

## Quote of the Day

Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding.  
**Albert Einstein**

## Constitution

Any kind of discrimination and privilege between the citizens of Afghanistan are prohibited. The citizens of Afghanistan have equal rights and duties before the law  
Article 22

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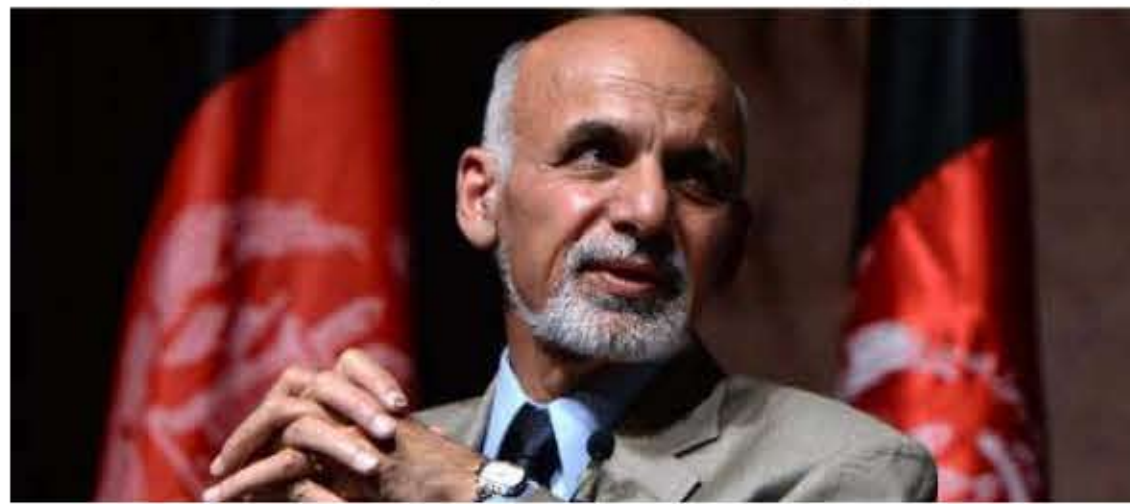
### Afghan Forces Kill 94 Militants in 3 Days

LASHKAR GAH - Afghan security forces have killed nearly 100 militants including some commanders in Taliban bastion in Sangin district in southern Helmand province over the past three days. A statement of the Helmand-based 215 Corps released here on Wednesday, said "The security forces during the ongoing cleanup operations dubbed 'Zolfiqar' raided Taliban hideouts in Sangin district and have killed 94 insurgents over the past three days," the statement asserted. Zolfiqar is the name of a special sword used by Muslim's fourth Caliph Hazrat Ali Bin Abi Talib in war against enemies 14 centuries ago. Sangin district in Taliban former stronghold the southern Helmand province has been regarded as militants' outfit in southern region of the conflict-ridden country. Another 66 militants have been injured and nine others made captive during the operations, the statement of the army said. The Afghan government launched major operations in parts of Helmand province on Sunday morning to sweep out insurgents and extend...*(More on P4)...(2)*

### President Ashraf Ghani

# Terrorism Not to be Tied to Any Religion

KABUL - President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani has said that terrorism has no religion and the terrorists are only tarnishing the image of Islam. In a statement from the Presidential Palace, Ghani expressed these views during his meeting with the deputy defense secretary of the United States on Tuesday. Underlining decisive action to root out terror, the president said that regional and global efforts were needed to...*(More on P4)...(1)*



### Civilian Casualties up 22pc in 2014, UN Finds

KABUL - At least 3,700 Afghan civilians, including women and children, were either killed or wounded as a result of the ongoing conflict in the country in 2014, the United Nations said in its annual report released on Wednesday. The report said 3,699 civilians were killed and 6,849 others wounded during clashes between militants and security forces last year, showing a 22 percent increase as compared to casualties in 2013. Most of the casualties, the report said...*(More on P4)...(3)*



were caused by militants. It said the dead included 714 children and 298 women, up 40...*(More on P4)...(3)*

### All Measures Being Adopted to Limit Civilian Casualties: RS

KABUL - Following United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) protection of civilians in armed conflict annual report, the Resolute Support (RS) leaders said that all possible measures were being adopted...*(More on P4)...(4)*

### Pakistan's Messages Positive: Presidential Palace



KABUL - The government on Tuesday said messages conveyed in talks with President Ashraf Ghani by a visiting Pakistani delegation were positive and reflected Islamabad's resolve toward co-operation with Afghanistan in the fight against terrorism. President Ghani met Pakistan Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Raheel Sharif at the Presidential Palace in Kabul in the afternoon, a statement from the palace said. It said the Pakistani delegation reiterated their country's cooperation resolve for peace in Afghanistan and informed about measures Pakistan had taken in this regard. The statement called as positive the messages conveyed by the Pakistani delegation and said the outcome of the Pakistan's pledges and measures would become clear over the next few weeks. The statement said the Kabul administration awaited positive outcome from Pakistan's measures and bilateral cooperation between the two countries on strengthening peace and stability in the region. A separate statement from the Presidential Palace said Gen. Raheel held a meeting with presidential advisor on national security...*(More on P4)...(5)*

### Afghan Airlines Now Meet EU Standards: ACAA

KABUL - The Afghanistan Civil Aviation Authority (ACAA) on Wednesday said Afghan airlines, banned from flying into Europe airspace, had been standardised and could be allowed to resume their flights to European countries henceforth.



ACAA (operations) deputy head Mahmood Shah Habibi told Pajhwok Afghan News all state-owned and private airlines of Afghanistan were blacklisted by the European Union in 2010 for failing to set up a proper safety regime. The EU...*(More on P4)...(6)*

### Gen. Campbell

## Americans Upbeat on Afghanistan's Future

KABUL - NATO top commander in Kabul US Gen. John Campbell on Wednesday said great enthusiasm was found among the Americans about supporting Afghanistan as they were upbeat about the country's future. The US army general expressed these views at a...*(More on P4)...(7)*



meeting with Chief Executive Officer Abdullah Abdullah, a statement from the CEO's office said. The statement said Gen...*(More on P4)...(7)*

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