

Gas Price Hikes Kabul's Markets

KABUL - Kabul residents have expressed their concerns over hiking of Gas prices. They have also accused the Government for doing nothing on monitoring market prices in the country especially in Kabul city since the weather is fluctuating towards coldness. Usually Gas price goes high when

the weather gets cold in Afghanistan on annually basis, this week the Gas price from 42 Afghani hiked into 65 Afghani which is equal to one US Dollar per Kg in the capital city of Kabul. Officials in Ministry of Commerce and Industry have said we don't have exact numbers of con...*(More on P4)...(13)*

New School for Afghan Children in S. Tehran

TEHRAN - A new school for Afghan refugee children has opened in Shourabad, Rey County in south Tehran, and 700 kids have enrolled so far. The school was built by an Iranian non-government association Hami (literally, supportive) which is involved in helping refugee children, in cooperation with the United Nations

Children's Fund (UNICEF), the Persian language weekly 'Tejarat-e-Farda' a sister publication of Financial Tribune reported. "The new admissions barely constitute 2% of the total number of out-of-school refugee children and many Afghan kids are still deprived of their right to basic education,"...*(More on P4)...(14)*

MoI Investigates Beating of Three Policemen by MP

KABUL - The Ministry of Interior Affairs (MoI) said on Monday that an investigation is being carried out to clarify whether the three policemen were assaulted by a Parliamentarian in Kabul. Three policemen claimed Sunday that MP Zahir Sadat along with his bodyguards severely beat them up at a Police Station, in PD4 of Kabul. According to assaulted policemen, the MP beat them when they arrested his son for assaulting an ordinary citizen in the city. "A man came to me to say that three people were beating a bicyclist. I went there and brought them to the police station," a policeman told TOLONews. "You can ask the witnesses how they beat us," another po-



liceman said. The MP Zahir Sadat however rejected the allegations as baseless. He rather alleged that the policemen assaulted his son. "My 14-year-old son and 13-year-old nephew ...*(More on P4)...(15)*



Open Tender - Travel Agency

The Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) would like to invite competent Travel Agents to submit bids for providing domestic and international flight tickets, visa services, and hotel bookings comprising of following specifications:

No.	Service Description
1	Domestic and International Flight Tickets: To be able to provide tickets with all commercial airlines operation in country for domestic flights and to be able to provide various flight options for international flights, this depends on cost of options being provided by the Travel Agency and number of options they will be providing for an itinerary.
2	Visa Services To be able to process many countries visas where possible in lesser amount of time, period of processing will be taken into consideration.
3	Hotel Arrangements/airport pick ups To be able to provide hotel options in many countries plus airport pick facility if possible

Essential Criteria for The Bidders

The interested Travel Agency should have past experience of providing ticketing, visa, and hotel booking services to International organizations or UN agencies and must submit following documents as part of their bids:

- Company profile indicating key personnel and their contact details.
- Experience in providing ticketing, visa, and hotel booking services to INGOs or the UN agencies. (provide copies of contracts)
- Volume of business done in last 3 years with evidence to confirm that.
- Copy of registration with number of airlines to which they registered with, registration with IATA
- Copies of registration with concerned ministry and license from AISA.

The bidding documents can be collected from Logistics Section, Norwegian Refugee Council office, at following address:

➤ House # 1397, Communication Office Road, Near Darul Malomin Square, Kart-e-Char, Kabul, Afghanistan. Contact #: 0700 22 85 09

The bids should be addressed to the Procurement Committee, NRC Kabul Office, in sealed envelopes.

The last date for submitting the bid documents is within 10 days of this advertisement from 8 am - 4 pm Sundays - Thursdays

NRC reserves the right to select/reject without any explanation, any bids, in part or full, as it may deem necessary. No liability or claim in that respect would be admissible or entertained whatsoever.

Undeterred Afghan Woman Continue Fighting Taliban



KABUL - Commander Kaftar, an armed Afghan woman says she leading a group of armed men to defeat the Taliban and defend the country. Commander Kaftar, means commander Dove, is fighting the Taliban for years in Nahrin district in northern Baghlan. She is the only female commander that led armed men in the war against soviets. Currently she is providing security of her area. "If Taliban come to my area, I will see them with this cute gun," she told TOLONews in Kabul. "I and my men continue to defend Nahrin." She said however that she had no expectation from the government. Her colleagues say they are happy with their commander. They asked the government to give their commander a role in the government. "The government must give commander Kaftar the same role it has given the other Jihadi figures," said Zabaigum Sarwary, a female colleague of commander Kaftar. (Tolonews)

ISIL Recruiting and Brainwashing Afghan Children, Report



KABUL - A report published by Al Jazeera states that Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) is recruiting and brainwashing Afghan children to become the group's fighters and suicide bombers. Al Jazeera has visited two bases of ISIL in eastern Kunar province of Afghanistan and talked to ISIL militants including child soldiers who have said they are ready to become suicide bombers. Two instructors have been briefly filmed in the report during training child soldiers. One instructor is seen giving a pistol to a child of about

9-10 years in front of a line of children and tells him "hold it like this... little bit down". After him, another instructor appears in the video to show children how to use a Kalashnikov. "Grab the Kalashnikov in this hand," he tells children who pay close attention to him. The same man with long hair is seen in another place training children on grenade and firing the weapon. "This is a hand grenade... pull the trigger," he says while a group of children sitting and watching the two being briefed. ...*(More on P4)...(16)*

Five Soldiers Killed During Separate Attacks

KABUL - About five Afghan army personnel have been killed in separate attacks within the last 24 hours, the country's Defense Ministry said on Monday morning. "Several terrorists had been killed and wounded after Afghan National Security Forces launched joint

cleanup operations across the country over the past 24 hours. While five Afghan army personnel martyred during the same period," the ministry said in a statement. The Afghan army specialists found and defused 56 rounds of roadside bombs ...*(More on P4)...(17)*

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

You're less inclined to hide your feelings today, even if you think that what you say could make others rather uncomfortable. You're not particularly interested in stirring up any conflict now, yet you won't likely let a battle of wills stop your revelation. Share what you must, but think twice before you just blurt out something that you later wish you didn't.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

You want your actions to speak louder than your words so that others can see your good intentions at work. A creative Venus-Mars conjunction in your 5th House of Self-Expression pushes you to do more and talk less. But your motives might be misunderstood unless you also inform everyone of your agenda. Unfortunately, assuming that someone else will accurately interpret your behavior.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You may be swept up in an emotional current that weaves together several separate threads of your life. Fortunately, there isn't much that you need to do to prepare since the integration could come rather naturally now. The one obstacle that could block your way is your desire to logically understand each of your choices. Rational mastery is a dead-end street today; it's time to simply go with the flow of your feelings and trust your heart.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

There's a lot of turmoil simmering beneath the surface today, even though you might appear to put up a good front when you think anyone is looking. However, if you don't let others know what you need, you can't blame them if you don't get what you want. You can inadvertently increase your dissatisfaction by keeping your feelings quiet.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

Distractions pop up so quickly today that it's crucial to maintain your focus. It's best to handle each situation as it occurs rather than letting your feelings accumulate, even if you're pulled one way and then another. You are tempted to give a blow-by-blow description of your changing moods now that the emotive Moon is hanging out in your sign.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

If you are still waiting for the perfect moment to declare what's on your mind, weigh the alternatives one last time and then speak your piece today. Although roaring like a lion isn't necessarily your style, shining the light on your accomplishments now is a strategic thing to do. Keep in mind that people won't think any less of you if you finally stand up and accept the recognition that you deserve. There's nothing wrong with taking pride in your work.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

You might not be very clear about your destination now, but you're still eagerly anticipating what's next. Mental Mercury slips out of your sign today, shifting your perspective and encouraging you to invent new ways to express your creativity. Nevertheless, don't begin your new venture in stealth mode. Take this cosmic opportunity to discuss your tentative plans without hesitation.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

Your powerful emotions could leave you feeling awkward today if there's no place to express them in your social interactions. The passion conjured up by the sexy Venus-Mars conjunction may be difficult to explain, especially with the presence of mischievous Mercury in your sign. Although you Scorpions were built to withstand pressure.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

You can't restrain the tide of desire that is welling up inside you, but you still might feel like it's not possible to tell others what you want. You may try to suppress your emotions because the thought of discussing them makes you anxious. But acting like nothing is wrong isn't a path to happiness, either. Even if you think your feelings will only get in the way of an otherwise uncomplicated day.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

Although you can't escape your commitments, you might also crave some well-deserved downtime. Fortunately, you can get away with doing a little less at work now, but your desire to impress others with your competence doesn't leave a lot of room for relaxation. However, there's no need to be so hard on yourself for you probably have much higher expectations than anyone else.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

Love could be in the air today, yet it's up to you to make the magic happen. Luckily, you can express your feelings in a deeply personal manner, even if the tantalizing Venus-Mars conjunction doesn't have you buzzing with romantic energy. You may be extremely serious about accomplishing your goals, but you still prefer to collaborate with a playful partner now.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

Finalizing your itinerary for an upcoming trip might make practical sense today, but you could miss a chance to strengthen a relationship bond unless you set priorities and stick to them. It's not that you lack follow-through; it's just you could be easily distracted by a future goal that pulls you away from an emotional connection in the present moment. Don't be overly judgmental of yourself or anyone else.



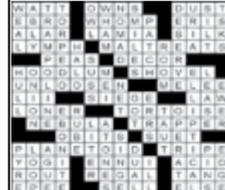
Across

1. You (archaic), 5. Weight loss plans, 10. God of love, 14. Stitched, 15. In base 8, 16. Verdant, 17. Region, 18. Conjuring up the dead, 20. Sequoia, 22. Dimensional, 23. Arrive (abbrev.), 24. Condemn, 25. Of this earth, 32. Chills and fever, 33. Reddish, 34. A spider spins this, 37. Anagram of "Snob", 38. Forbidden, 39. Filly's mother, 40. South southeast, 41. Slop, 42. Hostel, 43. Torment, 45. Hawaiian veranda, 49. French for "Friend", 50. Letter, 53. Submissive, 57. Kill, 59. Operatic solo, 60. Sow, 61. Heathen, 62. Chinese mafia, 63. Alleviate, 64. Sound of contempt, 65. Terminates.

Down

1. Russian emperor, 2. Not there, 3. Was indebted, 4. Unexpectedly, 5. Givers, 6. Frozen, 7. And so forth, 8. Sailors, 9. Swill, 10. Gladden, 11. Anagram of "Incur", 12. Academy award, 13. Timidly, 19. Frantically, 21. Mining finds, 25. Bronzes, 26. Prima donna problems, 27. Country bumpkin, 28. Path, 29. Russian currency, 30. Graven images, 31. Fuss, 34. Dry riverbed, 35. Therefore, 36. Existed, 38. Pair, 39. Incite, 41. Metalworker, 42. Tibetan monk, 44. Ability, 45. Rental agreement, 46. Breathing problem, 47. 9 9 9, 48. Comment to the audience, 51. What we kiss with, 52. Dash, 53. Sun, 54. Weightlifters pump this, 55. A region of SE Pakistan, 56. Crones, 58. Yore.

Yesterday's Solution



abase, absolute, alas, allergic, bead, blase, bloom, board, bridle, caste, castle, choose, class, clean, cool, cried, criminal, dears, dunce, fridge, fudge, giant, gravity, height, holiday, huddle, illness, index, leave, line, lousy, medicines, mousse, plane.

