



Afghans Deported From Germany Face Violence, other Perils

BERLIN - Since 2016, Germany has deported about 600 Afghans whose applications for asylum were rejected. When they land, they are given €150 and left to fend for themselves. Observers say this practice is irresponsible.

In May alone, there have been numerous murders, incidents of violence and terrorist attacks in Afghanistan. According to a UN report, 561 civilians were killed from January to March 2019. And Germany's Foreign Ministry has issued a travel warning for Afghanistan, reporting that "staying in most parts of the country remains dangerous."

Despite these facts, Germany recently deported 26 more people to Afghanistan. Since December 2016, almost 600 people have been sent to the country in a total of 24 repatriation flights. Authorities have even used physical force to deport people. Once people who have been deported from Germany land in Afghanistan, they are left to fend for themselves and face uncertain futures. Downplaying security risks Samira Hamidi, who works for Amnesty International's South Asia Regional Office in Colombo, is originally from Afghanistan and focuses on her homeland for AI. "The government is not able to provide protection for civilians," she said. "The government has its own challenges." She added: "Reflect on how the international - especially the European - countries are protected. ... The embassies have layers of security measures."

Read more: Horst Seehofer faces calls to resign after deportee suicide After a devastating 2017 terror attack in Kabul killed more than 150 people and severely damaged the German Embassy, officials in Berlin temporarily halted deportations to Afghanistan. ... (More on P4)...(6)

19 Taliban Militants Killed, 4 Vehicles Including a Car Bomb Destroyed in Security Forces Raids



KABUL - The security forces carried out separate operations in four provinces of the country killing at least 19 Taliban militants and destroying four vehicles including a car bomb.

"An Afghan special forces raid in Sayyidabad district of Wardak killed 5 Taliban fighters, detained 5 and destroyed 1 Vehicle-

borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) and 6 IEDs," the informed military sources said Monday.

The sources further added that the Afghan Special Forces conducted a raid in Bermal of Paktika province killing 5 Taliban fighters and arresting 3 others.

In the meantime, the sources said an airstrike in Bermal district of Paktika

province killed 3 Taliban fighters and destroyed 1 vehicle.

The security forces force also carried out three airstrikes in Andar district of Ghazni province which killed 6 Taliban fighters and destroyed 2 vehicles. The anti-government armed militants including Taliban have not commented regarding the operations so far. (KP)

Baghlan Historic Sites, Monuments Under Threat



PUL-I-KHUMRI - Growing insecurity has endangered the safety of historical sites and monuments in northern Baghlan province, an official said on Sunday.

Information and Cultural Affairs Director Zakria Naseri told Pajhwok Afghan News "Historic relics and sites exist in the province from the Koshanian era and we fear these sites may be harmed with the growing insecurity."

He said historic sites were available in 28 areas of Baghlan and according to him most of these areas were under Taliban's control.

Culture Protection Department head Abdul Bashir Azhar said a worship site from the Koshanian era and 400 years old monuments were available in the province.

"We fear as far as the protection of these sites is concerned that these historic sites may be lost due to insecurity," he said.

Bashir added efforts were on for protection and security of these sites with support of UNESCO.

1st Lt. Mohammad Nazir, commander of 012 unit, said that historic sites in areas under government control were fully protected.

It is worth mentioning that historic sites in provinces surrounding Baghlan are also under security threat. (Pajhwok)

Advisor to CEO Gunned Down; Assailants Escape



KUNDUZ CUIY - Unidentified assailants gunned down an advisor to the chief executive officer (CEO) in northern Kunduz province on Monday, officials said. Police chief Col. Manzoor Stanikzai told Pajhwok Afghan News unknown gunmen shot dead Noor Mohammad Arab and wounded his bodyguard on the Baghi-Zaraat road in the provincial capital at

around 9:00am. He said no one had been arrested so far in connection with the murder but police were conducting an investigation into the incident. Meanwhile, Faridon Khwazon, deputy spokesman for the CEO, confirmed to Pajhwok Arab's killing. However, he gave no further details. (Pajhwok)

Slain Policemen Relatives Demand Justice



MAIMANA - Relatives of slain policemen in northwestern Faryab province warned against revenge in similar manner if the killers family members remained at large. Two policemen were killed by unknown gunmen on Sunday evening in Maimana, the provincial capital. Police Spokesman Abdul Karim Youresh told Pajhwok Afghan

News investigation into the incident had been launched to identify the culprits. But relatives of the slain policemen said local uprising commander Najmuddin's armed men who were five in number initially tortured the policemen before spraying bullets on them. Commander Najmuddin could not be reached for comments. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



You're in the middle of a terrific yearly transition. You have a great deal of physical energy, Aries. You have an action-oriented mind ready to tackle anything. The key to making the most of this fortunate period is communication. Right now you have multitasking abilities that you can put to good use once you connect with others and understand exactly what needs to be done.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Try not to get too caught up in any potential conflicts brewing around you, Taurus. Your job lies in calming things down and bringing a more practical perspective to the situation. If you get tangled in the action phase of endeavors without first thinking about what it is that you're doing, you may confuse things more. Step back from the fire instead of throwing yourself into it headfirst.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



You could be operating based on an assumption that's only a partial representation of the truth. In your effort to think about only the good side of the situation, Gemini, you may not see the entire truth. There's a downside to everything. Feelings of anger, frustration, and even loneliness may go along with it.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



This is a great time to move forward on a writing project, Gemini. Any large, long-term project involving communication, film, or long-distance travel is begging you to take action. Don't delay. You have a strong force urging you to move forward. Look ahead with a positive attitude instead of thinking of all the reasons why these projects won't pan out the way

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Your engine is revved and ready, Leo. You have a full tank of gas. Unfortunately, you may feel like there's a large obstacle in your way. Perhaps this obstacle is your mental attitude and inability to make confident decisions. You may become so scattered at times that you can't effectively move forward on anything. Don't beat yourself up over it. The answers will come

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



No one likes rejection, but no one likes rejection less than you, Virgo. You may hesitate to take risks in the unknown. Keep in mind that by playing it safe, you deprive yourself of the very adventure that could turn your life around. There's an energetic, expansive feeling in the air encouraging you to take that leap of faith. This energy may feel foreign to you, but it's time to embrace it.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



Be flexible in your communication, Libra, and doors will open to you that you didn't even know were there. There's a tremendous amount of physical energy at your disposal. Don't waste it. By being rigid about your ways and insisting on doing things only according to your philosophy, you deprive yourself of the spontaneous adventures that give life the spice and variety you love.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



You may be in a difficult position, Scorpio. You want to explode into a new way of life yet feel stuck. Perhaps you feel chained to your current routine. You may feel like you're indeed making progress in the world, but you long for a giant release - like a trap door opening - that allows you to make a leap into the great beyond. This door is always open.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



You're getting support for and confidence from one aspect of your life and physical energy from another. Even though the two areas may be in a point of conflict, Sagittarius, you have the ability to take the positive aspects from each and fuse them together to create something new or solve a problem. Pool your resources and shift into high gear. The sky's the limit.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Success will come to you when you work with the energies at hand. Go with the flow of the situation instead of trying to undermine or manipulate it. There's a tremendous force at work. Perhaps all it needs is a bit of direction to align it with your goals. State your intentions openly instead of working behind the scenes. You will receive support from oth-

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

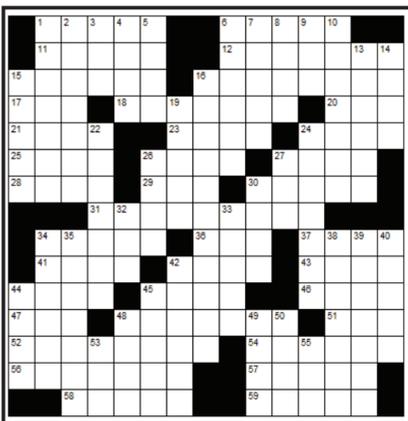


You may end up in some arguments, Aquarius. Your nature is expansive and generous, but if others take advantage of this good nature, your mood quickly turns to anger and detachment. Conflict is often a natural part of a relationship. Use it as a learning experience instead of blowing it out of proportion and turning it into a larger issue than it needs to be.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



You may be confused about asking for help, Pisces. Your usual resources could be occupied with issues and conflicts that have nothing to do with you. You may then offer to help others. By doing this, you've put someone else's needs above your own. Although this may feel good to you on some level, it's also a way to avoid the problems that you need to deal with.



Across

- Mixture of rain and snow, 6. Sped, 11. Latin name for our planet, 12. Hard rubber, 15. Imperative, 16. Norm, 17. Soak, 18. Take up the cause, 20. Wander aimlessly, 21. Like
- Unit of land, 24. Invigoration, 25. Heredity unit, 26. Smile, 27. Welt, 28. Border
- Since, 30. Creases, 31. Evolved, 34. French for "Room", 36. Mineral rock, 37. Angers
- Copied, 42. Quaint outburst, 43. Following, 44. Austrian peaks, 45. Wicked
- Stare, 47. Needlefish, 48. Open frame or basket of iron, 51. Hair goop, 52. Emigree
- Lead sulfide, 56. Illness, 57. Smiles, 58. Glowing remnant, 59. Malice,

Down

- Caressed, 2. Gaiter, 3. Before, poetically, 4. Sea eagle, 5. Makes lace, 6. Come back, 7. Demean
- Ice cream holder, 9. Terminate, 10. A drawing, 13. Paths, 14. Cocoyam, 15. Habitual
- ractice, 16. Social scientist, 19. Plaster, 22. Sewing tools, 24. Beadwork, 26. Donated
- Tiny, 30. Hurried, 32. A late time of life, 33. Not written exams, 34. Highly seasoned fatty,
- ausage, 35. Notify, 38. Chemical agent, 39. Cost, 40. Grave marker, 42. Flatter, 44. Elderly
- Delete, 48. Fourth sign of the zodiac, 49. Hens make them, 50. Canvas, 53. Precious stone,
55. 52 in Roman numerals

Yesterday's Solution



account, asleep, catch chime, clinic, crease, drift, enchantress, erect, estate, extra, fantasy, favorite, girlfriend, halt, happen, hopeful, letter, lien, month, noteworthy, patience, pink, rattle,

