

Kunduz Residents Desperate as Battles Continue

residents on Saturday criticized government's security strategy for their city, saying the security institutions have failed to safeguard the province. Reports from the frontlines and the outskirts of Kunduz indicate that

thousands of people are

KUNDUZ - Kunduz dealing with severe food shortages after a week of ongoing battles between the Taliban and security forces.

> "We took our children and escaped with only our clothes and left our whole property behind," said an elderly woman from ...(More on P4)...(11)

Anger as Fighting in Kunduz Forces People to Flee

fighting in the northern Afghan city of Kunduz with 13 members of her family this week, in shock at how quickly the city's defenses had collapsed to the Taliban.

Now in Kabul, she speaks bitterly of the failure of the government to protect

KABUL - Parmi fled the the city, a year on from the last time it was overrun by the Islamist militants.

"There is blood and dead bodies everywhere in Kunduz. Our young people are dying and the government hasn't done anything for us," she said, in ...(*More on P4*)...(12)

US Military Says 2 Service Members Wounded in Afghanistan

KANDAHAR - Two U.S. service members were wounded in eastern Afghanistan on Saturday when their vehicle struck a roadside mine, the military said.

They were "conducting a normal security patrol" near the airport on the outskirts of Jalalabad city, capital of Nan-



garhar province, when their vehicle hit the improvised explosive device," the U.S. military's spokesman in Afghanistan, Brig. Gen. Charles Cleveland said.

The individuals were evacuated from the scene of the incident to Jalalabad Airfield for ...(More on P4)...(13)

Taliban Shadow District Chief Among 2 Held in Herat

KABUL CITY - National Directorate of Security (NDS) personnel have arrested the Taliban shadow district chief for Obye district in western Herat province, a statement from the spy-network said on Saturday. Mullah Obaidullah along with his colleague Mohammad ...(More on P4)...(14)

2 Dead, 3 Wounded in Zabul Suicide Bombing

ZABUL - One civilian was killed and three others were wounded in a suicide bombing in southern Zabul province on Saturday, local officials said.

Deputy police chief Ghulam Jilani Farahi, told Pajhwok Afghan News that the explosion took place in Qalat, the provincial ...(More on P4)...(15)



Local residents queue up to get on a bus to leave Kunduz on Saturday October 08, 2016. The UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) was deeply concerned about large scale displacements as a result of recent fighting in Kunduz city, Afghanistan. Initial reports suggest up to 10,000 people have fled Kunduz in recent days. (Xinhua/Ajmal Kakar)

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2 Children Killed, 3 Injured in Kandahar Roadside Blast



KANDAHAR CITY - At least two children have been killed and three others wounded in a roadside bombing in southern Kandahar province, officials said Saturday. Governor's spokesman, Samim Khpalwak told Pajhwok Afghan killed and three others News that the incident ...(More on P4)...(16)

took place in Tughrak area of Shah Walikot district late on Friday. The bomb was planted by the Taliban militants and blew up when the children were passing the area, he said. He said two children were

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

Intense feelings are triggered as you encounter someone who attempts to thwart your intentions today. You might not want to be confrontational at work or at home, but realize you must take direct action anyway. Expressing your truth is healthy; just don't overreact or you'll be busy unraveling a drama over the days ahead.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

You think you know what someone else 🗠 is saying until you notice that you're receiving multiple streams of information simultaneously. You can't discern one signal from another today, making it nearly impossible to hear any of them clearly. Nevertheless, you may be embroiled in a conflict that makes it impossible to just walk away.

You might be compelled to defend your feel a bit out of your element now, yet you still respond

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

feelings today or apologize for inadvertently overstepping your limits. In either case, you're swimming in deep waters that put you in touch with existential fears. You may immediately if your efforts are being criticized. Taking a stand is a sensible strategy as long as you don't invest

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

You are driven to connect with your deepest desires today, even if you're not sure what to do about them. You may be required to process repressed family-related issues to further understand your feelings. Nevertheless, an air of suspense can be disconcerting because you don't have the complete picture now. Confronting old failures is your ticket to successfully.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You want more joy from your relationships now, but something seems to be holding you back. Unsettling alignments with the heavyweight outer planets prompt you to seek stability and excitement at the same time. In particular, uncomfortable aspects to suspicious Pluto provoke feelings of jealousy or resentment, making it difficult to relax.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

The cosmos pushes some powerful emotional buttons today that bring buried fears and desires to the surface. Your newfound awareness threatens to rock your world unless you're willing to accept your

past and make a detailed plan to move toward the future. However, there is little allowance for error now, making it very important to be precise as you inform others of your intentions.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

You might be engaged in a no-win situation today, unless you're willing to back away from the heat of conflict. Although retreat may be more complicated than you wish, you can effectively play the mystery card now by keeping a secret -- even if it seems as if you are telling the whole story. Dreaming about a lovely outcome is one thing, but planting your feet firmly on the ground is still required.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Although your creative energies are running strong today, you become uncomfortable if someone challenges your integrity or doubts the veracity of your facts. Nevertheless, you may try to pre-

vail in an argument, but you could get caught up in an intense drama as you clash over values.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



New and unusual desires could place you in a strange set of circumstances today. However, rather than pursuing these radical feelings, you're more likely to let go of a delightful distraction

now that stern Saturn in your sign is squaring the karmic Lunar Nodes. You might even find yourself embroiled in a passionate battle with someone who disagrees with your priorities.

You could remember events now that you wish to forget. Attend to a gnawing concern related to unfinished business with friends and relatives; don't let it linger in silence and undermine trust within your family tree. Believe it or not, facing skeletons in the closet can bring enormous relief, freeing up your mental and emotional resources to create a better future.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

A complex mix of cosmic energies can unleash power struggles in relationships today, but they also set the stage for positive change Disagreements over matters of principle could become so important that everything else is

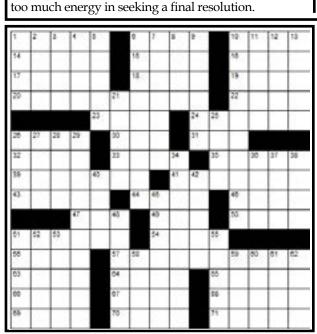
temporarily set aside. You may feel like a volcano that's ready to erupt as pressures intensify, and you might not consider the consequences of your actions now.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Your sixth sense is on fire today, especially when it comes to reading the hidden motives of others. Reality and imagination weave a magical fabric that reveals patterns to you that no one else can see. However,

you must share your insights discreetly or you could annoy someone needlessly. Naturally, you have the right to speak your truth, but it's more productive if you do it



1. Knuckleheads, 6. Probabilities, 10. Black, in poetry, 14. Fool, 15. Murres, 16. Countertenor, 17. Apologetic, 18. Express in words, 19. Rodents, 20. Geranium, 22. Tall woody plant, 23. An upright in a wall, 24. Not these or those, 26. A Maori club, 30. Mineral rock, 31. A spider spins this, 32. Soon, 33. Small island, 35. Nuzzled, 39. Amass, 41. Existing in name only, 43. Stories, 44. Hurried, 46. Exploded star, 47. Autonomic nervous system, 49. Fury, 50. Consider, 51. A three-legged metal stand, 54. Annoying insect, 56. Not there, 57. Not gifted, 63. Dash, 64. Anthracite, 65. Slender, 66. Satisfy, 67. Spring, 68. Platform, 69. Gave the once-over, 70. Unique, 71. Banana oil, e.g.

1. Platter, 2. Smell, 3. Former Italian currency, 4. Ripped, 5. Infections of the eye, 6. Flare-ups, 7. A four-sided spinning top, 8. Pickle flavoring, 9. Sick-looking, 10. Lacking wit or imagination, 11. Cacophony, 12. Aquatic mammal, 13. Snouts, 21. Unemotional, 25. Canvas dwelling, 26. Agreement, 27. Dwarf buffalo, 28. Fee, 29. Made without yeast, 34. Forever, 36. Blackthorn, 37. Overhang, 38. Apothecary's weight, 40. Feudal worker, 42. Something to shoot for, 45. Tress, 48. Plaster, 51. Not those, 52. Pass-thebaton race, 53. Angry, 55. Brusque, 58. Midday, 59. Catches, 60. Nipple, 61. Border, 62. One who colors cloth.



again, attach, bargain, birth, brand, class, desert, dont, double, fusion, gritty, harmful, helpless, hospital loath, nasty, patron, pine, popular, raise, refuse, roil, rotten, sane, school, signature, skull, stupid, touch, train, under, vilify, wing, worlds, worry, wrong.

