

### Afghanistan Renders Enormous Sacrifices in War on Terror: Karzai

WASHINGTON - Terrorism and violent extremism lie at the forefront of the inter-linked challenges threatening Afghanistan's security and stability and that of the region, the Deputy Foreign Minister Hekmat Khalil Karzai told the UN Security Council on Friday.

"We all know that prosperity is not possible in the absence of security, a fundamental requirement in any society. Terrorism and violent extremism lie at the forefront of the inter-linked challenges threatening Afghanistan's security and stability and that of the region," Karzai said.

In his address to a special ministerial meeting of the Security Council on Afghanistan, Karzai said Afghanistan's fight against ...*(More on P4)...*(9)

## TOLO TV Staff Remembered on 2nd Anniversary of Attack

KABUL - January 20, marks the second anniversary of the Taliban suicide car bombing that killed seven TOLO TV staff members and wounded 26 others, including passers-by.

Among those killed were three loyal and dedicated female employees.

The explosion happened on Darulaman Road when a suicide bomber rammed his car into a staff bus that had been taking the TOLO TV employees home.

This was the first major attack on a media organization since the ousting of the Taliban regime in 2001.

The employees who were killed were

1. Mohammad Jawad Hussaini: Hussaini ...*(More on P4)...*(10)



### Paktia Blast Leaves 1 Civilian Dead

GARDEZ - One civilian was killed and another wounded in a magnetic bomb blast in Gardez, the capital of southeastern Paktia province, on Saturday morning, an official said.

Abdullah Hasrat, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the explosion took place on the limits of 2nd police district at around 10:30am this morning.

He confirmed the explosion was triggered by a magnetic bomb that left one individual killed and another wounded.

A well-placed source, speaking on the condition of anonymity, told Pajhwok that the person killed was Samiullah, finance officer of labor and social affairs Department.

An eyewitness, Ajmal said "A heavy explosion broke out between two corolla type vehicles and the casualties' toll may be higher."

However, the Provincial Civil Hospital official said they received one injured from the site of blast. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the blast. (Pajhwok)

### Carpet Union Blasts Govt over German Expo Neglect



KABUL - The Afghanistan carpet sector was left disappointed after the Export Promotion Agency of Afghanistan (EPAA) failed to submit its entry for the DOMOTEX Carpet Design Awards for 2018 at this year's expo in Germany.

The expo, from 11 to 14 January, attracted exhibitors from 80 countries. Each year, awards are bestowed on outstanding products in nine categories.

However Carpet Export Union officials said although Afghanistan produces some of the best carpets in the world, EPAA failed to submit their entries on time this year for the awards.

The officials ...*(More on P4)...*(12)

### Noor Warns of Civic Action if Jamiat-Govt Talks Fail



KABUL - The ousted governor of Balkh, Atta Mohammad Noor, again said at a gathering in Mazar-e-Sharif on Saturday that his supporters are ready to take civic action if talks between government and Jamiat-e-Islami fail.

Noor called the incumbent government a coalition state and a government contravening the Constitution.

"When I called you for 'green' action, it will be a move where you will take to the streets in massive groups and chant your demands. If your voice is heard and the problem is solved then good; otherwise we will move towards 'orange' action. What is an orange action? It is a move where we will go out in massive groups and close roads and government offices in the entire province," he said.

Noor, who is also the CEO of Jamiat-e-Islami Party, said his resignation was tied to that of the president and the chief executive. Noor signed a letter of resignation months ago, which President Ashraf Ghani accepted only last month. Noor has since said the letter is invalid. ...*(More on P4)...*(11)

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### Outlook Horoscope


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

 Aries Sometimes you're on your own because you run so far ahead of the pack. However, the Sun's shift into your 11th House of Community invites you to improve your social standing by organizing events or volunteering for an important cause. But you're also itching to make a dramatic move in the pursuit of love or creativity.


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

 Taurus Adjusting to new responsibilities at work and at home could be tough, especially if you insist on doing everything the old tried-and-true way. The Sun's entry into intelligent Aquarius and your 10th House of Status raises your public profile and enhances your position as a leader.


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

 Gemini You may be quite enthusiastic about your future, but it seems to remain just beyond your grasp. Nevertheless, you can improve your chances of success by making sure you have a detailed map, rather than making decisions without the necessary information. Thankfully, your mind and heart are receptive to new ideas and experiences now that the Sun is flying through progressive Aquarius.


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

 Cancer You're not excited about stepping out on your own today, because working with others increases your sense of emotional security. However, relationships seem to be growing more complicated now that the radiant Sun and romantic Venus are making their way through your 8th House of Intimacy.


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

 Leo The warmth of your love-light is reflecting back at you in your personal relationships now. But romance isn't the only way to enjoy someone's company while good-natured Venus is camping out in your 7th House of Companions for the next three weeks. Clarify your intentions about what you want from others and what you have to offer them.


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

 Virgo A sudden shift in the energy leads you to seek more freedom by adapting your daily routines to your unconventional patterns. However, you may be hesitant to put your ideas into motion if you believe you should modify your habits to fit in with other people's expectations. Whatever approach you take today, a period of uncomfortable adjustment will likely lead to a renewed enthusiasm for work.

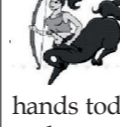
#### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

 Libra You're eager to show up for play today rather than work, and your creativity grows when you try out new ideas and risk looking foolish. However, an unexpected flirtation could catch you by surprise when the Sun moves into quirky Aquarius to join sassy Venus in your 5th House of Spontaneity.


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

 Scorpio Although it's crucial to communicate your feelings clearly, the best way to earn trust now is to match your words and your actions with your purest intentions. However, stressful conflict between your expressed thoughts and your suppressed feelings grows when the willful Sun slips into conceptual Aquarius and your 4th House of Foundations.


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

 Sagittarius Taking a break from your obligations at home and work could leave you with extra free time on your hands today. Thankfully, you have an opportunity to make new connections and to share your latest ideas with friends. A widely varied activity list will surely bring more excitement into your life now. However, you must consciously take an active role in manifesting this social upgrade.


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

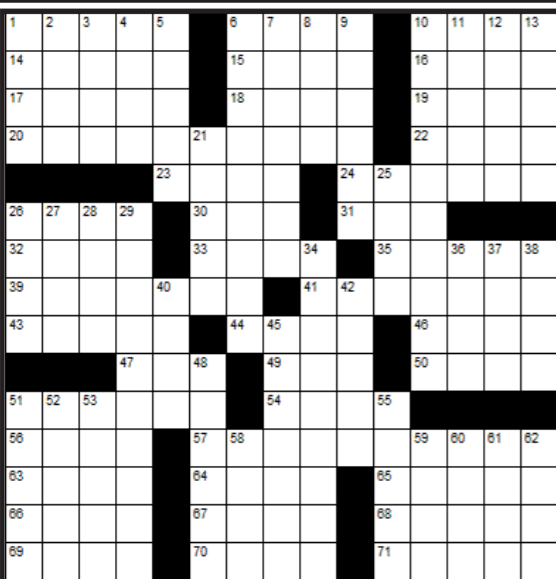
 Capricorn Financial issues may grow more complicated now, but you're ready to do whatever it takes in order to put your fiscal life back on track. Your cash flow could be a source of anxiety as you plan your recovery from excessive holiday spending. But rather than attempting to change too much too fast, approach any problem that impacts your stability.

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

 Aquarius A sudden change of attitude inspires you to take responsibility for your own life and to make long-overdue improvements now. Waves of enthusiasm encourage you to get your body and your mind into better shape as the confidence-building Sun makes its annual return to your sign. It's like you're being offered another chance to celebrate the new year, complete with making fresh resolutions.

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

 Pisces The patterns you set into motion now will either deepen a current relationship or raise trust issues. Although you hope to cultivate cooperation, you don't want to let go of your own agenda. You may long for solitude while the Sun casts its light in your 12th House of Privacy. This is a period of inner reflection, so take time to meditate without the pressure of having to explain yourself yet.



#### Across

1. Unnerves, 6. Counterfoil, 10. "What a shame!", 14. Gorillalike, 15. South American country, 16. Short run, 17. Compacted, 18. Inheritor, 19. "Do \_\_\_ others..."., 20. Magnificence, 22. Reclined, 23. Former Italian currency, 24. Clothing, 26. Smelting waste, 30. Soak, 31. Employ, 32. Prefix meaning 1000, 33. Misdled, 35. A kind of macaw, 39. Levied, 41. Fickle, 43. Sheriff's group, 44. Storage cylinder, 46. Nonsense (British), 47. Hearing organ, 49. Louse-to-be, 50. Type of sword, 51. Fit for farming, 54. Flat-bottomed boat, 56. Unusual, 57. Phantom, 63. Arab chieftain, 64. Weight loss plan, 65. Move forward, 66. Layer, 67. Behold, in old Rome, 68. Fruity-smelling compound, 69. Evasive

#### Down

1. Disappear gradually, 2. Pinnacle, 3. Brass component, 4. Anagram of "Sees", 5. Carapace, 6. Elliptical orbs, 7. Adolescent, 8. Relating to urine, 9. Agency, 10. Mix, 11. Hawaiian veranda, 12. Active, 13. Gleamed, 21. Fine thread, 25. Russian emperor, 26. Gambol, 27. Large luxurious car, 28. European mountain range, 29. Currant-like berry, 34. Lingerie, 36. At the peak of, 37. Ascend, 38. Throb, 40. Secure against leakage, 42. Turbine part, 45. Scrutinize, 48. A literate person, 51. Mountain crest, 52. Bog hump, 53. Disney mermaid, 55. Spoofs, 58. Printer's unit, 59. Backside, 60. Within

#### Yesterday's Solution



bacon, beat, bloom, cheese, choice delude, deluxe, flame, flash, furnace, gamble, glimpse glory, gore, illuminate, line, market, multiple, purify, razor, sausage share, shrivel, silly, slit soot, split, stunt, tongs

