

Migrants Defy Cold Weather, Thousands Reach Greek Shores

KABUL - Thousands of migrants, many of which are Afghans, braved the coast off Turkey and have made it the Greece, despite harsh weather conditions. A surge on numbers of desperate migrants fleeing war in conflict zone areas has been recorded over the past few months and still they continue - despite the onset of harsh winter conditions and amid speculation that European Union (EU) member nations will impose new border controls to stop the influx. On Saturday alone, 1,127 refugees crossed the sea from Turkey and reached Greece in their quest to seek



asylum in Europe. This comes a few days after a boat carrying migrants to Greece sank, leaving 35 dead including children. "Our boat stopped working because of a fuel shortage in the middle of the sea, then it filled with water and sank," a migrant who survived the incident said. "Travelling by boat through Turkish islands is quite risky journey. We waited there for two hours, 45 migrants were on board and the boat sank," another survivor said. It is said that hundreds more have arrived...*(More on P4)...(14)*

Some 'Misbehaving' Policemen Fired in Uruzgan

TIRINKOT - Some policemen have been terminated in central Uruzgan province after complaints they misbehaved with people, an official said on Sunday. Deputy provincial police chief Col. Rahimullah Khan told a press conference here that he visited Dehrawud district on Saturday and fired some police officials there after local elders complained about their ill-treatment. "I replaced the policemen to revive people's trust in the force," he said, adding that the accused police had been referred to judiciary departments for interrogation. Khan said he also activated the headquarters of Afghan Local Police and Special Forces in Dehrawud, where security forces had recaptured some areas from Taliban during an operation. The deputy police chief asked the local police to cooperate with national police in maintaining security of the district. *(Pajhwok)*

35 Militants Killed in Fresh Military Raids: Govt.

KABUL - Up to 35 militants had been killed amid cleanup operations by Afghan security forces since early Saturday, the country's Defense Ministry said in a statement on Sunday. Some seven militants were injured and six others detained during the raids conducted by army, police and intelligence agency personnel in four of the country's 34 provinces, said the statement that provides daily operational updates. The statement also confirmed the loss of two army soldiers in the above operations. "The joint Afghan security forces also found and seized



weapons and ammunition in addition to defusing several landmines over the same period," the statement added. Afghan security forces have pressed on clearing the militants in restive provinces as Taliban militants have been attempting to take territory and consolidate their positions during the winter. *(Xinhua)*

Young Man Found Shot Dead in Jawzjan

SHIBERGHAN - A young man has been found shot dead in northern Jawzjan province and 130 kilograms of drugs confiscated in Baghlan, officials said on Sunday. Jawzjan police found the body of Amrullah, 27, in a car whose driver was arrested on Saturday night, Crime Branch Chief Col. Abdul Hadi told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said police spotted blood inside the car and arrested the driver on the suspicion of his involvement in the murder of Amrullah, who had been shot dead. Mohammad Rassoulakhunzada, a civil society activist, said such incidents often resulted from disputes over assets. Recently a rickshaw owner was found dead in Shiberghan, the provincial capital, ...*(More on P4)...(15)*

ISIS Executes 3 Afghan Leaders Tried to Escape from Mosul

BAGHDAD - A source in Nineveh Province announced in Iraq said that the ISIS executed three of its Afghan commanders for trying to escape from the city of Mosul (405 km north of Baghdad). The source said in a statement received by IraqiNews.com, "Today, ISIS executed three of its Afghan leaders in Mosul who tried to escape across the Syrian borders." The source added on condition of anonymity, "The execution was carried out by firing squad



in front of a crowd of citizens in the center of the city of Mosul." *(IRAQI NEWS)*

Afghan Handball Player, Wife, Son Drown in Greece Waters

KABUL - A national handball team member, ZubairAzizi, has drowned along with his wife and a one-year-old son in Greece waters on their way from Turkey to Europe. Aziz left Kabul along with his family a week back, but their boat capsized in Greece waters three days back, according to Mohammad YousafNiazi, the president of Afghanistan Handball Federation. He said the 27-year-old handball player had been part of the national handball team for the past



10 years and he had played matches abroad as well. He said Turkish coastguards had retrieved the bodies of Aziz, his wife and son from waters and the corpses were expected to arrive in Kabul during...*(More on P4)...(16)*

Unidentified Gunmen Attack Female Police Officers in Herat

HERAT - Unidentified gunmen attacked two female police officers in the capital of western Herat province on Sunday. Abdul RawoufAhmadi, spokesperson for the police headquarters of Herat said the two policewomen were on their way home in the 3rd sector of the city when unknown gunmen riding on a motorcycle opened fire on them. According to Ahmadi, the policewomen sustained injuries in the attack and transported to



Herat Regional Hospital for treatment. The gunmen who had silencers on their pistols fled the area following the attack but security agencies are looking for them. In the past, Taliban have claimed responsibility for most of the attacks on security forces in Herat but the group has not yet commented about today's attack. *(PK)*

Two Terrorists Arrested before Planting Landmines

KANDAHAR - The National Directorate of Security (NDS) on Sunday arrested two terrorists before planting landmines in southern Kandahar province. According to a statement released by NDS, the terrorists were rounded up red handed with three landmines and bomb-making devices. They are identified as Abdul Wali S/O Peer Mohammad, a resident of Helmand's Marja District, and Salih Mohammad S/O Sayed Mohammad, a resident of Kandahar city. A pistol and a motorcycle were also confiscated from the terrorists. NDS statement further states that the group had been involved in several deadly attacks in Kandahar city in the past. Saturday's press release does not specify the exact date of the arrests but it is normal that the agency releases statements after recent activities. *(PK)*

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

Instead of complaining about the weekend chores that are still on your plate today, quickly prioritize the tasks and decide which ones can be temporarily set aside with no ill effects. It's healthy to make time for guilt-free fun while the creative Leo Moon is kicking up her heels in your 5th House of Play. Although you're eager to join in social activities.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

If ever there was a day to fly beneath the radar, this would be it. Consider yourself lucky if you don't have to work today, since the reflective Moon's presence in your 4th House of Home and Family turns your energy inward. However, if you can't avoid a trip out into the big wide open, at least keep your private world with you in the form of your daydreams.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You are flitting to and fro today, riding the energy of the showy Leo Moon as she activates your 3rd House of Distraction. However, your early warning system is picking up on annoying changes that are looming on the horizon. You sense a storm is on its way and you feel the undercurrent of adrenaline in anticipation of what's ahead. Thankfully, you are more than ready for the action. Timing is everything now so don't make your move too soon.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

A creative approach to managing your finances can greatly improve your situation today. You might suddenly discover a way around an obstacle that's prevented you from buying something you set your heart on. Don't worry if your plan isn't completely in place because there's no rush to iron out every detail yet.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

People seem to be reading your emotions as if they are written on your forehead today. You're not necessarily one to bury your heart, but now that the moody Moon is making noise in your fiery sign it's as if your feelings are being broadcast on a loud speaker for everyone to hear. There's nothing to be gained by withdrawing from those who love you the most.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

There are valid reasons for not saying everything that's on your mind today. Someone might assume you're telling the entire story, but there is a great danger in jumping to conclusions for everyone involved. Still, it's smarter now to stay mum on the subject than to lay your internal conflict out on the table where others feel forced to deal with your unresolved feelings. You can always share more once the intensity begins to subside.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

You might believe that everything will change today, but you are experiencing trouble filling in the details of what's next. You are approaching the close of a chapter in your life, but you can't determine where the plot is heading. Tie up as many emotional loose ends as possible since you won't have time to look back once the pace accelerates next week.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

You are facing a complex dilemma while trying to resolve a conflict between your head and your heart. Logically, you know what you must do and are prepared to play your hand accordingly. Nevertheless, you might be uncertain about which of your emotions can be trusted today. Keep in mind this is not the best moment to turn your life upside down.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

Others will follow your lead if you can be your own boss and set a proper example. Relying on long-winded rationalizations won't work today because your arguments are not very convincing. It's fortuitous that your current actions speak louder than words since you're at the top of your production game. However, you could get a bee in your bonnet and go off on some half-cocked crazy idea.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

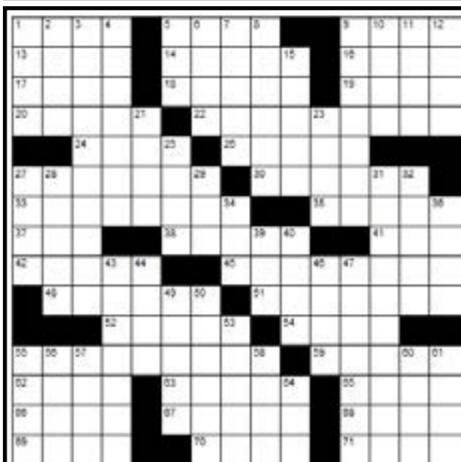
You're not content to just paddle around in shallow waters today. You long to dive into the deeper places, where your search for meaning overshadows reality itself. The Moon's visit to your 8th House of Regeneration can stimulate complicated feelings. These aren't simple times as old emotional hurts might come back to haunt you. Thankfully, there are blessings to be found in the current process of discovery.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

Nearly everything you say and do creates an immediate reaction today. Oddly enough, the fallout from following your intuition isn't what you expect. You must respond to each situation as it unfolds, even if it steals your time and energy from more enjoyable activities. You can't resist the inevitable; as frustrating as it might be to stick to your agenda, there may not be much you can do to change the overall course of events.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

You could wear yourself out trying to make up for someone else's shortcomings today. Even if you're fully committed to a family gathering or another type of group event, you still want to be recognized for your unique contribution. However, there's no need to be overly concerned if others are receiving all the credit now. The tide will turn soon enough as long as you continue to maintain integrity in your words and deeds.



Across
1. Head, 5. Wings, 9. Mob, 13. A Freudian stage, 14. Slang for money, 16. Margarine, 17. Part of the outer ear, 18. Of doubtful quality (British), 19. Seating sections, 20. Artillery burst, 22. 90th, 24. Hearing organs, 26. Relating to tone, 27. Refrain, 30. French, 33. Repulsed, 35. Small boat, 37. Nigerian tribesman, 38. Depart, 41. Clunker, 42. Condemns, 45. Boating, 48. Vital spirit or soul, 51. Needing moisture, 52. A framework of beams, 54. Ear-related, 55. Example, 59. Phillips or thumb, for example, 62. Storage cylinder, 63. Run away to wed, 65. Yachting cap, 66. Implored, 67. Noblemen, 68. Wreaths, 69. Stitches, 70. Encounter, 71. Carve in stone.

Down
1. Friends, 2. Dwarf buffalo, 3. Bigger than a teaspoon, 4. Raise, 5. Annex, 6. Diving bird, 7. A financial examination, 8. Christmas drink, 9. Big ape, 10. Balm ingredient, 11. Colorful salamander, 12. "Geel!", 15. Doglike nocturnal mammal, 21. By mouth, 23. After-bath powder, 25. Window ledge, 27. Desiccated, 28. Jazz style, 29. Born as, 31. Injudicious, 32. Enumerate, 34. 24 hours, 36. Jittery, 39. Big wine holder, 40. Reflected sound, 43. Ways of doing things, 44. Certain, 46. Strikes, 47. Dribble, 49. Quiet, 50. Place of refuge, 53. Talked, 55. Vipers, 56. Anger, 57. A ball of yarn, 58. Type of sword, 60. Sweeping story, 61. Desire, 64. Eastern Standard Time.

Yesterday's Solution
always, chair, clasp, climb, clothes, consider, drape, drink, examine, fable, fellow, gamin, hurray, maneuver, method, rally, ratio, rejection, roast, rowdy, says, scar, school, scrape, season, shack, share, silence, spare, strategy, through, tough.

