

# Policeman Fasting for Years for Durable Peace

MAZAR-I-SHARIF - To know how common Afghans are yearning for peace, a public order policeman has been fasting since last three years for lasting peace and stability in the country.

Nizamuddin Frotan 35, is the resident of northern Baghlan province and has been serving in the 6th brigade of public order police in Mazar-i-Sharif, the provincial capital of northern Balkh province.

In his earlier interview with Pajhwok Afghan News, he had said that he had started fasting for greater peace and elimination of corruption from Afghanistan.

"The government is not



demonstrating sincerity for peace and stability in the country," he said. Pointing towards the Afghan flag pinned on his shoulder; he said if the top government officials served the country diligently by keeping their oath-taking in mind then all challenges could be tackled in shortest possible time. However, he praised President Ashraf Ghani's efforts for establishment of peace in the country. (Pajhwok)

# Surrendered Rebel Languishing Jail

FARAH CITY - A Taliban militant who joined peace process has been languishing in a jail in western Farah province for unknown reasons, the victim's relatives complained on Monday.

Ahmad Shah 19, the resident of Bala Buluk district, was formerly active as a rebel for one-and-a-half-year in his home district.

Sheikh Ahmad, his uncle who is head of a local council, told Pajhwok Afghan News that Ahmad Shah had joined peace process as result of his and other relatives' efforts in January this year. Shah was introduced by the Bala Buluk police chief through a letter to the provincial police headquarters but the provincial police officials took him straight

to the prison, he alleged. Ahmad said he had been referring to different security organs about the issue for about a month but failed to ensure release of his nephew.

Acting Governor Mohammad Younus Rasooli confirmed the incident and ordered provincial police officials to clear Shah's case. "I have approached provincial police officials but they told me that they had already registered case against Ahmad Shah," Ahmad added.

A police commander in Bala Buluk district where Ahmad Shah was surrendered confirmed that Shah had surrendered his weapons and motorcycle to him.

Amir Mohammad Ayubi, director peace committee, said that Shah

was an active rebel but had renounced violence. "Unfortunately, Farah police had taken him to jail. The police should have introduced him to the peace committee," Ayubi noted.

He said that such kind of police approach would leave negative impact on peace process because rebels would not trust the peace move anymore.

Acting police chief Col. Deljan Khakrizi refused to comment on the issue and said that police were restricted from sharing views. He said that only governor and his spokesman could be approached for comments.

Governor's spokesman Mohammad Younus Rasooli said that there was no legal ground for Shah to be sentenced.

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# Craftswomen Struggle with Sales

TAOQAN - A number of businesswomen complained they were unable to sell handicrafts and other items made by women at reasonable prices due to a lack of proper market for the products in northern Takhar province.

A handicraft exhibition, showcasing mostly fabrics, was organized as part of a gathering to celebrate the International Women's Day in Taloqan, the provincial capital.

Craftswomen Union head, Farishta Hussaini, told Pajhwok Afghan News 1500 women in Taloqan and Baharak, Kalfagan and Warsaj districts were associated with the union. She said they supplied handicrafts to other provinces and exported abroad.

She said they produced up to 3000 hand-made garments in three months and the products had also attracted buyers in



Iran, Dubai, Turkey and Tajikistan.

"Our main product is Balochi embroidery dresses and each is sold to foreign buyers for 5000 afghanis and some woman dresses are even sold for 7000 afis to 10,000 afis. A woman can sew three dresses in a month and we are trying to increase the production," she said.

Though garments made by Takhar women had made their way to the international market, their buyers at home remained fewer due to a

# 72 Suspects Arrested

JALALABAD - During the military operations security forces have arrested 72 suspects from the jurisdiction of Achin District in eastern Nangarhar province.

A statement issued by the Ministry of Defense states that a number of heavy and light weapons were also confiscated by the security forces during the operation.

The statement adds all of the arrested suspects were taken to the police headquarters of Achin



District for further interrogation. According to the statement, the operation started yesterday and ended successfully later in the afternoon.

After taking full responsibility of the security from NATO forces this year, Afghan National Security Forces have begun large scale ... (More on P4)... (19)

# Ghulam Khan Port Gets Buildings

KHOST CITY - The construction work on buildings for custom and border police headquarters has been completed in the Ghulam Khan Port in southeastern Khost province, an official said on Monday.

The sprawling buildings have been constructed on 17.5 acres of land within two years at a cost of 390 million afghanis, Governor Abdul Jabbar Naeemi told Pajhwok Afghan News during the inauguration ceremony.

Engineering corps of US army funded the ambitious projects, he added.

Border Police Commander Mohammad Shafiq Fazli said the construction of police headquarters was a great achievement. He said the existence of better infrastructure would help improve police performance.

In addition, he said economic activities would multiply with more job opportunities after the construction of custom building. (Pajhwok)

# Dozens of Fighters Living with Families

MAIMANA - Dozens of families of Uzbek fighters have entered into northern Faryab province and living in parts of this province. Officials say they have joined hand with Taliban, planting landmines and fighting the government.

Abdul Jamil Sediqi, Governor of Qaisar Districts shows the number of these families over a 100. He says some of these families have also settled in Almar District. He said that the Uzbek fighters are fighting in the lines with Taliban and busy in destructive

activities. Javid Didar, spokesman for the governor of Faryab province also confirms the report. He says that Uzbek fighters have joined hands with Taliban in Qaisar district and fight the government.

He added that these fighters are expert in making landmines. Also, last month security forces arrested three female Uzbek fighters in Maimana, provincial capital of Faryab, who were later reportedly released. Reports indicated that the security ... (More on P4)... (20)

# Policemen among 4 Killed

FAIZABAD - At least three Afghan Local Police (ALP) personnel have been killed and three others wounded after their check post came under insurgents' attack, officials said on Monday.

Dawlat Mohammad Khawar, the Wardoj district ... (More on P4)... (21)

# 6 Rebels Dead in Internal Clash

JALALABAD - Six militants have been killed in their internal clash in eastern Nangarhar province, provincial police spokesman said on Monday.

Hazrat Hussain Mashriqiwal told Pajhwok Afghan News the armed clash ... (More on P4)... (22)

## Outlook Horoscope

**Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)**  
 You can't help but say yes to a special invitation today, even if you know you should be more responsible. You get along famously with others while your key planet Mars is harmonizing with joyful Jupiter.  
 Nevertheless, don't take the easiest path just because you can; putting in a little extra effort could turn a wonderful opportunity into an extraordinary one.

**Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)**  
 You might be needlessly licking your wounds from an emotional disappointment yesterday. Although warrior Mars is waving his banner today, you don't have to wage a battle to achieve victory. The truth is you only need to be honest and speak from your heart. However, be ready to back up your words with meaningful action, if needed.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)**  
 You are motivated to make a name for yourself by climbing the ladder of success today, and it appears as if your efforts will soon be rewarded.  
 However, your outward accomplishments may not be as important now as your recent change of attitude. Even if reaching your goals takes longer than you expect, your confidence allows you to shine like a star.

**Cancer (June 21-July 20)**  
 Although you are often happy to play the role of a nurturing friend, you're having trouble balancing your tender feelings with deeper emotions that are working their way to the surface today. It's as if there are contrary sides to your personality vying for recognition.  
 This inner conflict may be just as confusing to you as it is to others.


**Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)**  
 Your future looks exceptionally bright, but you may be missing an important piece of the puzzle. Instead of only concentrating on the approval you receive from others and the good fortune coming your way, look within yourself now to create a more meaningful existence. Reconsider your core values, analyze your recent assumptions and uncover hidden issues.

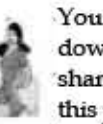
**Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)**  
 You are highly capable of managing your business affairs now, but a knight in shining armor may still ride to your rescue. Unexpected assistance from a good friend or helpful advice from a coworker could make your life a lot easier.  
 Naturally, you can be your own superhero, but today's cosmic energy is so positive for relationships, it's not smart to strike out on your own.


**Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)**  
 You can express yourself with an assertive flair today, especially through your artistic creation or spontaneous behavior. Unfortunately, words might fail you now, so don't bother trying to explain your emotions; follow your instincts and demonstrate your feelings, instead. When all is said and done, your actions really do speak louder than anything else.

**Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)**  
 You don't need to tone down your intensity today; your powerful emotions are compelling and your friends and acquaintances will probably want more of you rather than less. You are so highly attuned to sexy Mars that it's nearly impossible to wipe that all-knowing smile off your face. Luckily, exuberant Jupiter encourages you to take charge in your relationships.

**Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)**  
 Your high spirits are inspirational today as visionary Jupiter raises new possibilities everywhere you look. The secret to your success is to align your heart with energetic Mars and act on your desires. Thankfully, expressing your emotions moves you closer to someone you really like. Don't become so sure of yourself that you miss the obvious signals; sometimes the most awesome opportunities are right in front of your nose.

**Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)**  
 Sometimes you aren't the greatest communicator in the world, especially when it involves sharing emotions that make you feel vulnerable. Nevertheless, you tend to fare better today if you steer clear of more rational realms and reveal your feelings, even if you don't know where the other person stands. It's not time to be shy when it comes to acknowledging what's in your heart.

**Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)**  
 You may believe you're slipping and sliding down a slippery slope of emotions now as you share your ambitions for the future. However, this journey of revelation is not about furthering your career goals or finding your life purpose. It's more about an illogical attraction, a warm and fuzzy feeling that often acts like a warning sign -- especially when your heart means business.

**Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)**  
 Your enthusiasm might be over the top today, or, perhaps, you are experiencing someone else's jubilant attitude. In either case, there's more going on than meets the eye, and, fortunately, what comes to the surface now can be quite pleasant. Don't try to hide your feelings, even if you're worried that things could turn out badly. Be courageous and put your wishes out in the open for the world to see.

**Across**

1. Animal foot, 5. Feints, 10. Aquatic plant, 14. Ammunition, 15. Watchful, 16. Coil, 17. Inheritor, 18. Discourteous, 20. Aerial, 22. Weird, 23. Best seller, 24. S S S, 25. They keep dozing off, 32. Paperlike cloths, 33. German iris, 34. A type of large sandwich, 37. Breezed through, 38. Orderly grouping, 39. Dad, 40. Type of whiskey, 41. Law and, 42. Moses' brother, 43. Running away, 45. Sight-related, 49. Big fuss, 50. Pee-pee, 53. Terminate, 57. Permissiveness, 59. Doing nothing, 60. Always, 61. A French dance, 62. Tidy, 63. A musical pause, 64. Hinder, 65. Horse feeda

**Down**

1. Laugh, 2. Portent, 3. Leave out, 4. Brow, 5. Chipper, 6. Forearm bone, 7. Beer barrel, 8. Makes a mistake, 9. Immediately, 10. Assumed name, 11. Diving birds, 12. Edge tool, 13. Church recesses, 19. Peppercorn, 21. Bites, 25. Sun, 26. Delicate, 27. Type of sword, 28. Mob, 29. Made a mistake, 30. A kind of macaw, 31. Do it yourself, 34. Indian dress, 35. Atop, 36. Pow!, 38. Biblical boat, 39. Light tan horse, 41. Academy award, 42. Contributes, 44. Prissy, 45. Not inner, 46. Demonstrate, 47. Anagram of "Islet", 48. Unreactive, 51. Labels, 52. French for "State", 53. Bad end, 54. Notion, 55. Thin strip, 56. Collections, 58. Old World vine

**Yesterday's Solution**

brake, chill, clime, coarse, color, deal, different, display, drew, drive, excite, extension, fans, forge, friend, graft, helmet, inside, mouse, multiple, nerd, occupation, assion, peon, person, precision, prince, racer, seed, sees, share

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