



Inmates in Gardiz Jail Receive Vocational, Literacy Education

KABUL - Prison officials in southeastern Paktia province say many inmates in the central jail receive literacy and vocational education so they would be able to improve their economy themselves after released.

The officials say the prisoners were getting skills in tailoring, carpentry, metal working and constructions as well as getting literacy education and memorizing the holy Quran.

One of the inmates in Paktia, Mohammad Rahim, told Pajhwok Afghan News that he was tailoring since the last one and half a year in the jail and tailored dresses for other inmates and workers of the jail.

He said that his occupation in the jail helped him to improve his economy besides donating some money to the training section of the inmates.

"I make a dress for 300 Afghanis, we also pay money to the jail and save some for my own needs," he said.

Iqbal, another prisoner in Paktia said that the people in jail had high capacity for work but there were limited machinery and resources to train more inmates.

"I have been working since five years, I also train other jailers, but sewing machines are limited and I cannot help more people," he said.

Shafi Rahman, a prisoner who got carpentry profession, said that he can make his life better when released from the jail using his skills.

"Anyone (in jail) can get their skills in tailoring, carpentry, welding and other professions here so they would be able in the future to help their families," he said.

Haji Mirajuddin said that he got his profession in constructions in jail and can make around 200 Afghanis a day.

"I receive money for my work; an ordinary... (More on P4)... (12)

Dozens of Taliban Militants Killed or Wounded in Faryab Clashes



KABUL - At least 18 Taliban militants have been killed and eight others wounded during clashes between the Afghan security forces in northern Faryab province, a local official said on Monday.

Karim Yurish a spokesman for Faryab police told Ariana News that the militants sustained casualties after attacking security outposts

in Arklik village of Qaisar district on Sunday night.

He said that during the clashes a commander of the Taliban along with 17 others were killed and eight others injured.

According to the official, the commander was identified as Mawlawi Esmatullah Esmatyar.

At least three security personnel were

also killed and four others wounded in the incident, Yurish said.

However, the Taliban in a statement claimed that at least 11 Afghan soldiers were killed and three more injured during the clashes.

Faryab is among the insecure provinces in northern Afghanistan, where the Taliban insurgents are actively operating in its number of districts. (KP)



Unmanned Aircraft Crashes in Farah, Claim Residents

FARAH CITY - An Unmanned Surveillance Vehicle (USV) also known as drone aircraft has crashed in the Pushrod district of western Farah province on Monday morning, according to local residents.

Abdul Basir, the resident of the Gajgain village, told Pajhwok Afghan News that he witnessed a USV crashed to the ground early in the morning.

A number of other local residents also confirmed the crash of drone aircraft in the area.

Taliban spokesman Qari Yousuf Ahmadi said the drone belonged to NATO Resolute Support (RS) Mission in Afghanistan and it was in their control for further investigation.

Police spokesman Muhibullah Muhib rejected the residents' claim of drone crash.

NATO Resolute Mission has not yet commented about the incident. (Pajhwok)

Balkh: Taliban Kidnap Population Registration Official



MAZAR-I-SHARIF - Taliban have kidnapped the population registration head for the Chahar Bolak district of northern Balkh province, an official said on Monday.

Police spokesman Adil Shah Adil told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident happened in the Alamkhel village of the

district on the Balkh-Jawzjan highway late on Sunday.

Adil added the militants abducted the district population registration head, Sakhidad Khan, who was heading to Mazar-i-Sharif. Tribal elders are trying to secure Khan's release, he concluded. (Pajhwok)

Pharmacy Owner Killed in Kabul Bomb Explosion



KABUL - A pharmacy owner has been killed as a result of a bomb blast in Kabul, an official said on Monday.

Basir Mujahid, spokesman for Kabul police, told Pajhwok Afghan News the blast took place in 11th

police district on Sunday night.

The bomb placed inside a vehicle went off when the pharmacy owner got in, he said, adding an investigation had been launched into the incident. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



A group with which you're affiliated may be temporarily torn apart by politics and quarrels. If so, Aries, it's best to stay out of it. A friend could be having trouble and come to you for advice and help. Don't get too frustrated by his or her weaknesses. This could be a frustrating day for you - one best spent working on your own projects.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Changes in your home could cause temporary frustration that creates some tension with family members. Perhaps you're moving, cleaning, or refurbishing, and everyone is getting in everyone else's way. The best way to handle this situation is to try to get the job done as quickly as possible. Once it's done, Taurus, tempers will subside and all will be fine.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Miscommunication with someone far away could lead to bruised egos, heightened emotions, and angry phone calls. Don't get sucked into a quarrel, Gemini. Try to sort out the problem. Changes in your neighborhood could cause trouble getting around, so be prepared for blocked streets and heavy traffic. Walk, if you can. It will clear your head and get you where you're going more quickly.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



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Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



A person you're attracted to may seem to be interested in someone else. This could bring up your insecurities and jealousy. Don't make yourself crazy, Leo. Try to learn the facts before letting the situation get the better of you. Invitations to more than one social event for the same night might force you to make an uncomfortable choice. Make the choice that's best for you.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Someone is keeping secrets from you. We all have private issues we don't wish to share, Virgo, but this affects you. Your intuition will probably tell you who this person is. Try to get him or her to open up without exerting pressure. Unfinished tasks could be driving you crazy. You may try to run through them quickly, causing too much stress. Get the most crucial done and let the others go.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



Perhaps you planned to attend a group event but circumstances beyond your control got in the way. Maybe it was canceled. This could cause some disappointment for you and others, Libra. Find something else to do. A project of your own is likely to need some attention, and this challenge could keep you engrossed for hours.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



A visitor who needs a little sympathy could visit you today. Your friend probably wants some advice about some problems. He or she could also bring information involving new scientific or metaphysical studies that you find fascinating. This information could trigger your own insights. Write down your ideas. You will want to remember them.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Some important plans, perhaps for a vacation or involving education in some way, could be temporarily blocked by circumstances beyond your control, Sagittarius. This can cause considerable upset and might even set your temper on edge. You may be tempted to take your frustrations out on others. It would be far more productive to find ways to make your plans work, even if there's a delay. Go to it.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan.19)



A letter or phone call could bring upsetting news about money, Capricorn. Your first reaction may be to blame yourself or someone else, but the circumstances are probably beyond anyone's control. Chances are good that it can be set right. Before anyone gets too upset, it's best to investigate and find out what needs to be done. It may take some effort, but all will be well.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

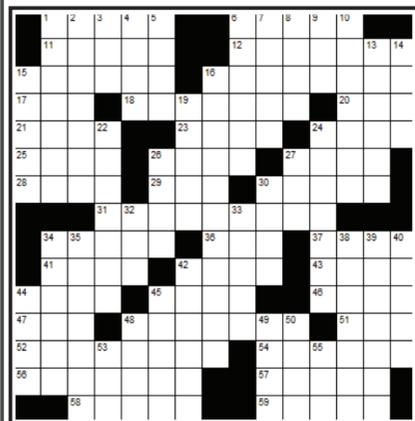


Jealousy could rear its ugly head today, Aquarius. This may involve a romantic relationship. Jealousy is often groundless. If you want to avoid an upset, try a little communicating. This is definitely the time to make the effort to turn a disadvantage into an advantage. Strong emotions can work for you under some circumstances. A passionate reconciliation is better than an angry estrangement.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Nervous tension could cause a temporary malaise that keeps your energy low today. Tasks and chores need to be done, Pisces, so you will probably drag yourself up and try to finish them in spite of the way you feel. Try not to get overworked, and try not to take your weariness out on others. It's better to let work go than make yourself and everyone else more stressed out.



Across

- Urgency, 6. Straddles, 11. SSSS, 12. Large hard-shelled oval nut, 15. Not these or those, 16. Percussionists, 17. Make lace, 18. Intercede, 20. Request, 21. Sister and wife of Zeus, 23. Catch a glimpse of, 24. Slaloms, 25. Historical periods, 26. Circuit breaker, 27. To fancy (archaic), 28. Beams, 29. Frozen water, 30. Style, 31. Conventioneers, 34. Jaegers
- 2,000 pounds, 37. Hawaiian strings, 41. Not tame, 42. Sage, 43. A Freudian stage
44. A mooring post, 45. Sneaker or pump, 46. Former Italian currency, 47. And so forth, 48. Rotating shaft, 51. Explosive, 52. Levels in rank, 54. Wanes, 56. In that
57. Indicates, 58. Afresh, 59. Sound of contempt,

Down

- Ancient Greek mistress, 2. It holds cigarette debris, 3. South southeast, 4. School session
5. Being, 6. Scratch, 7. Petulant, 8. Highest point, 9. French for "Name", 10. A canvas shoe
13. Like a bear, 14. Sounds of disapproval, 15. Different, 16. Disagreements (Br. spelling), 19. Two, 22. Attack, 24. Camel, 26. Equips, 27. Tiny, 30. Heredity unit
32. Little bit, 33. Drugged, 34. Exchange, 35. Cookhouse, 38. She works with yarn, 39. Sincere
40. Splines, 42. Neigh, 44. Red vegetable, 45. Go bad, 48. Killed, 49. Laboratories, 50. Black, in poetry, 53. Before, poetically, 55. Pother,

Yesterday's Solution



berth, brave, choke
cling, confirm, delay
draft evade, excess
expert, falter, flight
follow, foot, gather
hart, highway, hinder
house, lace, lodge,
model other, plush
poet, potential,

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