

Quote of the Day

Failures are finger posts on the road to achievement.

C. S. Lewis

Regional Fight Needed to Dismantle Daesh: Ghani

KABUL - President Ashraf Ghani on Sunday said regional countries needed to join hands against terrorism because the menace could not be eliminated unilaterally.

The president said this while accepting the letter of credence from the new Turkish ambassador to Kabul, Büyükelçi Ali Sait Akin, during a formal ceremony at the Presidential Palace, a statement from the palace said. It said Afghan Foreign Minister Salahuddin Rabbani was also present on the occasion. The statement quoted the new Turkish envoy as saying that a stable and peaceful Afghanistan was in the interest of Turkey.

He supported President Ghani's programmes and efforts for peace and



strengthening security in the war-torn country. The ambassador promised to facilitate the Afghans in getting vi-

sas for Turkey. He also said he would encourage private Turkish airlines to increase their flights to Afghanistan's

western Herat and southern Kandahar provinces. He also assured of his country's ...*(More on P4)*...*(1)*

Afghans Petition UN Security Council to Act against Pakistan



KABUL - More than 15,000 Afghans have signed a petition calling on the United Nation's Security Council to step in and take action against Pakistan.

The petition letter, which measures 200 meters in length, was circulated among Kabul residents - of which thousands made the effort to sign it at a park in the center of

the city.

The petition calls on the UN Security Council, and the Afghan government to act on the rise in attacks in the country and curb Pakistan's reported actions against Afghanistan.

One policeman who went to Shar-e Naw Park, specifically to sign the petition, said: "We urge the UN ...*(More on P4)*...*(2)*

Cultural SAARC Camp Opens in Bamyan



BAMYAN CITY - A cultural center of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) was inaugurated followed by holding the Silk Road festival in central Bamyan province on Monday, an official said.

Having historical importance, Bamyan was declared as SAARC Cultural Capital for 2015 by a high-powered delegation of the organization in 2014.

Participated by more than a ...*(More on P4)*...*(3)*

Kabul Prepares for RECCA Summit

KABUL - The Afghan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) is hard at work preparing for the sixth Regional Economic Cooperation Conference on Afghanistan (RECCA) which is scheduled to take place on September 3 and 4.

The aim of the summit will be to discuss trilateral trade and transit opportunities and challenges between Afghanistan, Pakistan and Tajikistan.

MoFA has said that preparations are in place for the summit, which is expected to host a number of foreign ministers, high-ranking officials and dignitaries from various countries. It is believed that among the topics to be ...*(More on P4)*...*(4)*

Minister of Labour and Social Affairs

Thousands of Afghans Being Dispatched to Gulf States

FAIZABAD - Minister for Labour, Social Affairs, Martyrs and Disabled Dr. Nasrin Oryakhel on Sunday said thousands of Afghan labourers would be sent to Saudi Arabia and Qatar in near future to arrest soaring unemployment in the country.

Oryakhel, who visited north-eastern Badakhshan province, said joblessness had unexpect-



edly risen and most of educated youth were unemployed due to a shortage of job opportunities.

Speaking to reporters, she said her ministry had been in contact with the Gulf countries on manpower exports. An agreement would be inked soon with Qatar on 15,000 Afghan labourers being sent there for work, ...*(More on P4)*...*(5)*

Due Consideration of Electoral Reform Suggestions Stressed

KABUL - The Democracy and Elections Committee on Monday said the Electoral Reform Commission should share its suggestions with the relevant organisations before submitting them to the government.

The reform panel, which embarked on its work last month, will submit its proposals to the government next week. ...*(More on P4)*...*(6)*



MCIT Spokesman Resigns against Rampant Fraud

KABUL - The spokesperson for the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology (MCIT) on Monday tendered his resignation against what he said to register protest over widespread fraud and negligent officials in the ministry.

Nasrat Rahimi said one of the instances of fraud was in Salaam Communication Network, where telecommunication companies and the ministry joined hands in collecting credit ...*(More on P4)*...*(7)*

'Foreign States Biggest Hurdle in Implement TIR System'

KABUL - Alleging neighboring countries for creating problems, the Ministry of Commerce and Industries (MoCI) on Monday said that Afghanistan was facing with problems in implementing the Transports Internationaux Routiers (International Road Transport) system in the country.

TIR is an international harmonized system of customs control that facilitates trade and transport whilst effectively protecting the revenue of each country through which goods are carried. ...*(More on P4)*...*(8)*

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