

(1) There are No...

issue. The agenda of terrorist groups was to disrupt regional cooperation and those who differentiated between extremists would pay the price, he warned. "I invite all SCO members to jointly identify Afghanistan's problems and create intelligence, security and political consensus on how to resolve them," the president concluded. (Pajhwok)

(2) ISIS Fighters ...

Friday at least 37 ISIS loyalists have been killed so far. Khogyani further added that 32 militants fighting for the terror group have also been wounded during the clashes. The loyalists of ISIS terrorist group have not commented regarding the report so far. In the meantime, the supporters of the terrorist group earlier shared pictures of the attack in Kot district which purportedly shows burnt houses as well as dead bodies left in the area following the attack.

The loyalists of ISIS terrorist group continue to their insurgency activities despite receiving major setbacks during the recent months as a result of the Afghan and US forces raids. (KP)

(3) Kunduz Govt. ...

one is ready to assist us," he complained. Hameedullah said government institutions such as the police headquarters and military units, owed more than 100 million afghanis in dues. A letter had been sent to the National Security Council (NSC) to help the DABS recover the arrears. "But Brig. Gen. Qasim Jangalbagh, meanwhile, claimed the police headquarters paid its electricity dues a year after he took charge of the office. He promised DABS all-out help in dues recovery unpaid dues. The police chief asked DABS to give him a list of powerful defaulters. (Pajhwok)

(4) US Troops...

said its a strategic shift which it believes would give the Afghan forces the upper hand in their military campaign against the Taliban militants. "We use U.S air power support, it is a positive move to eliminate terror hideouts in Afghanistan," Dawlat Waziri, spokesman to MoD said. "Air operations and strikes are the most effective way to eradicate the enemy," former deputy minister of interior Mirza Mohammad Yarmand said. The expanded U.S combat role comes at a time that the Taliban insurgency has bounded back less than two years after the U.S and the coalition forces pulled their troops out of Afghanistan, transitioning the overall security responsibility of the country to conventional forces who according to military experts were still in need of a strong air force and military equipment. (Tolnews)

(5) Security...

Baghlan. At the session, the security officials told the house that there is a vacuum within the security forces and the Taliban use these gaps. "Directions have been made to increase patrols between the checkpoints on the highways. If the problem was not there before, the issue would not come today," deputy minister of interior for security Abdul Rahman Rahman said. Meanwhile, Army Chief of Staff General Qadam Shah Shahim has said that the security forces are planning a large scale operation in the north to clear the area of militants. "The security forces are determined to act anywhere they are needed. There is cooperation and harmony within the security forces, we will soon launch a large scale operation in northern provinces," Shahim said. The statement comes a few weeks after the Taliban kidnapped dozens of passengers on Baghlan-Kunduz highway. Several hostages were killed by the Taliban and several others are still being held by the Taliban. (Tolnews)

(6) Andarabi Case ...

police chief of Maidan Wardak province. The transference of the Taliban

spy-service official in the vehicle of Andrabi sparked strong reaction from different circles who demanded immediate investigation into the incident. The parliament came hard at the government on the issue and the lawmakers expressed concern and demanded investigation. The Interior Minister Taj Mohammad Jahid was summoned to the Wolesi Jirga lower house or the parliament on Saturday to brief the lawmakers on over all situations.

Regarding the Andrabi case Jahid told the lawmakers that a commission had been tasked by the president to investigate the issue.

The commission was told to provide a thorough report to the president so he could take final decision.

Jahid said Khalil Andrabi were being monitored since the incident happened and the investigation were underway. He said any government official who cooperated with the insurgents, would be punished. (Pajhwok)

(7) Global Markets ...

in the country and hit its key financial industry, possibly pushing the economy into recession.

"The vote is creating a tremendous amount of uncertainty. Uncertainty often freezes expansion decisions... it means that the global economy will grow more slowly," said James Chessen, chief economist at the American Bankers Association.

The extent of the market damage across Asia, Europe and the Americas attested to how wrong investors were to bid up prices ahead of the referendum, convinced Britons would vote to remain part of the 28-nation European Union.

"This was really an event that caught most global investors flat-footed," said Jack Ablin, chief investment officer at BMO Private Bank.

"It is clear that the broader markets went into this critical vote with too much comfort," echoed George Goncalves of Nomura Securities.

The losses were of a magnitude unseen since the dark days of the global economic crisis. In all \$2.1 trillion in value was wiped off of equities worldwide, according to S&P Dow Jones Indices.

London's benchmark FTSE 100 index plummeted 7.5 percent at the open, but recovered partially after British Prime Minister David Cameron said he would step down and central banks pledged support.

"The liquidity support promised by the Bank of England -- and subsequently the ECB and Federal Reserve -- appears to have been the main catalyst for the turnaround," said Spreadex analyst Connor Campbell.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average registered its largest single-day point fall since 2011, losing 610 points.

Milan slumped 12.5 percent, and Madrid lost 12.4 percent on jitters ahead of Spanish elections on Sunday.

- Banks hard-hit - With London's claim to the world's leading finance center on the line with the EU divorce, banks were heavily sold Friday. Many global banks say they expect to relocate staff to elsewhere in the European Union in anticipation of the breakup.

Among top European banks, Lloyds lost 21 percent and Societe Generale plunged 20 percent, while losses at others ran 14-18 percent.

In New York, Citigroup, JPMorgan Chase, Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs all lost between seven and 10 percent.

The travel industry was also battered by worries that the Britain-EU divorce will hit business. Hotels, travel agencies and airlines all fell sharply, with Air France down 10.0 percent, Lufthansa 9.2 percent and American Airlines 10.8 percent. (Tolnews)

(8) Afghanistan ...

his country was supporting the Afghan peace process, which must be inclusive and Afghan-led. Ghani also met Kyrgyz President Almazbek Atambayev, who supported Afghanistan's membership of SCO and said his country was interested in further improving bilat-

eral cooperation. Ways of connecting the neighbours through a railway line figured at the meeting, as both called the CASA-1000 project important to the entire region. Under CASA-1000, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan will sell 1300 megawatts of electricity to Afghanistan and Pakistan (300MW to Afghanistan and 1000 MW to Pakistan.)

Pakistan will pay Afghanistan transit fee besides \$40 million in annual tax, which would contribute to increasing Afghanistan's revenue. (Pajhwok)

(9) I will Break ...

from Baghlan province the 37-year-old officer had been discharging during in public order police unit in the north from the past two years of his transfer here.

In his previous interview with Pajhwok Afghan News in 2012, Farotan said he would continue fasting until corruption completely eradicated from the country and peace was prevailed.

In his second interview in 2014 he was disappointed and said the government was not doing anything for eradication of corruption. He said he did not see any tangible steps being taken for the eradication of corruption.

After over five years of continuous fasting Farotan, however, looked optimistic for peace and stability in the country, but was still committed to with fasting.

"I will remain committed to fast until peace and stability prevails in the country and corruption eradicates," said Farotan in the third exclusive interview with Pajhwok Afghan News in five years.

He said he was optimistic to the good results of peace talks with HIA and had been hearing good news about possible government-HIA deal.

The public order police official hailed initiatives of the incumbent government for peace and stability saying his trust was restored over durable peace in the country.

"Talks with HIA proved to be beneficial, I am hopeful and pray that his Excellency Hikmatyar would put down arm and will join the reconciliation process on that day I will leave fasting," said Farotan.

He asked the government if deal with Hikmatyar succeeded he should be provided a chance to break year-long fasting pledge in Masjidul Haram, Macca.

He said situation in the country was terrible there was fighting, corruption that drowned the war-torn country into more crises. "If the leaders walk the way they talk situation would improved rapidly," he hoped.

Farotan said he never faced with case of corruption, but heard a lot about corruption even that he has been told that corruption occupied the entire system of the country.

About his fasting trend he said initially he faced some problems but with the passage of time he became accustomed. He said he had digest problems which was rehabilitated with fasting. (Pajhwok)

(10) Turkmenistan...

increase its capacity. The implementation of this concept has created an opportunity to increase the volume of electricity exported to Afghanistan through the Serhetabat-Herat-Toraghandi route from 200 million kilowatt hours to 400 million kilowatt hours. (Agencies)

(11) Minister Pledges...

Afs. Garnahm Singh who is a resident of Ghazni province said that the armed men took him down a street and took his money.

"If they were ordinary men, I would never let them in my car, but they (criminals) do the job in military uniform, I advise everyone to be cautious," he said.

Robbing Sikhs in the country has discouraged them from investing in Afghanistan.

"It is a concerning issue, because the armed men commit the job in police uniform," a Sikh resident of Kabul Rahul Singh said. Crime rate has dramatically increased in Kabul in recent months. A recent TOLONews survey shows that up to 99 per-

cent of the Sikh population has left Afghanistan over the past three decades.

Robbing Sikhs by lawbreakers, discrimination and government negligence toward Sikhs in post-Taliban era are among the main problems facing Afghanistan's Sikh community. (Tolnews)

(12) Lalchand Rajput ...

2008. ACB chairman said "Mr. Rajput is technically and professionally strong coach in cricket, I am sure his presence with Afghan national cricket team will benefit the team; he will be joining team in Scotland, Ireland and Netherland tour." (Pajhwok)

(13) Civilian...

or injured in conflicts over the past three months in Kandahar, while the figures were 215 in the same period last year.

"Anti-government armed militants have been mainly responsible for civilian casualties in Kandahar, because they plant mines. In the meantime, we are not ignoring the casualties that are incurred to civilians in military operations carried out by government forces," he added.

This comes after a security report by TOLONews earlier this month revealed that civilian casualties have increased by 55 percent in May compared to March this year.

According to the report, over 120 civilians were killed in conflict and violence during May in Afghanistan. (Tolnews)

(14) Daesh, Civilians...

Nangarhar Civil Hospital. A statement from the 201st Selab Military Corps, meanwhile, said 36 Daesh men were killed and 32 others wounded. The militants launched attacks on security posts in Kot on Thursday night, but faced strong response from local residents and Afghan forces.

Ten IS fighters were killed in a separate drone strike of foreign forces in Achin district, it added.

A tribal elder from Kot, Malik Katib Khan, blamed Daesh for killing 12 civilians, including women and children, on Friday. He said three Afghan Local Police (ALP) members were also killed in the clashes.

"We have been reporting on activities of fighters to local officials, but the district chief had ignored our reports," he complained. Katib added clashes were still ongoing two kilometers from the district.

However, another resident of the area, who wished not to be named, said ALP personnel surrendered one of their posts to the fighters last night. The source claimed half of the district was under Daesh control.

Daesh fighters took several women hostage from the district in response to the females arrested by government forces on the Torkham-Kot road, he said.

The women arrested by the government belonged to Bajaur and Swat areas. They allegedly tried to transfer money and other materials to their husbands from Pakistan. (Pajhwok)

(15) Badakhshan...

pistachio plants had been planted over the past four years, a process that is still underway. The plants are protected by local residents and councils.

Azizullah, hailing from Yaftal Payeen district, called the rehabilitation of pistachio forests vital to people's wellbeing. "Our people would get benefits from the revival of these forests." Sharafuddin, a resident of Argo district, claimed local inhabitants had always tried to protect pistachio forests and cooperate with the Agriculture Department in this regard. (Pajhwok)

(16) Night Raids...

suffered heavy losses in this operation," said Ahmadullah, an army soldier. Gul Ahmad, a police force member in Kandahar, meanwhile said security in Pajwai has improved after a few night raids were carried out by the security forces in parts of the district. "Night operations are very good to eliminate militants. Taliban has lost their power and security has improved in Pajwai," he added.

This comes after Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission's office in Kandahar said that civilian casualties have

increased up to six percent in the province over the past three months - compared to the same period last year.

The officials said that militants are responsible for most of civilian casualties in the province. (Tolnews)

(17) Child Labour...

made him work to support his family.

Now that Ali has learnt a lot, he getting a decent salary from his employer, but he has to pay the rent of his house and meet other requirements of his family.

He wished to become an engineer, but looking at his daily routine, it will be difficult for him to achieve this goal. Without naming anyone, he said some organisations received huge funds in name of ending child labour but did nothing to address the problem.

Ali deplored some organisations and media outlets used the child labour issue to earn a huge amount of money on the pretext of working for welfare of children. "Indeed they have done nothing for us," claimed Ali.

Ali believes if his father was alive or his mother educated, he might have reached his goal of becoming an engineer, but at the moment that looks a distant dream. (Pajhwok)

(18) Fired Workers...

would close the Afghan Coal company and block the main highway linking Pul-i-Khumri with Mazar-i-Sharif if their demands were not met in the next few days.

However, the Baghlan governor's spokesman, Mahmood Haqmal, told Pajhwok Afghan News the governor's house had appointed a delegation a few days ago to assess the situation. He said the delegation would share a complete report with the governor's hometoday or tomorrow. Afghan Coal Company officials refused to comment on the issue. (Pajhwok)

(19) More Than...

can be backdated to overrule the June 23 referendum result.

The parliamentary petitions system is overseen by a parliamentary petitions committee, who consider whether petitions that receive more than 100,000 signatures should be raised in the House. The committee is due to sit again on Tuesday when a decision will be reached.

A second petition, already signed by more than 100,000 people, is calling on London's mayor Sadiq Khan, to declare the British capital independent from the UK so that it can apply to join the European Union.

The petition, launched by Londoner James O'Malley, stated that London is an international city and "we want to remain at the heart of Europe".

The petition is calling on mayor Sadiq Khan to declare London independent, and apply to join the EU.

That petition is not on the parliament site and will therefore carries no legal weight or authority, but illustrates the rift that has been opened by the referendum in which London voted to stay in the EU while the rest of England opted to leave. (Xinhua)

(20) SCO Leaders ...

economic and trade programs. The leaders reaffirmed the support for the Silk Road Economic Belt, a regional development initiative proposed by Chinese President Xi Jinping in 2013 that seeks to boost regional economic activities by linking China with Europe through Central and Western Asia by inland routes. They promised to jointly construct the Silk Road Economic Belt, which they said can be one of the tools for facilitating regional economic cooperation.

The member states also agreed to continue mutually beneficial multi-faceted cooperation in energy, transport corridors, public health, science and technology, education, environmental protection, sports, tourism and preservation of cultural and natural heritage. SECURITY COOPERATION REMAINS ONE OF PRIORITIES

The leaders at the Tashkent summit held important consensus on security cooperation.

The SCO member states called for joint and consolidated efforts and comprehensive meas-

ures to deal with the growing threat of international terrorism and extremism and address their root causes.

It remains one of the priorities of the SCO cooperation to fight against the "three evil forces" of terrorism, separatism and extremism in all their manifestations, illicit drug production and trafficking, smuggling of arms, ammunition and explosives, as well as proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and various means of delivery.

The heads of state voiced their support for the early adoption of the United Nations Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism.

They also voiced support for closer cooperation in fighting terrorism, separatism and extremism, curbing the spread of extremist ideology, especially among the youth, and preventing ethnic, racial, religious discrimination and xenophobia.

The member states will continue working on the preparation of the SCO Convention on Combating Extremism, which will be an important part of the legal basis of the cooperation in this regard. The SCO member states also pledged concerted work in combating transnational organized crime, as well as crimes that make use of modern information and communication technologies. (Xinhua)

(21) Russian Airstrikes...

said. A child was among two people killed in strikes on the rebel-held Al-Maysar neighborhood, the White Helmets civil defense group said. "In the past two days, my kids and I haven't been able to sleep all night because of the huge blasts, the likes of which we haven't heard before," said 38-year-old shopkeeper Abu Ahmed. A father of three, Abu Ahmad owns a small convenience store in east Aleppo. "We haven't been able to get any products or produce for the shop over the past two days because no one can use the (Castello) road," he said.

The renewed government offensive around Aleppo comes a day after another key ally, Lebanese militant group Hezbollah, pledged to send more fighters to join the "greatest battle" of the war. (Monitoring Desk)

(22) British Residents...

We had one in 2013 and one back in March."

According to the British Embassy in Brussels, there are about 31,000 British citizens living in Belgium. About 1,500 Britons work for the European institutions. (Xinhua)

(23) At Least 14 ...

collapsed and washed away, said the report.

As much as 8 to 10 inches of rain fell in six to eight hours in parts of West Virginia, said the National Weather Service, calling the amount of rain in such a short time likely a "one-in-a-thousand-year event". (Xinhua)

(24) Six EU Foreign...

stalemate", he added. "We'll start immediately," also said French Foreign Minister Jean-Marc Ayrault, adding that "we now expect that the process will be triggered under Article 50." (Xinhua)

(25) Pakistani Startup...

interactive world to the child, which boost their attention span, motivation, alongside improving and developing specific skills through specific games.

The games require a Kinect v2 sensor, a laptop and a TV screen. (Monitoring Desk)

(26) Summit in...

between the Eurasian Economic Union and the SCO, a key factor in guiding the regional forum in its economic policy. We have many points in common, Lukashenko stressed in support of the initiative of the Chinese president, Xi Jinping, to create an economic strip via the 'Silk Road' in the Eurasian region. The Belarusian leader said that, on the other hand, Minsk is ready to be the "western gates" for the SCO countries on the road to Europe. In the final declaration, the member states pledged to agree on the expansion of trade and economic interaction on favorable terms and to create favorable trade and investment conditions. (Prensa Latina)