

<b>Jalalabad</b>	Clear	<b>Ghazni</b>	Partly Cloudy	<b>Kandahar</b>	Clear	<b>Mazar</b>	Partly Cloudy	<b>Herat</b>	Partly Cloudy	<b>Bamayan</b>	Chance of Rain	<b>Kabul</b>	Clear
	39°C 24°C		26°C 11°C		38°C 21°C		36°C 23°C		34°C 18°C		19°C 6°C		29°C 14°C

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# Iran, Pakistan Agree to Register Illegal Afghans

KABUL - Pakistan and Iran have agreed to register undocumented Afghan refugees living there and provide them with new facilities, the Afghan refugee minister said on Tuesday. Multiple agreements reached at a meeting involving officials from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iran and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in Tehran about a week ago, Syed Hussain Almi Balkhi told reporters in Kabul. Balkhi, who attended the meeting, said Pakistan and Iran agreed to register all illegally residing Afghans in the two countries and grant them refugee status. He said under the agreements, Afghani-



stan would identify these refugees and in this regard, bilateral committees would be formed and the bodies would start their job over the next month. The minister said nearly three million Afghans were living illegally in the two countries and as many legally. The meeting in Tehran also supported voluntary repatriation of the Afghan refugees, he said. Without elaborating, Balkhi said: "It was also agreed that Afghan refugees living in prohibited areas illegally will be issued legal documents in the same areas." He said Iran agreed to extend the stay of Afghans ... (More on P4)...(9)

## 1,200 Syrian, Afghan Refugees Flood Greece in Two Days



LESBOS - At least 1,200 migrants from Syria and Afghanistan have landed in Greece over a two-day period, the Daily Mail reports Wednesday, flooding the islands of Kos, Lesbos, Chios and Farmakonisi. 30,000 have arrived in the past year alone. Migrants have been smuggled in from the Turkish border, according to the news agency, with the average smuggling price at 800 euros (\$870) per head. The islands have become severely littered and overcrowded from the influx, as the inflatable rafts carrying refugees are left on the beaches and police stations meant for fewer than 40 people are now home to at least 200. ... (More on P4)...(14)

## Private Sector Investment in Bamyan on Decline



BAMYAN CITY - Private investment witnessed record downward trend in recent years in central Bamyan province, which put far-reaching negative impact on the overall trade and development activities, an official said. Ali Raza Hassanzada, executive director of Afghanistan Chamber of Commerce and Industries (ACCI), said lack of government support for private ... (More on P4)...(11)

## Ghani Praises Security Forces for Zero Casualty Toll in Kabul Attack

KABUL - President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani On Wednesday praised the Afghan National Security Forces for their well coordinated response in quelling Tuesday night's attack on a guest house in Wazir Akbar Khan in Kabul. The Afghan forces reached the scene soon after the insurgents attempted to enter the guest house. Despite a heavy gun battle during a six hour siege, no

deaths or injuries were reported. Condemning the terrorist attack in the strongest terms, Ghani said: "Our security forces once again proved that they are capable of defending our country and people against any threats and disruptive efforts." The President commended the Afghan people for supporting the National Security Forces and ... (More on P4)...(10)



## Hashemi Appointed as Deputy Spokesman to President Ghani

KABUL - Syed Zafar Hashemi assumed charged as deputy spokesman for President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani on Wednesday, the Presidential Palace said. A statement released by Presidential Palace said Hashemi ... (More on P4)...(15)

## New Governor Pledges Kunar Development

ASADABAD - The newly-appointed governor for eastern Kunar province on Wednesday took charge, vowing to use all his energies and available resources for development of the province. Wahidullah Kalimzai, who replaces Shujaul Mulk

Jalala, was speaking at a ceremony wherein he was introduced as the new governor in Asadabad, the provincial capital. Kalimzai urged the people of Kunar to cooperate with him in every sphere, saying without their cooperation, ... (More on P4)...(12)

### Provincial council

## 400 Nangarhar Schools Sans Building

JALALABAD - Provincial council head in eastern Nangarhar province on Wednesday rued around 400 schools had no buildings, urging the authorities to pay utmost attention to the crucial sector in the province. Ahmad Ali Hazrat, Nangarhar provincial council head, while speaking at a gathering said students in these



400 schools faced many challenges. He said apart from education department it was important that the Ministry of Education paid attention to resolve the issue. "The Ministry of Education should hire professional teachers for schools situated in remote areas and should also raise ... (More on P4)...(13)

## Lack of Coordination Fuelling Helmand Insecurity

LASHKARGAH - The provincial council chief of southern Helmand province and some residents complained against growing insecurity and blamed security forces for lack of coordination in their fight against miscreants. Taliban have intensified attacks in various provinces, including capital Kabul, in which both sides and civilians suffered casualties. ... (More on P4)...(16)

**Islamic Republic of Afghanistan:**  
**Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation & Development (MRRD): National Solidarity Program (NSP)**  
**Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) For International Individual Consultant: Program & Project Management Advisor**  
**(Reference # MRRD/NSP III/CN/109)**

**Country:** Afghanistan  
**Ministry:** Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation & Development (MRRD)  
**Type:** Individual (International) Consultant  
**Project ID:** P117103  
**Grant #:** TF 098459-AF or any other NSP grant as may be available  
**Issue Date:** 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2015  
**Closing Date:** 08<sup>th</sup> June, 2015

### I. The MRRD Mandate Role in Rural Development:

The Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD) was established to develop and implement programs promoting responsible social and financial growth in rural areas, primarily in the non-farm sector. It has employees in all 34 Provinces of Afghanistan, and delivers a wide range of programs funded both by the Ministry itself and the International Community.

MRRD aims to reduce poverty amongst the approximately 80% of Afghans who live in rural areas by implementing a made-in-Afghanistan "Pro-Poor" growth strategy which calls upon the government and civil society to address the macro economic constraints, the small size of the formal private sector, and the realities of rural poverty in order to implement realistic poverty reduction and development strategies.

### II. Specific Roles/ Responsibilities Expected of the Consultant Position:

#### (a) Duties and Responsibilities

- 1 Draft a program sustainability plan for the existing MRRD program portfolio for the Minister's office
- 2 Undertake a comprehensive program efficiency, cost effectiveness and financial sustainability assessment of the entire MRRD program portfolio
- 3 Complete ToR is available in ARDS, ACBAR and NSP Website.

### Time Schedule

The assignment is expected to start in mid-July 2015 and is for a period of 12 continuous months, with possibility of extension on mutual agreement by both parties and at the same contractual terms.

### Academic Qualifications

Post graduate education in Social Sciences, Development Studies, Program/ Project Management, Public Administration or a closely related field.

### Work Experience

- A minimum of 10 years working experience in senior managerial or advisorial positions is required.
- Complete ToR is available in above Websites.

### Duty Station and Reporting Requirements:

**Duty Station:** The duty station shall be the Office of the Minister located within the MRRD Compound in Darul Aman, Kabul, Afghanistan.

**Reporting Requirements:** The consultant reports to H. E. the Minister for MRRD in all work-related issues.

### Submission of Expression of Interest:

Expressions of interest (EOI) must be delivered to the address below or by E-Mail to the ID shown below no later than **08<sup>th</sup> June, 2015**. The subject line (of the email or the cover letter if submitted in person) should refer to the position being applied both by title and by the reference number stated in this document. Note: No telephone inquiries will be entertained.

### Address of Focal Person for Enquires and Submission of EoIs:

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