

Pak, Afghan People-to-People Contact Must to Boost Ties: Sherpao

Pakistan and Afghanistan closer. "The people to people contact should be boosted to take bilateral relations between the two neighbouring Muslim countries to new heights," he stressed. Criticising the federal government, he said the National Action Plan couldn't be fully implemented. "The Army Public School massacre united the nation and the political parties rallied behind the government to come up with a



tangible strategy to rid the country of the menace of terrorism," he maintained. The QWP head said there was no room for complacency as enough blood had

been spilled and now time was ripe to root out the scourge of terrorism. "The Islamic State (IS) is also spreading its tentacles and it has posed serious threats to our region," he warned, fearing that the country was faced with another imminent disaster, but there was no strategy to tackle it. Turning to the issues being faced by the Pakhtuns, Aftab Sherpao said the smaller provinces in general and the Pakhtuns in particular were

feeling a sense of deprivation. "The despondency is deepening day by day. The federation has to play its role to redress the grievances of the smaller units," he pointed out. Aftab Sherpao said the Pakhtuns should be taken onboard on foreign and internal policies. He said equitable distribution of resources should be ensured. The QWP leader said the issue of the internally displaced persons (IDPs) had been put on the backburner. (Agencies)

10 Detained on Various Charges

KABUL - At least 10 people accused of different crimes including murder, vehicles number plates' theft and trafficking illegal weapons and narcotics have been detained in the capital Kabul, security officials said Monday. Kabul police spokesman Hashmatullah Stanikzai told Pajhwok Afghan News that the alleged criminals were arrested from the 10th, 17th and 4th police districts and in the northern region of Kabul city. He said that four people involved in a murder case were detained from Pul-I-Charkhi area. Three others while stealing car



plates were detained in Khairkhana and Shahr-i-Naw areas of the city, he said. Two drug traffickers detained in the 17th police district along with 10 kilograms of narcotics. Another man illegally carrying a pistol was captured in the 4th police district, Stanikzai said, adding the detainees were under investigation and their cases would be referred to the attorney general office after an investigation. He said Kabul police would ensure security in the city. He noted that people's support was vital to improve security in Kabul. (Pajhwok)

Canadian Army Lost 3 Expensive GPS-Guided Missiles

OTTAWA - The Canadian army somehow lost three highly-sophisticated, precision-guided artillery shells on its ways out of Afghanistan in an embarrassing case that resulted in an almost two-year investigation. Known as Excalibur rounds, the 155-millimetre high-explosive ammunition could not be accounted for among the mission close-out paperwork as the military withdrew from Kandahar in late 2011.

Newly released records, obtained by The Canadian Press under access to information legislation, show defence officials, at first, thought as many as five the global positioning system-guided shells had gone missing when soldiers tore down their forward operating bases. But that number was reduced to three when it was realized someone had filed paperwork twice. The shells are not cheap. They come with a price tag of US \$177,224 per



round, but are accurate to within 20 metres even when fired from up to 40 kilometres away. Both the country's overseas command and mili-

tary police conducted extensive investigations, but never located the ammunition and defence officials requested last summer... (More on P4)... (17)

Brother Shoots Sister for Teaching Girls

MAIDAN SHAHAR/KANDAHAR CITY - An infuriated brother shot injured his sister on Monday for teaching at a girls' school in the Narkh district of central Maidan Wardak province, the governor's spokesman said. Attallah Khogyani told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident occurred in the morning when Abdul Mohammad opened fire at his sister, Bakht Zamina. She was then rushed to the civil hospital in Maidan Shahr, the provincial capital. Khogyani alleged the brother had links with militants. But... (More on P4)... (21)

90% Fall Recorded in Transport on Kabul Jalalabad Highway

KABUL - Drivers on both sides of Torkham acknowledged 90 percent decline in passengers traveling that left negative impact on the transport business. Pakistani authorities reported harassing Afghan refugees after the tragic incident in Peshawar where militants killed 132 students at the Army Public School, which sent shock waves globally. Transport Director Dr. Mohammad Ayub Shara-



fat said earlier over 1,200 vehicles traveled to Torkham Port but currently that number dropped to 200 vehicles only. After the Peshawar attack, he said Pakistan officials had started harassment of Afghan refugees and common Afghans were not willing to travel to Pakistan. (Pajhwok)

Militants Torch Yet another School



JALALABAD - Taliban have torched yet another school building in eastern Nangarhar province, an official said Monday. Ahmad Zia Abdulzai, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News some unidentified gunmen set the building of high school on fire in Mumandara district last

night. The building, he said had been partially damaged. He said police had started investigation to nab the perpetrators. Muhammad Asif Shinwari, spokesman of education directorate, said the incident took place at Basul area of the district. He... (More on P4)... (18)

Drug Smuggler Escapes from Jail

EBAK/SHEBRGHAN - A leading drug smuggler escaped from a detention centre in northwestern Samangan province, an official said Monday.

Maj. Gen. Mohammad Akram Bikzad, police chief, told Pajhwok Afghan News that the smuggler Asif escaped... (More on P4)... (19)

Heavily Pregnant Woman Gang-Raped in Jawzjan

SHIBREGHAN - A heavily pregnant woman, a policeman's wife, was gang-raped by five men in northwestern Jawzjan province, an official said on Monday, as the victim threatened to commit suicide. A relative of the 17-year-old woman told Pajh-

wok Afghan News she was only a month away from giving birth when five men rapped her last night in Shiberghan, the provincial capital. She was beaten and her jewelries stolen by the rapists, who tied hands and feet of her father, the... (More on P4)... (20)

Guards, Residents Clash leaves 3 Injured

KABUL - At least three people were injured following a clash between the local residents of Shah Shahid in Police District#8 with the bodyguards of a lawmaker. According to police officials in PD#8 the incident took place due to a dispute over land which the local residents claim belongs to the government. Gen. Hamidullah, police chief of Police District#8 said... (More on P4)... (22)

2 Held with Huge Quantity Liters of Acid

FARAH CITY - Police in western Farah province impounded a truck and recovered 1,080 liters of acid and detained the driver and his associate, an official said on Monday. Acting Police Chief Col. Dilbar Jan Khakrezi said the acetic anhydride brand acid had been recovered from a truck parked in front of the building of intelligence... (More on P4)... (23)

Dairy Factory Employs Hundreds of Women

KUNDUZ CITY - The dairy factory in northern Kunduz province used 400,000 liters of milk it purchased from rural women in making dairy products during the current solar year, an official said on Sunday. Now a decade-old, the plant in Kunduz has been processing and selling dairy products from 2000 liters of milk on a daily basis. Most of the milk suppliers are women.

Muhammad Zahir Wafa, the factory head, told Pajhwok Afghan News they purchased milk from residents for 15 afs a litre and after checking by doctors and a technical team, the milk was changed into other dairy products such as cream, butter, yogurt, long life milk and others. He said more than 40 men and women worked at the factory that purc... (More on P4)... (24)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

You try to please others today, but even your best intentions are not good enough if your behavior seems abrasive. Your emotions may run so deep now that it's healthier to err on the side of caution than to reveal your feelings to others. Although you can wait until tomorrow when everyone is less sensitive, you could begin to open up right away as long as you remember to move slowly.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

Managing relationship dynamics is more complicated than you expect today. Although you might be able to tell there's a lot going on beneath the surface, finding your way through potentially explosive emotional landmines could be tricky business. Don't stick with an agenda that isn't working; instead, respond to each situation as it develops.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Your underlying motives might not be as altruistic as they seem, even if you go out of your way to put others at ease now. However, there's nothing wrong with your desire to be admired by someone you like, especially since you're more productive when you feel appreciated. You fall into the communication flow when there's a healthy balance of give and take.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

Even if you believe everything is unfolding naturally today, someone close to you may still think you're too controlling. But any manipulative behavior is probably motivated by your fear of someone taking advantage of you. However, there is some truth to both sides; if you can become comfortable with any outcome to the current situation, the need for power struggles dissipates.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You may obsess about what you're going to do today, but over-planning is likely a waste of time. You could misread the dynamics of a situation and make a faulty assumption by relying on wrong data. Or, perhaps, the circumstances might change without warning, turning your entire schedule upside down. It doesn't matter whether or not you were ever really in charge.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

There is no need to overreact if someone makes unreasonable demands of you today. Your best strategy is to push back with a firm but gentle touch. Mischievous Mercury is still backpedaling in your 6th House of Routine, so misunderstandings might easily creep into the picture if you respond too quickly. Take your time and consider the feelings of others before creating ripples that will spread on their own.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

It might seem as if your friends are not being very supportive of your goals at first, but your worries could be unfounded. You may have too much on your mind and too many leftover chores weighing on your shoulders to be objective. But don't expect everyone to rush to your rescue now, just because you're under pressure. Luckily, sticking to your initial plan will actually help you handle your personal obligations on your own.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

Your energy reserve may be on empty today, making you feel rather frazzled if you can't establish a steady work pace. Something slipped just slightly out of alignment and it could take a conscious attitude adjustment on your part to snap your thinking back into place.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

Saving your pennies isn't your idea of fun, but you wouldn't have to pay attention to your finances today if you took care of your personal business yesterday. You wish you could kick back and fantasize about the unrealized potential in your life and concoct long-term plans, but an immediate cash flow problem demands that you handle it right away. Don't put off the inevitable; the sooner you get started, the sooner you can return to manifesting your dreams.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

You can't decide whether to push ahead more forcefully now or if it's smarter to temporarily retreat. Frustration sets in if you wish you took a different course of action. But what you do next might not matter so much; rest assured there isn't any right or wrong way to go from here. Either way, your path may be temporarily obscured. Your wisest strategy is to bide your time until you receive a clear sign from the universe that tells you which direction to take.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

Your dreams contain messages, whether you remember them as soon as you wake up or if they return as fragmented images throughout the day. However, it's wiser to proceed with caution because your fantasies seem so real that they can lead you on a wild goose chase. Don't just assume that you have enough information now to discern the difference between fact and fancy.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

Your intuition is operating on warp drive now, making you even more attuned to other dimensions. In fact, you might even feel as if you're living your life within a dream. However, something weird happens that wakes you up today, reminding you to be more practical when it comes to your priorities.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-71.

Across: 1. Tortilla chip, 6. Balcony section, 10. Cushions or mats, 14. Perpendicular to the keel, 15. Nameless, 16. Found in some lotions, 17. Look closely, 18. Russian emperor, 19. Swing around, 20. A moderately quick tempo, 22. Informed, 23. Emanation, 24. Wiggle room, 30. Henpeck, 31. Chemist's workplace, 32. Violent disturbance, 33. Delight, 35. Noise, 39. Bad-mouth, 41. Cardigan, 43. Cubic meter, 44. Information, 46. Unusual, 47. S, 49. Disenchantment, 50. Sailing ship, 51. Polished, 54. Dogfish, 56. Sourish, 57. A diplomat of the highest rank, 63. Unrestrained revelry, 64. Entire, 65. Climate, 66. Jump, 67. Scottish hillside, 68. Made of oak wood, 69. Feudal worker, 70. Cravings, 71. Inclination

Down: 1. Nil, 2. Cain's brother, 3. Mobile phone, 4. Possess, 5. Alpha's opposite, 6. Passed sideways, 7. Performing, 8. Satyr, 9. Enlist, 10. Composition board, 11. Permit, 12. Birthing coach, 13. Squalid, 21. Steps of a ladder, 25. Alleviate, 26. Historical periods, 27. Enumerate, 28. Easy gait, 29. Mental representation, 34. Guesses, 36. Salt Lake state, 37. Roman emperor, 38. Sketched, 40. A musical pause, 42. Gulleys, 45. High-spirited horse, 48. Worn, 51. Filched, 52. Female horses, 53. Keyboard instrument, 55. Cravat, 58. Filly's mother, 59. Winglike, 60. Water barrier, 61. Portent, 62. Cleave

Yesterday's Solution: about, after, alley, arcade, better, brother, carry, cheek, clown, comma, daddy, dead, doctor, dress, garden, gypsy, herd, horse lane, loose, lonely, mare, mystery, never, people, pretty, reel, roam, rucs, shade, shoulder, soldier, steal, stones, tear, think

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