

5 out of 86 Congo patients die in Herat



HERAT CITY - Five people have died out of 86 who contracted the fatal Congo disease in western Herat province this year, an official said on Sunday.

The Congo virus has been a huge concern and challenge in the country particularly in Herat, where Congo fever cases increase in summer and during Eidul Adha days.

Ghausuddin, a 38-year old livestock farmer who is diagnosed with Congo virus, said: "When I slaughtered a sheep, the blood was all over my face and hands and then I fell sick." Another patient, Mohammad Sarwar, also a livestock farmer and resident Pashtun Zarghon district, said: "When I saw some sings on my face and hands, then visited the district's hospital and the doctor advised a blood test. I was diagnosed with the virus."

Dr. Amir Nizhad, a senior official at the Herat Zonal Hospital, said they were concerned about the spread of Congo virus.

He said 87 individuals were detected with Congo virus during the ongoing year and five of them lost their lives so far. He said the patients included 27 women. He said last year a total of 76 Congo virus cases were registered.

Meanwhile, Mohammad Farhad Shafee, a senior Agriculture Department official, asked people to be careful and consider all precautions while dealing with animals. CCHF is a viral disease. Symptoms may include fever, muscle pains, headache, vomiting, diarrhea, and bleeding into the skin. The CCHF virus is typically spread by tick bites or contact with livestock carrying the disease.

People mainly contract the CCHF virus from infected ticks or contact with infected animal blood and tissue. There are no vaccines available to immunize animals but precautionary measures include disinfection of livestock pens, submerging livestock in solutions ...*(More on P4)...(11)*

Explosion Targets Media Workers in Kabul, Kills Two



KABUL - A magnetic IED blast targeted a bus carrying the employees of Khurshid TV, a private media outlet, in the fifth street of Taimani in Kabul's police district 4 (PD4) at around 5:30 pm on Sunday evening. Two people, including a passerby and driver of the bus, were killed and three others, including two employees of a Khurshid TV network, were wounded in the explosion, the Interior Ministry's spokesman Nus-

rat Rahimi said. The explosion happened at a rush hour as government employees are heading to their homes. Kabul has witnessed heavy blasts in the past two months. No group has claimed responsibility for the attack. Taliban late in June threatened all Afghan TV channels, radio stations and other media outlets to avoid airing and publishing advertisements which the

resurgent group believes are a "propaganda against their fighters". Attacks on Media Outlets in Afghanistan In January 2016, a Taliban suicide bomber rammed his car into a bus carrying employees of Tolo TV, Afghanistan's most popular private broadcaster, killing seven journalists. The Taliban had said it bombed the bus because it claimed Tolo was producing propaganda ...*(More on P4)...(10)*



'Taliban Behead a Handicapped Farmer in Sar-i-Pul'

SAR-I-PUL - Local officials say militants beheaded a farmer who was abducted two weeks ago in Sancharak district of northern Sar-i-Pul province. Naqibullah Daqiq, chief of Sancharak district talking to Pajhwok Afghan News, said, "Taliban militants abducted a farmer with disabilities for unknown reasons from this district two weeks ago, he was found with his head cut from his body on Saturday."

He identified the victim as Noor Ahmad, a resident of Masjid Sabz area of the district. The body of the victim was found in Gajwai village of Sancharak district today, Daqiq added. Asadullah Khuram, a provincial council member said that the farmer was one his relatives, who he said lost one of his eyes and a leg in a bomb blast in 1997. "This man was suffering from mental problems and he was sometimes insulting the Taliban," he said. He also said that Taliban abducted the farmer two weeks ago and was killed on Saturday. Pajhwok tried to contact the Taliban for a comment about the incident, but failed. (Pajhwok)

Over 20 Taliban Killed in Ghazni, Logar Raids



PUL-I-ALAM - Twenty-one Taliban insurgents have been killed and some injured in foreign and local forces operations in southern Ghazni and central Logar province, an official and military statement said on Sunday. Twelve Taliban were killed and three others injured in security forces operation in the Alozai and Dobandi localities of Logar province on Saturday night.

Ahmadullah, the resident of Dobandi locality confirmed to Pajhwok airstrike on the Taliban in the area. Separately, nine Taliban were killed and four others injured in security forces night raid in the Khadokhelo locality of Ab Band district, a statement from 203rd Tandar Military Corps said. The Taliban have not spoken about the incidents. (Pajhwok)

8 ANA Soldiers Killed in Ghor Attack



HERAT CITY - A public representative said eight Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers have been killed and another seven wounded while 10 of them gone missing in Firzokoh City, the capital of western Ghor province. Ghulam Sakhi Javed, deputy provincial council head, told Pajhwok Afghan News Taliban militants have

stormed an ANA check-post in Band Bayan area of the provincial capital late on Friday night. He said Taliban militants way all the ammunition of the post after the assault. He said the ANA check-post was under the Taliban siege from the past two months. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



The day ahead will be trying for you, Aries. You will have a fire raging inside. You may have a speech to deliver or a private performance to put on for your loved ones. In any case, you will have to prove yourself, and you will spare no energy in the attempt. You will be completely drained by the end of the day. Plan to rest.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Aug 5, 2019 - You can look forward to a busy day, Taurus. Don't schedule anything extra! Your home, family, or mate is likely to demand a great deal of you. In fact, your energy may be stretched to the breaking point, so be careful to keep some strength in reserve. If you give yourself to them completely, your nerves will be shot!

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Aug 5, 2019 - It's easy to imagine a friend coming to your house to have a cup of coffee and ending up transmitting all of their energy to you. Let's hope this doesn't happen too late in the evening, Gemini, because you will then have trouble going to sleep! This energy is going to give your projects a great boost. You're going to go on a crusade! Choose carefully.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



Aug 5, 2019 - You may feel an urgent need to use your physical energy, which brings up the question of sports in your life, Cancer. Do you get enough exercise? If not, this could be a good time to join a gym. Even better would be participating in a group sports activity. Find one you like and get moving.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Aug 5, 2019 - A day like today should give you the perfect demonstration of an old truth - people quickly forget the difficulties they've had in life and remember periods of happiness for a long time. You will be brimming with energy, Leo. The question now is what are you going to do with it? There are many domains in which you could expend your energy. You

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Aug 5, 2019 - Do you have a desire to take a trip far from where you live, Virgo? Would you like to live in Europe or Asia? These are desires that you may have at the moment because you're in the process of widening your field of possibilities. See if you can seriously set up a project of this kind. People will be confident in your solidity at the moment.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



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Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



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Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



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Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan.19)



Aug 5, 2019 - Today you may be influenced by a person (probably a man) who exudes the kind of determination that is produced by a combination of spiritual and intellectual strength and faith. This is what they're talking about when people speak of a leader of great integrity.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

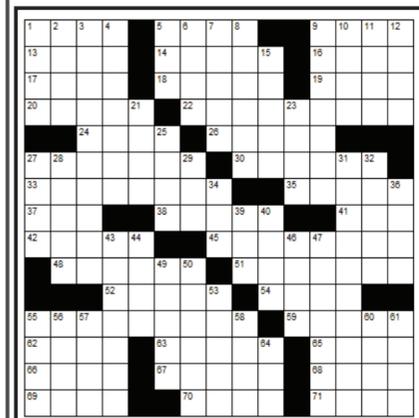


Aug 5, 2019 - You may have had a tendency to go about your daily routine lethargically lately, Aquarius. But today the alarm clock wakes you up. You may understand that your help is urgently needed and there's no time to waste. You can expect to pour a great deal of energy into a single, well-defined goal.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Aug 5, 2019 - The day will be fairly eventful, Pisces. There's some likelihood that you will feel compelled to finally settle some tedious matter, either the details of a project or a problem concerning your domestic life. You won't rest until it's finished, and you won't be distracted, no matter how you're cajoled to join the others. The only thing that will matter to you will be solving this problem.



Across

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Down

- 1. Anagram of "Cabs", 2. What a person is called, 3. Illiterate, 4. High ranking officer, 5. Pops 6. Not mine, 7. Made a mistake, 8. Daze, 9. Yearbook, 10. Backwards "Boon", 11. Gangly 12. Doing nothing, 15. Stun 21. Annex, 23. Guns an engine, 25. Corrosive, 27. Volumes (abbrev.), 28. Redress, 29. Cheer, 31. Judge, 32. Town square, 34. Unhappy, 36. Quarry 39. Man's best friend, 40. Booty, 43. Self-importance 44. Fully developed, 46. 3 times 3 47. Caught, 49. One after eighth, 50. Type of oil well, 53. European blackbird, 55. Implored 56. Lion sound, 57. Beige, 58. Auctioned, 60. Distinctive flair, 61. Makes lace 64. Court, ,

Yesterday's Solution

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