

Tajikistan now Supplies up to 90 Mln Kwh of Electricity to Afghanistan per Day

DUSHANBE - Tajikistan is now capable of exporting up to 90 million kWh of electricity per day and in summer, Tajikistan's daily power export opportunities will rise to 300 million kWh, Nozirjon Yodgori a spokesman for Barqi Tojik power holding (Tajik electricity supplier), told Asia-Plus in an interview on April 7.

"Tajikistan now supplies up to 90 million kW of electricity to neighboring Afghanistan per day," Yodgori said.

He denied reports that Tajikistan supplied electricity to Afghanistan during winter period regularly as absolutely "baseless."

"During the winter period, Tajikistan



supplied to Afghanistan only the "guard" electricity," Yodgori said.

According to him, Barqi Tojik must export electricity in winter because it cannot risk allowing existing infrastructure to stand idle. They reportedly keep the voltage in these lines because there is a high probability of equipment theft.

"We are currently increasing electricity exports," Yodgori, said, noting that Tajikistan supplies electricity only to northern Afghanistan.

He further added that they are currently conducting negotiations with Kyrgyzstan on supplying surplus electricity to that country during the summer period. (Asia-Plus)

Efforts Intensified to Reopen Closed Schools

QALAT - Authorities have intensified efforts in cooperation with tribal elders to reopen schools, which had been closed due to insecurity and other reasons, in southern Zabul province, sources said on Tuesday.

Local officials say more than half of the schools in Zabul have been closed because of insecurity and ef-



orts have been launched in cooperation with local elders to re-open them. Only 92 schools out of 238 are operational and the remaining 144 are closed in the province.

The Ministry of Education reopened four such schools this week, Education Ministry's spokesman, Kabir Haqmal, told Pajhwok Afghan News.

He said the primary schools were reopened in Shahr-i-Safa and Shinkai districts, enabling more than 350 students to resume studies. He said efforts had been intensified in cooperation with local elders to reopen all closed schools.

Haqmal further said four new schools had been established in Qalat, the provincial capital, and Shahjoy district to facilitate children who had been deprived of education due to long distances and their establishment... (More on P4)... (20)

Haqqani Commander among Six Insurgents Killed



SHARAN - Mullah Ramazan, a well-known Haqqani commander, was among six insurgents killed in an Afghanistan National Army (ANA) operation in southern Paktika province on Monday afternoon, local officials said.

The operation was launched in the Barmal district to clear insurgents and Mullah Ramazan was among the six insurgents killed, a spokesman for the Provincial Governor, Nabiullah Peerkhil confirmed.

"The Haqqani commander was involved in insurgency activities in the past... (More on P4)... (22)

5 Civilians Dead, 6 Wounded in Violence

ASADABAD - Five persons have been killed including a woman in two separate violence incidents in eastern Kunar province, officials said Tuesday.

Taliban fighters opened fire on a car, leaving two persons, including a woman dead and three others wounded in Narang district, Brig. Gen. Abdul Habib Syedkhel, Kunar police chief, said.

He said that police had started investigations into the incident. Separately, ... (More on P4)... (23)

Panjsher Gets Snow Clearing Equipments, Heavy-Machinery

PARAKH - The Ministry of Public Works on Tuesday transported snow clearing equipments worth \$3 million and approved creation of 45-member natural disaster management department in central Panjsher province.

Dr. Ahmad Shah Wahid, a senior official at Public Works Ministry, awarded the keys of loader, excavator and glider to Maulana



Abdul Rahman Kabiri, acting governor of Panjsher. Public Work Director Hashmatullah Hakim said the heavy-machinery... (More on P4)... (18)

Kandahar Students to be Trained as Per Market Demand

KANADAHAR CITY - The USAID-funded University Support and Workforce Development Project (USWDP) and the Kandahar Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday signed an agreement on training university students as per the market demand.

Providing job opportunities to students trained in Business and Human Resource Management discipline is part of the agreement.

Dr. Mohammad Zahir Jabbar, USWDP deputy



director, told Pajhwok Afghan News his organization worked in collaboration with the Ministry of Higher Education and 10 universities now including Kandahar University to train students as per the demand in market. He added they included Kandahar University in the project because Kandahar province was... (More on P4)... (24)

Police Desert Posts in Sangin as ANA Troops Leave

LASHAKARGAH - Police have deserted their posts in the Sangin district of southern Helmand province soon after a military operation was wound up in the town and its adjacent areas, officials and some elders said on Tuesday.

The Afghan National Army (ANA) recently concluded a 50-day of-

fensive codenamed "Zulfikar," which the Ministry of Defence has declared as "successful" in Sangin.

A big gathering is scheduled to take place at the Shorab military base on Wednesday to brief participants about the just concluded operation in Sangin and its nearby ar... (More on P4)... (19)

Nimroz Custom Dept. Revenue Surges Manifold

ZARANJ - The revenue of western Nimroz custom has increased by 950 million afghanis (\$16.4 million) in the previous solar year, an official said, linking the surge to good governance.

Custom Deputy Direc-

tor Abdul Ghani Turabi told Pajhwok Afghan News the revenue in 2013 year stood at \$5.889 billion while the amount in 2014 has increased to \$5.836 billion. He said 20 percent of the revenue... (More on P4)... (21)

Flash Floods Kill 7, Hundreds Left Homeless

PUL-E-KHUMRI - At least seven people were killed and five injured in flash floods in northern Baghlan province on Monday afternoon, while hundreds of homes were destroyed, local officials said on Tuesday.

According to officials, ten people are still missing.

The severe weather hit Kart-e-Itefaq area in Pul-e-Khumri, the capital of the province, officials of the Provincial National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) said. Four women and two children were among the dead, they said. ... (More on P4)... (25)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

You love surprises on a day like today, even if your plans fall apart. Change is so exhilarating that you don't really care what happens next as long as you are in charge. However, it's wise to consider a gentler approach to life because you could scare others away with your overzealous attitude. Nevertheless, communicator Mercury's hook-up with innovative Uranus enables you to be brilliant.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

Your originality is uncontainable today and you're itching to share your ideas with a trustworthy ally because you want honest feedback. You might even arrange an impromptu gathering just so you can kick your plans around with friends. However, it's not your style to express your thoughts and then move on; you prefer to stick to one concept and follow it to its logical conclusion.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You don't need an extra shot of espresso today because staying alert is typically not your problem. Your real challenge is to calm your thinking so you don't spend all your energy trying to keep pace with your own thoughts. You are able to accomplish much more if you slow down enough so everyone can understand your message.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

Conversations at work may not go as expected today, but they end up stimulating your imagination anyway. You are eager to explore uncharted intellectual territory now because you believe new ideas can open the doors along your path to success. In fact, you're willing to leap to conclusions to get the answers to your current questions.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You might excuse yourself from a social event today so you can retreat into your wild imagination. However, you're not looking to escape into your fantasies as much as you want to visualize your options for the future. Your mind may be focused on an upcoming trip or perhaps you're interested in continuing your education.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

You may be required to pay an emotional price for intimacy yet you're resistant to come up with the entrance fee. However, you are in for a shock now, because the cost is not what you expect. You don't have to sacrifice anything, nor must you let someone else control your destiny. All you need to do is to express your true feelings. If you let others know your concerns sooner than later, they might be more than willing to meet you

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

Your thoughts are loudly reverberating in your head now, leaving you with an anxious feeling in the pit of your stomach. Unfortunately, your high-strung nervous system isn't necessarily in tune with a friend or lover who thinks differently than you do. Ultimately, responding spontaneously without trying to make sense of everything in the moment is key.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

Nearly everyone you meet has something fascinating to share, distracting you from your regular responsibilities today. You are actually quite receptive to radical ideas and unconventional experiences. In fact, you are so eager to express yourself in a nonconformist way now that you don't bother to think about the consequences before pursuing your inspiration.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

Your brainwaves are running amok today and you could work yourself into a state of high anxiety if you can't settle down enough to pick a single path. You may feel as if you're wired for surround sound and you're tempted to play several of your favorite songs simultaneously. Instead of trying to tune into one channel at a time, just enjoy listening to the complex mix, regardless of the opinions of others.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

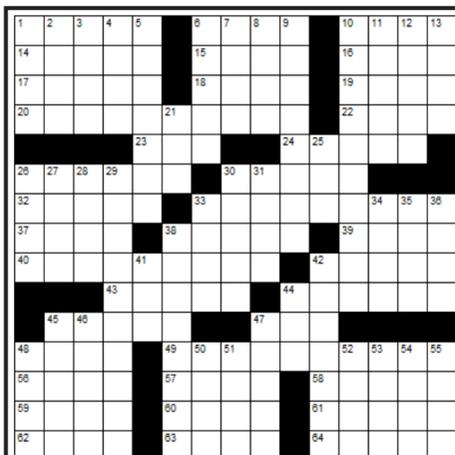
Sorting out your priorities can be quite a challenge today because your calculated logic takes you into new and unfamiliar territory. You might feel disconnected from reality now and out of touch with your feelings. But don't let on if you're mystified when others claim they can't understand your behavior. Instead, take plenty of deep breaths and try to keep your feet on the ground.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

A friend or an acquaintance might say something shocking today, revealing information that suddenly alters your perspective. You may have grown overly comfortable with your point of view about a work-related issue only to suddenly realize that you were completely wrong. Personal interactions grow very intense because you believe your emotional security is at stake now.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

The emotional seas grow a bit choppy today, but you still can sail through the day with flying colors. Your nervous energy might prompt you to share your excitement before you fully develop an interesting idea. You could start talking with a specific thought in mind, only to shift directions in the middle of a sentence. Although normally it's wise to rehearse your speech, it's actually better to improvise as you go.



Across

- More peculiar, 6. PPPP, 10. Canvas, 14. Pleasant, 15. Immediately, 16. Type of sword, 17. Unreactive, 18. Emanation, 19. Badgers, 20. A type of biologist, 22. "Damn!", 23. Shade tree, 24. Something to shoot for, 26. A dwarfed ornamental tree, 30. Ground grain, 32. Submarine, 33. Outspoken conceit, 37. Essence, 38. Streamlets, 39. Chocolate cookie, 40. In a flimsy manner, 42. Parish priest, 43. Paperlike cloths, 44. The concluding part, 45. Payola, 47. French for "Wine", 48. A social club for male undergraduates, 49. Unshackled, 56. 53 in Roman numerals, 57. Back, 58. Domicile, 59. As well, 60. Twin sister of Ares, 61. Edge tool, 62. Secluded valley, 63. Alone, 64. Go in,

Down

- Norse god, 2. Spanish lady, 3. A song for 2, 4. Beige, 5. Withdraw, 6. Sacred hymn, 7. Decorative case, 8. Hearing organs, 9. Depots, 10. A certain cut of meat, 11. 3-banded armadillo, 12. Kingly, 13. Annoyance, 21. Former boxing champ, 25. Excavated, 26. Broke, 27. Double-reed woodwind, 28. Person, place or thing, 29. Greeting, 30. Tumbles, 31. Easter flower, 33. Brand of credit card, 34. Killer whale, 35. Genuine, 36. Bygone era, 38. Bursts, 41. Buffoon, 42. Oldness, 44. Hale, 45. Broil, 46. Lift, 47. Left-hand page, 48. Banner, 50. Roman emperor, 51. Be unsuccessful, 52. Black, in poetry, 53. Defeat decisively, 54. Border, 55. Backwards "Reed",

Yesterday's Solution



against, atrocious, beer, bells, cabin, cats, chance, church, contraction, ferry, forgiveness, govern, label, lead, lower, medal, modest, movie, music, offset, perfect, point, polka, quick, reserve, retail, scene, sentiment, speak, sudden tress, turkey

