

# 6 Policemen Mysteriously Disappear from a Check Post

LASHKARGAH - At least six policemen have mysteriously disappeared from a check post located in the restive southern Helmand province of Afghanistan. The incident has reportedly taken place in Garamser district and comes amid ongoing heavy clashes in Musa Qala district. A local official speaking on the condition of anonymity said a cook serving with the policemen in the check post was found dead. The official further added that the check post is located in Amir Beland Agha area and the policemen have disappeared along with the weapon and a vehicle. There are no reports regarding the whereabouts of the missing policemen and it is yet not clear if it was insider attack or the check post was raided by the militants. The ...*(More on P4)...*(20)



# Police Woman Shot Dead in Parwan

CHARIKAR - Unidentified gunmen shot dead a policewoman in Parwan, just north of the capital Kabul, local officials said on Saturday. The incident happened in Izat Aziz area of Jabale-Seraj district of the province when gunmen opened fire on Zarghona, the policewoman, who was on her way to her office. Provincial Police Chief, Mohammad Zaman Mamuzai said. "We have arrested a person over the incident and investigations are underway," he said. "The policewoman had one child," said officials. The incident happened almost a week after a number of unidentified gunmen shot dead a school principal in Bagram province. Dad Khuda Jahesh, the head of Sher Aqa Shaheed High School in Bagram district, was killed when school was finished for the day. No group including the Taliban has so far claimed responsibility for the incidents. *(Tolnews)*

# 14 Suspected Militants Killed in North Waziristan Air Blitz

ISLAMABAD - At least 14 suspected militants were killed and their sanctuaries destroyed as military planes bombed the Shawal area of North Waziristan tribal region, the military's media wing stated on Saturday. According to a statement issued by the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR), fourteen "terrorists" were killed in precise aerial strikes in North Waziristan's Shawal valley. The military planes reportedly pounded militant hideouts in Shawal, during which infrastructure, including ammunition depots, managed by "terrorists" was destroyed. The area is off-limits to journalists, making it difficult to independently verify the number and identity of the dead. The final phase of Operation Zarb-i-Azb in North Waziristan is currently under way with the army having launched a ground offensive in Shawal last week. Shawal is one of the last strongholds of militants in the region. The terrorists, except for those who have fled to Afghanistan, are said to be holed up in Shawal. One of the reasons the fleeing militants chose Shawal as their refuge was a perception that Shawal was inaccessible. *(Agencies)*

# Vital Road Reopens for Traffic in Sar-i-Pul



SAR-I-PUL - A road connecting Kohistanat district of northern Sar-i-Pul province with its capital was reopened after one month blockade by Taliban, an official said Saturday. Due to blockade of the road, the prices of daily use commodities soared three times than their original prices in Kohistanat district. Sar-i-Pul acting Governor Abdul Jabbar Haqbin told Pajhwok Afghan News that militants were pushed back from the area after Afghan forces launched operation on Friday. Taliban have blocked the road by placing heavy stones on it but Afghan forces cleared the vital road with heavy machinery, he added. Last Thursday, first vice-president Abdul Rashid Dostum arrived in Sar-i-Pul province and reached Kohistanat district to purge the locality of rebels. Reports say that militants fled Kohistanat district center without resisting against Afghan forces last night. But some areas of the district were still under Taliban control. Haqbin said security operations were underway to completely clear the district. Twenty-eight villages have so far cleared of rebels, he claimed. Militants, however, did not comment on the incident. *(Pajhwok)*

# 1600kg of Drugs Found in Kabul-Bound Truck

PUL-I-ALAM - Police recovered narcotics weighing 1600 kilograms from a truck during a search in the capital of central Logar province on Saturday. Logar crime branch police chief Col. Mohammad Jan Abid told Pajhwok Afghan News the drugs (hashish) were destined for Kabul from Azra district. He said the substance had been hidden in sand on the truck. Police had arrested the truck's driver who was currently being questioned, the official said,



adding that drugs from eastern provinces were being brought to Azra district and from there smuggled to other provinces. Abid said since the start of the current solar year (March 22), thousands of kilograms of drugs had been seized on six such occasions. The police official also said they recovered a ...*(More on P4)...*(21)

# Suspect Planting Magnetic Bombs Arrested in Kabul

KABUL - A suspect planting magnetic bombs was arrested by police and a depot of magnetic bombs were seized during an operation in Kabul. According to the Ministry of Interior (MoI) officials, the operation was conducted in Qarabagh district where the suspect was held and depot of magnetic bombs was discovered. Magnetic bombing is a new tactic used by the anti-government armed militants to target the security forces and government officials by sticking them to their vehicles. The use of magnetic bombs have been rampant across the country but are mainly used in capital Kabul where numerous incidents are reported targeting the vehicles of the government officials and security forces. The anti-government armed militant groups have not commented regarding the capture of suspected militant so far. This comes as the Taliban-led insurgency has been rampant since the group launched its summer offensive earlier this year and since then staged numerous attacks across the country including the capital Kabul. At least 12 people including contractors of the NATO-led Resolute Support Mission were killed and 66 others were wounded in a suicide attack in ...*(More on P4)...*(23)

# Uprising Leader, 4 ALP Personnel Killed in Ghazni

GHAZNI CITY - The uprising group head along with one of his bodyguard and four Afghan Local Police (ALP) members were killed in militants' attack in Andar district of southern Ghazni province, an official said Saturday. Ghazni governor's spokesman Shafiq Nang told Pajhwok Afghan News militants stormed security posts in Mannar, Habib Gudali and Gandhir areas of the district last night. Four ALP men were killed and seven others wounded in a face-off with militants who attacked the post in Mannar area, he added. He said that the uprising group head Abdullah along with one of his bodyguards were also killed when his car came under roadside bombing in Mannar area. A resident of the area Mohammad Rahim said Taliban attacked security posts last night. Both sides exchanged heavy fire, he added, confirming the death of uprising group head in roadside blast. Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid claimed killing four ALP members and their post was seized by militants. He claimed the uprising group head and one of his bodyguards were also killed in a blast. *(Pajhwok)*

# Uruzgan Ulema Council Head Dies in Ambush

TRINKUT - At least three people including Provincial Ulema Council Head, Mawlawi Lal Mohammad were killed in an ambush by insurgents in central Uruzgan province on Saturday morning, local officials said. In addition, a policeman was injured in the attack. The incident took place on the Uruzgan-Kandahar highway while Mawlawi Lal Mohammad and the police security chief of the province were travelling from Uruzgan to



southern Kandahar province, provincial governor spokesman Dost Mohammad Nayab said. "In the first ambush no one was hurt but in the second ambush the insurgents at ...*(More on P4)...*(22)

# Woman Dies, A Dozen Injured in Accident

AIBAK - A woman died and a dozen others, including children, sustained injuries when two cars collided head-on in northern Samangan province, an official said on Saturday. The collision took place on Friday evening at about 7pm, in Sang Shikan area, Traffic Department Director Col. Abdul Raziq told Pajhwok Afghan News. The crash occurred after one of the cars' drivers lost control of his vehicle due to high speed and a technical fault. As a result, one woman was killed and 12 others, including children, were wounded in the accident. The injured have been shifted to hospital and two of them were said to be in critical condition. *(Pajhwok)*

## Outlook Horoscope

### Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

You're planning to head out on a vision quest while the psychic Pisces Full Moon brightens your 12th House of Spirituality. However, you might have to delay your fleeting flights of fancy so you can finish up the chores that are currently on your calendar. Surprisingly, even the most boring routine holds the potential for magic today. It's not about what you're doing in the real world now.

### Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

You hope to share your interests with imaginative people who care about the same things you do. The Pisces Full Moon lights up your 11th House of Friends, inviting you to express your tentative plans for the future in a safe environment. Even if you're short on time, surround yourself with people who will ultimately support your wildest ideas. Luckily.

### Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Your current obsession with achieving recognition is reflected in your ambitious daydreams about your professional life today. But it's difficult to keep your feet on the ground when the otherworldly Pisces Full Moon shines in your 10th House of Status. Nevertheless, you can make the most progress by using your common sense to navigate your course instead of falling back on your intuition.

### Cancer (June 21-July 20)

Forget all the reasons why you shouldn't take a risk now; just make the day an exercise in writing your own itinerary for a truly fantastic adventure. The boundless Pisces Full Moon expands your 9th House of Distant Horizons, inspiring you to pursue your dreams and explore new lands. However, planning too far in advance doesn't work because you can't imagine what you might encounter along the way.

### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You're searching for more direct ways to reach new levels of intimacy in a relationship today. You can actually feel the energy intensifying as the spiritual Pisces Full Moon casts a large shadow in your 8th House of Deep Sharing. Unfortunately, you don't necessarily have a solid understanding of the big picture, preventing you from gaining a clear perspective on your feelings.

### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

You think your logic is invincible today and that you can reason your way through nearly any situation. However, others may not be so convinced your strategy is a viable one while the nebulous Pisces Moon illuminates your 7th House of Companions, muddying all forms of communication, especially in relationships. Don't try to defend your plan if you encounter resistance now.

### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

You want to share a long-lost dream with someone special today. But there's no reason to panic if you can't recall all the fine points of your story, since you can sink into your subconscious to recover them now. But don't expect a treasure map with clear directions to suddenly appear out of nowhere. The fantasy-prone Pisces Full Moon floods your 6th House of Details.

### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

You wake up with a smile on your face as the spiritual Pisces Full Moon raises the vibration in your 5th House of Fun. Your positive frame of mind is so powerful that you believe extra preparation isn't necessary. Luckily, this happy-go-lucky assumption works in your favor now, inspiring you to make up the story line as you go along.

### Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

You may receive your share of notoriety but you don't feel like standing under the heat of the spotlight today. You might prefer to stay behind the curtains while the Pisces Full Moon emphasizes your 4th House of Home and Family. Unfortunately, you could eventually regret your decision if you choose to sidestep any well-deserved acknowledgments. Do whatever is necessary to overcome your uncharacteristic shyness.

### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

Your methodical approach to life often empowers you to develop concrete strategies to reach your ambitious goals. But the illusory Pisces Full Moon resonates in your noisy 3rd House of Immediate Environment, so you might not be as effective when attempting to put your plans into motion today. Don't promise any more than you can deliver now.

### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

You might not realize the powerful impact you have on others, but people often set their moral compasses based upon your core values. Unfortunately, it's nearly impossible to see yourself clearly while the fuzzy Pisces Full Moon mirrors your 2nd House of Self-Worth. It's a challenge to walk your talk now because your spiritual beliefs are all over the map.

### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

Separating your needs from those of everyone around you can be a daunting task as the emotional Full Moon canoodles with spiritual Neptune in your compassionate sign. It's not completely your fault if you struggle to establish clear boundaries and limits today. If you're not mindful now, your desire to rescue every wounded animal, plant or person you encounter could even derail your personal plans.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-71.

Across: 1. Sleights, 6. Possess, 10. Bites, 14. Circumscribe, 15. Nile bird, 16. Modify, 17. Friendliness, 18. Speaker's platform, 19. Don, 20. A disorder of memory, 22. Rational, 23. "Sure", 24. Lemon or canary, 26. Male undergrad club, 30. Reverence, 31. South southeast, 32. Mentally irregular (slang), 33. Cushions or mats, 35. An elongated leather strip, 39. Postmortem, 41. Film material, 43. "Beau", 44. Aspersion, 46. Prima donna problems, 47. An unskilled actor, 49. Card with one symbol, 50. Awestruck, 51. Body, 54. Puppy sounds, 56. Region, 57. Loud, 63. Edges, 64. Adorable, 65. Prod, 66. Death notice, 67. Picnic insects, 68. A small island, 69. Small amount, 70. Dregs, 71. An ancient board game.

Down: 1. Smack, 2. City in Peru, 3. Arab chieftain, 4. Devil tree, 5. Hinder, 6. Retreats, 7. Chagrined, 8, 8 in Roman numerals, 9. Literary compositions, 10. An open letter, 11. Something to shoot for, 12. A keyboard instrument, 13. Scatter, 21. Some tides, 25. Being, 26. Banner, 27. Debauchee, 28. Does something, 29. Dentifrice, 34. Impertinence, 36. Indian music, 37. At the peak of, 38. Annoyance, 40. Legumes, 42. Crawled, 45. Kit for a baby, 48. Peyote, 51. Billiards bounce, 52. Small African antelope, 53. Send, as payment, 55. Relating to audible sound, 58. Melody, 59. Hurry, 60. Doing nothing, 61. Anagram of "Sage", 62. Catches,

Yesterday's Solution: appointment, championship, cite, claim, crown, culture, damage, fortunate, great, growth, heard, hoard, invade, league, lens, lunch, manage, patch, plate, popular, rigs, roost, select, share, sport, spurn, start, style, tact, tennis, today, total, tote, uproar.

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