

MTN Group adds GlobalConnect to portfolio of Operating Companies

JOHANNESBURG - MTN Group has announced that GlobalConnect, the company's wholesale infrastructure company, is now an operating company (Opco) of the group.

Furthermore, the company's robust MTN.net and IP/MPLS network includes:

- 47 multinational points of presence
• 29 countries across the MEA region (Middle East & Africa)
• 14 Submarine cables

- More than 100 000km of national and metro fibre network
• 31 multinational Network-to-Network interface enabling connectivity to global networks
• A backbone capacity in excess of 3Tbps
• Peering with major content providers

Driven by the belief that everyone deserves the benefits of a modern connected life, GlobalConnect strives to enable services that create significant value for other MTN Opco's, partners and third parties looking to gain from the growing opportunities in the Middle East and Africa. (PR)

Blast in Ghazni Mosque Leaves Two Dead



GHAZNI CITY - At least two people were killed in an explosion inside a mosque in the central province of Ghazni on Friday evening, local officials confirmed.

spokesman Arif Noori said. He said that 20 others were wounded in the explosion which was as a result of an embedded explosive device inside the Mohammadiya mosque in Khak-e-Ghariban area in the city of Ghazni.

for the attack. Ghazni has recently witnessed heavy clashes between government forces and the Taliban. Last month, the Afghan forces retook the control of Deh Yak district in the province which was under the Taliban influence for almost two years. (Tolo news)



15 Security Forces Killed, 10 Wounded in Herat Assault

HERAT CITY - Fifteen security forces were killed and 10 others wounded after a large number of Taliban gunmen attacked their posts in western Herat province, an official said Saturday.

He said 15 security personnel, including national, local and public order police and uprising members were killed and 10 others wounded during the overnight coordinated attack.

Herat police chief Maj. Gen. Aminullah Amarkhel confirmed the assault and said that a key Taliban commander Mullah Ghausuddin was among eight attackers killed in the firefight.

Ghulam Habib Hashimi, a member of the provincial council, expressed concern over the increase in Taliban attacks and urged the government to take concrete steps in this regard.

According to another report, six Public Order Police (PoP) personnel were killed and six others were missing ... (More on P4)...(7)

Parwan Man Shot Dead Father after Quarrel



CHARIKAR - A young man has shot dead his 60-year-old father after verbal dispute in the Jab-ul-Saraj district of central Parwan province, an official said on Saturday.

Saifullah Baidar, the district's administrative chief, told Pajhwok Afghan News that the incident took place in Deh Bala

locality of the district on Friday night. He said that Mukhtar gunned down his father Darwish with pistol and managed to escape. He linked the murder with domestic violence.

According to the provincial officials, this is the fourth murder in the district during the ongoing year. (Pajhwok)

5 Civilians Killed in Overnight Maidan Wardak Raid



KABUL - Five civilians have been killed during security forces night raid in the Chak district of central Maidan Wardak province, a resident of locality claimed on Saturday.

But Governor Spokesman Mohibullah Sharifzai said six militants have been killed in the overnight raid.

Hayatullah Haleem, the resident of locality, said security forces conducted

the raid on Friday night in the Gardan Valley village.

He said security forces expelled five people from their homes in Mohmado village and bombed their homes. Five civilians were injured in the airstrike, he added.

But according to Sharifzai based on intelligence information militants were killed in ... (More on P4)...(8)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



This is a terrific day for you, Aries. Your mood is good and everything is flowing your way. The fire within is burning hot. You will take the lead role in every production. Romance and love are definitely in the cards for you.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Other people may steal the spotlight from you today, Taurus, but don't let it get you down. The key is to learn from the ones who take charge. Have fun and don't worry about the details. A definite dynamism is helping you transform certain areas of your life that need to change.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Jul 7, 2019 - It may seem like close loved ones are trying to pick a fight with you today, Gemini. There may tend to be a "me first" attitude stirring up a pot of trouble. Don't automatically assume that the other person is wrong.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



A close loved one may express displeasure with the way things are, Cancer. Maybe there's some tension in the air. Things could get rather explosive.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Fire up today, Leo, and let your spirit fly. You have a great deal of ammunition that encouraging you to take charge. Let your adventuresome spirit roam wherever it pleases.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Put your reservations aside, Virgo, and go for the thing your heart desires most. Throw caution to the wind and make it happen. Today's energy urges you to take charge of your life and conquer new territory.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



There may be tremendous changes in store for you, Libra. Connect with something futuristic and far out. There may be some roadblocks in the way.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Be bold and aggressive today, Scorpio. Even if this isn't in your nature, dynamic action can be rewarding on a day like this. People will be delighted to hear from you.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Love is on your side today, Sagittarius, and all romantic and social situations are favored. This is the perfect time to take the lead on creative projects or anything requiring a keen eye for beauty.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan.19)



Certain love and romance matters may cause some tension, Capricorn. Inflated egos may get in the way of important communication that needs to take place for harmony between you and your romantic partner.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

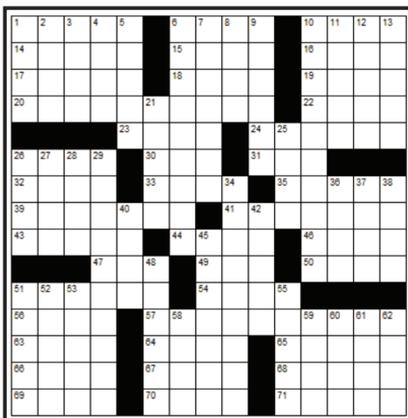


Take charge of your life, Aquarius. The more action you take, the more alive you will feel. Maybe you will decide to have a career on the stage.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Don't hide, Pisces. This is your time to come out of the shadows. There's a spark within that's urging you to act. Move forward and worry about the consequences later.



Across

- 1. Gale., 6. Jail (British), 10. Exchange involving money, 14. Terrace, 15. Emanation
16. Nile bird, 17. Be, 18. Angers, 19. In order to prevent, 20. Evil, 22. Fit, 23. Couch
24. Chemical cousin, 26. Anagram of "Meat", 30. Destroy the inside of, 31. French for "Water", 32. Analogous, 33. Holly, 35. Former Hungarian money, 39. Refined, 41. Not western
43. Notions, 44. Cravings, 46. Blue-green, 47. Petrol, 49. A parcel of land, 50. Countercur, rent, 51. Get back, 54. Sweeping story, 56. Distinctive flair, 57. Sorrowful, 63. Short skirt, 64. Within, 65. Book of fiction, 66. Midmonth date, 67. Newbie (slang), 68. Something to shoot for, 69. Check, 70. Container weight, 71. 100 to a dollar,

Down

- 1. Gush, 2. Cab, 3. Ear-related, 4. Hazard, 5. Particles, 6. In a profitable manner, 7. Golden
8. Mining finds, 9. Famous dog, 10. An outline of a solid object, 11. Perpendicular to the keel, 12. Fine thread
13. A chemical compound, 21. Motherless calf, 25. Exhausts, 26. Wise men
27. Barely managed, 28. Prong, 29. Rival, 34. He fears foreigners, 36. Require, 37. Alumnus
38. Unique, 40. Brother of Jacob
42. Active, 45. Voter, 48. Broken bone support, 51. Send, as payment, 52. Leave out, 53. Flogs with a stick, 55. Faultfinder, 58. Dwarf buffalo
59. Style, 60. Baking appliance, 61. Chair, 62. L.L.L.L.,

Yesterday's Solution



active, asset, beach, blaze canyon, cascading chaps, cheese delay drive, engine, force guard, harbor, hosting level, , nape, , naval navigate, outside, point press, program rant react, robot, seal

Vertical text for the crossword puzzle solution, including words like ENGINE, SET, ELEMENT, APN, ENNA, VIGATER, YO, EXAITNIOPEGLY, HORICHAPS, OEN, CDTELAESLURVA, TESSAXSOATPIC, NLELRNCVSC TH, AALEBHTRAIJCD, BYPVCWOUNDAAR, RPAEZBLAZEIMA, UHTLOHARBORNU, HOSTINGFORCEG