



### Iran a Crucial Player in Regional Security: Afghan Envoy

TEHRAN - Iran plays a constructive role in fight against terrorism in the region, the Afghan envoy to Iran said Monday. Nassir Ahmad Noor in a meeting with Iran's special advisor to the country's Parliament speaker hailed Iran's role in fight against terrorism and its contribution to security and stability in the region. 'If the security and peace are strengthened in Afghanistan, the refugees will return to their country, the lives of innocent people are protected, human smuggling is prevented, and the borders would be safer,' he said. Terrorism roots, the ambassador said, are ...*(More on P4)...(15)*

### Media Violations Body Probes 32 Complaints in 6 Months



KABUL - Commission to review media violations and complaints on Sunday announced addressing 32 complaints during the first six months of the ongoing year. Hassina Safi, acting Minister of Information and Culture (MoIC) and head of the commission to review media violations and complaints jointly held a press conference in Kabul. They said during the first six months they addressed 32 complaints, including five media violations and 27 other complaints. The Media Complaints Commission held ordinary sessions after every fifteen days and but held extraordinary sessions ...*(More on P4)...(18)*

# Daikundi Girls Fight Odds to Learn Various Sports

NELLI - Despite limited resources as compared to other provinces, girls in central Daikundi province are increasingly taking interest in different sports. Some girls in Daikundi despite strong opposition from their families are engaged in different sport trainings in a comparatively small and under-resourced gymnasium. These sportswomen say wrong customs, beliefs and strictness on the part of their families are main hurdles they face in joining sports in Daikundi. They say they face many problems while going out of home for learning sports, but in the past few years girls have been learning different sports by defying wrong culture and restrictions of their families. Atifa, one of these sports girls, said she was interested in sports since childhood but her father did

not allow her to come out of home for that. 'Recently I satisfied my father that sports is good for girls and from the past eight months I have been getting sport training,' she said. Fatema Elham, another girl, told Pajhwok Afghan News: 'Due to wrong cultural restrictions in our society, people think sports are men-specific but we will fight against this to make everyone understand that sport is important for every men and women.' 'Despite lack of facilities, we will strive for success and completion of our dreams,' she said. Hawa Rezae, a trainer of these girls, said she faced multiple problems and hurdles in opening of the sports club, but the interest of girls and support from some families encouraged her to continue her mission. 'Initially girls shied away from

learning sports and showed little interest, but in recent years, girls' interest in sports has increased and due to lack of facilities and space, we cannot absorb more women,' she said. Khan Ali Ghulami, head of Daikundi sports department, acknowledged problems and difficulties being faced by girls in sports area and added the required funds for promotion of women sport were not available. He pledged to promote girls sports if more funds were provided. Gul Ahmad, father of one of the sport girls, said: 'In the beginning, I was against the girls' involvement in sport and believed that girls are nothing to do with sport. I held traditional views regarding girls sport and believed that girls should not play sport because they may suffer hemorrhage.' ...*(More on P4)...(14)*



### Elections Rigged Systematically in Kandahar: Candidates

KANDAHAR CITY - Some Wolesi Jirga candidates in southern Kandahar province on Sunday alleged the parliamentary ballot was massively rigged in the province and that they would not accept votes without biometric verification. The candidates also demanded the central government dispatch an authorized delegation for inspection of a recount of all Kandahar votes. Tens of Wolesi Jirga candidates attended the press conference in Kandahar City to raise their demands. Candidate Mualvi Noor Mohammad Aqa said the people public hoped that elections in Kandahar would be more transparent after



the weak-long delay but unfortunately the extra time was used for systematic rigging on the election day. ...*(More on P4)...(16)*

### Torkham Residents Appeal to Govt to Provide Schools

KABUL - Residents who live near the Torkham crossing in the eastern province of Nangarhar, along the Durand Line, on Sunday once again called on the Afghan government to establish schools in the area for their children. They said the lack of schools in their villages force them to send their children to school across the Durand Line in Pakistan. The education department of the Ministry of Education (MoE) has confirmed that there is an issue and pledged to take steps towards finding a solution to the problem as soon as possible. ...*(More on P4)...(17)*



### Taliban Claim Killing 46 Security Personnel in Overnight Farah Attacks

FARAH CITY - Over 30 Afghan Local Police (ALP) personnel have been killed and at least ten arrested by the Taliban in western Farah province, a local representative claimed on Monday. Haji Khair Mohammad Noorzai, the Provincial Council member, told Pajhwok Afghan News the Taliban stormed ALP checkpoints in the Khost area of Khaki-Safaid district on Sunday night. He said more than 20 local security personnel had been killed during the overnight clashes.

Noorzai said the Taliban have arrested some ALP personnel as well but was unaware of the exact number of arrested personnel. Governor Spokesman Nasir Mehri confirmed the clash in the Khost area of Khaki-Safaid district but was unaware of the casualties. According to Noorzai, the Taliban attacked the Bagh Pul, Sangi Zor, Barankot and Haidar Qela areas of Farah City, the provincial capital, on Sunday night but was unaware of the casualties. The ...*(More on P4)...(19)*



## Outlook Horoscope

#### Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



- There's a lot of tension in the air today, Aries. Perhaps you feel like no one is listening to you, and that people are draining your energy. You may act defensively and even occasionally become very angry. It's possible that no one has seen in you in such a state before. Don't be afraid to express your anger.

#### Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



- As a Taurus, you have an innate gift for healing and calming other people in crisis situations. If this isn't what you do for a living, you should think about doing something with this natural talent. The positions of the planets today may be telling you to think about this in more concrete terms.

#### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



You seem to be a specialist at relationships, and you're very sensitive to the ups and downs in your own. But today you may wonder if people love you less than they did before. This is rather an odd question, but another one may be hiding underneath. Do you really have to make such a big effort in order to be loved? Only you can answer that question.

#### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You're usually full of energy, Cancer, but today you may not feel so vivacious. There's nothing to worry about. In fact, you may have the time to do some thinking about your personal life and what you expect to get out of your relationships. You might also want to think about how you intend to go about getting it! Perhaps some of your motivations have changed lately.

#### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



- You may have had a hard time lately reaching your objectives. Unfortunately for you, Leo, today will be no different. You may begin to feel a bit dissatisfied with the way your life is going at the moment. You will ask yourself certain questions about your goals. Does your personal life live up to those goals?

#### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



- Your sense of responsibility is probably the catalyst for most of your motivation, Virgo. But what happens when events are beyond your control and you're powerless to do anything about them? You may have to admit that sometimes you can't control everything, especially your family and friends. Today you should think about letting things happen occasionally. Your life will be a lot less complicated.

#### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



- Today you could put a stop to your activities for a little while, Libra. You may take a good, hard look at things and realize that the climate of trust you need in order to be productive and creative is missing at the moment. It's a good time to get some order back into your relationships and remind others of their responsibilities to you.

#### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



- What are you after in life, Scorpio? Deep down, does the kind of work you do satisfy your most intimate desires? The little problems you encounter in your professional life over the next week could be the straw that breaks the camel's back. Take a look around to see if the work you do and the people in your life take your profoundly spiritual nature into account.

#### Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



- It's possible that you're trying to do too much, Sagittarius. If look at the days you spend working, you may realize that too much of your energy goes to some very meager results. Today, consider taking some time off to take advantage of life. Why not go out for a nice dinner with friends, or even better, go on a little vacation? Try and let things happen. You deserve time just for you!

#### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan.19)



- It's possible that you could be in conflict with people of the opposite sex today, Capricorn. You may feel as if they put obstacles in front of you and slow you down. But instead of getting into conflicts that could eventually escalate into full-blown confrontations, try and ask yourself what they think you're doing wrong. Does your personality take into account both your masculine

#### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

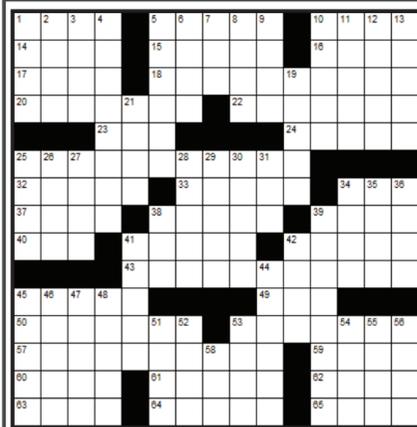


You have a very dynamic day ahead of you, Aquarius. You may feel the need to put all your energy into a group project. You will want to roll up your sleeves and get to work. You're usually a meditative, pensive person, but today you're looking for concrete results and actions. Who knows? This hard work might even help you relax a little.

#### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Have you ever thought of yourself as a CEO or any other kind of leader, Pisces? Today is a great day to begin a project involving other people - with you in charge! The strong, assertive side of your personality will come out in your decision making and charisma. Go for it! After all, this is the first day of the rest of your life.



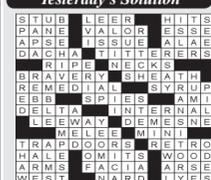
#### Across

1. Mats of grass, 5. The language of Persia, 10. Academician, 14. Threesome, 15. Homeric epic, 16. Magma, 17. Beige, 18. Symbolic, 20. Security activities, 22. A white crystalline alkaloid, 23. Atlantic food fish, 24. Courted, 25. Shaped like an ellipsoid, 32. Chinese currency units, 33. Chews, 34. Which person?, 37. Telephoned, 38. Wash out with a solvent, 39. Masticate, 40. Arctic bird, 41. Cubic meter, 42. Sound of an angry dog, 43. Walkers, 45. Genus of heath, 49. Confederate soldier, 50. Elongated yellow fruit, 53. North American blackbird, 57. Eclipse, 59. Dwarf buffalo, 60. Past tense of Leap, 61. Avoid, 62. Annoying insect, 63. Picnic insects, 64. Award, 65. Feudal worker, ,

#### Down

1. Stair, 2. Killer whale, 3. Soil, 4. Obtaining, 5. Meadows, 6. Charity, 7. Thorax protector, 8. An exchange involving money, 9. As just mentioned, 10. Ancient Athenian philosopher, 11. Relative magnitudes, 12. Sheeplike, 13. Confronted, 19. Whimpers, 21. Klutz's cry, 25. Tropical American wildcat, 26. Hawaiian feast, 27. Lean, 28. Leered, 29. Accustom, 30. Days of the month, 31. Reverence, 34. Stop for a horse, 35. Axed, 36. "Wise" birds, 38. French for "Summer", 39. A card game, 41. Straddles, 42. Got bigger, 44. A small hand tool, 45. African virus, 46. Large black bird, 47. Bumbling, 48. Wagons, 51. Throat-clearing sound, 52. Rescue, 53. Musical finale, 54. Hotels, 55. A soft sheepskin leather, 56. Escort

#### Yesterday's Solution



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