

# Panel for Combating Human Trafficking Has No Bank Account Yet.



KABUL - Officials of the High Commission for Combating Trafficking in Persons claim making headway in arresting individuals involved

in human smuggling. But the officials have been unable to create a bank account for the panel so far. The commis-

sion was formed in 2011 under the chairmanship of the justice minister.

The panel was set up in close coordination with the ministries of interior, foreign, hajj, public heal, information, refugee and women affairs.

The Supreme Court, the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission (AIHRC), National Directorate of Security (NDS), Attorney General Office (AGO) and civil society organisations are part of the body.

Technical committees and provincial wings of the commission also been formed and made functional. The 16-member panel is led by the justice minister.

Interior Ministry's senior secretary on security affairs, deputy investigation officer at AGO, Supreme Court, AIHRC and civil society representatives, secretaries of the ministries concerned, deputy director of NDS and heads of the Union of Legal Experts and Defence Lawyers Union are members of the commission.

The commission has held 23 meetings since its inception at leadership level. Some sessions had been conducted to review different issues, including achievements in terms of combating human trafficking. (Pajhwok)

## 3 Suspects Detained in Connection with Kabul Shooting

KABUL - Police have detained three suspects in connection with the killing of 10 individuals, most of them members of the same family, in Kabul, an official said on Monday.

Crime branch chief Brig. Gen Mohammad Saleem Almas told Pajhwok Afghan News the suspected killers were arrested on the Kabul-Baghlan highway. The victims' family confirmed that the detainees were involved in the shooting.

Almas said the suspects... (More on P4)... (14)

## Elder Released From Taliban Custody in Paktika Raid



SHARANA - Afghan and foreign forces have released a tribal leader from Taliban's captivity during a nighttime raid in southeastern Paktika province, an official said Monday.

Deputy police chief Col. Dadullah Khan Hotak told Pajhwok Afghan News the raid was conducted by Afghan Special Forces and American forces on Sunday night.

He said Sadullah Khan a tribal leader of Barmal district was also released from the Taliban jail, the target of the operation.

Hotak said 12 Kalashnikovs, five hand grenades, two vehicles, and ammunition were also seized by the joint security forces, who escaped unharmed.

A resident of Barmal district Sidiqullah said "I only know that a Taliban prison was targeted in the operation." The Taliban have so far said nothing in this regard. (Pajhwok)

## MoI to Probe Foreign Fighters in North Afghanistan

KABUL - The question before the public is how Daesh militants and their families manage to enter Afghanistan.

The Ministry of Interior (MoI) on Sunday announced that the government is launching an investigation into the reports about the presence of European fighters who intend to fight with Daesh militant group in Darzab district of the northern Jawozjan province. However, the MoI has previously confirmed the existence of foreign fighters in the country, but it said that there is a need for investiga-



tions into the issue. This comes a day after AFP reported that French and Algerian fighters, some arriving from Syria, have joined the ranks Daesh in the northern Jawzajan province where the militants have established new bases. Similar reports were surfaced in media in the past about the presence of Pakistani, Arab, Chechen, Uzbek, Tajik, ... (More on P4)... (15)

## No Female Journalist in Zabul, Complain Residents



QALAT - The residents of southern Zabul province are complaining about the lack of female journalists and say their absence has rendered women unable to share their concerns.

Freedom of expression and media coverage is considered one of the big achievements of the past 16-years in Afghanistan. But despite spending billions of dollars by the international community since 2001, some parts of the country remain ignored and plunged in multiple problems.

Currently, one state run Radio Television and four private radio stations are active in Zabul, but all individuals employed there are men.

Nabela, a resident of Qalat, the provincial capital, said women made half of the country population and sometimes they faced problems which could only be shared with female journalists.

"There are cultural restrictions which prevent women from raising their voice in a proper way, therefore their issues remain unaddressed," the 22-year-old said.

"This is a big issue and nobody is paying attention to it, that's why the women's situation in Zabul remains unchanged."

Zar Bibi Sulaimankhel, a member of the provincial council, ... (More on P4)... (17)

## Ruined Ghazni Heritage Sites to Be Rehabilitated: Bawari

GHAZNI - Information and Culture Minister Rassoul Bawari on Monday inaugurated three projects worth 60 million afghanis in southern Ghazni province.

The minister said the projects included construction of buildings for the provincial information and culture department, museum and public library.

He said the projects cost 60

million afghanis paid by the Ministry of Information and Culture.

"Construction of these buildings was very important, particularly the building for the public library," he said. Bawari promised to rehabilitate ruined heritage sites in Ghazni province.

Governor Abdul Karim Matin, who also participated in the inauguration ceremony,

said some historic sites of the province seriously need preservation.

"Ghazni is a historic province and if its historic sites are not reconstructed, they would vanish forever," he said.

Asadullah, provincial information and culture director, said they had been facing many problems in the absence of a proper building.

"The TV station, library, the information and ... (More on P4)... (16)

## Outlook Horoscope

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



**Aries** You're well aware it's time to make arrangements for an upcoming trip. In fact, you wish everything was already in place. Nevertheless, there are still loose ends that must be tied up before you can finalize your itinerary. Involving others in your planning now may help you to work out the logistics that were previously elusive.

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



**Taurus** Although you're intent on making sense of a lingering mystery, circumstances may require you to wait now. You're unwilling to give up your quest, but you are quite content to practice patience until you receive a green light from the cosmos. Other people might be ready to throw in the towel.

### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



**Gemini** Your life is a dance of extremes today. On one hand, your enthusiasm can get the best of you, encouraging you to run away with an outrageous idea. On the other hand, a cautionary instinct prevents you from taking a risk, even if the calculations are in your favor. Thankfully, you have an excellent sense of balance now, enabling you to gracefully sidestep any trouble.

### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



**Cancer** You have big ideas about how to improve your working conditions so you can feel more comfortable on the job. Unfortunately, the practical constraints of reality don't necessarily support your hopes today. Although you're often willing to quietly wait for the right moment to initiate action, you may fervently believe that the best time to act is now.

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



**Leo** New avenues of communication seem to open and close today, making it tricky to choose an uncharted route and stick with it. Just as you formulate your message and start to deliver it, you see a road-closed sign that requires you to pick a different path to your destination.

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



**Virgo** The nostalgic idea of revisiting your past sounds lovely until you actually begin your journey, only to remember things you wish you forgot. What seems like a casual stroll down Sentimental Street quickly turns into a labyrinth of unsettling images. Thankfully, your logical approach enables you to sort through the incoming torrent of recollections, so you can reconstruct your past from your current perspective.

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



**Libra** You might think that talking about a problem will solve it once and for all, but reality won't likely support your wish today. Nevertheless, you are hopeful when you delve into the heart of the matter with innocent intentions. Unfortunately, your current concerns are not new ones and another discussion will only seem like a déjà vu.

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



**Scorpio** You may be obsessed with making money today and can't stop running schemes through your head. Ironically, you've been here before, thinking some of these very same thoughts. However, you are more informed now than you were in the past. Although your current plans are close to being realized, you still have some work to do in order to manifest your dreams.

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



**Sagittarius** Your thoughts are bold and unrestrained today, empowering you to conjure up a storm of ideas that inspire others to take action. Your vision is unobstructed and you can see far into the future. However, walls may appear once your thoughts are put into motion. Don't let external resistance distract you; it is merely a reflection of your fears. Thoreau wrote, "What lies behind us and what lies ahead of us are tiny matters compared to what lives within us."

### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



**Capricorn** Being misunderstood is no fun, especially when you're so close to a major turning point in your life. It's as if you've been working on an important project that should already be finished, yet it always seems like completion is a week away. It's frustrating now that in the twelfth hour you feel so unsupported because people don't even know what you're trying to accomplish.

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



**Aquarius** You're driven to share your vision of the future with your friends today. However, you know that your perspective isn't the only one. Instead, you want everyone in your social network to be buzzing about the plethora of possibilities ahead. You don't mind if people are harboring different dreams as long as they are actively pursuing goals that benefit all.

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



**Pisces** You are a mouthpiece for your fellow workers today because others seem to listen intently when you talk. However, you could take your soapbox diatribe too far and end up sabotaging your cause by alienating those who could be your best allies. Instead of waiting for someone else to issue you a reality check, curb your enthusiasm preemptively in order to remain in good standing with your colleagues.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers and some filled-in letters.

Across: 1. Epic, 5. At the peak of, 9. Vats, 13. Baby's bed, 14. Cuts into cubes, 16. Dwarf buffalo, 17. Haughtiness, 18. A drama set to music, 19. Partiality, 20. Milkshakes, 22. Cotton canvas, 24. Gladly (archaic), 26. Exploded stars, 27. Pixies, 30. A southern constellation, 33. Wallboard, 35. Soft leather, 37. Consumed food, 38. A yellowish brown color, 41. Spy agency, 42. Extracted, 45. Indistinct, 48. Peculiarity, 51. A bladed medieval weapon, 52. Not married, 54. Bristle, 55. Recalcitrant, 59. Barf, 62. Hawkeye State, 63. Clobbered, 65. Anger, 66. A jaunty rhythm, 67. Sometimes, works with lions, 68. Affirm, 69. If not 70. No, 71. Bawdy, .

Down: 1. Fraud, 2. Diva's solo, 3. Romantic female friend, 4. Deny, 5. Pother, 6. Rewards for waiting, 7. Sea, 8. Ends a sentence, 9. Any dramatic scene, 10. Pearly-shelled mussel, 11. Ship, 12. Cumberbund, 15. Artillery burst, 21. Seats oneself, 23. Automobiles, 25. Make out (slang), 27. Travelled through water, 28. Terrace, 29. Comes after Mi and Fah, 31. Ornamental, 32. Ignominy, 34. Buff, 36. Convenience, 39. Beer barrel, 40. Nile bird, 43. Teach, 44. Effort, 46. End \_\_, 47. Sidelong, 49. Chubby Checker's dance, 50. Bodyguard, 53. Cathedral, 55. Dossier, 56. Agitate, 57. Cobblers' tools, 58. Stair, 60. A ball of yarn, 61. Group of cattle, 64. Before, poetically,

Yesterday's Solution

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