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Critics Blast Govt's Security Plans

KABUL - A number of analysts said Tuesday that government has made several promises over the past six months to eliminate insurgents and clear areas under their control, but the presence of militants and their activities reveal that Kabul's security plans are mostly symbolic. Critics said they believe that most of government's military movements are defensive and that they are not chasing down insurgents in their hideouts. "There has been no proper security plan to eliminate insurgents. There is confusion among the security forces," said Selab Waziri, a political commentator. After the fall of Kunduz city to the Taliban last year, President Ashraf Ghani vowed to prioritize Kunduz's security. "My order, the decision of the National Security Council is the full clearance [of



Kunduz]. The security forces' achievements should be maintained. Therefore, we should not go back to the strategy of one step forward and two steps back or two steps forward and four steps back," he said at a gathering in Kunduz after the fall of the city - the first to fall following the establishment of the national unity government. Qala-e-Zal district in Kunduz witnessed huge attacks by Taliban over the past two days. Kunduz MPs said that Ghani's promises are deceiving and that security has not improved in Kunduz. "Nothing has been done to ensure the safety of Kunduz's residents. We hope that the national unity government should not deceive Kunduz residents anymore," said Fatima Aziz, an MP from Kunduz. The persistent defensive stance by security forces has always ... (More on P4)...(7)

Afghan Migrant Attacking Train in Germany Shot Dead



PESHAWAR - An axe-wielding teenage Afghan migrant wounded four passengers on a train in southern Germany before he was shot dead by police, international media reported on Tuesday. Three of the passengers were seriously wounded in the attack, which left 14 people in a state of shock, Wuerzburg police said on their Facebook page. Four members of a family from Hong Kong were wounded. A German TV channel quoted Bavaria's state interior minister Joachim Herrmann as saying the attacker had been identified as a 17-year-old Afghan migrant. Germany registered more than 150,000 Afghan migrants last year. ... (More on P4)...(12)

9 Schools Get Surrounding Walls in Logar

PUL-I-ALAM - Education officials on Monday said nine schools constructed with surrounding walls in central Logar province. Provincial education department spokesman, Mohammad Shapoor Arab told Pajhwok Afghan News that the schools got the facility included Khwaja Angor, Khwaja Beland, Kharioti, Malaki, Paspachak, Merak, Pengram, Nawshahr and Karmaba. "These schools did not have surround walls before and students and teachers did not feel secure, therefore there was a serious need for the construction of surrounding walls," he said. The construction process of the walls cost 17 million Afghanis and paid by the World Bank, he said, adding the construction of surrounding walls for another six schools was underway. The education department has plan to provide the facility to 40 more schools Logar up to the end of ... (More on P4)...(8)

Hundreds of Passengers Stranded as Taliban Close Paktia Highway



GARDIZ - Taliban have closed the Gardez-Patan highway connecting six districts of southern Paktia province, leaving hundreds of passengers stranded, residents said on Tuesday. Hundreds of passengers stranded in Chamkani and other districts of the province asked the government to take all possible steps to reopen the busy road as soon as possible. One of the passengers, Akbar Gul, told Pajhwok Afghan News: "We came from Kabul yesterday and wanted to go to Zazai Ar-yub district, but our trip has been halted by the road blockade." He urged the authorities and militants not to block highways or create problems for passengers. Residents of six districts travelled the highway whose closure had created heavy problems for them, Gul added. A resident of the Andwam area of Mirzaki district, Rozaddin, alleged the Taliban blew up two bridges and ... (More on P4)...(9)

Ghazni-Based Private Varsities Turn into Commercial Centres

GHAZNI CITY - A number of residents of southern Ghazni province complain private universities there focused more on grabbing money rather than providing students with quality education. Niamatullah, a resident of Ghazni City, the provincial capital, told Pajhwok Afghan News private universities did not offer proper services despite students paying unreasonably high fees.



"Private universities are created for business; they rob students of money under different pretexts. A student has to pay 5,000 Afghanis only in admission fee." The number of such universities was increasing, but they have no academic excellence, Niamatullah alleged. ... (More on P4)...(10)

Taliban Shadow District Chief Among 27 Dead in Airstrikes

LASHKARGAH - At least 27 Taliban, including the group administrative chief of Sangin district, have been killed in security forces airstrikes in southern Helmand province, an official said on Tuesday. Lt. Col. Mo-

hammad Rasoul Zazai, spokesman for 215th Maiwand Military Corps, told Pajhwok Afghan News the airstrikes were conducted late on Monday in Sangin district. He said Maulvi Noor Agha, the Taliban's shadow district chief, and 15 other fighters were killed and as many wounded in the airstrikes. The insurgents' vehicle was also destroyed, he added. Separately, 11 more rebels were eliminated and a ... (More on P4)...(11)

Afghanistan Becoming Self-Reliant in Honey Production

KABUL - Afghanistan had an unprecedented production of honey in 2015, with producing nearly 2 million kilograms of honey. According to the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL), Afghanistan needs an annual production of 5 million kilograms of honey. With the current production of 2 million kilograms, there is hope that Afghanistan is heading to self-reliance in honey production. Three years ago Afghanistan produced about 1 million kilograms of honey, while last year the amount of honey production reached 2 million kilograms. Afghan government plans to expand beekeeping in the country and provide better training for beekeepers to help develop the industry. "Currently, 23,700 beekeepers are part of 10 beekeepers union, including 652 women," said Arif Amaniyar, Director of Livestock at ... (More on P4)...(13)

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