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# Ex-Jihadis Seek Representation in Cabinet

**KHOST CITY** - Hundreds of people, including former jihadi leaders, on Saturday attended a gathering marking the 33rd anniversary of the former Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan in southeastern Khost province. Dec 27 is observed in Afghanistan to condemn the 1979 invasion that left more than a million Afghans dead, thousands handicapped and sent millions into exile. The gathering in Khost was addressed by a number of individuals who had fought the Russian army. One of the speakers, Daud Khan Shahidzoy, a former



jihadi commander, lashed out at the Kabul government for ignoring families of martyrs.

He made a strong appeal to President Ashraf Ghani to give representation to former jihadis in his cabinet.

"If the new government does not give the Mujahideen their share, we will use all means to obtain our

rights," he warned. Provincial High Peace Council head Hanif Shah ...*(More on P4)...*(8)

## President Ghani Promises to Take Rape Cases Extremely Serious



**KABUL** - President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani has promised to take rape cases extremely serious as the incidents involving rape cases, specifically the rape of young children have been rampant during the recent months. Speaking during a gathering

attended by representatives and advocates of women's rights, President Ghani said there will be zero tolerance policy against the rape incidents. He reiterated that four women would be nominated in the cabinet of the Government ...*(More on P4)...*(9)

## 'Soviet Invasion behind Afghanistan Chaos'



**KABUL** - On the eve of 35 anniversary of Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, former inmates recalled on Saturday the Russian invasion of Afghanistan put the country into quagmire and eternal anarchy. Everything was being governed by Russians and their puppets in the Afghan ...*(More on P4)...*(10)

## Beneficiaries Dote on NHLP, Want it Expanded

**KABUL** - Farmers, orchard and livestock owners in many parts of the country have welcomed an ongoing project initiated by the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock and have demanded its expansion. The ministry launched the National Horticulture and Livestock Project (NHLP) in 2007 and is still ongoing. The development objective of the project is to promote



adoption of improved production practices by target farmers, with gradual rollout of farmer-centric agricultural services systems and investment support. Kitchen gardening and prevention ...*(More on P4)...*(11)

## Pakistani Police Arrest 41 Afghans in Peshawar City

**PESHAWAR** - At least 41 Afghan nationals were arrested by Pakistani police from Peshawar, the capital city of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Friday. According to the Pakistani police officials, the individuals were arrested for illegally living in Peshawar. The detained individuals would be handed over to the authorities for deportation through the Torkham border, the officials added. This comes as the federal government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa had set a month deadline for the expulsion of Afghan refugees following a deadly attack on an army-run school in Peshawar ...*(More on P4)...*(12)

## Killing of Afghans Continue in Iran

**KABUL** - On Saturday three dead bodies arrived to Afghanistan's western Herat province from Iran. Officials say they belong to Ghoryan district of Herat province who were unanimously killed in their home in Asfahan city of Iran. The killed ones include a woman and two minor girls who were handed over to their family members in Ghoryan district. This is not the 1st time Afghans go to Iran and their dead bodies return. In the past dozens of Afghans have been hanged on different charges or unanimously killed like the incident recently took place with ...*(More on P4)...*(13)



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