

Gang of Armed Robbers and Bandits Busted in Kabul City

KABUL - The police forces busted a gang of armed robbers and bandits during an operation in Kabul city. The Ministry of Interior (MoI) in a statement said the police forces busted a gang of armed robbers and bandits in Kabul city. The statement further added that the police forces arrested five members of the gang during the operation. The ministry also added that the police forces conducted the operation in Gulai Dawa Khana area in 3rd district of the city. The detained individuals have been identified as Shoaib, Farhad, Ahamd-shah, Taza Gul and Ajmal, the Ministry of Interior added. The Ministry of Interior also added that the gang members were robbing people and committing banditry in the 5th, 6th, 13th and 18th police districts of Kabul. (KP)

7 Taliban Militants Killed, 620 Pounds of Hashish, Pure Urea Destroyed in Special Forces Raids



KABUL - The Afghan Special Forces killed 7 Taliban fighters and destroyed 650 pounds of Hashish and pure Urea in Khost and Pakiya operations. The informed military sources said Monday that the Special Forces wounded 1 Taliban fighter during an operation in Ahmadabad district of Pakiya. Furthermore, the special Forces destroyed 500 pounds of Hashish and 120 pounds of pure Urea during the same operation. Meanwhile, the Special Forces killed 7 Taliban fighters during an operation in Sabari district of Khost. (KP)

Violence Against Journalists 50pc Down in 6 Months: Nai

KABUL - Free media supporting organization in Afghanistan, Nai, on Monday said violence against journalists declined by 50 percent in the first six months of the current year, but insecurity and lack of access to information still posed challenges to media workers. Mujib Khilwatgar, executive director of Nai, presented a report about violence against journalists during the first six months of 2019 in Kabul. He said violence against journalists declined by 50.1 percent in the period that saw their organization registering 35 cases of violence against media workers, including five murders. Six journalists were wounded, 17 threatened ... (More on P4)...(8)



Nangarhar Inaugrates Projects Worth 1.5b Afs

JALALABAD - Development projects including 45 buildings for schools were inaugurated in eastern Nangarhar province yesterday, the governor's house said Monday, adding the schemes would benefit thousands of families. According to the Governor's House, said the nearly 1.5 billion afghanis projects include construction of 45 school buildings at a cost of 220 million afghanis. Officials said the projects were being executed in Surkhrod and Khogyani districts of the province. Governor Shah Mahmood Miakhel accompanied by other officials traveled to these districts and inaugurated the projects on Sunday. Miakhel said some small and big projects under 22 programs worth 880 million afghanis would be practically started in Khogyani district. He added these projects would be carried out by the public health, urban and rural development, public



works and education ministries. The governor also inaugurated 200 small and big projects worth 533 million afghanis in Surkhrod district. However, local residents said no construction projects had so far been carried out in the Khogyani district. Mirzam Khan, a tribal elder in Khogyani district, told Pajhwok Afghan News the government had long ignored their district, depriving them of development. A number of other residents made similar complaints and urged the government to launch more such projects in the two districts. Governor Shah Mahmood Miakhel assured the people of these districts that he noted their demands and would share them with the authorities concerned. (Pajhwok)

Kabul - Sharjah Air Corridor Inaugurated



KABUL - The Officials inaugurated Kabul - Sharjah air corridor on Monday, Afghan officials said. According to the Afghan Ministry of Industry and Commerce, the first flight carried two tons of fresh apricots to the Sharjah City of the United Arab Emirates. The announcement was made today by Ajmal Ahmadi, the Afghan minister of industry and commerce and economic advisor to President Ashraf Ghani. Afghanistan launched its National Air Corridor Program to grow its economy and create employment opportunities. In 2017, the Afghan government launched the "Afghanistan-India Air Corridor" to facilitate trade between Kabul and New Delhi via air freight. Following that the Afghan government expanded it to several other countries including Turkey, Saudi Arabia, European Union, Kazakhstan, China, and UAE. (ATN)

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Policeman Killed in Attack on Baghlan Ancient Site

PUL-I-KHUMRI (Pajhwok): Gunmen stormed a security check-post guarding ancient monuments in northern Baghlan province, killing one policeman and injuring another two on Sunday. Information and Culture Department head Zakria Nasari told Pajhwok Afghan News that unknown gunmen attacked the Shamrqa historical place check-post late on Sunday night. He said they did not know why gunmen attacked



the post, but the attackers did not damage the ancient monuments. One policeman was killed and two others wounded in the nighttime attack. Police spokesman Ahmad Javed Basharath confirmed the attack and the casualties to Pajhwok. Public Health deputy director Dr. Abdul Halim Ghafari confirmed one dead body and two wounded people had been shifted to hospital from the scene. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



Today might end up being quite combative, Aries. There may be people opposing you from all sides. There are apt to be some serious disruptions to your daily routine. Others may be quite stubborn, you're apt to fall into a situation in which no one is willing to back down. Whatever happens, you will be called upon to act. This will most certainly be an eventful day.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Your flexibility will be tested today, Taurus. You may end up twisting and flexing your body to fit the contours of the day. You will find that if you join forces with the powerful movers, you will get quite a bit done and be successful. Don't be intimidated by the intensity of other people's emotions. You will find strength in your calm, grounded self.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



You may have a hard time figuring out why everyone is so worked up today. Don't waste your time, Gemini. You're better off accepting that things simply are the way they are and allowing other people to have their drama. Your job is to maintain balance. This may be easier said than done. You're working with some pretty intense issues, but nothing you can't handle.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



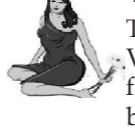
If anyone is capable of dealing with the intense emotional energy of today, it's you, Cancer. Other people may be angry and unable to stomach the sensitive issues that may arise. Take care, since there may be some major opposition coming at you that disrupts your plans. You will face a practical, grounding force that questions your methods of operation. Use these

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Stubborn forces may challenge your easy-going nature today. You would do well to tap into this aggressive energy and use it to follow through on some projects that you've left hanging, Leo. Other people may be unyielding in their positions, but you can easily overcome this by tapping into your flexible, adaptable nature. Don't get upset and restless. Go with the flow.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Tune into the aggressive energy of today, Virgo, and use it to push your intentions forward. Today's emotional intensity will bring you to your knees if you aren't careful. The secret is to harness the energy and use it to your advantage. Try not to get caught between the crossfire of conflict. Tap into the slow-moving, generous force that's helping you ground your thoughts and emotions.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



This is one of those days in which you need to act or else you will be acted upon, Libra. Stubborn, aggressive forces are working counter to your aims. You will find yourself swept up in the thick of things if you aren't careful. Don't get too worried about what other people consider wrong. Have confidence in what you know is right.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



The intense energy of the day is helping you streamline your projects and solidify your thoughts, Scorpio. Work to manifest the ideas and dreams that constantly swirl in your head. Today is a great day to bring your mind into focus and get down to the nitty-gritty. Clean up the scraps off your plate and make room for the next gourmet course to be served.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



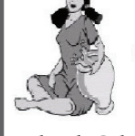
Suddenly your emotions are much more intense, Sagittarius. You notice that people are on edge and they're likely to go to extremes in all situations. This is one day to do things with passion. If there is any sort of detective work you need to get done, now is the time to do it. Try not to start any arguments. Others aren't likely to back down. All-out wars are likely to ensue.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan.19)



There's a strong force working to oppose you today, Capricorn. Another's unbending attitude may be holding you back from things you're trying to accomplish. Take the time to see the other side of the situation. You can gain a great deal of perspective and come to a healthy point of balance, thanks to the events of the day. Don't back down from your viewpoint just because everyone

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

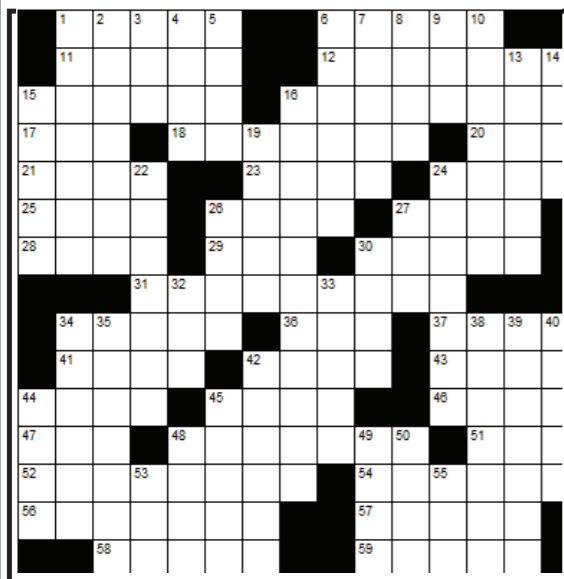


There's an intensity about the day that may cause you to recoil from certain events and conversations, Aquarius. Issues could get uncomfortable and perhaps a bit too involved. Other people may want to go to places that you don't want to go to. Don't get upset or frustrated. Either join in and roll with the punches or walk away and deal with the issues later.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



You would do well to join the intensity of the day, Pisces. You have the ability to unravel any riddle and find the underlying cause of any dispute. There's a great deal of potential for you to follow through on some major projects today. Work to press through with your ideas. Don't back down. Your sensitivity is your greatest asset. Feel free to express your emotions.



Across

1. Graven images, 6. Flower part, 11. Wish granter, 12. Emit long loud cries, 15. Not observed, 16. Not yet cut (bread), 17. Hit on the head, 18. Implement, 20. Beer barrel, 21. Death notice, 23. Biblical garden, 24. Fully developed, 25. Too, 26. Fuss, 27. Part of a skeleton, 28. Adolescent, 29. What we breathe, 30. Edge tool, 31. Emphasizing, 34. Adage, 36. Black gunk, 37. Sister and wife of Zeus, 41. Expunge, 42. Gloomy atmosphere, 43. Former lovers, 44. Taverns, 45. Handguns, 46. Catches, 47. In the past, 48. Indebtedness, 51. Spy agency, 52. Long, tedious recitals, 54. Omen, 56. Dampen, 57. Strike, 58. Chin indentation, 59. Desired,

Down

1. Lowborn, 2. Scorn, 3. Half of a pair, 4. Place, 5. Dispatched, 6. Sundown, 7. Shoemaker'sawl, 8. Tug, 9. Former boxing champ, 10. Deficient, 13. A Native American tent, 14. Border, 15. Submarine, 16. Minimizes, 19. Creepy, 22. They're found in the throat, 24. Make "not smooth", 26. Ranch, 27. French for "Good", 30. Lass, 32. Foot digit, 33. Chip dip, 34. Slowly, to a conductor, 35. Dry, 38. Kill, 39. No longer working, 40. Test, as ore, 42. A father or mother, 44. Emollient, 45. Sorrow, 48. Blind (poker), 49. Impetuous, 50. Japanese wrestling, 53. American Sign Language, 55. Defraud,

Yesterday's Solution

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abuse, asperse, beach, bias, bingo, brace, bread, cloak, command, craze, ace, declaration, defame, docile, drake, dread, edict, fetid, font, gear, grudge, handle, kilt, ibel, lure, manor, masticate,

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