

Kidney Diseases Treatment Center Opens in Kabul



KABUL - A 'well-equipped' centre for kidney diseases was inaugurated in Kabul on Saturday with the promise to offer free of cost treatment. Public Health Minister Dr. Feruzuddin Feroz, who inaugurated the center, said the facility had been equipped with "all standard medical equipment" in three sections. "The center is also equipped with 40 hemodialysis machines and other materials needed for use", he said. The center offers facilities like arteriovenous fistula surgery, double lumen catheter insertion, treatment of acute kidney failure (AKF), chronic kidney diseases and removal of poisons. He said currently around 5,000 Afghans underwent ... (More on P4)... (18)

National Futsal Player Says His Dream Came True in Afghanistan



KABUL - A member of the National Futsal Team, Mahdi Nawrozi, who accompanied the Afghan squad to the 2017 Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games, says he found Afghanistan to be a good country in terms of chasing his dreams through sport. Nawrozi says he started playing futsal in Iran but it was hard for him to get ... (More on P4)... (19)

Dozens of Militants Eliminated in Faryab Offensive

MAIMANA - Local official on Saturday claimed that at least 130 Taliban insurgents have been killed and 90 others wounded during the air-and-ground operations in northwestern Faryab province. Gen. Amanullah Mobeen, commander for 209th Shaheen Military Corps, who led the clearing operation, said operation codenamed Naveed-6 was launched last Thursday and concluded on Friday. He said 130 militants, including Dr. Abdul Rahman were killed and 90 others wounded including key figures, Mulavi Zarif shadow governor and Mulavi Abdul Samad deputy governor. He said the clearing operation helped reopen the Ghormach-Qaisar highway, and rescued security forces besieged by militants in Chinese-known camp, and 3rd ANA battalion in one kilometer from Ghormach centre. The high-rank military official added that about 30 motorcycles were destroyed during the offensive. He did not give information about the security forces casualties. Taliban have not yet commented about the offensive. (Pajhwok)



93 Rebels Perish in 2 Weeks of Greshk Raids, Taliban Refute

LASHKARGAH - More than 90 Taliban insurgents have been killed and scores of others injured during an ongoing operation that was launched two weeks back in Greshk district of southern Helmand province. Greshk district police chief Capt. Mohammad Ismail Khpalkwaj told Pajhwok Afghan News that 93 militants had been killed so far during the clearing operation also backed by foreign air forces. According to him, four pick-up vehicles, two RPKs, eight AK 47s, eight rockets, one machinegun and some cars and motorbikes were also captured by the security forces. Khpalkwaj acknowledged the killing of five ... (More on P4)... (21)



Kandahar Woman Scripts Quran in Delicate Embroidery

KANDAHAR CITY - A young woman from southern Kandahar province has scripted the entire holy Quran with embroidery and wants to present her highly artistic work to the National Museum. Zamarud Afghan, 28, spent seven and half a years embroidering the holy book. She never went to school and learned the Quran from her mother. She can also read and write. In an exclusive interview with Pajhwok Afghan News, the woman said she had been interested in writing, reading and embroidery since her childhood, an urge that encouraged her to do the delicate work. Days after her father's death years ago, she decided to write the Quran by sewing all its verses on a cloth - a difficult job



no one had done before. Afghan wrote the Quranic verses on a piece of cloth with a pencil before embroidering them. In an effort to ... (More on P4)... (22)

42km of Roads Being Constructed in Nimroz

ZARANJ - Reconstruction work on 42 kilometers of roads was launched in southwestern Nimroz province on Saturday. Governor Eng. Mohammad Sami inaugurated the 18 million afghanis project and said more similar projects would be executed in the province. Funded by the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development, the roads are being constructed in Kang, Chakhansor districts and in Zaranj city, the provincial capital. The governor said development and progress in various fields was serious ... (More on P4)... (23)

13 Women Graduate from Ultrasound Machine Course

KABUL - Thirteen young women were among first graduates completing "Women in the Economy's (WIE) Forward Together Scholarship Doppler Ultrasound course" in Kabul, USAID said on Saturday. Held at the Ariana Hospital, the subsidised course gave participants the skills needed to operate an advanced ultrasound machine, the agency said in a statement. The ultrasound machine uses color imaging to diagnose a wide variety of health issues, including kidney diseases or healthy or complicated pregnancies. "There is a strong need ... (More on P4)... (20)

200 Badghis Families Displaced After Taliban Seize Villages



KABUL - Residents from at least three villages in Badghis province, in the west of Afghanistan, said the Taliban attacked the area on Thursday evening and torched a number of houses. The incident, which took place in Sina Ordo, Tagab Rabat and Bai villages in Ab Kamari district, left at least 200 families displaced as public uprising forces tried to fight off the Taliban. "We had no option but to leave our houses during the evening by walking across difficult terrain. The Taliban took our belongings from our houses when they came to our village. They set fire to some houses (in our village)," said Hafizullah, one resident who was forced to flee. "Taliban destroyed men ... (More on P4)... (24)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



Aries You might feel as if you're being shortchanged in a relationship today. It seems like you're not being heard, no matter what you say. Unfortunately, you may be so worried that you won't measure up to someone else's standards, that you don't even try. However, if you fail to show up now, you could inadvertently create the same situation you were trying to avert in the first place.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Taurus Every word you utter today seems to require extra effort. You might even be tempted to remain silent and save the communicating for another day. However, taskmaster Saturn tests gracious Venus as she visits your 5th House of Love, and it's not in your best interest to ignore this challenge.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Gemini You may think you're shouting into the darkness today and could convince yourself that no one can hear you as you share your heart's desire. You have something important to say and it's your job to deliver your message even if it seems to fall on deaf ears. But, the truth is that someone might be listening, even if they are pretending otherwise.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



Cancer Your desires are pretty simple today. You're not expecting the Moon and the Stars, only the loyalty of a close friend. Nevertheless, you're concerned that you still may be asking for too much while needy Venus in your 3rd House of Communication squares naysaying Saturn. But don't assume the worst.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Leo Love seems hard to find today, even if you know that everything will be okay in the long run. It's as if your heart is being squeezed through a narrow passage. Although it might not be pleasant in the moment, this process requires you to leave behind unnecessary emotional baggage. Keep your eyes on the light at the end of the tunnel.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Virgo Domestic responsibilities take up so much energy today that you are left without time to pursue your own interests. Nevertheless, your family relationships are of significant value to you, contributing to the stability of your personal life. Unfortunately, you must make choices because you can't do everything now. The long-term benefits of focusing on those you adore outweighs the fleeting satisfaction of pleasures that will not last.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



Libra You're not very talkative today -- you don't have a lot to say if you can't say something nice. However, keeping your dark thoughts to yourself is not necessarily a wise plan. Delving into the shadows can quickly turn into a downward spiral. Unfortunately, if you suppress negative feelings now, they only gain strength.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Scorpio You need a reality check from your friends today, partly because you're wondering if they really like you or if they are just humoring you. Thankfully, your current insecurity could lead to a heart-to-heart chat that enables everyone to put their feelings out into the open. Instead of criticizing someone else's behavior, try a more encouraging approach.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Sagittarius You may feel blocked in your career, especially if you think your hard work has gone unnoticed. Regardless of how close you may be to success, it seems far away today. You might be considering a change of direction, but this is not a smart time to throw in the towel. Your greatest strength is your faith in your potential, so don't lose hope now. The glass is half-full, not half-empty; your job is to fill it the rest of the way.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Capricorn You enjoy setting goals and then excel at creating viable plans to achieve them. Your objectives are clear now, and you're willing to commit all your resources toward reaching the pinnacle of your success. Although you may spend your time in contemplation today, you're busy strategizing for the action-packed days ahead.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

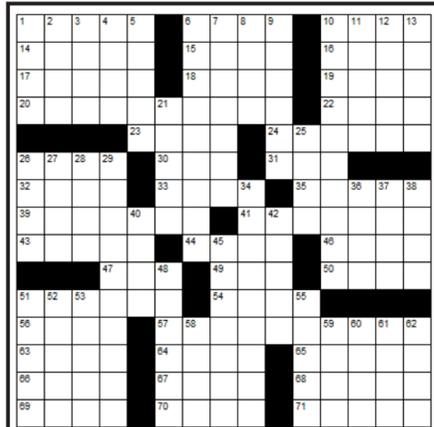


Aquarius You have a strange feeling that something wonderful could happen today, but you're hesitant to buy into your fantasy because you're afraid of being disappointed. Whether or not your day turns into a magical one, the power of positive thinking makes all the difference in the world. Nevertheless, if nothing out of the ordinary materializes, don't write the day off as a failure.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Pisces A friend or lover may ask you for a special favor today. Naturally, you want to help if possible. However, previous commitments might make it impossible to assist in the way you wish. Don't make any promises you cannot keep. It's better to say no right away than to end up being unreliable. The truth isn't always easy to deliver, but the sooner you address the facts, the better it is for everyone involved. Honesty is the kindest gift you can give now.



Across

- Wooden box, 6. Reflected sound, 10. Employ, 14. Flax fabric, 15. A cleansing agent, 16. Burden, 17. Performed, 18. Whimper, 19. Contributes, 20. A remarkable development, 22. Go on horseback, 23. Verruca, 24. Literary compositions, 26. Fizzy drink, 30. Glass container, 31. Regret, 32. Keen, 33. Chalcedony, 35. Colonic, 39. Deviant, 41. Pertaining to vivid recall, 43. Contemptuous look, 44. Possesses, 46. Cooking fat, 47. Neither ____, 49. Dawn goddess, 50. Transgressions, 51. Sleeping sickness carrier, 54. Disgorge, 56. Beige, 57. Maternity, 63. French for "Black", 64. Chocolate cookie, 65. Variety show, 66. A single time, 67. "Action word", 68. Delete, 69. Close, 70. Feudal worker, 71. Knuckleheads,

Down

- Applaud, 2. Wealthy, 3. Blind (poker), 4. Adolescent, 5. Provide with a permanent fund, 6. An artificial language, 7. Nation, 8. Angel's headwear, 9. The first event in a series, 10. Huskiness, 11. Large Asian country, 12. Reddish, 13. SSSS, 21. Captain's superior, 25. Sought damages, 26. Exhausts, 27. Baking appliance, 28. Calamitous, 29. Picaresque, 34. He fears foreigners, 36. Decorative case, 37. Bearing, 38. Does something, 40. God of love, 42. Put out, 45. A cowboy movie, 48. Jettison, 51. Mortise and ____, joint, 52. British biscuit, 53. Genus of health, 55. Made a mistake, 58. Mining finds, 59. Protagonist 60. Egg-shaped, 61. Dethrone, 62. DDDD,

Yesterday's Solution

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