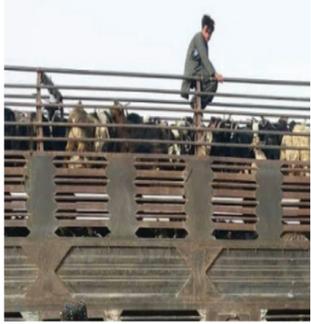


Thousands of Sheep Daily Smuggled from Kandahar



KANDAHAR - The residents of southern Kandahar province say thousands of sheep and goats are smuggled from the province to neighboring Pakistan on a daily basis, depleting stocks and sending mutton price skyrocketing. The residents say hundreds of trucks carrying sheep and goats cross into Pakistan through the Spink Boldak border crossing and police allow the smuggling in return for money. Abdul Samad, who lives in Spin Boldak Wesh bazaar, told Pajhwok hundreds of vehicles were seen on a daily basis carrying animals from Kandahar to Pakistan. He said the smuggling had become a lucrative business and dealers used to buy sheep from Kuchi tribe people and livestock owners against a relatively high price and smuggle the same to Pakistan. He said the smuggling had resulted in increased price of mutton and sheep and goats. Samad said the smuggling continued despite the government's order banning cross border movement of animals. He said security officials did not prevent the smuggling and instead took money from the smugglers. Similar views were expressed by Abdul Wasi, a livestock dealer in Kandahar City. He said the smugglers used to bring big vehicles and buy animals from owners against a relatively high price and smuggle the same to Pakistan. He said the price of sheep soared from 10,000 to 15,000 afghanis as a result of the smuggling. He said the smuggling continued unchecked despite the official ban. Wasi said thousands of sheep and goats were brought to Kandahar on a daily basis from Ghazni, Uruzgan and other provinces and districts and the bulk of the animals were smuggled to Pakistan. Extension manager at the Kandahar agriculture and livestock department, Mohamadullah Noori, confirmed ... (More on P4)... (13)

Afghanistan Opens New Routes for Overflying Flights Amid Persistent Closure of Pakistan Airspace



KABUL - Afghanistan established new routes for overflying flights amid persistent closure of Pakistan airspace. The Afghanistan Civil Aviation Authority in a statement said it has established two routes between West and East of Afghanistan to pave the way for overflying flights via Afghanistan. The statement further added that the opening of the new routes will once again result in an increase in overflying flights through the airspace of Afghanistan. Furthermore, the Afghanistan Civil Aviation Authority said it established ... (More on P4)... (11)



Taliban Attack on Checkpoints Kills 13 Police in S. Afghanistan

KUNDUZ CITY - At least 16 security forces have been killed as a result of Taliban attack in Imam Sahib district of northern Kunduz province, an official said on Tuesday. Khalil Qarizada, a member of provincial council, told Pajhwok Afghan News the militants stormed a security check-post in Qarghan Tapa area of the district on Monday night. He said 13 Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers, three border policemen were killed and six other wounded. A security official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, told Pajhwok that 20 security personnel and 10 Taliban were killed during the overnight clash. Mahbobullah Sayedi, district's administrative chief, confirmed that security forces and Taliban insurgents suffered casualties during the overnight battle. He said the exact figure was not available immediately. Taliban confirmed the clash. The group's spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid ... (More on P4)... (12)

Trader's Murder: Brother Among 3 Suspects Arrested



KABUL - Police have arrested a brother and two other individuals in connection with a businessman's murder that happened in Kabul two days ago. Kabul police spokesman Faramarz Ferdous told Pajhwok Afghan News that the Dubai-based Afghan businessman Haji Shir Daud was killed in the limits of 12th police district two days ago. He said the trader's brother along with two others (driver and a relative) had been arrested in connection with the case. A security source, who wished anonymity, said Haji Shir Daud lived in Dubai and had business there. He came to Afghanistan several ... (More on P4)... (14)

Uzbek Militant Among 5 Killed in Afghan Special Forces Raid in Faryab



KABUL - The Afghan Special Forces killed 5 Taliban militants including an Uzbek national in northern Faryab province. The 209th Shaheen Corps in a statement said the Special Forces conducted the raid in Tukli area of Khwaja Namooosi district. The statement further added that the Special Forces killed 5 Taliban militants including an Uzbek national who was sighting in Taliban ranks. Furthermore, the 209th Shaheen Corps said the Special Forces also arrested a key Taliban commander Nabiullah during the same operation ... (More on P4)... (15)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



Jul 9, 2019 - It's time to take charge, Aries. There's fuel for your fire, and the scope of your influence is virtually unlimited. Don't hold back in any way. Confidently attack every project knowing that things will work out in your favor. Expand your mind and the rewards will be tremendous. Stay active. You will attract beneficial people and situations.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Jul 10, 2019 - Everyone has impulsively bought something without really thinking about it first. As far as you're concerned, Taurus, it happens a little more often than it should. Have you looked at your closet full of the clothes you never wear? Why do you keep them? Is it reassuring? Don't get caught up in fashion crazes. Try to be more careful with your money.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Jul 10, 2019 - You're in tune with the atmosphere around you today because of your tolerance, humanity, and the respect you have for everyone, no matter what their position in society or intellectual capacity. Generosity is coming alive inside you, Gemini. The one thing you want to do is understand the people close to you. Support them and show them that they can count on you.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



Jul 9, 2019 - It may seem like people aren't taking things as seriously as you'd like them to, Cancer. If so, take it as a hint that perhaps you're the one who needs to lighten up. Life is a game. In the grand scheme of things, we're merely specks of dust floating in space. Our lives are but the blink of an eye in relation to the universe. Don't take yourself so seriously.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Jul 9, 2019 - Don't turn down any opportunities today, Leo, even if they seem like dead-ends at first. One could be your lucky break. Realize that success doesn't always have a big neon sign pointing you in the right direction. Prosperity simply comes when you act freely and instinctively. This is one of those days in which an unmarked door could lead you to the path of

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Jul 9, 2019 - It's time to put your plans in motion, Virgo. There's a very expansive energy urging you to reach out and make valuable connections with others. Remember that many hands make light work. Don't hesitate to ask for help if you need it. There are many outstretched hands waiting to help you in whatever way you need.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



Jul 9, 2019 - Go for the gold, Libra. Don't settle for less. There's an expansive energy on your side urging you on to prosperity in every aspect of your life. Take control of the situation and act on your emotions. Don't refrain from doing something because you think it's going to hurt someone's feelings. Other people can take care of themselves. You're responsible for you. Do what's best for your well-being.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Jul 9, 2019 - The more you vacillate, the more valuable time and energy you waste, Scorpio. Take a decisive stance and be confident about your choice. Give it everything you've got. If it doesn't work out, try a different approach. Don't be paralyzed by indecision. Things are moving too quickly. Take control of your life or someone else will.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Jul 9, 2019 - Arguments could quickly turn into declarations of war today. Things could get blown out of proportion if they aren't handled with care, Sagittarius. The key lessons for you are about balance and communication. Things will move quickly, so make sure you have your seat belt fastened. Let your vivacious spirit lead the way to new adventures.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Jul 9, 2019 - Your life is taking off in many different directions, Capricorn. Everything seems to be expanding at once. It may be difficult to get a solid grip on any one thing. Try not to get overwhelmed. Take it one step at a time and remember to maintain a good sense of humor in every situation. Keep things light and energetic.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



Jul 9, 2019 - This is a great day for you, Aquarius. There's a terrific feeling of expansion in the air. This is one of those times in which a small germ of an idea can grow into something big right before your eyes. Projects are moving quickly, and information is being rapidly dispersed. Catch the energy and set your dreams in motion. You can accomplish a great deal if you try.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Jul 9, 2019 - You may feel like someone caught in a tornado, Pisces. Things are whirling around you and everything seems out of control. Don't get stressed out. There's nothing you can do about it. Allow the storm to do what it will. You will only get hurt if you try to stop it. Accept things you have no control over. The storm will settle down soon.

A crossword puzzle grid with numbers indicating starting points for words.

Across

1. Blunders, 6. Not closed, 10. Anagram of "Crab", 14. Circumscribe, 15. Russian parliament, 16. Part of a foot, 17. Stroll, 18. Colored part of an eye, 19. Operatic solo, 20. Australian kingfisher, 22. Near, 23. Flee, 24. Burdened, 26. Afternoon nap, 30. A very short time, 32. Mentally prepare, 33. Diaphanous, 37. Winglike, 38. Drench, 39. Midmonth date, 40. Muscular person, 42. Bobbins, 43. Embankment, 44. Colorful wrap, 45. Negate, 47. Band booking, 48. Killed, 49. Minstrel, 56. Relating to aircraft, 57. Deputy, 58. Body, 59. Den, 60. Frosts, 61. Thick woolen fabric, 62. Journey, 63. In order to prevent, 64. Positive pole,

Down

1. Antiaircraft gun, 2. Large luxurious car, 3. Part of an ear, 4. Defraud, 5. Avoiding detection, 6. Ignominy, 7. Happy cat sound, 8. Arab chieftain, 9. Speak through the nose, 10. Branched lighting fixture, 11. Eagle's nest, 12. Rule, 13. Ho-hum, 21. Bleat, 25. Card with one symbol, 26. Unwanted email, 27. Small island, 28. Nestling hawk, 29. Fancy designs in wood, 30. Brownish gray, 31. Hurry, 33. Pierce, 34. Notion, 35. Large brown seaweed, 36. To be, in old Rome, 38. Fit together tightly, 41. Japanese apricot, 42. Sailing competition, 44. Bro or sis, 45. Tired to the point of exhaustion, 46. Creepy, 47. Visitor, 48. Sodium chloride, 50. Type of cereal grass, 51. Poems, 52. Not up, 53. Chocolate cookie, 54. Previously owned, 55. Was a passenger

Yesterday's Solution

A grid for a word search puzzle with words hidden in the letters.

appliance, believe blind, cello, clot, curve east, event fight focus, forgery, frail garden, gland, green groin, injury, later, loans, lovely, lute, melt, mimed, movie planet return,

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