



### 120,000 Tons of Commodities Transited from Iran's Chabahar Port to Afghanistan

TEHRAN - Some 120,000 tons of commodities were transited to Afghanistan from southeastern Iranian Port of Chabahar over the past 14 months, according to deputy head of Ports and Maritime Organization of Iran. Mohammad-Ali Hassanzadeh said that the shipments to the Port of Chabahar, mostly wheat and cereal, are loaded in four Indian ports. Referring to a meeting on ways to implement Chabahar Agreement, he said that determining the transportation corridors and agreeing on executive protocols on port, road and customs areas were among the main achievements of the trilateral meeting of Iran, India and Afghanistan. It is rare in Iran and the entire region that a port can render both transit and transshipment services at the same time, Hassanzadeh said, adding that having the shortest distance with Asia-Europe shipping line and bordering with Afghanistan, Chabahar Port enjoys an exemplary position enabling it to render both transit and transshipment services. Based on statistics, India trades nearly 15 million tons of commodities with Russia and commonwealth of independent states (CIS), part of which is expected to be transited via the Port of Chabahar, the official said. With the completion of the first phase of development plan of Chabahar Port, the capacity of this port grew from 2.5 to 8.5 million tons a year so that it plays a significant role in transit of commodities from India to Afghanistan. (IRNA)

## Peace Talks without Afghan Govt an Ineffective Exercise: ANP Leader

KABUL - Peace talks excluding the Afghan government will be a futile exercise, says a senior leader of the Awami National Party (ANP). International situation had changed and it required Pakistan and Afghanistan to change their failed foreign and domestic policies, the ANP central general secretary said. Mian Iftikhar Hussain, addressing a function organized by the Bacha Khan Trust Educational Foundation at the University of Peshawar, the ANP leader said that an Independent foreign policy was in the interest of Pakistan. The region's development and prosperity was not possible without friendly relations with the neighbouring countries, he added. "The success of the peace talks in Afghanistan depends on the sincerity ... (More on P4)...(10)



### Militants Suffer Heavy Casualties in Herat Operations: Officials

HERAT - Herat governor's spokesman says the operation was conducted in Zarokh district in the province. At least 15 Taliban fighters were killed in Afghan forces operations in Herat province, local officials said Saturday. Herat governor's spokesman Jailani Farhad said the military operation was conducted in Zarokh district where 15 Taliban militants including nine commanders of the group. He said that in a separate airstrike in Ghorian district Taliban shadow district governor Mullah Abdulrahman along with his five fighters were killed and different



parts of the Obe and Pashtun Zarghun districts were cleared of Taliban. Taliban has not commented on the report. (Tolo news)

### Gunmen Set on Fire a Middle School in Paktika



SHARAN - Unidentified gunmen have torched a middle school in the Urgan district of southeastern Paktika province, an official said on Saturday. Shafiqullah, principal of the school, told Pajhwok Afghan News that unknown gunmen torched the Naswan Zarabi Middle School of boys and girls on Friday

night. He said the school building, all textbooks, copies of Quran, documents, desks and chairs were burnt. Mohammad Naseem Wajid, provincial education official, confirmed the incident and said at least 900 students, including 400 girls, were studying in the school. He ... (More on P4)...(11)

### 16 Daesh Militants Killed in Nangarhar Raid

JALALABAD - Sixteen Daesh or so-called Islamic state (IS) rebels have been eliminated during a clearing operation in the Achin district of eastern Nangarhar province, an official said on Saturday. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the operation had been carried out by the National directorate of security (NDS)'s special unit 02. The operation, he said, was supported by air forces as well. Security forces and civilians suffered no casualties during the overnight raid. Separately, a planner of suicide bombing was killed during the raid. The bomber was operating across the Jalalabad city, the provincial capital, he said. Elsewhere, a key Daesh member was killed during the NDS personnel operation in Nazyano district of the province late on Friday night. The Daesh have not yet commented about the incidents. (Pajhwok)



## Outlook Horoscope

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



Some of you still let individuals from other Zodiac Signs do all the creating for you. The planetary configuration today pushes you to free yourself from the ties that bind you. It's time for you to show more creativity. Show the gems that you usually hide. Express yourself fully, without hesitation. Show others who's really in charge.

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



You are very interested in all kinds of professions that concern humans, Taurus - medicine, psychology, or any kind of spiritual therapy. You will be very sensitive to the great opening toward the future that comes along today. The planetary alignment initiates progress in all areas of human existence. Keep your eyes and ears wide open.

#### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



You may surprise the people around you over the next few days, Gemini. You're a responsible person and others can count on you. But just like anybody else, you're sensitive to your desires. You should expect your desires to be so strong today that they may be irresistible. If this is a positive experience, you may need to do some planning in your personal life.

#### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You may have to stand by certain difficult, worrisome decisions today, Cancer. You may feel a kind of urgent need for stability in your personal life. What is really behind this feeling? Is it possible that you're just afraid of your desire to put everything into question in order to make a fresh start? Today you may find the answer to this question. Stay tuned.

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



Do you help the world evolve, Leo? You may ask yourself this kind of delicate question today. Even if you're a person of action who knows how to react to situations, you should be careful not to be too impulsive. You have a specific role to play. Don't get thrown off track by emotional circumstances.

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



You may have a tendency to be over-protective of the people closest to you, especially children. You may feel you live in a dangerous world in which people don't care about responsibility to one another. But the people you're trying to protect are probably better prepared and adapted to the world than you think, Virgo. They might try to tell you this even if your support is indispensable.

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



You probably need society's or other people's approval in order to feel good about yourself, Libra. But your original personality and way of thinking are often hard for others to accept. You may need to make your ideas less crazy and a little more down to Earth and practical. This should be your goal over the next few days if you don't want to feel left out of things.

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



The events of the day depend on your ability to put things into question today, Scorpio. In general, you're good at analyzing situations when things aren't going well in your relationships. Now someone in your family may have a problem acting responsibly. It's up to that person to take care of things, but you could understand the message the person is trying to send other people with his or her behavior.

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



The planetary aspects are going to have a big impact on you today, Sagittarius. This isn't the time to fear the future. Rather, it's a time to make it happen. The action you take right now will be instrumental in your future. Will there be enough of us walking toward the future? Sagittarius will be at the head of the pack in any case, as always.

#### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



People are more alike than we think, especially on days like today that mean virtually the same thing to everyone. Some incredible changes have taken place in the world and its economic and social systems. Now is the time to think about what the next few years have in store. Do you have any ideas? Try to articulate them.

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

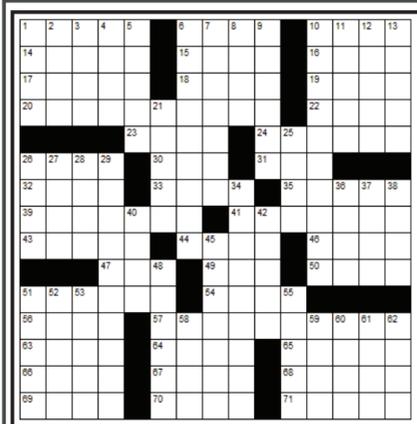


Today is an inspirational day for you, fast-thinking Aquarius. Let those visions come to you, process them, and try to verbalize them. A lot of information and electricity is in the air, and you should have no problem picking up on it. Open up your channels for the best reception. Have a notepad handy to jot down all your insights.

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



You're usually good at bringing people together. Your greatest strength is giving identity to those people who seek it. In fact, you're so aware of the differences between people that you resist the changes that come about as people evolve. Today's planetary alignment confronts you with issues that concern your future. Your position will help you accept things and go forward.



#### Across

- 1. Celebrities, 6. Sourish, 10. Does something, 14. Hawaiian veranda, 15. Chills and fever 16. Fellow, 17. Sight-related, 18. Not straight, 19. \_\_\_slaw, 20. Analgesic, 22. Press 23. Chocolate cookie, 24. Fervent, 26. Extent, 30. Barley bristle, 31. Female deer, 32. Away from the wind, 33. Labels, 35. Beginning, 39. Farther, 41. A small house, 43. Overact 44. Arab chieftain, 46. Dogfish, 47. Flea, 49. French for "Friend", 50. In order to prevent, 51. Ravel classic, 54. Brothers and sisters, 56. Nights before, 57. Clearly, 63. Corporate image, 64. Bright thought, 65. Hearing-related, 66. Burrowing marine mollusk, 67. Aspersion, 68. Feather, 69. Puncture, 70. Not his, 71. Water vapor, ,

#### Down

- 1. Swill, 2. The thin fibrous bark, 3. Against, 4. Shower, 5. Pervert, 6. Silverware and glasses, 7. Everlasting, 8. Graphic symbol, 9. Foursome, 10. Random, 11. Task, 12. Claw 13. All tuckered out, 21. Angry, 25. Part of a plant, 26. Not in danger, 27. Damson, 28. Relating to aircraft 29. Causing irritation, 34. Curved oriental sabers, 36. Identical, 37. Auspices, 38. Nipple 40. Listen 42. Small African antelope, 45. He gives backrubs, 48. In style, 51. Burp, 52. Convex molding, 53. Lawful, 55. Breaks, 58. Doing nothing, 59. Religious splinter group, 60. Not false 61. Tibetan monk, 62. Anagram of "Lyme", ,

#### Yesterday's Solution



freeze, gloss, grass, gristle gutsy hardly, health nail, obvious, oppress pause, pent, profit quiet , range, resume, return about, alien, await, behold, blatant,braid, chilly, condensation, embankment, extend, fakery, seal

