



3 Civilians Killed, 4 Injured in Kandahar Blast

KANDAHAR CITY - Three civilians were killed and four others wounded as a result of a blast in the Maiwand district of southern Kandahar province on Tuesday, an official said. Governor spokesman Samim Khapalwak told Pajhwok Afghan News the blast took place at around 9:30am on the outskirts of Maiwand district. He said injured had been evacuated to the hospital but there was no information about their health condition. The landmine was recently planted by militants and exploded when a tractor was passing through the place. (Pajhwok)

3 Rebels Killed, Human Traffickers Detained in Herat

HERAT CITY - Three Taliban fighters have been killed and five others wounded in a clash while the National Directorate of Security (NDS) unearthed a gang of armed smugglers in western Herat province, an official said on Tuesday. Six armed human trafficker involved in kidnappings and armed robberies were arrested by intelligence operatives from the Injil district of the province, a statement from the spy network said. The detainees were identified as Abdul Hakim, Arbab Adham, Rostum, Mohammad Rafiq, Akram and Zai-nuddin. The detainees have confessed to their crime. Three weapons, as many ... (More on P4)...(16)

12 Killed, 14 Wounded in a Traffic Incident

MEHTARLAM - At least twelve people lost their lives in a traffic incident in eastern Laghman province of Afghanistan, local officials said. The incident took place after a vehicle carrying passengers veered off from the highway in the vicinity of Mehtarlam city, the provincial capital of Laghman province. According to the local government officials, the vehicle was on its way from Mehtarlam city to Alisheng district when the incident took place. The officials further added that 14 passengers also sustained ... (More on P4)...(17)



Taliban's Deputy Chief for Tahoka Village Killed

KUNDUZ CITY - A top Taliban leader was killed in an airstrike carried out in the outskirts of the strategic Kunduz city. The provincial police commandment in a statement said Taliban's deputy chief for Taloka village Mullah Abdullah was killed in the airstrike conducted during the ongoing counter-terrorism operations. The statement further added that Mullah Abdullah was actively involved in terrorist related activities being the deputy shadow chief of Qari Taliban shah. At least three Taliban insurgents were also wounded in the airstrike and six others were critically wounded, the police commandment added. According to the local officials, the counter-terrorism operations are still being conducted under the name of Pamir-1 operations for the elimination of terrorists from Kunduz ... (More on P4)...(15)



15 Tonnes of Expired Food, Drinks Seized in Farah

FARAH CITY - Public health officials on Tuesday said more than 15 tonnes of expired food and beverages have been seized from markets in the capital of western Farah province. The spurious food and drinks were collected by an environmental health team of the Public Health Department in Farah City over the past two days. Public Health Director Dr. Abdul Jabbar Shaeq told Pa-

hwok Afghan News that sales of expired items were injurious to people's health. "We should jointly take part in identifying and reporting expired edibles to the authorities concerned to protect our health, our real asset," he remarked. He said no one had been detained in connection. Mohammad Halim, a shopkeeper in Farah City, was happy about the Public Health Department's ac-

tion. He demanded punishment for those selling expired materials. He said some shopkeepers were selling expired food to uneducated people, who could not read sell-by dates on such products. Expired food, drinks and medicine are sold in many provinces, including the capital Kabul. Public health teams collect such items over and over again and torched them. (Pajhwok)

5 ISIS Militants Killed, 6 Wounded in Nangarhar

JALALABAD - At least five ISIS militants were killed and six others were wounded during the operations of the Afghan National Defense and Security Forces in eastern Nangarhar province of Afghanistan. According to local government officials, the operations were conducted in Chaparhar district as part of the clearance operations being conducted in this province to eliminate the fighters of the terrorist group. The officials further added that several areas in Nangarhar province have been cleared

of ISIS presence since the operations were launched several days ago. Nangarhar is among the relatively calm provinces in eastern Afghanistan but the anti-government armed militant groups have recently increased their insurgency activities in some parts of the province during the recent years. Both the Afghan and US forces conducted regular strikes against the loyalists of the terror group in this province. The US forces in Afghanistan dropped ... (More on P4)...(19)

Six Policemen Killed in Helmand Attack

KABUL - At least six policemen were killed in an insurgent attack in southern Helmand province on Sunday night, local officials confirmed on Tuesday. In addition, three other policemen were wounded in the attack. The attack took place in Sangin district of the province after a number of insurgents ... (More on P4)...(18)



1 Policeman Killed, 2 Injured in Faryab Accident

MAIMANA - One policeman was killed and two others injured when their military vehicle overturned in northwestern Faryab province on Tuesday, an official said. Faryab Governor Abdullah Masumi told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident happened in the Khawaja Sabz Posh

district. The vehicle belonging to the Special Police force skidded off the road and overturned in Nawaen village, he added. The injured security personnel were rushed to hospital soon after the accident, the governor said, but he had no information about their condition. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

You may be marvelous at initiating action, but sometimes you're not the best at finishing what you start. Although the determined Taurus Moon encourages you to complete one task before chasing after a new one, satisfaction is elusive even when you follow through to completion. You're less interested in fulfilling your obligations than you are in giving it your best shot.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

You want to focus on concrete issues today, but it's easy to forget your original intention once a discussion becomes intense. In fact, you could even be the one who steers the dialogue from a pragmatic debate into the realms of spiritual conjecture. It's fun to explore ideas and philosophies through the give and take of communication, but don't wander so far off track that you lose

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You need a day off, but not only from work. Instead, consider taking a mini staycation by temporarily severing all communication links with everyone beyond your immediate environment. But avoiding social media for a few hours is not enough; you must also turn off your phone, and all other electronic devices, if you truly want to unplug. Disconnecting from the outside world radically changes everything.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

Talking about your plans with a close friend enables you to be seen in a deep and profound way. But your current desire to keep communication simple makes it more challenging to convey the subtleties and nuances of your professional yearnings. Nevertheless, you are committed to understanding the big picture and may even consider enrolling in a course to further your studies.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You naturally like to be seen by others, but you're weary of always having to look your best. You wouldn't mind some time off for good behavior today, but you keep getting dragged back into controversies that affect your friends and coworkers. Strive for clarity above all else because others will come to you for advice now.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

You're uninterested in trivial matters and may steer clear of watercooler topics like sports, weather and celebrities. However, an intellectually stimulating dialogue attracts you like a moth to a flame. You think smart is sexy and can't wait to engage in a lively debate about the practical application of astrology, numerology or tarot. Meanwhile, your head is buried in more tedious subjects in order to keep up with your tasks at work.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

A conversation with a friend can take you in a totally unexpected direction today. In fact, you may be touched by the fickle finger of fate when someone says something that acts like a catalyst and opens a new world of possibilities. But simply going along for a ride now is not on your agenda, even if you're being carried to a magical destination.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

Interpersonal dynamics become more complex today because it's extremely difficult to resolve a difference of spiritual beliefs or personal values. It's much easier to live with variations of favorite foods, colors and music. But this emotional dilemma doesn't necessarily indicate the end of the road; you must continue to hold one another in a place of love and respect.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

You imagine being a muse for someone whose work you admire. You want to be clever and entertaining, bringing new dimensions of fun into another person's world. However, upon deeper analysis, it becomes apparent that you long for an individual to play this very same role in your life. Thankfully, there's no reason to be stuck in a creative rut now.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

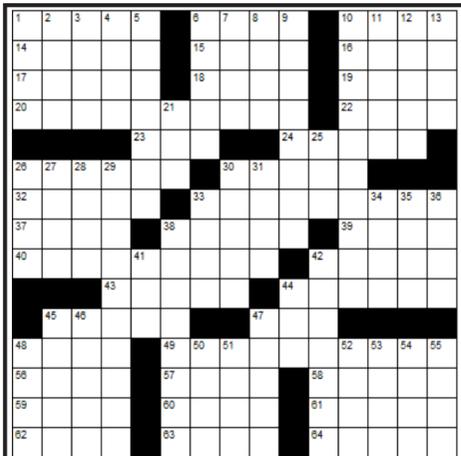
A practical approach to love could open a few doors today, reconnecting you to someone who is drifting away. It's tricky when unresolved issues return from the past with such intensity that they seem to be relevant all over again. Separating the painful memory from the present moment is necessary to sustain a relationship. However, you must be brave enough to start conversations that matter.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

You may be harboring unrealistic expectations, even if you're not conscious of your current idealism. It's much easier to form an opinion and then cling to it, no matter what. But keeping your feelings to yourself fosters separation and even alienation. If you want to grow closer to someone now, you must make a commitment to deepen your emotional connection and widen your mental horizon.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

You are swimming in a sea of infinite relationship possibilities, yet a constructive energy enables you to narrow your vision and concentrate on a single goal. Nevertheless, there are a few obstacles that must be overcome if you are to successfully choose a direction and stay on that trajectory. Rather than skimming the surface, dive deep.



Across

- 1. Subsidized, 6. You (archaic), 10. East Indian tree, 14. Big, 15. Warning device, 16. Gown, 17. Agitated, 18. Midmonth date 19. Always, 20. Reporter, 22. Consciousness, 23. Possessed, 24. Passageway, 26. Unusual person, 30. A firm open-weave fabric, 32. Classical Greek, 33. Pillages, 37. Gulp, 38. Prisons, 39. Cabbage-like vegetable, 40. Filled completely, 42. Anxious, 43. Fend off, 44. Carnival promoter, 45. Tint, 47. Weep, 48. Voucher, 49. Repose, 56. Hindu princess, 57. False god, 58. A sudden forceful flow, 59. Therefore, 60. Prima donna problems, 61. Weeps, 62. To fancy (archaic), 63. Bristle, 64. Beginning

Down

- 1. Dash, 2. Baseball great, 3. Found over each eye, 4. Auspices, 5. Obscurely prophetic, 6. Not first or second, 7. Boxes for bricks, 8. Chocolate cookie, 9. Disentangles, 10. Seamstress, 11. Shack, 12. Poplar tree, 13. Notch 21. Consume, 25. 3 in Roman numerals, 26. A young lady, 27. Hawkeye State, 28. Hissy fit, 29. Decorating with a design, 30. Patter, 31. Frigid, 33. Satisfy, 34. Armored vehicle, 35. If not, 36. Clairvoyant, 38. Pranks 41. Crimson, 42. Hot sauce, 44. Carton, 45. Portion, 46. Door part, 47. Chip dip, 48. Team, 50. Border, 51. Plunder, 52. Change direction, 53. Colored part of an eye, 54. Curved molding, 55. Where a bird lives,

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