

## Quote of the Day

Work

*There is nothing impossible to him who will try.*

Alexander the Great



### Ex-NSA Atmar Slams Delay in Presidential Election

KABUL - Former national security advisor Mohammad Hanif Atmar has hit out at the delay in the presidential election. He is one of the presidential hopefuls.

"No doubt, a serious blow to the constitutional process at this delicate time for democracy, Despite the government's pledge, such decisions continue to be made without consultation," Atmar tweeted. He said that Afghanistan was at the cusp of a historic opportunity to achieve peace. But to secure a desirable outcome, he added, people must have confidence in the democratic process and the government's ability to abide by the process.

"Failure here will have far-reaching consequences for peace," he wrote, adding "Multiple delays, coupled with the disastrous conduct of the electoral process so far, underpin the government's dismal failure to live up to its foundational obligation to the people." Atmar ...*(More on P6)...(3)*

# U.S. Exchanges Views on Afghanistan with Russia, China, EU

U.S. officials have "exchanged views" with representatives of Russia and China on the current status of the Afghan peace process, the State Department says.



WASHINGTON - In a statement the department said representatives met in Washington on March 21-22 and "discussed common efforts to bring peace,

prosperity, and security to Afghanistan." "They underscored their respect for the sovereignty, independence, and terri-

torial integrity of Afghanistan, as well as Afghanistan's right to make its own political, security, and economic decisions." ...*(More on P6)...(1)*

### Nangarhar Elders Ask Taliban to Enter Intra-Afghan Talks



JALALABAD - The residents of eastern Nangarhar province on Saturday urged the Taliban to enter an intra-Afghan dialogue to end the decades-old conflict in the country.

The demand was echoed at a massive gathering in Jalalabad, the provincial capital, on Saturday, with the participants ...*(More on P6)...(2)*

### Pakistan National Day Celebrated at the Pak Embassy in Kabul



KABUL - Messages of the President and Prime Minister of Pakistan were read-out on the auspicious occasion of 79th National Day of Pakistan celebrated in a befitting manner at the Embassy of Pakistan in Kabul. Pakistan envoy Zahid Nasrullah Khan requested the solemn gathering, including members of Pakistani community and that of the Armed Forces to take heed of the message of Prime Minister Imran Khan and work diligently to achieve the goals and objectives of Naya Pakistan.

A distinguished flag hoisting ceremony marked the beginning of the event. (PR)

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