

# 17 Nangarhar Civilians Allegedly Killed During ANSF

JALALABAD - At least 17 civilians were allegedly killed during an Afghan national security forces operation on Tuesday night in Rodat district of eastern Nangarhar province, residents claimed Wednesday.

The residents said that seven members of one family including children were among the victims. The operation was conducted in Shahidano Mena in Rodat district. In protest against the incident, families of the victims laid the bodies of the deceased out on cushions, under a tent, next to the Jalalabad-Torkham highway. They also called on government to conduct a thorough investigation. "It was 12am at midnight when I heard small firing and then the sound of heavy firing. I heard voices which said do not shoot us we will come out, but despite that they were targeted," Rana Gul a



relative of the victims said. "One of my sons was working at a pharmacy, another was a student, there are children, all dead. Who should we ask?" asked Wahidullah, a relative of victims. ...*(More on P4)...(10)*



## Taliban IED Expert's Wife, Children Killed by Own Bomb in Faryab

MAIMANA - At least three family members of a Taliban group member was killed in an explosion triggered by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) in northern Faryab province of Afghanistan.

The 209th Shaheen Corps of the Afghan Military in the North in a statement said the incident took place inside the house of a famous Taliban IED expert identified as Sadrudin. The statement further added that Sadrudin was busy in making an IED when it went off prematurely, leaving his wife and two children dead.

The anti-government armed militant groups including Taliban have not commented regarding the incident so far.

The Taliban militants and other militants including ISIS often use improvised explosive device as the weapon of their choice to target the security forces and government officials.

However, in majority of such attacks the ordinary civilians are killed while in some cases the Taliban militants are themselves blown up in premature explosions.

Anti-government elements must immediately end the indiscriminate and disproportionate use of all improvised explosive devices (IEDs) in areas frequented by civilians, said UNAMA in a special human rights report released few days earlier.

The special report - titled "Increasing Harm to Afghan Civilians from the Deliberate and Indiscriminate Use of Improvised Explosive Devices" - documents a sharp increase from 1 January - 30 September 2018 in the killing and maiming of Afghan civilians by IEDs, which have caused almost half of the civilian casualties from conflict-related violence. (KP)

## NPC Approves 14 New Projects Having a Combined Value of 2.2 Billion Afghanis

KABUL - The National Procurement Commission (NPC) has approved fourteen new projects having a combined value of 2.2 billion Afghanis, the Office of the President, ARG Palace said.

Some of the key contracts approved during the meeting include construction of the first phase of road between Maruf and Arghistan districts in Kandahar, printing of 12.2 million books in Dari and Pashto for the Ministry of Education, procurement of 118 various types of medicines to ICU unit of the Ministry of Public Health, and contract for linking 120 sites of Salam network through ABS7 satellite.



Some of the other contracts approved during the meeting include consultancy services for the public and private project for the Ministry of Finance, project for concrete works in Herat customs department, procurement of gas for the National Directorate of Security, procurement of stationery items for the army units, and ...*(More on P4)...(11)*

## Taliban Militants Killed in U.S. Drone Strike in Nuristan Province



KABUL - At least six Taliban militants were killed in an airstrike conducted by the U.S. forces in eastern Nuristan province of Afghanistan.

The 201st Silab Corps of the Afghan Military in the East in a statement said the airstrike

was carried out in Nur Geram district of Nuristan.

The statement further added that the militants were targeted in Ganda Labok area of the district, leaving at least six of them dead.

The anti-government armed militant ...*(More on P4)...(12)*

## Baghlan's Doshi District Residents Demand Fresh Vote

PUL-I-KHUMRI - Hundreds of residents from Doshi district of northern Baghlan province on Tuesday visited the governor's house here and demanded fresh elections in their areas after thousands failed to cast their votes due to insecurity.

One of the residents, Arbab Abdul Wahab Shinwari, told Pajhwok Afghan News that 13,000 people had registered to vote in the Wolesi Jirga elections, but a majority of them were unable to vote to security concerns.

He said voting was their right and the government must facilitate them to cast their votes.

Another protestor, Haji Abdul Ghiwor Safi, accused security forces of failing to put in place enough security arrangements on the Election Day in their district.

"The threat from Taliban on the Election Day was not as serious in Kilagai area of the district as the Afghan forces were firing." A number of other protestors expressed similar views and called for fresh ...*(More on P4)...(13)*



## Outlook Horoscope

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



The unexpected need to take a journey by air or spend a lot of time working could bring about an inconvenient separation from your partner. While the reasons for this situation and the projected outcome are very positive, it can cause a temporary upset in your relationship. Don't worry about it.

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



Is your workplace upgrading its equipment? Are you in the process of increasing your technology skills? Today's planets show that success and advancement through technology are definitely in the offing for you, Taurus. If you've been thinking about purchasing a computer, do it today if you can.

### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Some close friends could turn you on to a new interest or perhaps a group you might want to join. Intellectual stimulation through those closest to you could open the way to new plans and innovations. You might want to try combining artistic interests with technology, Gemini, perhaps expanding your knowledge of photography, computer graphics, or filmmaking.

### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



Sudden, unexpected visitors could arrive today, perhaps by air or in a new car. You could host a group meeting of some kind at your house. A lot of exciting information and stimulating conversation could take place, Cancer, bringing fresh ideas that spark new interests.

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



Short journeys in your neighborhood, perhaps connected with a group you're associated with, could take up a lot of your time today, Leo. Fascinating and stimulating emails or calls could arrive. Books and magazine articles could provide information that sends you in a new direction in some way.

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



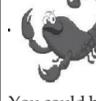
Unexpected money developments could brighten your day today, Virgo. Perhaps you will get a raise or an increase in some other form of income. Technology could be involved in some way, or a long-term goal you've been striving for finally brings in some benefits. There might be uncertainty about when it's coming or exactly how much it will be, but the outcome will be gratifying all the same!

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



A surprising revelation, either from within or from sources like books, the Internet, or communications from others could set you in an entirely new direction. You will have an increased sense of freedom, as well as a clearer and more progressive outlook. You might consider some pretty heavy changes in your life, Libra, but don't make any final decisions or arrangements today.

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



Discoveries made through occult sciences such as astrology or numerology could see you embrace some rather revolutionary ideas about yourself, the world, and life. You could become involved with a group associated with metaphysical studies or take a class or workshop of some kind. This could mean a new direction for you in some way, Scorpio.

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



Sudden lucky breaks could come your way today, Sagittarius, possibly through friends or groups with which you're involved. A long-term goal you've been working toward might bring unexpected but wonderful results. Group activities, particularly those involving social or political issues, could take up a lot of your time. This promises to be a busy, productive day. Expect the unexpected!

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



Today you might feel the desire to break free from your daily routine, Capricorn, particularly regarding career matters. You might consider developing a business of your own, one that would give you a lot more freedom than you currently have. This is a good day to start looking into it. You might find that there are more possibilities out there than you expected.

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

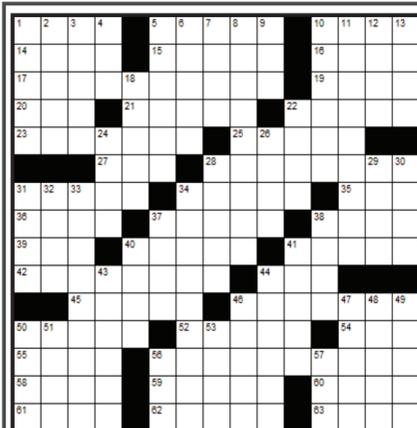


A sudden and unexpected opportunity to take a journey by air could come your way today, Aquarius. This might be something you've wanted for a long time finally manifesting. Certainly adventure is in the air, although it might be mental adventure as much as physical. Some information could come your way that catapults you into a new and exciting field of interest.

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



Technology could pave the way for you to greatly increase your income, possibly through new skills or investments. This is likely to be a very positive development, setting the stage for future financial success. Some unusual, interesting dreams could come your way, bringing unexpected revelations about you and your past - and possibly your future. Write them down!



### Across

- Algonquian Indian, 5. Knuckleheads, 10. Flake, 14. Body of a ship, 15. Double-reed instruments, 16. Was a passenger, 17. Enthusiasm, 19. Afresh, 20. Altitude (abbrev.)
- Beginning, 22. Notions, 23. Adolescent, 25. Strangely, 27. N N N N, 28. Ignored, 31. Voting groups, 34. Operatic solos, 35. Australian flightless bird, 36. Blockhead, 37. A slippery smoothness, 38. Breaststroke, 39. Half of a pair, 40. Groin, 41. Noodles, 42. Baby buggy, 44. Man's best friend, 45. Dynamism, 46. A communication, 50. Aqualung, 52. Brownish gray, 54. Brassiere, 55. Too, 56. Triumphant, 58. Religious splinter, group, 59. Not outer, 60. 10 cent coin, 61. Lock openers, 62. Excrete, 63. European mountain range

### Down

- Swindle, 2. Russian currency, 3. Wash out with a solvent, 4. L, 5. Behavior, 6. Overweight
- Solitary, 8. Geological structural features, 9. South southeast, 10. A baby bed, 11. Winter melons, 12. Bright thought, 13. Church benches, 18. Advances (money), 22. Midmonth date, 24. Make out (slang), 26. East Indian tree, 28. Pee, 29. Send forth, 30. Russian parliament
- Coalition, 32. Roman moon goddess, 33. In a burdensome manner, 34. Coming down to rest, 37. A cleansing agent, 38. Droops, 40. City in Peru, 41. Show-off, 43. Androids
- Kick out, 46. Deadens the sound, 47. Agitated, 48. Grouch, 49. Relieves, 50. Big bag
- Hint, 53. Skin disease, 56. Compete, 57. Actress Lupino,

### Yesterday's Solution

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