tariff hike today

trial, commercial, CNG and

The regular has allowed the

According to Ogra, the main

dollar. The combined impact of

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mercial consumers should pay at

The third slab (100-200 cubic

category (over 300 cubic meters)

consumers) will increase by

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In doing so, the regulator

Khalid Mustafa

ISLAMABAD: The government power sectors. The more we rehas assured the IMF that it will duce the tariff for domestic connot add more to the existing cir-sumers, the more we increase cular debt in the gas sector cur- the tariff for bulk consumes such rently standing at Rs180 billion. as CNG, Industrial, commercial In order to honour its word, and power sectors."

the government will increase the gas and power tariff from July 1. gas companies to pass their 1/5th The power tariff will be in- of the previous year's shortfall

creased by Rs1.50 per unit from on to the end consumers. This is July 1, 2019 determined by the how the circular debt of Rs180 National Electric Power Regula- billion will be made zero by passtory Authority (Nepra).

The Petroleum Division held five years. exhaustive meetings on Saturday and Sunday to work out gas tariff reason for increase in the prefor domestic and other cate- scribed gas price was the cost of gories of consumers such as in- gas, mainly due to the current exdustrial, commercial, CNG and change rate of Rs150 against a power sectors.

During these meetings, the increase in the prescribed price authorities examined the Ogra's of both companies for recovery determination to raise gas tariff from consumers has been estifor 2019-20 and will finalise tariff mated at about Rs60 billion. today (Monday).

For industrial, commercial, the government to increase rates CNG and power sectors, the in a manner that first two slabs Ogra determined gas hike by 31 of domestic and special compercent.

"Whatever the gas prices is to least half of the average cost of be worked out by the Petroleum gas that are over-subsidized at Division will be pitched in the present. ECC and then the federal cabinet for approval," a Petroleum Divi- meters) should be charged 75pc sion top official, who was also of the average cost of service, part of weekend meetings, told the fourth slab 100pc and the top The News.

However, he refused to share 150pc. exactly what the gas tariff will be, saying different scenarios are worked out an increase of 205pc under consideration that will be for the first (lifeline) slab conpitched in the ECC meeting that suming less than 50 cubic meters is to recommend to the federal per month to Rs369 per MMBTU cabinet for approval. And by from Rs121. The monthly bill of Monday, (today), it would be this category (about 18pc of total sorted out.

Under one of the prior ac- 188pc to Rs789 from Rs274 tions, the official said ensuring no increase in circular debt to mestic slab (50-100 cubic mequalify for IMF loan program of ters) has been proposed at \$6 billion, the government will Rs369, instead of Rs127 per increase the tariff ensuring zero MMBTU, up by 191pc. The increase in circular debt from monthly bill of this category of now onward as the existing cir- 29pc consumers will increase by cular debt stands at Rs180 bil- 183pc to Rs1,555 from Rs550.

"We will certainly hike the rate for consumers using 100-200 gas tariff but less than the in-cubic meters per month at Rs553 crease determined by the OGRA per MMBTU, instead of Rs264, for the domestic gas consumers an increase of 110pc. The and will also achieve the target monthly bill of this category of of zero increase in circular debt 32pc consumers will increase by determined by the IMF. How- 74pc to Rs3,854 from Rs2,215. ever, the gas consumers will be provided with one slab benefit," cubic meters per month has

he maintained. "If we reduce the gas tariff for domestic consumers, the bur-

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Nishan-i-Pakistan conferred on Emir of Qatar ISLAMABAD: President Dr Arif Alvi Sunday con- award was conferred upon the Emir of Qatar in ferred Nishan-i-Pakistan upon Emir of Qatar recognition of his efforts for further fostering fra-

Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani in a special ternal ties between the two brotherly countries. investiture ceremony held at the Aiwan-e-Sadr. Earlier, upon arrival at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, the Speaker National Assembly Asad Qaiser, Chair- president warmly received the visiting dignitary. man Senate Sadiq Sanjrani, Governor Punjab Children clad in traditional dresses presented a Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar, members of fed-bouquet to the Qatari Emir. The president also eral cabinet, members of parliament, members hosted a luncheon in the honour of Entir and his of Qatar delegation, and civil and military offi- delegation. -APP cials attended the ceremony. The highest civil • Picture on page 2



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away: Career diplomat Abdul

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Sattar, who has also served as Continued on page 8

FST 'Appellate Division' on the cards

Imdad Soomro

KARACHI: After long discussions with the concerned quarters, the federal government has decided to introduce a bill in parliament to establish 'Appellate Division' of Federal Service Tribunal (FST) separately from its current branch of 'Operational Division'.

According to the wellplaced sources of Ministry of Law and Justice, the bill is ready and likely to be presented in parliament in coming one to two months. These sources were of the view that this legislation will reduce the burden of some 30 thousand plus cases from upper courts throughout the country 'of employment disputes' filed under article 199 of the constitution.

In current procedure, Federal Service Tribunal (FST) deals and decides the removal from service matters, pension and allowances benefit disputes, seniority and promotion issues, and reduction of the grades and stoppage of salary matters of the federal government employees including civilian employees of armed | change for sanctions relief.

Tribunal and provincial service | has imposed a robust slate of man, a contractor for the detribunals, many of the appli- | punitive economic sanctions | fense ministry's aerospace orcants and complainants prefer designed to choke off Iranian ganization, who had been conto approach high courts for oil sales and cripple its econ-victed of spying for the United

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Trump vows new Iran sanctions, Tehran warns US against attack

WASHINGTON: US President Donald Trump on Saturday pledged to hit Iran with "major" new sanctions as Tehran warned Washington that any troops to the Middle East. attack would see its interests flames.

after Trump had pulled back The sooner the better!" from military action against

tions between the two coun-sify." tries.

Iran has denied responsibil-David, initially told reporters as people are incorrectly re-"best friend" - if the country going forward at this time!" agreed to renounce nuclear weapons.

they're going to have a wealthy

nuclear weapon and says its told the Tasnim news agency. program is for civilian pur-

powers in 2015 sought to curb keg on which America's inter-Iran's nuclear ambitions in ex- ests lie, the region will be set

But Trump left that agree- Following his comments, Apart from Federal Service | ment more than a year ago and Iran said it had executed a omy - one he now plans to ex-

We are putting major additional Sanctions on Iran on Monday," tweeted Trump, who has also deployed additional

"I look forward to the day across the Middle East go up in that Sanctions come off Iran, and they become a productive The war of words heated up and prosperous nation again -

Added Secretary of State Iran in response to its downing Mike Pompeo: "When the Iranof a US reconnaissance drone. ian regime decides to forgo vi-That incident, which came olence and meet our diploafter a series of attacks on macy with diplomacy, it knows tankers in the congested ship- how to reach us. Until then, ping lanes out of the Gulf that our diplomatic isolation and the US has blamed on Iran, ex- economic pressure campaign acerbated already tense rela- against the regime will inten-

But lest anyone think he was entirely ruling out military ity for those attacks. Trump, action, Trump tweeted Saturwho spent Saturday huddling day evening that "I never called with his advisors at Camp the strike against Iran BACK, that he was keen to be Iran's porting, I just stopped it from

A top Iranian military official warned Washington "When they agree to that, against any strikes. 'Firing one bullet towards

country. They're going to be so Iran will set fire to the interests happy, and I'm going to be of America and its allies" in the their best friend," he told re-region, armed forces general staff spokesman Brigadier Iran has denied seeking a General Abolfazl Shekarchi

"If the enemy - especially America and its allies in the re-A multinational accord gion - make the military misreached by Tehran and world take of shooting the powder on fire," Shekarchi warned.

Federal Board of Revenue

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Revenue Division

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Erdogan's party loses controversial replay of Istanbul polls

ISTANBUL: The opposition candidate in the controversial replay of Istanbul's mayoral election was headed for a com-The next slab of 201-300 fortable victory on Sunday, dealing a blow to the ruling been proposed at Rs738 per party of President Recep Tayyip Erdogan. Continued on page 8

Erdogan's candidate, Binali Yildirim, conceded defeat as initial results showed his opponent ahead with 53.69 percent of the vote with more than 95 percent of ballots counted. 'According to the result, as of now my competitor Ekrem Imamoglu is leading the race. I congratulate him and wish him good luck," Yildirim said.

Imamoglu, a little-known district mayor at the start of the year, had portrayed the rerun as a test of Turkish democracy after he was controversially stripped of his first victory in March.

Election authorities annulled that result after Erdogan claimed irregularities in the counting - but that galvanised Imamoglu, who vowed 'a battle for democracy" to take back the city of 15 mil-

Critics say Erdogan was simply reluctant to give up control of Istanbul, Turkey's economic powerhouse and a crucial source of patronage for Islamic conservatives since he won the mayorship himself a quarter-century ago.

Imamoglu, who represents the secular Republican People's Party, said after voting earlier on Sunday: "Today our people will make the best decision for the sake of our democracy, for Istanbul and also for the legitimacy of all future elections." His upbeat message under the slogan 'Everything will be fine' contrasted with the usual aggressive name-calling of Turkish politics and struck a chord

But he faced the juggernaut of the AKP, which has ruled Turkey since 2002 and remains the most popular political force nationwide thanks to years of dramatic growth and support for previously excluded religious conservatives. Yildirim, a mild-mannered Erdogan loyalist who oversaw

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Country on road to progress, says Buzdar

Our correspondent

Buzdar has said that under the we have no other agenda. vibrant leadership of Prime Min-

relief to public. We are fixing the tained. issues created by previous govtem, he added.

name of public service.

those who were claiming public consumers here on Sunday. service had plundered national brought great loss to Pakistan. Road and Sabzazar. Despite the worst economic believe in work, "let our work drinking water would be fined. speak by itself", Buzdar said.

der and looting national re- the coming days.

sources had passed as we consider ourselves guardians of these national resources. Our CHIEF Minister Sardar Usman goal is to serve the people and

Usman Buzdar said New Pakister Iniran Khan the country is istan is based on new ideas and moving forward to its real desti- new emotions and we won't nation of development and allow anybody to hinder the voyage of development. Our vision In a statement issued here is to eliminate the difference be-Sunday, Usman Buzdar said the tween the poor and the rich. Possystem was not corrected to fa- itive strategy is underway to imcilitate the general public by pre- prove the living standard of the vious government as the out- people by giving preference to dated system had not given any merit in every field, he main-

The chief minister said the ernments and reforms are being PTI government had laid the introduced to improve this sys- foundation of transparent Pakistan. We don't believe in hollow He said that the PTI govern- claims and slogans in fact we bement would develop organisa- lieve in practical steps. He tions and we are bringing such claimed that work was being reforms that will surely bring re- done day and night in order to lief and ease in the people's lives meet the people's expectations. In order to uplift the life of com- WASA: Water and Sanitation mon man we have to change the Agency (Wasa) continued its agold system, he said adding that gressive campaign against water politics of PTI was the other users involved in wasting precious drinking water and fined The chief minister said many domestic and commercial

The Wasa field staff fined resources and brought econ- over 15 consumers in the areas omy at the verge of disaster. He of Samanabad, Gulberg, Fateh said the wrong policies of the Garh, Sabzazar, Timber Market. previous government had College Road, Sandha, Outfall | the rising temperature in the |

conditions inherited our gov- on the directions of Wasa Manernment opted concrete meas- aging Director Syed Zahid Aziz tions for the next 24 hours. ures for economic improve- who directed the staff to identify ment, he said and added that a such consumers without any discommon man would stand con- crimination. He said that anyone fidently in new Pakistan as we involved in wasting precious

The Wasa MD said that the He said that the era of plun- campaign would be intensified in



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People enjoy pleasant weather at the Bagh-i-Jinnah. —Photo by Mansoor Ahmed

Scattered rain forecast

Our correspondent

SCATTERED rain brought down provincial metropolis here on The campaign was launched | Sunday while Met office pre-

> Met officials said that seasonal low lies over north Balochistan. A westerly wave is affecting upper parts of the country and may persist in upper and central parts till Monday. They predicted dust-thundershower/rain with gusty winds at scattered places in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Kashmir and Gilgit Baltistan, while at isolated places in Rawalpindi, Sargodha, Gujranwala, Lahore, Faisalabad, Multan, DG Khan, Bahawalpur, Sahiwal, Mirpurkhas, Kalat, Zhob divisions and Islamabad. Hot and dry weather is expected in rest of the country.

On Sunday weather remained hot and dry in most parts of the country. However, dust-thundershower/rain with gusty winds occurred at isolated places in Malakand, Hazara, Bannu, Rawalpindi, Sargodha, Lahore, Faisalabad, D.G.Khan, Zhob divisions, Gilgit Baltistan and Kashmir. Rainfall was also recorded in other cities including Faisalabad, Kasur, Noorpurthal, Murree, TT Singh, Sargodha, Mangla, Joharabad, Balakot, Dir, Malamjabba, Kakul, Bannu, Kotli, Garidupatta, Muzaffarabad, Rawalakot, Zhob and Astore. Sunday's highest maximum temperature was recorded at Sibbi where mercury reached 48°C while in La-

Overcharging contiunes unabated in makeshift markets

Jawwad Rizvi

dicted similar weather condi- SURGING trend in the prices government has yet to ensure availability of all seasonal vegetables and stop overcharging in the makeshift markets.

> Overcharging continued unabatedly across the city and in the makeshift markets as the government has least bothered to control the artificial price hike due to overcharging and violation of the price lists issued by the market committee with duly signed by the deputy commissioner office representatives.

On the other hand, the sellers claimed that the government official issued false rate lists as vegetables were even not available at the official rates in Badami Bagh wholesale market how they can sell it at lower than their purchase

bage along with some fruits, in- kg. cluding apples, phalsa, litchi,



was increased by Rs2 per kg, per kg, not sold on wrong pric-This week again number of while A-grade sold at Rs40 per Rs47 to 49 per kg, sold at Rs50 at Rs64 to 67 per kg, not sold per kg, not sold there. Different seasonal vegetables were not kg. The price of tomato was per kg, while cucumber local there. Pumpkin was reduced variety of mangoes was fixed at sold on account of wrong pric- also increased by Rs2 per kg, stable at Rs39 to 41 per kg, sold by Rs8 per kg, fixed at Rs34 to Rs39 to 148 per kg, sold at ing, including, ladyfinger, bitter fixed at Rs25 to 27 per kg. The at Rs45 per kg. gourd, zucchini, spinach, cap- lemon price was fixed at Rs88 sicum, cauliflower and cab- to 92 per kg, sold at Rs100 per increased by Rs17 per kg, fixed fixed at Rs51 per kg, Ladyfin- 122 per kg, and B-category at

week official price of onion Rs4 per kg, fixed at Rs31 to 33 at Rs70 per kg. Cauliflower was stable at fixed at Rs32 to 34 per kg, ing issue. Cucumber farm was Rs44 to 46 per kg, sold at Rs70 mixed sold at Rs34 per kg gained by Rs5 per kg, fixed at per kg, and cabbage was fixed Phalsa was fixed at Rs92 to 97

Garlic local was gained by on pricing issue. Spinach was kg, fixed at Rs49 to 51 per kg, quality was sold at Rs120 per Rs4 per kg, fixed at Rs117 to increased by Rs4 per kg, fixed not sold on wrong pricing kg. Apricot white was fixed at The price of potato soft skin 122 per kg, sold at Rs160 per at Rs13 to 15 kg, also not sold issue. Arum price was reduced Rs117 to 127 per kg, while aprifurther gained by Rs4 per kg, kg, garlic hemaiy fixed at there on pricing issue. Zucchini by Rs10 per kg, fixed at Rs83 to cot yellow was fixed at Rs107 fixed at Rs32 to 34 per kg, Rs155 to 162 per kg, sold at long fixed at Rs24 to 26 per kg, 87 per kg, sold at Rs90 per kg, to 112 per kg, and sold at Rs150 stored variety by Rs3 per kg, Rs200 per kg. Ginger Chinese not sold, zucchini farm gained Green chili price was fixed at per kg. Plump was fixed at fixed at Rs16 to 17 per kg, and fixed at Rs203 to 212 per kg, by Rs5 per kg, fixed at Rs31 per Rs24 to 36 per kg, sold Rs60 Rs88 to 132 per kg, mixed sold potato sugar-free at Rs17 to 18 not sold, garlic Thai at Rs151 to kg, not sold and local variety per kg. was sold at Rs34 per kg. This per kg. Brinjal was gained by fixed at Rs61 to 64 per kg, sold 87 per kg, sold at Rs100 per kg. at Rs250 per kg.

36 per kg, sold at Rs40 per kg. Rs100 to 150 per kg. Peach A-Bitter gourd local was also Luffa was gained by Rs7 per kg, category was fixed at Rs117 to at Rs54 to 56 per kg, not sold ger was increased by Rs2 per Rs59 to 62 per kg, while mixed

Capsicum stable at Rs83 to fixed at Rs200 per kg and sold

Carrot was increased by Rs4 per kg, fixed at Rs31 per kg, sold at Rs40 per kg. Coriander was fixed at Rs95 per kg, sold at Rs200 per kg. Beans were fixed at Rs60 per kg, sold at Rs200 per kg.

Raw mangoes for pickle were fixed at Rs40 per kg, sold at Rs50 per kg.

The price of different vari-

ety of apples was fixed at Rs88 to 172 per kg, not sold in makeshift markets. The price of Banana A-category was fixed at Rs68 to 72 per dozen and B-category was fixed at Rs54 to 56 per dozen, sold at Rs70 per dozen, while A-category was not available. Papaya was fixed at Rs92 per kg, sold at Rs120 per kg. Dates Irani were fixed at Rs151 to 158 per kg, sold at Rs300 per kg. Melon fixed at Rs29 to 31 per kg, sold at Rs20 to 25 per kg. Watermelon was fixed at Rs7 to 16 per kg, sold at Rs20 per kg.

up to Rs140 per kg. Litchi was

Career counselling; questions and answers Q1: Dear Abidi sahib, my it right now will do her no good

daughter is studying Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering. She is very much keen in studying

Mechanical Syed Azhar Engineer- Husnain Abidi ing. She is

has Khakwani-Mianwali)

Ans: In my opinion, the de- advise (Atif Sami-Lahore) gree which she is currently equal chances. Keeping in view

and have very little value. I suggest you should first let her do this degree and later on decide specialisation or MS after her current degree programme.

Q2: Sir, I have recently completed my intermediate Pre-Medical with 75 percent marks. I am very keen in getting admission in a medical university/ college but due to high merit, unfortunately could not right now in her second semes- get admission. Now I have two ter. I would appreciate if you career choices one is honors kindly advise which line of degree in Psychology and secbetter ondly DPT. Due to confusion, I prospects for her. (Kamaluddin thought you would be the right person to ask for help. Please

Ans: Keeping in view your studying is very popular interest and current situation I branch of engineering and has would suggest you should do



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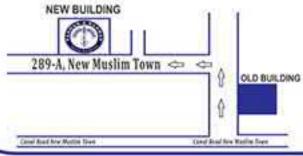
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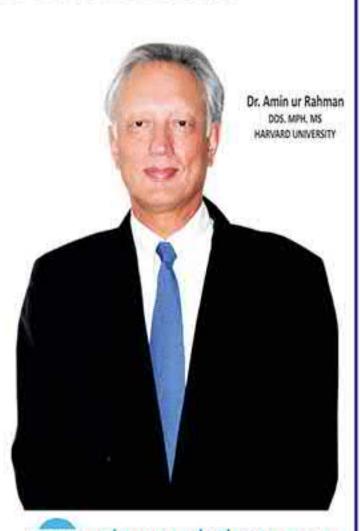
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'New taxes to increase prices of chicken, edible oil'

Our correspondent

may lead to increase prices of on Sunday. chicken meat by Rs 20 per kg

would lead to price hike of these essential food items out food items costly by slapping has been at the lowest level gists. They are very high in detwo key food items, said Dr of reach of poor people who 'unnecessary' taxes. Muhammad Arshad, former are already facing challenge NEW taxation measures an- chairman Pakistan Solvent of malnutrition, he said. nounced in the federal budget Extractors Association here

has proposed to enhance could affect the masses. Poullarly, there is a proposal to deficient in the production of of the masses. Like many badly hit the masses. levy 17 per cent sales tax on edible oil. Such unwise impo- other countries in the world,

tracting oil. Both these steps terproductive as it would put should refrain from making sumption of protein rich food bean seeds.

Arshad added that grow- growth of children and young of 47 in the country against | you please give me your expert | The federal government should not take any step that with imported raw material. vation over PTI government's imposition of higher slabs of He observed that the gov- approach towards agriculture taxes by the PTI government. sales tax on soybean seeds try products are a cheap ernment should exempt food and food sector, saying that

among the masses. Per capita | mand. I wish you best of luck in Provision of cheap protein egg consumption is already your future plans. is indispensable for the far below the desirable level

Keeping in view impor-

used in poultry feed from six source of protein for the items from a tax with a view such taxation measures being tance of poultry products percent to 17 percent. Simi- masses while we are already to keep them within the reach politically incorrect would and edible oil for human health, Dr Arshad demanded | bachelors in Electronics and Talking about consump- of the government to reconsoybean seeds used for ex- sition of taxes would be coun- he said, "our government tion of eggs, Arshad said con- sider levy of taxes on soy-

after that you should do Masters in Telecommunication with Wireless Engineering. This will definitely help you a lot for a successful professional career. Q4: Sir, I am doing engineer-

ing degree from University of Engineering and Technology (UET). I'm doing this degree in Chemical Engineering, Many of my relatives especially my cousin is saying this subject is not suitable for women and ultimately I will face hardship in finding jobs in future. I am sure if you guide me which Masters degree after this I choose it will help me a lot; that is why, I am writing this for your advice. (Nadia Rehman Baig - Lahore)

Career counselling

an honors degree in Biochem-

istry or Microbiology. After that

you will have a lot of choices to

as health specialist and patholo-

Rawalpindi. (Wajahat Rafique -

suggest you must complete

Ans: According to your cur-

Rawalpindi)

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Ans: I think you should do an ties. MSc in Biotechnology or Biomedical Engineering. These two degrees require good science degree. I'm confident that you will do well and qualify for any of these degrees. This will open up more chances and opportunities and I tell you that it has very suitable environment for women.

(Syed Azhar Husnain Abidi is a renowned educationist in Pakistan, with more than 20 years of experience as provider of education counselling services. He has represented Pakistan in over 100 national and international seminars, conferences and fora. He is a recipi-She said that Girls Guide Khalida Ilyas also attended ent of the most coveted civil award Tamgha-e-Imtiaz).

Transparency, fair conduct of exams

Daanish Schools told to register with respective boards

Khalid Khattak

examinations in order to main- olis to these districts. tain transparency and fair conduct of the exams, it is learnt.

gar), Attock and Mianwali.

power extremely underprivi- cameras. leged families by providing high were registered with the BISE However, all the Daanish School students appear in Matric and ercise," he added. Inter exams conducted by the Lahore Board.

work in hospitals with doctors Q3: I would be thankful if rent situation, I would like to

BISEs across the province.

The BISE Lahore has to BOARD of Intermediate & Sec- make special arrangements for ondary Education (BISE) Lahore conducting exams of Daanish has asked the Daanish Schools School students which includes Authority to get its schools regis- transportation of question patered with examination boards pers, answer books and human of their respective division for resource, including examination Matriculation and Intermediate staff from the provincial metrop-

A senior official of BISE Lahore said multiple risk factors Presently, under a special were involved in the entire exerarrangement, BISE Lahore con- cise as the board had to follow ducts Matric and Intermediate certain SOPs to ensure smooth Exams of all the 14 campuses of and fair conduct of the exams. Daarish Schools situated in Dera He said there had been instances Ghazi Khan, Rahim Yar Khan, in the past which demand a Fazilpur (District Rajanpur), proper review of the situation in Hasilpur (District Bahawalpur), order to maintain transparency Chishtian (District Bahawalna- in the conduct of exams. He quoted an example of replacing It is pertinent to mention entire team of examination staff here that Daanish School was a last year in Dera Ghazi Khan and brainchild of the former chief deploying staff to monitor the minister Shahbaz Sharif to em- conduct of exam through CCTV

When contacted, BISE Laquality education to their chil- hore Chairman Prof Ch Muhamdren. On his special instructions, mad Ismail said the board had all campuses of Daanish Schools suggested the Daanish Schools Authority to register its schools Lahore for the examinations. with examination boards of their There are nine examination respective division for betterboards, one each in a divisional ment of the exam system. "This headquarters, across Punjab, is just a suggestion; otherwise, we are ready to continue the ex-

Prof Ch Muhammad Ismail further said the BISEs were fol-Since Shahbaz Sharif is no lowing a centralised mechanism more in power in the province, it so there won't be any problem seems the BISE Lahore adminis- for the students of Daanish tration has now gathered Schools. He said the boards were courage to unburden itself from also following inter-board markthe task which involves a num- ing under which papers of one ing gap between Pak rupee kids as 45 percent of them are the recommended level of advice for my studies and future ber of risk factors in the smooth board were marked by the other He was of the view that and US dollar also means fur- already facing menace of 300,he said and expressed plans. I am currently studying and fair conduct of the exams board and vice versa. He further and Rs 15 per litre of soybean the government should care- ther increase in the prices of stunted growth due to malnu- fear that consumption of eggs DAE Electronics second semes- primarily because of the distance said with the conduct of the fully look into this issue and food items manufactured trition." He expressed reser- would further drop following ter in a prominent college in between Lahore and these dis- exams by the boards in their jutricts. It is also pertinent mention risdiction, there would be proper here that Matric and Inter exams monitoring of the entire process are conducted simultaneously to ensure maximum transon a uniform basis by all the nine parency and fairness.

Heroin capsules concealed in stomach seized

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Our correspondent

YOUTH COMMITS SUICIDE: offenders during the last week A 21-year-old youth committed crackdown. suicide by hanging himself with ARRESTED: Punjab Highway a rope in the Green Town area o Patrol (PHP) claimed to have ar-Sunday. The deceased was iden-rested 193 criminals, including tified as Bilal, a class 10 student. 17 proclaimed offenders (POs). He committed suicide over some PHP teams arrested 17 POs and

immediate response to the all licit arms.

shifted to morgue.

730 calls received on helpline 15

unknown issue. The body was eight court absconders. They CHECKED: Dolphins Squad charges of possessing drugs and and PRU wings of police showed 64 on having in possession of il-

during the last week. While promoting community policing, THE Anti-Narcotics Force (ANF) both Dolphins and PRU helped arrested a passenger at Allama 37 people on different roads. Iqbal International Airport on Both wings checked more than | Our correspondent Sunday and recovered 71 heroin- 99,000 motorbikes, 150 other vefilled capsules from his posses- hicles and more than 65,000 persion. The accused identified as sons. Four vehicles and 16 mo-Raza Abbas had concealed the torbikes were impounded and 65 capsules in his stomach. He was persons arrested due to incomand PRU also arrested 10 target

rounded up 76 persons on

Governor's wife announces girls guide awareness campaign abilities and become confi- the name of enlightenment,

LAHORE

PUNJAB governor's wife and

across the province.

ernor's House, she said girls society," she added. would be offered courses re-

and women would be pro- paign. vided with opportunities en-

dent and law-abiding citizens knowledge, skillfulness,

of Pakistan. president of Punjab Girls progress without taking tively towards our society Guide Association (PGGA), womenfolk on board in the despite limited resources, asattempting to smuggle the heroin plete documents. Dolphin Squad | Parveen Sarwar, on Sunday development works. Girls serting that the Father of the announced initiating girls guide training will facilitate Nation had laid the foundaguide awareness campaign women to better equip them- tion of the movement. selves with skills so that they "Today, it is a responsibility Addressing a meeting of can play a constructive role of all of us to take further the the association here at Gov- in the overall well-being of mission of Quaid-i-Azam

> garding beautician, medical that workshops, training that I play my part effifirst aid, self-defence, table camps and social welfare ciently," she vowed. Salma setting and decoration, social programmes would also be Sajjad from Punjab Girls ethics, effective communica- arranged to enlighten women Guide Association, All Paktion skills and collaboration. about the relevance of the istan Private Schools Federa-Parveen Sarwar told the initiative in an effort to tion (APPSF) President participants that during the achieve the aims and objec- Kashif Mirza, Punjab Sports awareness campaign, girls tives of the awareness cam- Department's Assistant Di-

abling them to polish their was not just a movement but the meeting

which had, since its incep-"Our country cannot make tion, been contributing posi-

Muhammad Ali Jinnah and Governor's begum said Insha Allah, I shall make sure rector Raees Ahmad and Prof

PU tops natural sciences ranking

Our correspondent

among all Pakistani universitions respectively.

ties behind in the ranking.

ences, Life Sciences, Earth and Environmental Sciences from January to December 2018 is far President Prof Dr Mumtaz higher than other Pakistani sci- Anwar Chaudhry, Secretary ence universities.

has secured 7.21 score while search-friendly policies of in-COMSATS Institute of Informa- cumbent administration which tion Technology, which is on had taken several initiatives to second number, has secured

According to ranking, Is- ported university teachers.

lamia University of Bahawalpur, COMSATS University Islamabad, Quaid-e-Azam THE Nature Publishing Group, University, University of Educaa world-class publisher of high tion, University of Management impact scientific and medical and Technology, National Uniinformation in print and online versity of Computer and Emergfounded in 1869, has ranked ing Sciences, University of Pe-Punjab University No. 1 in shawar and National University terms of research publications of Sciences and Technology sein the field of natural sciences cured from 3rd to 10th posi-

Punjab University Academic According to a press re- Staff Association has congratulease, PU falls in general cate- lated PU Vice-Chancellor Dr gory of the universities while it Niaz Ahmad and his team, inhas left many science universi- cluding Chairman PU Ranking Committee Prof Dr Khalid Mah-The overall research output mood, Chairman Department of of PU scientists in the subjects Mathematics Dr Muhammad of Chemistry, Physical Sci- Sharif and others on this landmark achievement.

In a press statement, ASA Javed Sami and others said the According to ranking, PU achievement was result of repromote research culture in Punjab University and had sup-

Painting workshop for children Our correspondent

LAHORE

LAHORE Arts Council has arranged a five-day children painting workshop from Monday (today) at Alhanira Art Gallery. Executive Director, Ather Ali Khan, said "It is our foremost priority to enrich our children with cultural and artistic activities to enhance their minds. We have specially engaged highly professional teachers for this workshop." Alhamra has already registered 38 children for the workshop and their age group is from 7-15 years old. This workshop will continue till June 28.

CM grieved

CHIEF Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar has expressed deep and grief over the death of mother of KP Minister Information Shaukat Ali Yousafzai. In his condolence message, the CM extended his heartiest sympathies to the families and prayed for peace to the departed soul and patience to

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the family. —Correspondent | People take a boat ride at Minar-i-Pakistan. —Photo by Akmal Bhatti

Islamabad development projects reviewed

Our correspondent

ISLAMABAD

fare were reviewed.

Special Assistant to Prime Minis-plored. ter on CDA Affairs, Ali Nawaz of other concerned formations of the city.

from Koral Chowk to PWD as context. traffic congestion in the vicinity

earliest is dire need. The meeting was apprised The DFA appraised that necthat the design of the project essary budget was allocated last from ECNEC.

Keeping in consideration the curtional Highway Authority.

rent allocation of the project, the meeting discussed different viable solutions for development A high-level meeting on city de- of Signal Free Islamabad Exvelopment was held at CDA pressway Corridor. It was de-Headquarters in which projects cided that in the first instance being carried out for the uplift of Bridge at Korang River would be the city, public utility and wel- constructed. It was discussed if a self-financing model can also The meeting was attended by be developed should be ex-

The meeting discussed that Awan, Member National Assem- Islamabad is expanding day by bly Asad Umer, Member Na- day, therefore, facility of gravetional Assembly Raja Khuram yard also need to be expanded. Nawaz, Chairman CDA Amer Ali In this context meeting directed Ahmed, Member Engineering, the Planning Wing of the Author-Director General Works, Direc- ity to indicate and allocate 100 tor General Services and heads kanal land in the western part of

During the meeting con-The meeting was briefed cemed formation of the Authorabout the progress of work on ity presented a detailed plan re-Signal Free Islamabad Express- garding carpeting of roads in way Corridor. It was informed urban and rural areas of the Isthat the project is of immense lamabad. In this connection, it importance because commuters was decided that after thorough using Islamabad Expressway are review of the plan members will facing difficulties particularly inform CDA for their input in this

It was discussed that there is is a regular feature. Therefore, need to improve water availabilcompletion of the project at the ity in the city as well as restore parks as well as road furniture.

from Koral to Rawat has been year to MCI which is now with prepared and PC-I in this context them. However, the elected repwas approved by the CDWP and resentatives expressed the need | Our correspondent has recommended for approval that the matter will be taken up | LAHORE at the competent forum that The meeting agreed to take CDA may be permitted to spend | THE Pakistan Medical Associup the matter with Ministry of some additional resources on Planning, Development and Re-these matters with a view to im- Punjab Healthcare Commisforms for early approval from prove the current situation of the ECNIC. The meeting was in-city. The meeting discussed the formed that the PSDP grant of expansion of Fatehjang Road, it pointment of its Chief Rs500 million has been allocated was informed that expansion of for the project for this year. the said road is domain of Na-

Wasa all set to automate supply system

Saeed Ahmed RAWALPINDI

tion Technology University La- Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) hore (ITU) team met Wasa and other basic parameters of Chairman, Muhammad Arif Ab- water. ITU team also told that gave a detailed presentation on and readings of inflow and outtion plants and Rawal Lake Fil-pumps can be monitored ontration Plant. Team headed by line. They added that this sys-Dr. Tauseef Tauqeer and ac- tem will benefit Wasa in opera-Hafiz and Dr. Usman Younis of supply system and quality conwells will be automated.

The system will also be fruitful at mini filtration plants to Agency (Wasa) is planning to supplied to the consumers, conautomate its water supply sys-sumers number that took water tem to improve service deliv- from the mini filtration plant, water quality i.e. PH, Conduc-In this connection, Informativity, Dissolved Oxygen (DO), project for Wasa which can be

THE Water and Sanitation check how much water is being proposed abolition of doctors' APC questioned bassi and Managing Director Rawal Lake Filtration Plant | PUNJAB Information Minister Wasa Muhammad Tanvir and will also be semi-automated Samsam Bukhari on Sunday the possibilities of automation flow of water, water quality | tion's All Parties Conference of WASA tubewells, mini filtra- and working duration of (APC). Opposition's APC is companied with Dr. Rehan tion & maintenance of water | the JUI-F chief Maulana Fazal-ITU briefed that Wasa tube trol. ITU has offered a pilot | tioned the credibility of the APC An online Remote Monitor- replicated on entire system in man. Reiterating his governing System will be designed to future. Wasa chairman after | ment's resolve to uplift south operate, record the working detailed deliberations appreci- | Punjab, he said the first time in hours of tube well's pumps and ated the idea and said that the history of the provincial motors, duration of operation. Wasa Rawalpindi will take the budget a heavy amount has been water level and discharge, leadership role and will imple- reserved for the health sector in water quality and electricity ment this project immediately. | the province. —INP



PMA criticises PHC affairs

ation (PMA) has criticized sion (PHC) for allegedly promoting favouritism in the ap-Executive Officer (CEO) and filling of other posts as it called only previous govern-

According to a press release, PMA's executive council has also criticized the PHC for accommodating the ex-CEO, who was responsible for the decline of the institution." The PMA also rejected the provisions of the Medical Teaching Institutions' Act whereby it government service and pension benefits after retirement.

Credibility of

raised questions over opposinothing more than Apne Pyaron Ki Corruption, Bukhari said in his reaction to the call of APC by ur-Rehman. The minister quesunder the chair of an unelected

Concerted efforts needed to address child labour

work from initial age.

age boys are working in auto- nowhere to be seen. mobile workshops, homes, hopickers and masons.

was observed that large num-

in the federal capital. During a visit of different Most of the employers told

Market F-8 Markaz, Cafe Irum Rizwan, a 10 year old, who added.

in various markets of the fed- Bazar (near Peshawar Mor G-9 was earning Rs50 daily, an- in Blue Area urged the governof numerous laws suggesting 9 Markaz, Safa Gold Mall, teens, who is a rag picker, said imparting skill-based training most half of them, 73 million, severe punishment to the em- Super Market F-6 Markaz, it he earns Rs100 to Rs150 daily. among such children, so that work in hazardous child labour

The child labour creates ber of children were employed ferent bus stops, said he could shops and other institutions. (72.1 million) is to be found in and teenagers were employed implement child labour laws in Europe and Central Asia. However, when contacted at the workshop, they were all the federal capital. tels, brick kilns, factories, the administration seemed well treated and trained in the vending in the streets, clueless on how to implement necessary skills to succeed in sively doing efforts to create urgency of eliminating the bracelets making, even as rag the law to prevent child labour the industry and earn good awareness among the people worst forms of child labour, livelihood.

areas of the federal capital in- APP that children were em- workshop in search of better tools. cluding, Aabpara Market G-6, ployed by them as per the earnings often go astray and Allah Wali Market F-8/1, Ayyub wishes of their parents. fall into drug addiction, "E he Labour Organization, world- of ending all forms of child

Market G-6/2, Jinnah Super works in automobile workshop However, a workshop tween 5 and 17 years were in CHILD labour is still rampant. Market F-7 Markaz, Jummah. for over 12 hours daily, said he. owner in Faizabad and another. employment. eral capital despite legislation and G-6), Karachi Company G- other Kamran Khan in his ment to devise a mechanism of were victims of child labour; al-

ment's favourite candidates for mental and physical issues for by haulers, car washing and manage to earn over Rs250 National Commission for Africa; 62.1 million in the Asia children as they start hard shoe polishing. The impact of daily. Ali, the owner of Auto Human Rights (NCHR) mem- and the Pacific; 10.7 million in Child Protection Act passed by Workshop in G-7/1 said al- ber Chaudhry Shafeeq said ef- the Americas; 1.2 million in the A Large number of under- the Parliament last year was though a number of children forts were underway to strictly Arab States and 5.5 million in

wide 218 million children be- labour by 2025. —APP

Among them, 152 million Walid, who sells pens at dif- they could earn more in work- almost half of child labour

> The 2030 sustainable devel-The government was mas- opment agenda reaffirms the

by organizing workshops, sem- which includes hazardous "Children who leave the inars and through social media work, the need to promote safe and secure working environ-According to International ment for all, and sets the target

A 'thank you' farewell!

Ishrat Hyatt

by the end of the month.

above criteria! Arrangements said he and his wife had enfront lawn and the weather return to explore more of the TO thank all those who 'gen- was good so it was pleasant country and its beautiful and erously granted support, to sit - or stand - and inter- historical sites because they love and friendship during act with other guests. Nos- had not been able to travel their stay in Pakistan,' the talgic music of days gone by as much as they would have Ambassador of Argentina, played throughout the liked to during their time Ivan Ivanissevich and spouse evening and was a pleasure here. He concluded with a Ana Helena Walberg hosted to listen to and it motivated few remarks about Ara dinner at their residence as a few people to smile and gentina /Pakistan relations. they will be leaving Pakistan sing along, albeit quietly in What was appreciated was their own group! Briefly ad- the fact that Ambassador The event was held at dressing his guests, the host Ivanissevich said all memtheir residence and obvi- thanked them for accepting bers of the embassy were ously attended by their col- his invitation; appreciated present as guests and were

had been made out in the joyed their stay and would leagues and friends who their 'support, love and not on duty, as he did not becould be bracketed in the friendship during his tenure; lieve in the term 'status.

AIOU adopts new admissions plan to facilitate students

THE Allama Iqbal Open Univeraround the country.

Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. throughout the country. Zia-Ul-Qayyum is also aimed at streamlining the academic ses- centre will be set up at the unisions for timely mailing of versity's 49 regional offices to books and conducting examina- guide and help the aspiring stu-

As per the new schedule, the July 15. The applications for the and Open Tech (OT). admissions Matric, FA proper new schedule, admissions Physics and BS CS. —APP

for Post-Graduate programs, B. Ed and BS (ODL) and Assosity (AIOU) has decided to hold ciate Degree in Education/Comadmissions for each semester in merce and French Online will two phases to make the process take place from September 1 to more efficient and to facilitate October 5. Prospectus sale its over 1.4 million students points will be set up at the University main campus, regional The plan as approved by the and coordinating offices

Special students facilitation

The programmes being ofadmissions (autumn 2019) for fered in the upcoming semester Matric, FA, MS/MPhil, PhD and from July 15 include short-term BS (face-to-face) will start from Educational program (STEP)

The programmes grams will be received till Au- MS/MPhil/PhD/BS include gust 31, while admission for the MPhil/PhD chemistry, PhD MS/MPhil/PhD/BS (face-to-face) Physics, MPhil Mass Communiwill continue till August 12.As cation, MPhil Physics, BS

Clean-up operation

Our correspondent

THE Capital Development Augovernment residents in sector thority (CDA) in collaboration G-7/4 and constructions carried istration (ICT) conducted mas- Home, Sector H-8 were demolsive anti-encroachment opera- ished. tions in different areas of the city and demolished several il- torate also removed encroach-

Administration, and Islamabad Enforcement Store. Police while heavy machinery Furthermore, an illegal ani-

and 3 boundary walls. boundary wall in Katchi Abadi in the vicinity.

sector G-6/2, 02 newly constructed rooms in Katchi Abadi sector G-7/4, 01 car shed near with Islamabad Capital Admin- out by contractor near Edhi

Staff of Enforcement Direclegal constructions and en- ments from surrounds of Shifa International Hospital and sec-These operations were par- tor I-11/4 and confiscated 04 ticipated by staff of Enforce-trucks encroachment material ment Directorate, Islamabad which was later on shifted to

was used to demolish illegal mal shed in sector F-11 was constructions. Staff of Enforce- also removed. Moreover, on ment Directorate during con- constructing house in restricted ducted operation in Jaba Telee area of Nilor an application demolished 2 houses, 5 rooms with the consultation of Assistant Commissioner, ICT was Similarly, teams of Enforce- also lodged in Nilor Police Stament Directorate also demol- tion for legal action. Another ished a huge boundary wall and action was taken by the teams removed several building mate- of Enforcement Directorate in rial depot from the area near sector H-9 katchi abadi and de-Sian Mirchu Shrine, Sector H- molished 08 newly constructed 13. Similarly, during another ac-rooms, four boundary walls and tion an illegally constructed also destroyed building blocks



People cool themselves off in the canal on Sunday morning, when it was hot. —Photo by Mansoor Ahmed

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SPORTSNEWS

Retiring Spain star Torres eyes future coaching role

TOKYO: Spanish World Cup winner Fernando Torres said Sunday his body could no longer cope with the physical demands of football after announcing his retirement from the game.

But the 35-year-old, once one of the deadliest marksmen in the world, would not rule out a future in coaching.

The former Atletico Madrid, Liverpool and Chelsea striker finished his career at Japanese club Sagan Tosu after joining the J-League side last year.

"I have a high demand of myself - I always want to be honest and perform at the level I think I should," said Torres, who scored Spain's winning goal in the 2008 European championships and played a key role in their 2010 World Cup triumph.

"Knowing my body and listening to my body, I think, especially mentally, that time (when I can't perform at the top level) is not far and I wanted to end my career in a good way before that happens. "I always gave everything I had and I still will give in the next two months," added Torres, whose last game will be against former Spain team mate Andres Iniesta's Vissel Kobe on August 23. Torres tweeted his retirement on Friday, saying: "After 18 exciting years, the time has come to put an end to my football career."

He left Atletico last summer to play in Japan after returning to his boyhood club in 2015 but has struggled with form and injuries.

Torres, dubbed "El Nino" during his heyday, played 334 times in total for Atletico, scoring 111 goals.

He made 142 appearances for Liverpool, finding the net 81 times in his prime, before joining Chelsea where he scored 45 goals in 172 matches for the London club. Asked about the future, Torres told a news conference in Tokyo he would continue in an advisory role for Sagan, likely identifying Spanish youth players for the Kyushu club. He also did not rule out becoming a manager or coach back in Europe.

"I just need time to spend with my family and think about my next step - I don't know if it will be coaching or managing," said Torres, who named his former Liverpool captain Steven Gerrard as the best he had ever played alongside. -AFP

Squash great Jahangir urges Pakistan to show WC fight

LONDON: Pakistan squash great Jahangir Khan has urged Pakistan to show grit at the World Cup, saying they have the talent to reach the semi-finals despite a string of bad results.

Jahangir, one of the finest squash players of all time, was in the stands at Lord's on Sunday to watch his side take on South Africa. "Pakistan still have a chance of qualifying for the semi-finals but for that I want them to be fighting throughout the match," he said. The 1992 champions, who came into the South Africa match with just one victory in five games, must realistically win all their remaining four ties and hope

other results go their way. Jahangir, who won 10 British Open titles and six world titles, was known for his never-say-die approach and stamina, traits that he wants to see in the Pakistan team, who scored 308-7 in their 50 overs on Sunday.

"What I have seen in the previous games was that the team lacked aggression, especially against India," said Jahangir, referring to last week's defeat against Pakistan's arch-rivals.

Pakistan went down by 89 runs in the rain-affected game, which sparked a furious reaction back home, but Jahangir said Pakistan could recover. "This team has talent so I am confident that it will bounce back as the whole nation wants them in the semi-final and then in the final," he said. Pakistan's powerful military chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa was in the stands at Lord's, along with military colleagues.

Sulaiman Khan, the son of World Cup-winning Pakistan captain and current Prime Minister Imran Khan, was also at Lord's. -AFP





LONDON: Pakistan's Haris Sohail (L) celebrates with teammate Imad Wasim after scoring a half-century while Babar Azam (R) plays a shot during the Cricket World Cup match against South Africa. —AFP

Haris, Babar boost Pakistan's bid for World Cup survival

Africa on Sunday.

Sohail was making just his made up for lost time as he de- for a tone-setting four. molished South Africa's belea-

their slender hopes of qualifying running in from the boundary. tournament. for the semi-finals via a top-four finish in the 10-team group viewthat showed the Pakistan- Aiden Markram, to leave Pak- —AFP

second appearance at this faraz Ahmed won the toss and that saw him caught in the slips Imad Wasim c sub (Duminy) b Ngidi 23 year's World Cup and his dash- decided to bat first, Fakhar by Hashim Amla on 44. ing display at Lord's suggested Zaman and Imam-ul-Haq lifted Not surprisingly, Tahir's Sarlaraz Ahmed not out 2 he should have been involved morale with a stand of 81 for trademark celebration sprint. Shadab Khan not out 1 more often. The 30-year-old, the first wicket Zaman slapped around the pitch seemed a little Edizs: (lb6, rb1, w5) 12 dropped following Pakistan's Kagiso Rabada's second ball of more vigorous than usual. opener against the West Indies, the match through the covers Tahir was just getting DNB: Mohammad Amir, Shaheen Shah

sedate 60 laid the foundations. six overs. Zaman had a narrow crowd. With only one win apiece, escape when he slogged Chris

LONDON: Haris Sohail boosted stage. Beaten by bitter rivals born South African's fingers istan 143-3 in the 30th over. Pakistan's bid to avoid World India in their last match, Pak-were not under the ball as it hit Pakistan Cup elimination with a blister- istan's players spent the past the turf. Tahir was booed by Imam-ul-Hag c & b Tahir 44 ing 89 in his side's 308 for seven week involved in a series of Pakistan fans when he came on Fakhar Zaman c Amla b Tahir 44 against fellow strugglers South spats with frustrated fans both to bowl, but the leg-spinner got Babar Azam c Ngidi b Phehlukwayo 69 in person and on social media. his revenge when Zaman at-Mohammad Haleez lbw b Markram 20 After Pakistan captain Sar- tempted a bizarre scooped shot. Haris Sohail c De Kock b Ngidi 89

warmed up and he produced a Afridi The green-shirt-clad Pak- sublime catch off his own bowl- Fall of wickets: 1-81 (Zaman), 2-98 istan fans who made up the ma- ing to dismiss Imam for 44. (Imam), 3-143 (Haleez), 4-224 (Azam), 5-Hitting nine fours and three jority of the crowd were on Lunging low to pluck the ball 295 (mad), 6-304 (Rizz), 7-307 (Sohail) gave Pakistan a shot of adrena- Zaman's effortless six off Lungi Tahir was ecstatic as he blew 0-64-3; Morris 9-0-61-0; Phehlukwayo 8line after Babar Azam's more Ngidi made it 44-0 from the first kisses to his detractors in the 0-49-1 (1nb, 2w); Tahir 10-0-41-2 (1w);

Pakistan and South Africa both Morris to Imran Tahir, who made him South Africa's all- Umpires: Joel Wilson (WIS) and Kumar need a victory to keep alive claimed he made the catch after time leading wicket-taker in the Dharmasena (SRI)

But the stark truth is that the

the way the guys fought."

Wahab Riaz b Ngidi 4

Total: (for seven wkts; 50 overs) 308

Tahir's 39th World Cup scalp Toss: Pakistan

Mohammad TV Umpire: Chris Gaffaney (NZL) The umpires asked for a re- Hafeez departed for 20, lbw to Match refere: Ranjan Madugalle (SRI)

with a bang Khalid Hussain

Haris returns

LONDON: It was a critical phase in their innings for Pakistan as they looked to put on a challenging total in the mustwin World Cup match against South Africa.

Senior batsman Mohammad Hafeez had just fallen to the part-time spin of Aiden Markram on the last ball of the 30th over. Pakistan were 143-3 and knew that one of their batters needed to rise to the occa- of impetus that it was looking sion and get them past the 300- for following the dismissal of run mark to put the Proteas Hafeez. under pressure.

sixes in his 50-ball blitz, Sohail their feet cheering when just before it hit the ground, Bowing: Rabada 10-0-65-0 (1w); Ngidi 9- 30-year-old left-hander had ting, Haris clobbered the South most certain of a place in the been handed a raw deal before African attack for 89 runs from 2019 semi-finals already, sitting Sunday's game at Lord's. He just 59 balls with the help of top of the 10-team table with was dropped after just one nine fours and three sixes. His World Cup failure (he scored 8 knock was completely out of runs in Pakistan's seven-wicket character something that was defeat against West Indies) as aptly underlined by his stun-Pakistan persisted with the ning strike rate (150.84). That's misfiring Shoaib Malik in three almost double his career strike consecutive matches against rate (83.05). England, Australia and India.

> India that Pakistan were finally series of failures. forced to bring back the more reliable Haris.

idator, Haris provided the Pakistani innings with the sort



ICC CRICKET WORLD CUP **ENGLAND & WALES** 2019

In an impressive display of In came, Haris Sohail. The crafty batting and power-hit-Perhaps Haris had a point

It was only after Malik's to prove. Pakistan had been back-to-back naughts in de- persistently ignoring him as feats against Australia and they favoured Malik despite a

Why were they opting for Malik despite the fact that the And he made the most of veteran all-rounder was comthe opportunity. Generally re- pletely out of form? Ask Waqar garded as a middle-order bats- Younis and he would tell you man, who is more of a consol- that fear could have been the

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BIRMINGHAM: Australia's Ashley Barty with the trophy after victory over Germany's Julia Goerges during the Nature Valley Classic Championship. —AFP

West Indies flatter to deceive once again

started their World Cup cam- preparation." paign in style, blowing Pakistan

miliar tale of what-ifs as the two-board. time former champions contemplate another failed campaign as one-day international captain and Viv Richards have not won

Carlos Brathwaite on Saturfighting spirit and impressive re-quently became a "gun for hire", sure it might put on the present breathtaking century to take his world as coaches came and pressure". side agonisingly close to victory went. against New Zealand at Old Trafhopes of qualifying for the semi- Richard Pybus in April. finals of the 50-over event.

lack of time the team's core in March. group spends together is one There have been chang reason for their below-par show- the selection panel and things Bangladesh. But they can take ing in England and Wales.

ented team," Bishop told AFP. evolved over the last three or Hetmyer, Shai Hope and Brath-"They haven't been together for four years," said Bishop, who waite. a long time, unlike teams like also called for a shake-up in England, New Zealand and Caribbean domestic cricket. India, who have had a core group for a long time.

MANCHESTER: The West Indies able. So I think that has hindered be given there." The West Indies

West Indies cricket went on the pitch with a shock 2-1 away to revive memories of their through large upheavals after the Test series win over England glory days of swashbuckling bat- team cut short their tour of India and 2-2 ODI series draw earlier ting and fearsome fast bowling. in 2014 due to a payment dispute this year. But, six games in, it is a fa- between the players and the

dogged by their old foe -- incon- and Kieron Pollard and Darren an ODI series since 2014. Sammy were sidelined. The enormously talented and been captain since 2015, of West day exemplified West Indies' charismatic Chris Gayle subse- Indies' rich legacy and the pres-

serves of talent, smashing a playing in leagues all around the side and he smilingly says "no

Bishop said the changing more consistent in what we're ford. But instead of completing support staff had not helped doing," he said after the heartan unlikely and glorious win, team-building - Floyd Reifer breaking loss to New Zealand at Jason Holder's team lost by five was appointed interim head Old Trafford. 'But as I said beruns, effectively ending their coach after the sacking of fore, we're really, really proud of

A change in guard at Cricket It is a familiar scenario for West Indies saw Ricky Skerritt West Indies sides and former succeed controversial predeces- World Cup with a comprehenpaceman Ian Bishop believes the sor Dave Cameron as president sive seven-wicket win over Pak-

like that - change in coaches, so heart from good individual bat-'Obviously they are a tal- different philosophies have ting performances from Shimron

"It's not just these guys, - impressed with their pace and West Indies cricket has strug- swing in English conditions and "This team hasn't had that for gled for a fair while now in dif- Bishop is more than happy with different reasons, whether it's in-ferent formats at different times. the talent on tap, saying many of jury or guys going to different In Twenty20 they are kings of the players are relatively inexpeleagues, which is understand- the world. Some credit needs to rienced. -AFP

WTA title to be on top of the tennis world BIRMINGHAM: Ashleigh Barty

Barty wins

became only the second Australian woman to top the world rankings when she won Birmingham WTA title on Sunday, beating Julia Goerges 6-3, 7-5.

The 23-year-old French Open champion emulates Yvonne Goolagong-Cawley, who held it for a fortnight in 1976. Barty displaces Japan's Naomi Osaka as women's world number one.

Barty showed little sign of the arm injury - the same one she had going into the French Open - which saw her pull out of the doubles on Saturday where coincidentally she was partnering Goerges. Barty saved two break points early in the first set but she made no mistake when she was offered the opportunity Goerges putting a backhand wide to give the Australian a 4-2 lead. Barty closed out the set without further ado - the pick of her shots a delightful lob into the far corner which Goerges tried valiantly to get back but it dropped short of the net to give witnessed an upturn in fortunes her a 5-2 lead.

Goerges, though, struck back in the second set, breaking Barty in her first service game and the German held her own to move former undisputed kings of into a 3-0 lead. —AFP

Kohli fined for 'excessive appealing' against Afghanistan

over Afghanistan , the Inter-tional match". national Council announced on Sunday.

Afghanistan

Southampton on Saturday. Kohli was found to have time great upsets. —AFP

SOUTHAMPTON: India cap- breached Level 1 of the ICC tain Virat Kohli has been code of conduct, with his offined 25 percent of his match fence relating to the clause fee for "excessive appealing" concerning "excessive apin a tense World Cup victory pealing during an interna-

The India skipper admitted the offence and accepted the The star batsman has also sanction proposed by match had one demerit point added referee Chris Broad, the forto his disciplinary record after mer England batsman. As he was rule to have ap- such, there was no need for a proached experienced Pak- formal hearing. Victory, sealed istani umpire Aleem Dar in an by a Mohammed Shami hataggressive manner when ap- trick, saw India remain on pealing an lbw decision during course to qualify for the semithe 29th over of India's nailbit-finals from the 10-team group ing 11-run win over rank out- stage but only after bottom of at the table Afghanistan threatened to produce one of the all-

New Zealand can be WC winners, says McCullum

MANCHESTER: Former captain Brendon McCullum says New Zealand have the firepower to win the World Cup for the first time in their history. The Black Caps won a nail-biter against the West Indies in Manchester on Saturday to stay unbeaten at the 50over tournament in England and Wales. New Zealand, often labelled

as underdogs, reached their first World Cup final in 2015 under McCullum after six semifinal appearances, only to lose to Australia in Melbourne. Kane Williamson's side are alfive wins and a no result from six matches. "Some people say underdogs but probably they don't see New Zealand play that often. Broadcast-wise they are not seen as often as some of the other teams and hence they are out of sight out of mind thing," McCullum told AFP. "The World Cup historically for New Zealand has always been very, very good. I think we are second in most wins behind Australia in World Cup matches.

cricketer-turnedcommentator said his former side were gaining in confidence after a fine start and would peak for the semi-finals.

Williamson, who replaced

McCullum as captain in all three formats of the game after the veteran batsman's retirement in 2016, has led by example at the World Cup with his elegant batting. He produced another masterclass against the West Indies at Old Trafford, scoring 148 - his second successive century - as New Zealand scraped home by five runs. McCullum said, "He is a magnificent player, turned into a fine leader. He is definitely more of an elegant type of cricketer. He is almost surgeon-like. "He is among the most consistent players around we talk about. (Joe) Root and (Virat) Kohli and Steve Smith, all of them are quite similar. They are very much batsmen rather than power-hitters."

McCullum believes the teams currently occupying the top four slots in the 10-team table -- New Zealand, Australia, India and England – are likely to reach next month's semi-finals, though he believes all the teams have vulnerabilities. -AFP



ALEXANDRIA: Madagascar's players celebrate their goal during the 2019 Africa Cup of Nations football match against Guinea. —AFP

Hamilton wins French GP to extend unbeaten run to 10



PARIS: Winner Mercedes' British driver Lewis Hamilton celebrates with his trophy at the podium after the Formula One Grand Prix de France. —AFP

PARIS: Lewis Hamilton extended his championship lead good weekend," said the Briton. ensured a difficult afternoon for and continued his relentless run "It's such a challenge out there tyre-wear. of success when he scorched to and I live that, really trying to an emphatic victory ahead of find the edge." "I couldn't do it start with Bottas and Leclerc Mercedes team-mate Valtteri without this incredible team following him on the opening Bottas at the French Grand Prix and we are creating history - lap, the Englishman soon openon Sunday.

The defending five-time it," Hamilton reflected. champion repeated his pole-toflag triumph of 2018 with a flaw- extended his title race lead over tel finally passed Norris for less drive to his fourth win in Bottas to 36 points - with sixth. The British rookie resuccession, sixth this season Charles Leclerc finishing a sponded at Signes, but Vettel reand 79th of his career. His vic- strong third following a deter- sisted while Hamilton, at the tory extended Mercedes' un- mined drive in his Ferrari. Bot- front, reeled off another fastest beaten start to the 2019 season tas, who resisted a late charge lap. Vettel continued his to eight races and their overall from Leclerc, said: "Ultimately, progress, passing Sainz into the winning streak to 10, the Silver Lewis was quicker today and I chicane on lap seven for fifth, Arrows leaving their main rivals couldn't match his pace." trailing in their wake again.

21 races, Hamilton leads the too quick." Max Verstappen was was 2.5 seconds clear of Bottas, championship with 187 points fourth for Red Bull ahead of but the Finn responded with a ahead of Bottas on 151. four-time champion Sebastian fastest lap of his own.-AFP

Mr Punjab

title for

Attock's Wasil

Our correspondent

LAHORE: Wasil from Attock

claimed the Mr Punjab title of

the B.T.E 5th Punjab Arm-

(Men & Women) here on Sat-

in sub junior, junior, youth, sen-

ior, disabled categories. Run-

ner-up of the event was M

Usman Ghani. Among the

women participants the winner

tribution ceremony was Ba-

hadur Khan, chairman Pakistan

Armwrestling Federation.

Ageel Javed Butt, Imran Ali

Butt, Faisal Khan, Rehan, Malik

Latif and Zameer Sultan were

Results: Sub-junior winners players: Bahwal

Faisal Khan, Abdullah Sohail Butt, Usman

Men's participants: Zameer Sultan, Hafiz

Rehan Arif, Usman Ghani, M. Ali

Waseem Akram, Abid Khan, Zubair, Hus-

nain, M.Rehan, Husnain, Naveed Ashraf,

Junaid, Muazam Ali, Saad, Tayyab Amjad, Shan Gouri, Ammar Hassan,

Waleed Khan, Salman Shah, Shahzaib,

Women's: Amfa Saleem, Amna Rasheed

Mehreen Khan, Sobia Ameen, Natasha

Khan, Zarka Salamat, Saba, Zainab Shaheen,

Hafiza Igra Arif, Nazish, Rohab Ashraf, Pakiza

Modern Club

Gujrat enter Fazal

Cricket final

Our correspondent

LAHORE: Modern Club quali-

fied for final of the 2nd Fazal

Mahmood National Club

Cricket Championship 2019

when they outplayed Gujrat

XI by 8 wickets in semifinal

played at Ch Zahur Elahi Sta-

Scores: Gujrat XI 120 for all out 31.2 (Ab.

dullah Butt 37, Zullgar Hussain 30, Ali Raza

3 for 21, Kashil Magbool Butt 3 for 29, Sarjeel Ahmed 2 for 37). Modern Club 122 for

2 in 17.1 overs (Amir Shahzad 51*, Ali Raza

Night motor

rally organised

Our correspondent LAHORE: Pakistan Motor Rac-

ing Club in collaboration with Guard Group organised a inaugural Cross Lahore Night

Motor Rally 2019 in three categories on Saturday night.

the winners of the first two

places hile Nauman Maqbool

was third. Zoia Ali claimed

the ladies cross rally crown

with Mrs Asma Saddique was

second and Reema Shahab

In category D, Zafar Khan

was third.

In motorcycle rally, Moin Khan and Ibrahim Shah were

21, Usama Parvaiz 19, Usman Ghani 17*)

dium Gujrat.

the organising officials

Chief guest of the prize dis-

of was Amta Saleem.

The competitions were held

urday night.

Championship

Vettel in the second Ferrari and the resurgent McLaren of Car-

Vettel, who started seventh after a troubled qualifying, took a late pit stop for fresh tyres and snatched fastest lap and a track record by 0.024 seconds from Hamilton in the final seconds.

Daniel Ricciardo was seventh for Renault ahead of Kimi Raikkonen of Alfa Romeo and Nico Hulkenberg in the second Renault with Lando Norris finishing 10th despite hydraulics problems in the second McLaren. The race began with a track temperature of 57 degrees Celsius and an air temperature "It's definitely been a really of 30, sizzling conditions that

Hamilton made a smooth and I am so proud to be part of ing up a gap of more than a second, by the end of lap one, and In sweltering conditions, he 1.5 by lap three. On lap six, Vet-18 seconds adrift of the leader, Leclerc said: "I gave it every- but back in the main scrap be-After eight of this season's thing, but the Mercedes are just hind him. By lap 12, Hamilton



HALLE. Germany: Roger Federer from Switzerland poses with the trophy after he won his final against Belgium's David Goffin at the ATP tournament. —AFP

Federer crushes Goffin for 10th Halle title

HALLE, Germany: Roger Fed- Murray's new doubles partner Belgium's David Goffin in Goffin on Sunday. straight sets to win a record-extending 10th title at the ATP points early in the first set beevent in Halle on Sunday.

Federer, 37, beat Goffin 7-6 beaten on grass so far this sea- double fault on break point. son. The Swiss star is chasing a 20 career majors.

moved to within just two titles of Federer's record with his started really well, there was 12th French Open triumph ear- great intensity in the first set. lier this month, while world number one Novak Djokovic is have to take them against just five short with 15 career Roger. This guy is pretty good." majors. Federer endured a rough ride in the early rounds in has reached double figures at Halle, battling to hard-fought, any individual tournament. three-set victories over Jo-Wil-

erer will head to Wimbledon in Pierre-Hugues Herbert in the high spirits after waltzing past semi-finals before dispatching

Federer held off three break fore prevailing in the tiebreaker. An unsettled looking Goffin

(7/2), 6-1 to secure his 102nd ca-then gifted Federer the opening reer singles title and remain ungame of the second set with a

From there, the Swiss never ninth Wimbledon crown in Lon- looked back, breaking Goffin don next month as he looks to twice more on his way to a 10th extend and defend his record of Halle title. "I thought David was actually better than me in the Long-term rival Rafael Nadal first 10 games, "said Federer.

Goffin added: "I thought I

"I had opportunities, but you

It is the first time Federer

He has triumphed eight fried Tsonga and Roberto times at both Wimbledon and the Dubai Open, and has won Things got easier in the lat- his home tournament in Basel ter stages as he thrashed Andy on nine occasions. —AFP

Siddique Cricket begins today Our correspondent

LAHORE: The 17th M Siddique Memorial Cricket Tournament will begin on June 24 (Monday) with opening match to be played between Township Whites and Bostan Gymkhana at Township Whites Ground.

Leading teams of the city are participating in this event which is being Organised by Tauseef Club.



NICE, France: Norway's players celebrate their victory at the end of the France 2019 women' World Cup football match against Australia. —AFP

PCB sacks coaches Sabih, Taimoor without show-cause notices

Abdul Mohi Shah

domestic coaches Sabih Azhar with decent success. and Taimoor Azam without the show-cause notices.

coach is now shown the door, name a few. leaving a big question mark

Brazil

skipper Alves

leaves PSG

PARIS: Just hours after scoring

in Brazil's 5-0 thrashing of Peru

at the Copa America, Dani

Alves announced he was leav-

been with the French champi-

ons for two seasons and was at

he might go, and leaves PSG as

compatriot Leonardo returns as

a time when rumours are circu-

lating about the future of Ney-

mar, the world's most expen-

sive footballer who has had an

injury-hit season laced with

controversy. Alves signed for

PSG at the same time as Ney-

capped 111 times internation-

ally, previously played club

football for Bahia in Brazil,

Sevilla and Barcelona in Spain

and Juventus.

first year. -AFP

The Juazeiro-born player,

mar, in the summer of 2017.

the new sporting director.

Alves did not reveal where

His departure also comes at

The 36-year-old right back, who is captain of Brazil, had

ing Paris Saint-Germain.

the end of his contract.

2019 organised just prior to PCB in 2007. ISLAMABAD: In an unprece- team's departure to England dented move, Pakistan Cricket have numerous other achieve- the evaluation process Taimoor amongst cricketers, coaches Board (PCB) has terminated ments up his sleeves including Azam who also faced the PCB and officials of the sister cities

Sabih who coached KP to Rawalpindi Division since as- helped and groomed many spokesman said.

title triumph in Pakistan Cup suming permanent job with the cricketers in recent times.

services of two leading highly coaching the team to under-19, axe is a quality coach who who demanded a detailed inqualified and most decorated of under-17 and under-16 nationals helped Islamabad land different quiry into this hasty and unjust age group national titles during PCB decision. All efforts to It was his vision of coach- his 12-year association. contact PCB Managing Direcmentioning any genuine rea- ing that forced the PCB make Taimoor coached his team to tor Wasim Khan by this scribe sons or without issuing them necessary adjustments in the back to back Pakistan Cup titles went fruitless. women cricket's handling for in 2016-17 and then 2017-18. His Then SMS message to Former first class cricketer better and affective results. international achievements as a Wasim Khan was then sent to of a caliber Sabih Azhar re- Sabih helped produce number head coach Pakistan under 16 know his point of view on tercently been adjudged as the top of international cricketers in- saw team win 4-2 against Aus- mination of the two. coach in evaluation process cluding Shoaib Akhtar, Mo- tralia recently. His success as conducted by the Board. Sur- hammad Amir, Sohail Tanvir national-16 coach came at the was contacted, he replied: "As prisingly a month later, the best and Mohammad Wasim to back of his team 5-1 win two part of the change process

over the PCB's evaluation sys- A, Pakistan under-19 and other Rehman (Peshawar) are con-plemented. These further tem as well as its newly-junior teams with immense suc-sidered as linchpins of domestic changes continue to form part cess. He has been the coach of cricket coaches and have of our forward planning," a PCB

years back.

Their terminations has sent Last year top performer in a wave of surprise and shock

When the PCB spokesman under way at PCB, a number of Sabih also coached Pakistan The two along with Abdul decisions have already been im-

Farzam, Noor clinch doubles title in Junaid Tennis

Our correspondent

ISLAMABAD: Muhammad Farzam Raja and Noor Muhammad won the open doubles final beating Muhammad Yahya and Imran Shahid in the Captain Junaid Shaheed Tennis Tournament at the 502 Workshop Tennis Club.

The pair won 6-2, 6-4 to land the title. Major General Rehan Akbar Baki was the chief guest and gave away prizes to the winners and runners up. He appreciated Director Tournament Inam ul Haq efforts for holding tournaments in the name of Shaheeds.Director Tournament thanked chief guest for taking time out of his busy schedule.

Inamul Haq also thanked Chairman Punjab Tennis Iftikhar Ahmed Rao and Secretary Rashid Malik for providing organisers with trophies, medals and tennis balls.

lnam also congratulated newly elected President PLTA Dr. Raheel Siddiqui (Secretary HEC). He also thanked PLTA official Rizwan Mashahdi for providing us the tennis facility in Rawalpindi.

Haris returns with a bang

Continued from page 17 chief reason behind this selection blunder. "During important and high-pressure tournaments like the World Cup, some teams get scared and look towards experience despite having younger and better options.

"I think Pakistan felt safer having a seasoned player like Malik in the playing eleven instead of Haris despite the fact that he (Haris) was the more reliable bet.

"They probably were scared that a less experienced Haris could falter in high-pressure matches especially the one against India," Waqar, a former Pakistan captain and coach told 'The News' on the sidelines of Sunday's game at Lord's. "Pakistan are not the only side taking such decisions out of fear in this tournament," he noted. "Take the case of the Indian team. I think they are persisting with (MS) Dhoni for the very same reason. Dhoni brings in experience and that's why he is in the team despite the fact that India has better wicket-keeping options like (Rishabh) Pant.

Meanwhile, Haris showed in front of a packed Lord's



SAO PAULO: Brazil's Roberto Firmino celebrates with teammates after scoring the team's second goal against Peru during their Copa America football tournament match. —AFP

Uruguay, Chile set for high-stakes Copa America clash

RIO DE JANEIRO: Fireworks was the most controversial as earlier incident while Uruguay Alves' two seasons with PSG saw him part of a team that won back-to-back Ligue 1 titles as well as League Cup the Copa America on Monday at fender Gonzalo Jara's face. and French Cup trophies in his Rio de Janeiro's Maracana stacompetition their stormy 2015 clash.

> Cavani and Jorge Fucile were officials from both sides. given their marching orders in a

dium. It will be the fourth edi- censed as Jara had appeared to Jara had been involved in a contion running of the oldest conti-shove a finger up the forward's troversial sexual assault on a in backside prior to his reaction, Uruguay player. international football in which and his misdemeanour went unthe South American rivals meet punished. Uruguay defended had a running battle on the and memories are still fresh of doggedly after that but fell to a pitch in a World Cup qualifier the controversy surrounding Mauricio Isla winner 10 minutes that reached its zenith when Uruguay, then the reigning over in the final minute when ward's testicles, and received a champions, finished the quar- Fucile was given his marching retaliatory punch for his trouter-final encounter in Santiago orders, sparking a mass con- bles. Jara may not be able to with nine men after Edinson frontation involving players and spark a ruckus this time

Cavani and Jara were both old is no longer a regular 1-0 defeat. Cavani's dismissal hit with two-game bans over the starter. —AFP

could be in store when reigning he received a second yellow coach Oscar Tabarez, who enchampions Chile and record 15- card just after the hour mark for tered the field during the late time winners Uruguay meet in flicking a hand into Chile de-melee, was suspended for three matches for insulting the ref-Cavani, though, was left in- eree. It wasn't the first time that

> In 2013, he and Luis Suarez from time. And tempers boiled Jara touched the Uruguay foraround, though, as the 33-year-

ground that Pakistan could have been better placed in the World Cup had they trusted in his abilities. But, as they say, better late than never.

Pakistan finish 6th in Asian Beach Handball

Our correspondent

Pakistan finished sixth in the score remained 20-19, 18-23 (8-12-team 7th Asian Men's Beach 6) in Thailand's favour. Handball Championship when they went 1-2 down against ing on June 16 Pakistan de- in October this year. However Thailand in their fifth place tie feated Saudi Arabia 2-0 with the it is now confirmed that both Baloch was the winner, at Weihai, China, on Sunday. halves score being 16-14, 18-12. the finalists Qatar and Oman

Sahibzada Usman were places second and third. In B category, Zayim Magsi was first, Khan Bahadar Aziz was second and Nuaman was third. In category C, Raza Saeed was first, Usman Nadeem was second

Later Ch Noor Hussain, chairman Guard Group was the chief guest of the closing ceremony and he gave prizes to the winners.

and Usman Iqbal was third.

istan took the lead when they ners-up Oman overwhelmed Beach Handball Champiemerged victorious in the first Pakistan 2-0 with the halves onships which will be held in half 22-14. However in the sec-score of 13-10, 16-14. On June Italy next year as two spots ond session a grueling fight was 19, Pakistan were downed by from Asia were up for grab. witnessed with Thailand, even- Iran 2-0 with the halves score of tually sealing a 24-22 victory to 13-10, 17-10. make it 1-1. In penalty shootout

Pakistan, the winners of 15-14, 19-15. 2007 edition, had an unfortu-

KARACHI: Former champions Group B outing on June 15. The on Monday (today).

It was a tough clash, Pak- On June 17, the last edition run- have qualified for the World

ning it 8-4 to finish at the fifth win, with the halves score being ted Vietnam 2-0 with the halves place. The score was 14-22, 24-23-13, 28-24. On June 21, Pak-score of 13-12, 18-16. Before the 22 (84) in favour of Thailand. istan defeated Chinese Taipei Qatar-Oman final on Monday

Meanwhile defending cham- in the third-place outing.

nate start when they went 1-2 pions Qatar and Oman qualified down to Thailand in their for the final which will be held

The winners will qualify for the World Beach Games which In their second league out- will be held in San Diego, USA, In the first semi-final Qatar

defeated Iran 2-0 with halves On June 20, Pakistan de- score of 20-14, 16-10. In the Thailand kept their nerves, win-feated Japan 2-0, their second other semi-final Oman outwit-





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