

# Below 5pc of Zaranj Residents Consume Clean Water



ZARANJ - The scarcity of potable water has turned into a serious challenge for residents of the capital of southwestern Nimroz province, where less than five percent of people use healthy water. A new survey by the Central Statics Organization (SCO) shows 85 percent of water contains E. coli bacteria in Kabul, Balkh, Kapisa, Samangan, Badakhshan, Daikundi, Nangarhar, Khost and

Herat provinces. According to the Nimroz water supply department, only five percent of people in Zaranj city have access to paid clean water that is also not tested to be fully healthy by the organs concerned. According to Pajhwok Afghan News, residents of Nimroz, particularly districts, have been struggling with an acute shortage of potable water and

obliged to consume unhealthy water. Lack of potable water a challenge in Nimroz Mualvi Gul Ahmad Ahmadi, a provincial council member, said people's access to water increased with enough rainfalls in Helmand and Uruzgan provinces and the increase in water level in the Helmand River that flows into Kang district of Nimroz. "Otherwise we ...*(More on P4)...(12)*

## Afghan National Flag Hoisted in Kandahar's Ghorak District

KANDAHAR CITY - Local security officials on Monday said the Ghorak district of southern Kandahar province had been purged of militants and the national flag hoisted on the district centre building. The security forces captured the district centre and many other areas of Ghorak following a three-day clearing operation. Officials said several Taliban militants were killed or wounded in the offensive. Kandahar police chief, Gen. Abdur Raziq, said 30 militants were killed and scores wounded during the operation, in which large quantity of weapons, ammunition and motorcycles were seized. He said that Afghan security forces suffered no casualties. Kandahar officials insisted Ghorak district was not lost to ...*(More on P4)...(15)*

## NDS Special Unit Seize Explosive Laden Car

KABUL - Two suicide bombers were arrested and an explosive-laden car seized in Surobi district on Monday afternoon. The Special Unit of the National Directorate of Security (NDS) has captured two suicide bombers along with a car full of explosive devices in Kabul's Surobi district, NDS said in a statement. According to the statement, the two suicide bombers were ordered by the Peshawar Council to carry out an explosive attack in Kabul city. According to the statement the Taliban had a meeting in Peshawar and decided to carry out a number of attacks in Kabul city against specific targets such as military facilities, security forces convoys and in crowded areas. The statement said Qari Baryali, Taliban's shad-gov governor for Kapisa ...*(More on P4)...(16)*

## Insurgents Gun Down Tribal Elder in Zabul

QALAT - Insurgents gunned down a prominent tribal elder in Shajoy district of southern Zabul province on Monday, officials said. Zabul governor's spokesman, Gul Islam Sayal, told Pajhwok Afghan News Taliban insurgents shot dead the elder, Matiullah Khan, today morning. He said Khan had no connection with the government and had been active resolving people's problems and disputes in local jirgas. He said the assailants fled the area after the incident, however, security forces had launched a manhunt for them. Shajoy is one of Zabul's insecure districts where many areas are under Taliban's control. *(Pajhwok)*

## 15 Militants Eliminated in Kandahar Airstrike: Police



KANDAHAR CITY - At least 15 Taliban insurgents have been killed during an airstrike in Maroof district of southern Kandahar province, Local official claimed on Monday. Zia Durrani, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News that 15 militants were killed and several others wounded during the overnight air raid. However, a source said the Maroof district headquarters had moved to Patawee area. Six policemen were also ...*(More on P4)...(13)*

## Casualties as Taliban, Daesh Clash in Jawzjan

SHIBERGHAN - Six Taliban and five Daesh rebels have been killed and 15 others wounded during a series of clashes between the rival groups in northern Jawzjan province, local officials said on Monday. Governor's spokesman, Mohammad Reza Ghafari, told Pajhwok Afghan News the two groups clashed in Chaharsai and Khataisai areas of Qush Tapa district on Sunday night. The two sides creased fire in the morning but they were preparing for another battle, he said. He said six Taliban and five Daesh fighters had been killed and seven Taliban and eight Daesh rebels wounded during the clashes. When asked why the Afghan forces are not using the opportunity to launch an operation against the two groups, he said, "Security personnel in Qush Tapa ...*(More on P4)...(14)*

## Iran Beats Afghanistan 8-2 in 2018 AFC Futsal Championship Qualifier



TEHRAN - Iran men's national futsal team has recorded a deserved victory in the 2018 Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Futsal Championship qualification tournament, defeating Afghanistan in its opening match. On Sunday evening, the Iranian squad, domestically known as Team Melli Futsal, celebrated an 8-2 win over the Afghan team at the end of a Group B fixture of the South & Central Zone in Shahid Poursharifi Arena of the northwestern Iranian city of Tabriz. ...*(More on P4)...(17)*



## Marastial Meets KP Governor Zafar Jhagra

KABUL - Newly-appointed Afghan Consul General Muhammad Moeen Marastial on Monday called on Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Governor Iqbal Zafar Jhagra at the Governor's House in Peshawar. A handout from the governor's house in Peshawar said "the distinguished guest remained with the governor for some

time and discussed matters of bilateral relations and mutual interest." The Afghan diplomat presented his credentials to the governor on the occasion as well, read the handout. Jhagra congratulated Marastial on assuming office and wished him success in the fulfillment of his responsibilities. *(Pajhwok)*

### Outlook Horoscope

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



**Aries** Although you have a detailed list of everything you want to accomplish today, it's an uphill battle to make as much progress as you wish. Normally, whenever you run into an obstacle, you simply regroup and try again. However, the resistance likely comes from within now, as your tumultuous feelings get in your own way.

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



**Taurus** You could feel blindsided if a close friend or associate's temper boils over today. Their negativity isn't necessarily directed at you, but you can't help but take it personally, anyway. Although your feelings may run amok, at least the atmosphere will clear once the reflective Moon shifts into peace-seeking.

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



**Gemini** Overbooking your day's agenda is a familiar problem for you overactive Twins. However, you might have stretched the limit too far. You may try to cover your scheduling mess by rushing around even faster now, assuming you can still complete everything in a timely manner. Unfortunately, this ambitious strategy won't likely save the day.

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



**Cancer** You want to see the visible results of your efforts right away, but circumstances beyond your control prevent you from completing the task at hand today. Unfortunately, an unfinished project doesn't produce the impact you seek, leaving you with little to show for your work. Fortunately, your natural tenacity rides to the rescue now, inspiring you to persist as long as necessary.

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



**Leo** You believe that you can run any race successfully today, but your self-confidence might set you up for a swift disappointment. Aiming for ambitious objectives motivates you to work harder, but you could exhaust yourself before you reach the finish line if your goals are unattainable. Arthur Ashe said, "The doing is often more important than the outcome."

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



**Virgo** Getting something off your chest sounds like a good idea today -- until you open your mouth and begin talking. Unfortunately, it's easier to start the conversational ball rolling than to stop it once it's in motion. If you have been withholding your feelings because you didn't want to upset someone, you could unleash a tirade of emotions before you even realize what happened.

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



**Libra** When you inform others that everything is wonderful today, you might actually be convinced you're telling the truth. However, your smile may be hiding anger that is lurking just below the threshold of your awareness. Exploring your inner world now could uncover subconscious feelings you didn't know existed.

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



**Scorpio** The most regimented and orderly parts of your life are the targets of your strategic rebellion today. You are willing to plot your course against the grain in an attempt to release pent-up tension. However, communicator Mercury colludes with boisterous Jupiter in your passionate sign, prompting you to believe that happiness can be yours if you take radical action to remove the obstacles.

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



**Sagittarius** You're playing to win today and you're unwilling to settle for second place. The Moon's conjunction with warrior Mars fuels your aspirations and inspires you to fight for what you want. However, competition won't contribute as much to your progress now as cooperation. Success isn't about being better than anyone else; it's about being better than you were before. Author Michael P. Watson wrote, "Strong people don't put others down."

#### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



**Capricorn** Your ambitions are motivated by inner emotional turmoil now. You may attempt to counterbalance your uneasy restlessness by pursuing the thrill of accomplishment. Unfortunately, the excitement of the moment only offers fleeting satisfaction. Meanwhile, cerebral Mercury joins propitious Jupiter in your 11th House of Long-Term Goals, inviting you to set your sites on a more enduring result.

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



**Aquarius** You are plotting your course to success and won't be satisfied until you achieve world domination. Although you could become obsessed with your unrealistic goal now, there is a deeper truth that is gnawing away in the back of your mind. You possess the ability to distinguish yourself professionally while clever Mercury and fortuitous Jupiter conspire in your 10th House of Status.

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



**Pisces** People seem extra touchy today, like they could lose their temper with only the slightest provocation. You're stepping through an emotional minefield and it's hard to tell if everyone is truly acting as they feel now, or if you're doing something to push them over the edge. Either way, it's disconcerting to have anyone's anger directed at you. Rather than engaging in fearful negativity, you can elevate the conversation by showing respect, even to someone who

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-65.

Across: 1. Flower stalk, 5. Round red root vegetables, 10. F F F F, 14. Constellation bear, 15. Shadow, 16. Story, 17. Short skirt, 18. Vitamin B2, 20. Ore refinery, 22. Munitions, 23. Type of snake, 24. Twilled fabric, 25. Enjoyable, 32. Years, 33. Mistake, 34. Regulation (abbrev.), 37. Probabilities, 38. Scour, 39. Frayed, 40. Aye, 41. Jaegers, 42. Subarctic coniferous forests, 43. Spongy confection, 45. Spanish for "Friend", 49. Biblical boat, 50. Punishment, 53. Distended, 57. Extra, 59. Interlaced, 60. Shower, 61. Academy freshman, 62. How old we are, 63. Beers, 64. Shooting sport, 65. Pull.

Down: 1. Totals, 2. Snip, 3. Feudal worker, 4. Letter pouches, 5. Agency, 6. Arab chieftain, 7. Diminish, 8. Anagram of "Wort", 9. Not in danger, 10. French for "Storehouse", 11. An act of gracious kindness, 12. Affair, 13. Feel, 19. Optical maser, 21. Throw, 25. Gambit, 26. Proprietor's find, 27. Terminates, 28. Happen again, 29. Tapestry, 30. Hair, tooth or paint, 31. Toss, 34. Agitate, 35. Therefore, 36. Chew, 38. Calypso offshoot, 39. An easy victory, 41. Young salmon, 42. Tropical tuber, 44. Hammer, 45. 3-banded armadillo, 46. Award, 47. An independent film company, 48. Advances, 51. Rewards for waiting, 52. Part of an egg, 53. Baseball great, 54. Ruth, 54. Roman robe, 55. Not odd, 56. Writing table, 58. Born as

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