

Gunmen Abduct 4 Including 2 Education Officials

GHOR CITY - Unknown gunmen have abducted at least 4 people including two education officials in central Ghor province of Afghanistan. According to the local government officials, the incident took place on Saturday as they were on their way to the central city of Ghor. An official in the provincial education directorate confirmed the incident and said it is yet not clear if the civilians have been abducted by the Taliban militants or gunmen belonging to any insurgent group. The anti-government



armed militant groups including the Taliban insurgents have not commented regarding the report so far. This ... (More on P4)...(20)

Uruzgani Woman who Lost Husband, 6 Sons to Conflict

TIRINKOT - A 60-year-old woman, Babo, has lost her husband and six sons to the conflict in central Uruzgan province. She says government officials are demanding bribe from her in return for issuing martyr cards of her sons. Babo lives in Talani area of Tirinkot, the provincial



capital, with her widowed daughter-in-law and 10 grandchildren. She told Pajhwok Afghan News during an interview that her spouse was killed during the Taliban regime (1996-2001), leaving she and their six sons and two daughters behind. She said her ... (More on P4)...(21)

13 Militants Eliminated in Maiwand Clash, Police Claim

KANDAHAR CITY - More than a dozen Taliban have been killed during a clash with security forces in the Maiwand district of southern Kandahar province, an official said on Sunday.



Police chief, Sultan Mohammad, told Pajhwok Afghan News the militants staged an attack on security check-posts in Band-i-Taimour area, but police had prior information and beat back the assailants. SamimKhpalwak, the

governor's spokesman confirmed the attack. He said 13 Taliban were eliminated in the Maiwand engagement. But the militants have yet to comment on the incident. Earlier, 15 Afghan Local Police (ALP) and

35 militants were killed in a Taliban attack on police check-posts in the district. Band-i-Taimour, an insecure locality of Maiwand, is a hub of drug manufacturing and smuggling. (Pajhwok)

With Chronic Spinal Cord Injury, Ex-Soldier Seeks Shelter

HERAT CITY - An Afghan National Army (ANA) soldier, who has been struggling to make ends meet over the past six years, has appealed to the government for much-needed assistance. During a military operation in western Herat province, NiamatullahFarhadi's spinal cord was grievously wounded in a Taliban attack. After three years of his army job, the man has no source of income. Farhadi has been under treatment at the Herat Zonal Hospital for the past one week. He was obliged to share his pain with the government officials ... (More on P4)...(22)

Child Dead, 3 Wounded As ANA, Taliban Clash in Khost

KHOST CITY - A child was killed and another three civilians, including a woman, were wounded during a clash between the Afghan National Army (ANA) and Taliban insurgents in southeastern Khost province,

the ANA said. A statement from the ANA's 1st Ground Brigade in the province said the clash erupted when the insurgents using heavy and light weapons stormed the brigade's headquarters ... (More on P4)...(23)

Taliban Leader among 7 Dead in Kunduz Drone Raid

KUNDUZ CITY - Eight Taliban, including their group leader, have been killed in a US drone strike in northern Kunduz province, an official said on Sunday. Lt. Col. GhulamHazaratKarimi, spokesman for

the 20thPamir Zone, told Pajhwok Afghan News the drone attack happened Saturday night in the Turkha locality of Dasht-i-Archi district. He said QariHaleem, a local Taliban leader ... (More on P4)...(24)

Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
Da Afghanistan Bank (Central Bank of Afghanistan) - DAB
Financial Sector Rapid Response Project (FSRRP). World Bank Grant No: H732-AF: Project ID: P 119047

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES - INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

Assignment Title: Procurement and Contract Management Consultant to Financial Sector Rapid Response Project (FSRRP) and to the Da Afghanistan Bank (DAB).

Reference No. FSRRP/C16/IC Date: **19th, June 2016**

1. The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan has received funding from the World Bank towards the cost of the Financial Sector Rapid Response Project (FSRRP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds to hire an **Individual Procurement and Contract Management Consultant to Financial Sector Rapid Response Project (FSRRP)** and to the **DA Afghanistan Bank**

2. The Development Objective of the Financial sector Rapid Response Project is to assist DAB (Da Afghanistan Bank) to develop action plans for improved banking supervision and implementation and modern national payment system for efficient and transparent payment transactions. The FSRRP includes the following components:

- Strengthening of DAB's capacity:**
 - Stock taking on capacity building efforts on financial supervision and development, and implementation of the capacity development plan to sustainably strengthen the FS department of DAB,
 - Review the banking regulation framework, and (iii) Development and implementation of actions plan following audit of commercial banks
- Development of financial sector infrastructures:**
 - Modernization of the national payment system (mobile/card switch, RTGS/ACH/CSD)
 - Inter-bank communication system for DAB
 - DAB Core Banking System, CBS
 - Support to the establishment of Public Credit Registry and Afghanistan Institute of Banking and Finance (AIBF),

Technical Assistance and training for project implementation.

3. In order to ensure efficient procurement and contract management of the projects and DAB procurement directorate and accomplish the above, DAB has decided to hire a dedicated individual Procurement & Contracts Management consultant. The individual consultant (IC) such hired will develop the capacity of the DAB in a structured manner and will carry out procurement and contract management activities as per the ToR. The IC will work towards obtaining the accreditation for DAB in a time-bound manner.

4. DAB now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest and submit their application to DAB for providing the above services.

5. Qualification requirement:
The suitable candidate should have the following qualifications and experience:

- Minimum 8 years of experience in management of procurement particularly in world Bank projects and government or other Multilateral Development Bank's Procurement Guidelines
- with at least three years of international experience in carrying out procurement including complex IT systems;
- Minimum 2 years of experience in procurement using the World Bank or other Multilateral Development Bank's Procurement Guidelines
- Possess Master degree in, procurement, Public Administration, MBA, Economics, Law, Commerce or any other related fields;
- Have good knowledge and understanding of both international and national procurement procedures, processes and practices including World Bank or other multilateral procurement;
- Have good knowledge and understanding of the government administrative systems as well as the government's clearance and approval procedures applicable to procurement;
- Have the ability to apply good judgment and interpretative skill in dealing with procurement-related issues including commercial aspects of bidding and bid documents, bid evaluation, contracts and other procurement documents;
- Have good skills and ability in effectively communicating and coordinating with client staff, consultants, government officials, technical as well as legal experts and the World Bank staff
- Have good management skills, ability to work under pressure;
- Have the ability to communicate in English and have computer and internet skills;
- Possesses impeccable integrity

6. Interested consultants are requested to submit their applications for the above assignment, along with a statement of interest and their CVs indicating their academic and professional qualifications, work experience, and the details of the various positions held and their related responsibilities.

7. A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in section V of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers (January 2011). Applications received in response will be referred to a selection panel to be established by the DAB, which will prepare a short list of the eligible candidates. The eligible candidates will be required to appear for an interview, either in person or virtually, as convenient.

8. The application, completes in all respects, should be received by the FSRRP Director to the email address basharmal.pasarlay@dab.gov.af, and copied to the procurement director to the email address abaseen.mall@dab.gov.af. The deadline for submission of application is 17th July, 2016. Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours i.e. 0900 to 1500 hours.

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Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



There are plenty of amazing ideas floating around in your head today, yet selecting one and sticking with it is a real challenge. The visionary Sagittarius Full Moon lights up your 9th House of Adventure, inspiring scintillating thoughts of exotic travel. Unfortunately, you can't just pick up and go wherever you please now. The reality of this situation finally sinks in, requiring you to leave your idealistic fantasies behind.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



deepens today as the Sagittarius Full Moon shines in your 8th House of Intimacy. However, as much as you attempt to change the topic of discussion, it continues to cycle back around to clever banter that avoids emotional intensity. There are strong cosmic forces at play now that lift your spirits and infuse your heart with optimism, whether or not it's warranted.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



A recent change in relationship dynamics continues to impact your life in unexpected ways. Although you're free to explore the meaning of life with a philosophical companion, the Sagittarius Full Moon's presence in your 7th House of Others can bring another partnership into sharper focus. However, the real breakthroughs won't come from focusing on the light; hidden treasures are buried

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You may be clinging to old patterns at work, yet the planets are calling you to break out of your shell and move boldly into your future. The creative energy of the Sagittarius Full Moon infuses your 6th House of Self-Improvement, making this an ideal time to organize the tools in your toolbox while brushing up on your technique.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



You are thrilled at the prospect of performing for your home team today. However, you may experience trouble as you arrange all the pieces and discover that they don't fit together. Nevertheless, the philosophical Sagittarius Full Moon is reflecting energy in your 5th House of Self-Expression, reminding you to remain authentic in all of your words and deeds.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Your mind is soaring high into the atmosphere today, but the trick is to bring it back down with a graceful landing. You might prefer to leave some of your loftier ideas in the abstract realms of thought. Nevertheless, you can't resist the chance to manifest your dreams while the inspirational Sagittarius Full Moon stirs the energy in your 4th House of Foundations. Your branches can reach the stars only if your roots sink deeply into the earth.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



You're not very happy when you're sent back to the drawing board to re-create your plan for the future. Your previous draft contained many excellent ideas, but they were not woven into a cohesive tapestry. In order to move forward you must assimilate the wisdom of the Sagittarius Full Moon as it stimulates your 3rd House of Learning.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



You may doubt your ability to perform your job up to standards today. However, it turns out that your critical eye is sharper than anyone else's. Others think you are doing an amazing job, while all you see are your mistakes. Fortunately, you can use the uplifting Sagittarius Full Moon to boost the energy of your 2nd House of Self-Worth.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Maintaining objectivity is no small feat as you try to untangle sticky relationship dynamics. Although the reflective Sagittarius Full Moon illuminates your 1st House of Self, you still must balance your emotional needs with those of others. Unfortunately, you're not happy about the restrictions someone is placing on you. You may be tempted to rebel but that isn't the most practical course. Instead, radically changing

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



In theory, you know how important it is to get along with others. However, in practice, you may want to act like an ostrich and bury your head in the sand, letting the noise of the world go by. The inspirational Sagittarius Full Moon sinks into your 12th House of Spiritual Mystery, empowering you to think great thoughts within the privacy of your mind.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



You have high hopes about participating in a group effort today. You understand that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts, and you prefer to experience this dynamic directly. Although the Sagittarius Full Moon rocks your 11th House of Social Networking, you mustn't lose sight of your individual needs and your unique contribution to the cause.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



You are quite responsive to the needs of others now and want to do everything within your reach to help those you love and respect. The Sagittarius Full Moon is pulling the strings in your 10th House of Authority, leaving little room for anyone else to take control. But even your best-laid plans can fall apart if you spread yourself too thin. The real secret to success is in deciding what is most important and leaving the rest for another day.

Across

1. Not in danger, 5. Competent, 9. Destiny, 13. 2 2 2 2, 14. Impolite dinner sound, 16. Footnote note, 17. Ailments, 18. Hermit, 19. Require, 20. Glacial ridge, 22. Craft of making furniture, 24. Hissy fit, 26. Graphic symbols, 27. Proving by direct argument, 30. Stoppage, 33. Unnecessary, 35. Prison-related, 37. Excavated, 38. Youthful, 41. Prompt, 42. Construct, 45. Hanging, 48. A task requiring a trip, 51. Elongated yellow fruit, 52. Negatively charged particle, 54. Diminish, 55. Covered, 59. Synagogue scroll, 62. Hubs, 63. Cat-like mammal, 65. Alley, 66. Beige, 67. Colonic, 68. Bit of gossip, 69. Not us, 70. Hot rum drink, 71. Recent events.

Down

1. Anagram of "Ties", 2. Hole-making tools, 3. Minstrel, 4. Gist, 5. American Sign Language, 6. Coalition, 7. Pertaining to the moon, 8. Greek god of dark night, 9. Diplomacy, 10. Assist in crime, 11. Layer, 12. Countercurrent, 15. Publish, 21. Liturgy, 23. Half-moon tide, 25. Neat, 27. Guy, 28. Habituate, 29. Chief Executive Officer, 31. Burn, 32. Steam bath, 34. Clunker, 36. Lower limbs, 39. Apprehend, 40. Chew, 43. Skull, 44. Armored vehicle, 46. Annoying insect, 47. Ointment ingredient, 49. Daughter of a sibling, 50. Fond, 53. Not a single time, 55. Decay from overripening, 56. Lake (Scottish), 57. Unit of land, 58. Audition tape, 60. Again, 61. Skirt lines, 64. Children's game.

Yesterday's Solution

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