

Suicide Attack Killed 34 Killed in Faryab Province

MAYMANA - At least 34 militants including two suicide attack organizers and coordinators were killed in military operations in northern Faryab province of Afghanistan. The Afghan Intelligence - National Directorate of Security (NDS) said Monday at least 30 militants were killed in a joint operation in Sherin Tagab district.



A statement by NDS said two Taliban leaders identified as Abdullah and Rahmat were among those killed. The statement further added that the militants were involved in terrorist activities

and collection of Zakat from the local residents in Astana Baba area. In separate operations in Dawlatabad and

Almar districts, two suicide attack organizers identified as Ustad Ali and Ata Murad were killed along with two other militants. The anti-government armed militant groups have not commented regarding the reports so far. Faryab is among the relatively volatile provinces in northern Afghanistan where anti-government armed militants are actively operating in a number of its districts.(KP)

Taliban Shadow District Governor Including 12 Killed

JALALABAD - 12 militants have been killed in newest air strikes in eastern Nangarhar province, the police headquarters announced Sunday night. According to a statement issued by Hazrat Hus-sain Mashriqiwal spokesman for the police headquarters, the air strikes were carried out in Maidanak and Chehal Gazi areas of Achin District. The statement adds that those killed in the air strikes include the Taliban so-called governor for Kot District. Mashriqiwal further states in the statement that security forces have apprehended seven insurgents red handed with light and heavy weapons in Gadal area of Achin District. "They tried to

escape from police but failed," he said, "They are under further questioning with the counter-terrorism department of the police headquarter." Achin District has been one of the hot spots of militants in Nangarhar province. According to the National Directorate of Security (NDS) - Afghanistan's intelligence agency - Four senior commanders of the group of Daesh were killed in drone strikes in Achin District last week. They are Hafiz Sayed the leader of Daesh in Afghanistan and Pakistan, Gul Zaman the groups second-in-command, Mawlawi Maqbool alias Shahidullah Shahid and Jahadyar. (KP)

51 Insurgents Killed in Military Operations

KABUL - 51 insurgents have been killed in newest military operations across the country, Ministry of Defense announced on Monday. A statement issued by the ministry states that the operations were conducted in Kunar, Nangarhar, Kapisa, Maidan Wardak, Paktia, Paktika, Urozgan, Ghazni, Daikundi, Zabul, Helmand and Kanda-



har provinces in past 24 hours. The statement adds that 51 insurgents were killed and 16 others wounded in these operations. According to ...*(More on P4)...*(17)

Demining Worker Killed, 8 Wounded in Zabul Blast

QALAT - A member of Demining team was killed and eight others were wounded in a mine blast in southern Zabul, local officials said Monday. The incident took place in Qalat, the provincial capital, when a vehicle of demining personnel struck a landmine, a spokesman for Provincial Police Chief, Fawad Askari told TOLONews. "The mine exploded near a military base in Qalat shortly after the demining personnel arrived in the area," he said. The injured were in a critical condition, he continued. (ToloneWS)

Twin Explosions Leaves One Person Wounded in Kabul

KABUL - At least one person was reported injured in a back-to-back explosion in capital Kabul earlier this evening. The incident took place in the vicinity of Ansari Square in Shahr-e-Naw area of Kabul city which is home to several shopping malls, guesthouses and restaurants. A security official confirmed the incident and



said preliminary reports suggest at least one person was injured. The official

further added that the blasts were triggered due to magnetic improvised explosive device but the target of the explosions has not been ascertained so far. No group including the Taliban militants has so far claimed responsibility behind the incident. This comes as a child was slightly injured following an... *(More on P4)...*(20)

3 Brothers Gunned Down in Baghlan

PUL-I-KHUMRI - Following a family feud, three brothers were gunned down in Bano district of northern Baghlan province where residents complained of harassment by illegal gunmen. Three brothers with their ages ranging between 25 to 37 were shot dead on Sunday evening when they were on their way home in Goch locality. Muhibullah Mohaqiq, Bano district chief, told Pajhwok Afghan News the slain brothers



were farmers by profession and had a family feud. It was a revenge killing since the gunmen's brother had

been killed last year, he recalled. Police detained two suspects who were being interrogated, he added. Malem Zafar, a local elder, said this was the fourth time civilians were being killed by gunmen in the locality. Three months back, he said, a 30-year-old man with his mother was killed in the village and another two men were gunned down in separate incidents. (Pajhwok)

Traffic Accident Leaves 29 People Wounded

TALOQAN - 29 people have been wounded in a traffic accident on Kabul-Kandahar highway in the jurisdiction of central Ghazni province. Shafiq Nang Safai, spokesman for the acting governor of Ghazni province that the incident took place in Rig Rishan area of the Ghazni city earlier this morning. He said a "303" model passenger bus collided with "304" model coming from the opposite side leaving 29 passengers wounded. Safai further said that the incident occurred because of the negligence of the drivers who have been detained ...*(More on P4)...*(19)

Unidentified Gunmen Blow Up Girls School

JALALABAD - Unidentified gunmen have blown up a girls' school in eastern Nangarhar province, destroying all of its rooms and burning school books and school documents inside. Mohammad Asif Shinwarai, spokesman for the education directorate of Nangarhar province says that a group of unknown armed men set explosives around the girls' school



in Bodyalai area of Shiwa District late last night. He said that the school building is almost completely

destroyed in the explosions and fire. According to Shinwari, 850 students were... *(More on P4)...*(21)

Tribal Elder, 2 Women Killed in Separate Incidents

MAIDAN SHAHR/ FARAH CITY - A tribal elder has been killed by Taliban militants in Jalrez district of central Maidan Wardak province while police have recovered dead bodies of two women in western Farah province. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's spokesman, told



Pajhwok Afghan News tribal elder Sarwar Ahmadzai was killed by insurgents in Takani area of Jalrez district last night. Seven days ago, militants abducted the tribal elder from Kabul-Bamyan highway, he said, adding that his dead body was recovered...*(More on P4)...*(18)

Gunmen Kill Islamic Scholar in Samangan

AIBAK - Unidentified gunmen have shot dead Islamic scholar in the Suf Payan district of northern Samangan province on Monday, an official says. A resident of the area who wished not to be named told Pajhwok Afghan News that Maulvi Mohammad Israil, teacher at a local Mad-

rassa, was gunned down by militants inside a mosque. The attackers managed to escape after committing the crime. Five years ago, the slain religious leader was Taliban's designated district chief but later he parted ways with insurgents. Mohammad Sidiq Azizi, the governor's spokesman, al-

leged Taliban killed slain person because he did not support militants' group anymore. However, Taliban have not yet commented on the incident. Maulvi Safiullah Siraji, director hajj and religious affairs, condemned the killing of the Islamic scholar. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



It might feel as if someone stole your wallet or broke your heart. Or perhaps you're the one who is raining on someone else's parade by withholding your affection. Dissatisfied you are with your current circumstances, there is a silver lining to the dark cloud as you learn to temporarily get by with less. Your newfound clarity enables you to define what you truly want once the blue skies return.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



The people who you think know you the best don't seem to understand you at all. To make matters worse, the harder you try to explain your feelings, the more distance you create. Instead of rushing to bridge the gulf, calmly accept the space that has appeared between you and a loved one. A healthy relationship has its own rhythm of expansion and contraction, like the breath.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Too many chores on your to-do list prevent you from getting closer to your loved ones today. You don't have the luxury of engaging in open-ended conversations about your feelings. The issues you want to explore must be postponed to another time. Instead of pining over what you don't have now, let it go. Focusing on the lack of heart connection only spirals you into loneliness.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



Although you often like to maintain a fairly low profile, you want others to stand up and take notice of you today. Unfortunately, it may seem as if you can't get the respect you think you deserve, no matter how awesome your work is now. Don't let anyone shake your confidence; if you know you're doing your best, just let the criticism roll off you like water off a duck's back.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Love's sweet indulgences are on your mind, but grumpy Saturn has a different plan for your day. Expressing your passion doesn't work its usual magic. Unfortunately, laying on the charm won't affect others if they are already entrenched in a serious mindset. You're ready to put on a show, but you're quick to pack your bags and head home if there's no audience to appreciate your performance.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



You might keep your romantic dreams to yourself now if you believe they will never come true. Meanwhile, your friends contribute in their own way to your current sense of isolation without even knowing it. Although you may interact with others socially, it seems as if they're having trouble seeing the real you. You could inadvertently fuel the tension by your lack of communication.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



You can't seem to please your boss or your coworkers no matter what you do. Although this discord would usually bother you enough to turn your self-confidence into self-doubt. You just want to wish everyone luck and go home. Naturally, you would prefer folks to appreciate your efforts, but you're not going to make peace now even if you try.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Money may be tight these days and romance is nowhere to be found. However, these stressful circumstances are not valid reasons to give up and hide under the covers. Instead of wasting precious time feeling sorry for yourself, reevaluate the ways you can improve your current fiscal situation and upgrade your relationship life.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



The secrets you keep buried have more influence now that vulnerable Venus is squaring austere Saturn in your 12th House of Privacy. It seems as if reality can't live up to your fantasies now no matter what you do. You might even feel like your dreams are being squashed for no reason. However, your frustration will lessen when you stop trying to make your life as perfect as it is in your imagination.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



It's hard to read people because their behavior is unpredictable and their expression inscrutable. In fact, the more questions you ask, the more they clam up while four planets are hanging out in self-protective Cancer and your 7th House of Companions. Although your gentle persistence could surprisingly bring positive results, you'll never know if you surrender too soon.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



You have to be a worker bee today when you would rather be a social butterfly. You may feel as if you're the only one who has to meet a demanding production schedule, but the truth of the matter is everyone must contribute to the greater good. Unfortunately, you might have to move personal relationships to the back burner temporarily while you take care of urgent matters of business now.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Producing tangible results needs to be your top priority today. You don't have much leeway now; you're expected to be highly responsive to pressing issues in the real world even though you would prefer to spend the day pushing the boundaries of your imagination. Don't wait to see what drama waits in the wings to release the unexpected tension; pull in the reins immediately before uncomfortable events do it for you.



Across

1. Hairdo, 5. Intoxicating, 10. Possess, 14. Decree, 15. Put out, 16. Region, 17. Aquatic plant, 18. Starters, 20. Anagram of "Iratelly", 22. Bloodline, 23. African antelope, 24. Donkeys, 25. Frank, 32. Vibes, 33. Akin, 34. Historic period, 37. Nile bird, 38. Come together, 39. Beer, 40. Directed, 41. Go by car, 42. More prudent, 43. Unceasingly, 45. Tiny, 49. Central, 50. Ointment ingredient, 53. A native member of a state, 57. Enteric, 59. Memo, 60. A young lady, 61. Habituate, 62. Annoying insect, 63. Cheers, 64. Doled out, 65. Collections.

Down

1. A long way off, 2. Dossier, 3. Indian music, 4. Earaches, 5. Gap, 6. Catch a glimpse of, 7. Venomous snake, 8. Affaire d'honneur, 9. Abominable Snowman, 10. Fogs, 11. Territories, 12. Margin, 13. Relieves, 19. Absurd, 21. Hotels, 25. Bucket, 26. Lubricate, 27. Desiccated, 28. Terror, 29. Drink garnish, 30. Toys with tails, 31. Barely manage, 34. At one time (archaic), 35. Bobbin, 36. Askew, 38. A large vase, 39. Fasteners, 41. Certain aromatic herbs, 42. Pause, 44. Grinned, 45. Morally reprehensible, 46. Craze, 47. Jittery, 48. Loamy deposit, 51. Bit of gossip, 52. 3 times 3, 53. Concern, 54. Area, 55. French for "State", 56. Catches, 58. Cashew or almond.

Yesterday's Solution



ahead, amass, bale, bleach, brink, cancel, courage, crack, crease, dense, fridge, gain, group, happen, labor, loose, maple, musical, necessarily, neighbor, noise, number, pair, pare, people, perch, plate, plead, quest, snore, tirade, tissue, usual, vibration.

