

# Mohib Meets UAE Counterpart, US Special Envoy



## Pakistani Curriculum Taught at Paktika Private Schools

SHARANA - Some residents of the Barmal district of southeastern Paktika province on Monday claimed Pakistani curriculum was taught to students in the district's private schools.

Rohullah, a resident of the district, told Pajhwok Afghan News that private schools in the district had long been teaching Pakistani curriculum to their students instead of Afghanistan's.

He said: "The issue has been several times shared with authorities concerned, but the problem remains".

Mohammad Akbar, 14, a 5th grade student at the private Imdadia School, also confirmed they were taught the Pakistani curriculum.

"We all know about 14th August as Pakistan's independent day, but we don't about the Afghanistan Independent day date and how is it celebrated".

A number of other students of the district confirmed the issue and urged solution to it at the earliest possible.

But the Imdadia School's director Mualvi Noor Rahman told Pajhwok their area lacked government schools and they had enrolled students who previously studied across the Durand Line.

"These studies were previously taught Pakistani textbooks and after they were admitted to our school, we started teaching them the same books."

Meanwhile, a teacher at the Daoma children private school in Malkashi locality of the district, who wished go unnamed, also confirmed to Pajhwok that Pakistani curriculum system was taught in their school. He said ...*(More on P4)...*(10)

KABUL - National Security Advisor Hamdullah Mohib has met US Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation Dr. Zalmay Khalilzad on the peace process in Dubai.

Dr. Mohib also held talks with his UAE counterpart in Abu Dhabi before departing for Saudi Arabia, a statement from the National Security Council (NSC) said on Monday.

"The meeting with UAE's National Security Adviser focused on Afghan-led and Afghan-owned peace process and joint fight against terrorism," the NSC added.

On the conclusion of his trip to China, the NSA travelled to Saudi Arabia for discussions on the Afghan peace talks and bilateral cooperation between Kabul and Riyadh. (Pajhwok)



## Mujibur Rahman Appointed as New Paktika Governor

KABUL - Mujibur Rahman Samkani has been appointed as new governor for southeastern Paktika province, replacing Ilyas Wahdat, the Independent Directorate of Local Governance (IDLG) said on Monday.

President Ashraf Ghani decreed the gubernatorial appointment in line with IDLG recommendation. Dr. Mujibur Rahman, son of the former MP Fazal Rahman, has a master's degree.

A statement from IDLG said Samkani was a representative of Paktia in the 16th tenure of the Wolesi Jirga and severed as advisor to the Cabinet Sec-



retariat. Meanwhile, the IDLG also appreciated outgoing governor Ilyas Wahdat's efforts for promoting good governance. (Pajhwok)

## NDS Forces Destroy a Taliban Drug Lab in Helmand

KAUBL - Afghan Intelligence forces have destroyed a drug lab of the Taliban armed group during a raid in southern Helmand province, the National Directorate of Security said in a statement on Monday.

The operation was conducted on a base of the Taliban in Nahr-e-Saraj district of the province, in which a vehicle packed with explosives and 20kg of hashish have been destroyed, the statement said. The statement added that Afghan forces have also destroyed 20kg of explosives and five vehicles as well as seized three motorbikes dur-

ing the operation.

According to the statement, since last two days, it was the third military operation of the NDS forces on Taliban bases in the restive province of Helmand.

The Taliban did not immediately comment in this regard. (ATN)



## America's Troop Pullout Plans Worry Australia

KABUL - Australian has cautioned the Trump administration against an abrupt troop withdrawal from Afghanistan, where a renewed peace push is underway. Foreign Minister Marise Payne issued the warning in an interview with Indian media during her recent visit to attend that country for participation in a conference on geopolitics.

According to IANS, Payne voiced apprehension about a cut in US troops in Afghanistan. "Although there is more to do, I think it would be of great concern to Australia if key partners were to change directions at this point of time."

Last month's announcement by President Donald Trump of troop withdrawals and resignation of defence secretary ...*(More on P4)...*(11)



## Outlook Horoscope

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

- This could prove to be a gratifying day, Aries. Recent success in business might now be making a positive difference in your financial situation. This is apt to boost your mood quite a bit and you're probably feeling optimistic and enthusiastic about your future. You could lapse into some very pleasant daydreams about the possibilities, but don't get carried away.

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

This is a great day to start a partnership of any kind, as it will prove cooperative, rewarding, and stable. Any legal papers executed today should definitely work for you, Taurus. If you've been thinking about signing up for a class or workshop, this is the day to do it. You're more likely to get the results you want. Make plans for travel, too.

### Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Work you do today, whether related to your job or something you do on your own, could lead to a temporary boost in income, which is going to elevate your mood. This could involve a bonus, a project outside work, or your own enterprise. You should be feeling healthy and enthusiastic, Gemini, ready to tackle just about anything. Finances look stable, and relations with others congenial and supportive.

### Cancer (June 21-July 20)

You might toy with the idea of getting some kind of project or enterprise going with a close friend or love partner. If you're serious about it, Cancer, this is definitely the day to start. Any partnership formed at this time is likely to be successful and beneficial for all involved. This is even a good day to work out the terms of a legal agreement. Go for it.

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

Work that you're doing either at home or on your home is likely to go well today and bring you the results you're hoping for, Leo. Members of your household might want to pitch in and help. You will probably spend most of your time inside, but you may also have to spend some time out gathering supplies and materials that you may need.

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

Today you're likely to feel especially communicative, Virgo. You might want to get on the phone and run ideas for new projects by colleagues or perhaps make arrangements to complete current projects. Success through creativity is strongly indicated at this time. This is a great day to seek success through writing or speaking. If this has been on your mind, get started.

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

Business transacted today either in your home or concerning your home is likely to be successful and bring some extra money your way. You probably feel especially optimistic about this. You're looking forward to new opportunities that may come your way. Your intuition is high, so you're likely to be able to separate the wheat from the chaff where opportunities are concerned.

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

Today your intuition should be sharper than usual, Scorpio. You might get a few calls involving possible business opportunities. You can use this heightened ESP to discern which ones might be successful. You could also hear from friends proposing participation in a group activity of some kind, which you may want to do. Don't hesitate. Have a great day.

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

Today you should feel especially optimistic and enthusiastic, Sagittarius, although you may not know why, at least at first. Later in the day some good news could come your way, possibly involving business and money. This should tell you that you were intuitively picking up on something wonderful. As a matter of fact, your intuition should be high for most of the day. Make it work for you.

### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

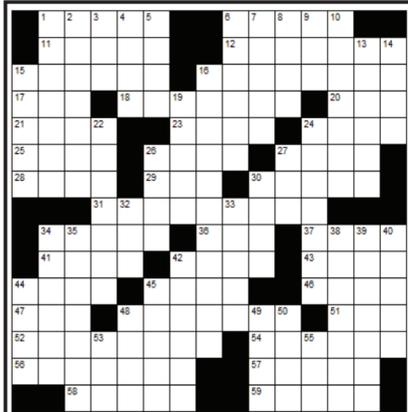
A new sense of closeness to those around you might have you feeling especially happy today, Capricorn. Your business and financial life should be going very well, your future seems bright, and now this puts the icing on the cake. Your mind may turn to projects that you want to try in the future, and this could increase your enthusiasm.

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

Intuition plays a large part in your work, Aquarius. You're apt to sense what others want or need and foresee the consequences of one course of action over another. This is definitely going to make a positive difference in what you accomplish. You're likely to be quite pleased with what you do. Exercise this intuition today so it will stay with you in the future.

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

- Information that you receive from far away could make doing business with a group you're affiliated with that much easier, Pisces. All looks promising for group activities and advancing your education, so these are good focuses for today. Travel might also be on your mind. Friends could be inclined to consider the idea, so it might be fun to go out on the town with them tonight.



### Across

- 1. Motto, 6. Most important, 11. Pee, 12. Bravery, 15. Characteristic of winter, 16. Enormous 17. Hankering, 18. Cyclone, 20. South southeast, 21. Awakened, 23. Where the sun rises, 24. Tinted, 25. Beers, 26. Heyday, 27. Prickle, 28. Cravings, 29. Chemist's workplace, 30. Milt, 31. Faded, 34. Submarine detector, 36. Ribonucleic acid, 37. Certain card games or , liquors, 41. Agreement, 42. Leave out, 43. Two-toed sloth, 44. Cable, 45. Buttocks, 46. Wise man, 47. Years (French), 48. They love to inflict pain, 51. Drollness, 52. Humiliated, 54. Comfort, 56. Stutter, 57. A kind of macaw, 58. Requires, 59. Fend off,

### Down

- 1. Halo, 2. Intoxicated, 3. Target, 4. Annoying insect, 5. Evasive, 6. Select, 7. Serf, 8. Weightlifters pump this, 9. Dawn goddess, 10. Crack, 13. Military barracks, 14. Sleigh, 15. A side road, 16. Maid servant, 19. Smooth brown oval nut, 22. Gist, 24. Monotony, 26. Winglike, 27. Spelling contest, 30. Leave in a hurry, 32. Big wine holder, 33. Piques, 34. Small piano, 35. Paddler, 38. Unmindful, 39. Sorcerous, 40. Hotel offering, 42. Commands, 44. Bankrolls, 45. Like windows, 48. Identical, 49. Russian emperor, 50. Achy, 53. An uncle, 55. One time around

### Yesterday's Solution

EYAS AGAR ERST  
RAGR DEBAR MILE  
ANTI SLOTH BOON  
SKIRIT SIBTLATES  
NOTICUANES  
MINERAL GOSSIP  
ACADEMIC SYNOD  
GOB EDICIS SISE  
INLET APERITIE  
SEARCH INANITY  
RILES BREG  
EVARIGELLIXAMS  
TILE APNEA ATOP  
ANTS TEALS CONE  
TODI RILLE TROD

nest, never, nicely regret  
retain, , sabotage, scent  
sift, softly, sour spine  
sport, story, tied, tomboy  
viable, drift engage,  
every fetch, fountain,  
fuel, haste, holiday, hotel  
invest, , less, manic

