

Jobless Youth Burn Academic Documents

KABUL - A number of youth on Monday set alight their educational documents to protest what they said increasing unemployment and nepotism. The protesters, numbering around 100, gathered in front of the Habibia High School in Kabul and accused government officials of appointing their cronies to key posts. Around 20 of the protesting individuals burned their academic documents in protest against widespread corruption in government entities. Jalil Ahmad, one of the protesters, told Pajhwok Afghan News he had graduated from the journalism faculty of Kabul University five years ago, but could not find a permanent job since then. ...*(More on P4)...(9)*

US Did Not Bring to Afghanistan the Anticipated Peace: Karzai

BAKU - "There was some stability in Afghanistan after Soviet troops withdrew from the country. With the 11 September event, the United States put an end to this stability and the conflict in Afghanistan became almost endless," former Afghan President Hamid Karzai said Tuesday at a panel within the Baku 3rd Global Forum, APA reported. Karzai remarked in his speech the United States did not bring the peace they had been anticipating. "The United States saved Afghanistan from Al Qaeda but



failed to bring the peace we had been longing for. The conflicts that lasted more than 30 years in Afghanistan brought into existence an illegal economy in the country. On top of all of these, we adopted the country's Constitution, and the parliament was formed. All sides of the conflict found their seat at the parliament. We were so close to the solution of problems in Afghanistan. Regrettably, it did not happen. There was external influence. Today the Taliban is acting against us, NATO forces. ...*(More on P4)...(10)*

Blast on MoI Advisor Leaves 1 Wounded

KABUL - One person was wounded as a magnetic bomb targeted the car of a Ministry of Interior (MoI) advisor in the capital Kabul on Tuesday, an official said. The incident took place on Darul Aman road in front of Habibia High School in Kabul around 1:00pm. A security official wishing anonymity told Pajhwok Afghan News that the incident occurred as result of magnetic bomb attached to a vehicle of the MoI. The car driver sustained injuries in the incident, the source said. An ...*(More on P4)...(11)*

Top Kandahar Public Health Official Shot

KANDAHAR CITY - Unknown gunmen shot and injured the public health department director for southern Kandahar province on Monday, an official said. Though provincial officials said the director, Dr. Abdul Qayum Pukhla, had escaped unhurt in the gun attack, a source told Pajhwok Afghan News he received bullets in one hand and one leg. The attackers on a motorcycle opened fire at Dr. Pukhla in Kandahar City's Do Rahi area in the jurisdiction of 14th police district at around 8:30pm after he left office for home, said Zia Durrani, the provincial police spokesman. He said Dr. Pukhla was unhurt in the attack. He also said police had ...*(More on P4)...(15)*

Batikot District Chief Unhurt in Bomb Attack

JALALABAD - A district chief on Tuesday survived a roadside bombing that ripped through his motorcade in eastern Nangarhar province, an official said. The Batikot district chief, Haji Ghalib, was travelling in a vehicular convoy from Jalalabad, the provincial capital, when the hidden bomb struck a vehicle behind his car, injuring three bodyguards, the governor's spokesman, Ahmad Zia Abulzai, told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said the district chief escaped unhurt in the blast. The district chief also confirmed the incident to Pajhwok Afghan News and said two of his sons and a nephew were wounded in the blast. He said ...*(More on P4)...(21)*

Ghani Inaugurates Afghan Embassy in New Delhi

KABUL - President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani started first day of his visit with inauguration of Afghan embassy in New Delhi, the capital of India, on early Tuesday morning. The land for Afghan embassy was allocated during King Zahir Shah in 1956 while the foundation stone of the embassy was laid during former king Sardar Mohammad. ...*(More on P4)...(13)*



Over 50 People Presumed Dead in Badakhshan Landslide: Official

FAIZABAD - More than 50 people are presumed dead in a landslide in north-eastern Badakhshan province, officials said Tuesday. The incident took place at about 12:30am local time in Jero Bala village of Khowahan district after a landslide engulfed 97 houses in the area. Officials say they estimate the death toll to be about 50 people, District Governor, Ghofran Zaki said. The incident has also left scores of families homeless. Lal Mohammad Ahmadzai, a spokesman for the Provincial Police Chief has said that they will send the police force in to the area to help with a rescue mission. "There are no telecommunication services in the area, but we have sent in troops to ...*(More on P4)...(14)*

New Governors Appointed for Herat and Kandahar



KABUL - The Independent Directorate of Local Governance (IDLG) announced on Monday that Mohammad Asif Rahimi has been appointed governor of Herat province and Homayoun Azizi as governor of Kandahar ...*(More on P4)...(12)*

Daesh Asked to Wage Jihad in Non-Muslim States

JALALABAD - A senior peace negotiator and former jihadi commander on Tuesday said the ongoing war against Afghans was illegitimate, asking the self-styled Islamic State or Daesh group to wage its jihad in non-Muslim countries instead of Afghanistan. Haji Malak Nazir, the High Peace Council (HPC) chief for eastern Nangarhar province, was addressing a gathering ...*(More on P4)...(17)*

Farkhunda Murder Prosecution Begins without Any Charges against Top Officials

KABUL - The Attorney General's office filed for prosecution of the Farkhunda murder case on Monday. However, Chief of Kabul's Primary Court Saifullah Mujadidi has claimed that the Attorney General struck a deal that would omit the names of high ranking officials originally thought to bear some culpability for the incident. "Today, the Farkhunda case was ...*(More on P4)...(20)*

HIA Faction Celebrates April 28

JALALABAD - Pro-government Hezb-i-Islami Afghanistan (HIA) faction led by Abdul Hadi Arghandiwal on Monday held a gathering in eastern Nangarhar province to denounce the 1978 military coup and celebrate April 28 as Mujahidin Victory Day. Muallim Abdul Halim, HIA office head in Jalalabad, the capital of eastern Nangarhar province, told Pajhwok Afghan News they arranged the gathering to pay tribute to mujahidain who fought the red army bravely and emerged victorious. He said the purpose of the gathering was to condemn the atrocities committed by the Soviet forces ...*(More on P4)...(16)*



ANA Troops Bring Kunduz Battle under Control

KUNDUZ CITY - Reinforcement troops sent in to assist local Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers in Kunduz province on Tuesday have managed to bring the situation largely under control. Reporting from the front-line, TOLONews journalist Karim Amini said that overall fighting has subsided and that insurgents are retreating. He said in the past five days over 100 insurgents have been killed and more than 100 injured. Among the dead is Taliban commander Mullah Mustafa, who led this battle. Officials on the frontline said ...*(More on P4)...(18)*

ern Nangarhar province, told Pajhwok Afghan News they arranged the gathering to pay tribute to mujahidain who fought the red army bravely and emerged victorious. He said the purpose of the gathering was to condemn the atrocities committed by the Soviet forces ...*(More on P4)...(16)*

Kabul Iron Plants Face Closure Due to Ongoing Power Outages

KABUL - The Afghanistan Industrialists Union on Tuesday reported that at least 15 iron melting factories in Kabul have closed down due to power shortages and the smuggling of raw materials to neighboring countries. According to officials, several iron melting and iron processing companies are currently running at a loss. Factory owners have voiced concerns over the possible loss of their investments in the wake of ongoing problems. The industrialists claim that over the past ...*(More on P4)...(19)*

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



There's a stack of chores in front of you and you have high hopes of getting everything done today. However, events may not unfold according to your plans due to circumstances that are beyond your control. Don't waste time trying to figure out what went wrong because you might not be able to understand it, even if you have all the facts. Nevertheless, your imagination reigns supreme now.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



You believe that you are being your most charming self today, but something you say might be misconstrued, creating problems where there previously wasn't one. You are patient enough to meticulously explain your intentions, but somehow your words can still miss the mark. Your smartest strategy now is to stop trying so hard to convince others to listen.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Discovering a hidden truth can be a real shocker but at least you have a stable emotional framework to soften this unexpected reality check. If interactions with friends are stressed because of a recent disagreement, the dialogue should flow more easily now if you don't get hung up on unimportant details. But you could also gloss over a significant piece of data that spins a conversation into strange territory.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You're expected to take the lead on the job today, but someone may hesitate to follow your directions. This lack of support is only one facet of a delicate situation - especially since the negativity that appears to come from others could actually be yours. Reexamine your plans and be open to the possibility that you are facing your own suppressed fear in a projected form.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



You may be operating on autopilot today. It's not that you aren't aware of your actions; it's just that you are spontaneously making choices while you are still in motion. However, you might need to modify your behavior now because you want to be more conscious of why you are deciding one thing and not another.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



It's nearly impossible to understand people's behavior today because their words don't seem to match their actions. Confusing relationship dynamics might throw you off course as you try to make all the pieces fit together into a comprehensible picture. Surreal experiences and an overactive imagination can lead you to feeling alienated from others, even if your conversations seem to flow smoothly.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



You don't like it when someone prods you into doing something that you are not ready to do just yet. Luckily, your current indecision is already starting to wane and a friend or an acquaintance acts as a catalyst by sharing a perspective you hadn't previously considered. The good news is your intuition may be more on target than you realize when it comes to manifesting your dreams. Make your move while the

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



You have the potential to feel passionate about a new project if you are open to the guidance of your imagination and signs from other spiritual dimensions. But you might float through the day in confusion if metaphysical communication isn't your cup of tea. Your traditional planetary ruler, Mars, is downloading cosmic instructions sent from mystical Neptune today.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



It may not be easy to maintain your optimism now, but a touch of self-doubt need not be a source of worry. Every once in a while, it's healthy to consider realistic scenarios and integrate them into your plans to increase your chances for success. It's absolutely crucial to think critically today, even while dreaming of all the amazing possibilities just around the corner. However, there's no need to shut off your imagination in order to reach your goals.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



You're relieved that everything seems to fall into place today as you take care of your domestic chores. But, you might also feel as if you're just going through the motions and that your mind is wandering elsewhere. Although your inability to concentrate could be somewhat disconcerting, there's no harm in living in two worlds now. Keep one foot here on Earth while the other one steps off

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



It's as if you've been given a free pass to visit imaginary worlds that you get to create on your own. Whatever indulgence you choose now, sensory stimulation becomes a catalyst for generating vivid fantasies. However, you also have very real obligations to handle today, and you can't avoid them by burying your head in the clouds.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



You may as well be co-starring in a fantasy movie while your key planet Neptune sends out several scripts from a parallel universe today. You are eager to impress everyone with how well you play your role, but you're perplexed because you aren't sure which part is yours. Your real lesson now is about trust. Asking a reliable friend for direction is a good start, but you must put your faith in their advice to earn your place in the spotlight.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-64.

Across: 1. A throat infection, 6. Toboggan, 10. Part of an ear, 14. Doggy, 15. Hubs, 16. Close, 17. Hello or goodbye, 18. Hearing organs, 19. If not, 20. Repentant, 22. Quash, 23. Long-haired wild ox, 24. S-shaped moldings, 26. Outrage, 30. Burdened, 32. Unwind, 33. Inattentive, 37. Ale, 38. Feather, 39. Not aft, 40. Without nationality, 42. A sudden forceful flow, 43. Intoxicating, 44. In working order, 45. Humble, 47. Precious stone, 48. A style of design, 49. Advantageous, 56. Not under, 57. Double-reed woodwind, 58. Soup server, 59. An escape of water, 60. Klutz's cry, 61. Districts, 62. Focusing glass, 63. Leg joint, 64. Backsides. Down: 1. Box, 2. Lacquered metalware, 3. Space, 4. Reflected sound, 5. Throat, 6. Streamlined, 7. Unit of bread, 8. Beige, 9. Force out from a position, 10. Unremarkable, 11. Donnybrook, 12. Anagram of «Stabs», 13. Chocolate cookie, 21. Unhappy, 25. G, 26. Spheres, 3. 27 in a yard, 28. Parasitic insect, 29. Bulwarks, 30. Really bad, 31. Not legs, 33. Skeddaddled, 34. Garrison, 35. Desire, 36. Lascivious look, 38. A book of strategies, 41. Snake-like fish, 42. Alike, 44. Hemp, 45. Embankment, 46. Sea, 47. Ganders, 48. A girl's toy, 50. Black, in poetry, 51. No, 52. Concern, 53. Bright thought, 54. Winglike, 55. Not more.

Yesterday's Solution: ARTS, LEFT, KENS, LORN, ACRES, NAIL, ALAE, BROTH, ERNE, RINAL, UNRI, PENE, SKUA, DARTIC, ALGEBRA, BREADS, CORRECTS, SPECK, EVE, HEARS, TIOE, DASHI, XENO, GONY, TSETSE, COURSE, ALEONS, BRAT, FLATMATES, STAKE, TOUCH, PIECE, IBOX, OGRE, SCRAM, FLEE, DEER, ESNE, YENS.

L B R I G H T A U T H O R
R A D A R S U R G E O N T
E S C O U N T T R U C K H
S I W S W D E A T H P U N
O C O O T G W O R L D F O
L B R S R O A O E K R A C
U B T A Y D R D C U A V T
T P H A Y S E E O Y I O U
I C E A I N T P N E N R R
O B S N E N U E O A S I N
N S T U D Y R N M R Z T A
E A S T E R N D I N T E L
D O U B L E I N C O M E S