

(1) UN Leads...

people of Pakistan and we are in touch with the National Disaster Management Authority and we are ready to provide assistance if requested." (Agencies)

(2) Earthquake...

Service was restored after a few hours to Kabul and other parts of the country but remote areas were still experiencing outages.

However, officials said aid agencies have started relief operations.

Extensive damage has been reported in villages and towns across the northern and eastern region, where houses have been leveled in many instances.

The quake - which is believed to have been the most powerful in the country's recent history - occurred at about 1:40pm local time on Monday afternoon.

In an address to the nation CEO Abdullah Abdullah warned of possible aftershocks.

He also called on aid agencies and other organizations to help with urgent aid to those affected.

Abdullah said that efforts are underway to assess the affected areas and dispatch emergency relief packages. (Tolonews)

(3) Karzai Turns ...

The former President of Afghanistan does not have an office and working out of his home.

Karzai has also returned the government house that was given to him for living.

The house is named 'Sapidar palace' and is being used by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Abdullah Abdullah as his office. (KP)

(4) NATO, Donor...

National Security and Defense Forces (ANSDF).

He said that the participants of the meeting would figure out ways on assisting Afghan security forces for coming three years, 2017 to 2019.

Hakimi further said that after the Warsa meeting, another international meeting would be held in Belgium where finance ministers of the donor countries would announce their assistance for the development projects of Afghanistan for three years. Afghanistan is preparing a strategy in accordance with the needs for that meeting, he said.

Meanwhile, the Government of Afghanistan and International Monetary Fund (IMF) have agreed on a three-year medium-term economic project which will be finalized in near future.

Ministry of Finance says that this project will restore the confidence of Afghanistan to IMF and as a result the expected assistance of the international community would be delivered to Afghanistan. (KP)

(5) We Don't...

maker in the lower house of the parliament stated.

However some of the other Afghan MPs have declared the mutual relationships in between Kabul-Islamabad full of doubts.

MP Gul padshah Majeedi urged that we were expecting USA to slap Pakistan for supporting terrorism in the region and Afghanistan, unexpectedly he was welcomed with open arms by the US President Barak Obama, therefore USA should make it clear its position against Afghanistan.

The following reactions come after Pakistan Prime Minister during his four day trip to USA has told to media that Pakistan cant kill Taliban at the same bring them behind the negotiation table. (ATN)

(6) ANSF Retake ...

However, he did not provide details about ANSF or civilian casualties.

Local military officials said however that the ANSF has

also had the support of the air force, which has carried out attacks on insurgents - especially their vehicles.

The military commanders said that they are sure they will retake control of the district governor's compound as well by Tuesday afternoon.

Dasht-e-Archi was a key base for the Taliban over the past few years and it was from there that they launched many attacks on Kunduz and other parts of north-eastern Afghanistan.

The Taliban has not yet commented on the operation. (Tolonews)

(7) Huawei Products...

and this is the outcome of our two-year struggle.

Expressing his Satisfaction that the new smart phones of Huawei products with unique traits are being introduced in Afghanistan, Mr. Khalid Lemar added that in the future both, Huawei and Khalid Lemar Co. Ltd, will provide more facilities for their clients. Khalid Lemar appealed the government and related authorities to ban and control the import of non-original products which cause waste of the national wealth in the country.

He hoped that with the help of sellers and people of Afghanistan, they would put Huawei Company at the top of Afghanistan mobile market.

While introducing the new product of Huawei Co. which was a smart phone with full new & different features, the official agent of Huawei Company also thanked and appreciated the performance of Khalid Lemar Co. Ltd and trust of the people on Huawei products.

Mrs. Helay Ershad, MP, was another speaker of the event who thanked Khalid Lemar Co. Ltd for their hard work in Afghanistan Market and their struggle for improvement of the country and people's economy.

During his Speech, Haji Din Mohammad, advisor to the High Peace Council, also emphasized on positive use of Mobile and its accessories.

He said, "I congratulate to Khalid Lemar Company for representing one of the word largest mobile manufacturing companies in Afghanistan which is one of the most qualified companies in the word too." He added that producing companies and their representatives are to develop warranty and guarantee services in Afghanistan to provide better services to customers and users.

Muhammad Akbar Stanikzai, a member of economic commission of the Wolesi Jirga, besides pointing out that Khalid Lemar Company is reputable in offering quality mobile phones in Afghanistan said: "Those who import counterfeit mobiles in Afghanistan harm Afghanistan's economy and waste the national investments."

Haji Muhammad Hashim, a member of Wolesi Jirga, also emphasized on the significance of the quality of foreign goods in Afghanistan's market.

Baktash Seyawash, a member of Parliament said in his speech, "In a county where death makes the report, the news about investment and economy delight us. We are proud of Khalid Lemar Company for investing to build Afghanistan."

He urged the government to protect the life and properties of the investors so that they can play the necessary role in the country's economic development.

At the end of the ceremony, the Khalid Lemar Company awarded a million Afghanis as gift to three top sellers of Huawei products and also offered certificate of appreciation and cash gifts worth 2000 dollars to more than ten others to honor their efforts. (PR)

(8) Earthquake...

[Monday] earthquake." Shor Bazaar is a very old part of the city and consists of mostly mud-made houses.

It is said that most houses in Afghanistan have not been built in compliance with safety standards to withstand natural disasters.

The quake, which struck on Monday at about 1:40 pm local time is believed to have been the most powerful in the country's recent history. (Tolonews)

(9) Iran Urges ...

relief aid to people in the war-racked country.

Takht-e-Ravanchi made the remarks in a meeting with Finland's Under-Secretary of State for External Economic Relations Matti Anttonen in Tehran, where the two officials discussed the latest regional issues, including the crises in Yemen and Syria.

The Saudi military has been engaged in heavy strikes against Yemensince late March. The strikes are supposedly meant to undermine the Houthi Ansarullah movement and restore power to fugitive former Yemeni President Abd Rabbuh Mansour Hadi, a staunch Saudi ally. (Press TV)

(10) U.S Ready to ...

the family of those who died both in Afghanistan and Pakistan."

He said: "The U.S government has been in touch with the governments in Afghanistan and Pakistan and we stand ready to provide any additional support that may be needed. This is an area of the globe that is plagued by these kinds of incidents so it's not the first time that these government are responsible for responding to these situations."

"The one thing that is relevant here is that there is a substantial USIA (U.S. Agency for International Development) presence in both of these countries to try to assist their needs. And there are a number of pre-positioned emergency shelter and relief supply kits in warehouses throughout Afghanistan," he added.

By Tuesday morning, government confirmed at least 82 deaths and said over 300 people had been injured.

According to Afghanistan's CEO Abdullah Abdullah, government has also "registered 4,000 houses/ compounds damaged by the powerful earthquake yesterday (Monday). Assessment and rescue efforts continue."

Messages of condolences have poured following the deadly quake, which scientists say is the worst to hit the area in many years.

On Monday, soon after the quake hit, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi said: "I just spoke to President Ashraf Ghani and expressed my sympathies and condolences at the damage caused by the earthquake."

He said: "President Ashraf Ghani shared with me his initial assessment of the damage. I offered all possible assistance."

"President Ashraf Ghani told me due to the quake a school building collapsed and children lost their lives. I was very pained to hear of this."

In a statement issued by USAID, the agency said: "Our thoughts are with the people affected by the magnitude 7.5 earthquake that struck Afghanistan and the region (Monday). We are deeply saddened by reports of deaths and destruction in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The United States stands ready to help should governments request international assistance."

The statement added that USAID has disaster specialists in the affected countries and Washington, D.C. is monitoring the situation and are in contact with government officials and humanitarian partners.

"USAID has a proud history of working to improve lives in Afghanistan and Pakistan, and we remain committed to supporting the region in the aftermath of this disaster," the statement read. (Tolonews)

(11) Taliban Threaten...

to be 'Un-Islamic'.

This comes as the constitution of Afghanistan is formed in accordance with the Islamic rules and the formal religion mentioned in there is also Islam.

Contrary, numbers of religious scholars have called the activities of Taliban to be un-Islamic and name them the servant of the intelligence agency of Pakistan, Inter-Service Intelligence (ISI).

Abdul Rab Rasoul Sayaf, a religious scholar and former Jihadi leader says whoever carrying out suicide attacks and believes this is for Allah he is mistaking, his act is against Allah.

In another part of Mullah Mansour's speech published on Taliban's website, he calls on fighters not to harm public utilities.

He orders fighters to also prevent others from harming power dams, Madrasas, schools, bridges, clinics and any other similar installation that benefits public.

Mullah Mansour tells fighters in the message to assist civilians in health, education and other sectors in accordance with the Islamic law. (KP)

(12) Rescue Operations.

tools and clothes," he said.

"We are still collecting reports on casualties and damage, but the number of deaths and wounded will likely increase," Sayas said.

Dozens of relief workers have already arrived in areas in northern Badakhshan, Takhar, Parwan and eastern Nangarhar, as well as in Kunar provinces. "Food kits and kitchen tools have also been distributed to victims and survivors in many villages," added Sayas.

Parts of eastern Kabul, including Kabul city, Nuristan, Laghman, and northern Baghlan provinces were also affected by the disaster.

"Luckily, the quake began with a weak tremor, giving people a chance to leave their houses for safer areas. Fortunately, the casualties are lower than initially expected," Sayas said. "Nearly all of the affected areas are located in mountainous provinces. Some of our rescue teams and assessment groups have been facing difficulties in reaching far-flung villages. They have been facing the challenges of difficult terrain as many rough roads are blocked by quake-triggered landslides," the disaster official noted.

When asked whether the country was in need of assistance, the official said that the United States, Turkey and Iran have showed their readiness to offer assistance to the ongoing relief efforts.

"We are appreciative of their moves and we would welcome any kind of assistance provided by any country," he said.

Afghan President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani said he was greatly saddened by the casualties and losses caused by Monday's earthquake, and expressed his sympathies and condolences to the families of the victims, according to a statement posted on the country's presidential Palace website.

"President Ghani has assigned an assessment committee to provide emergency assistance for the victims. Also, the President has directed the Ministry of Public Health to take immediate action to provide treatment for the injured," the statement read.

On Monday afternoon, shortly after the disaster, the chief executive of the government, Abdullah Abdullah, presiding over the meeting of NDMA, instructed the Ministry for

Public Health as well as national and international aid agencies to cooperate in the best interests of the affected people in the quake-hit areas. Earlier in the day, Khwaja Qamaruddin Seddiqi, an advisor to the country's public health ministry, told a local publication that 78 people were confirmed dead while 480 others sustained injuries as of Tuesday afternoon.

"The number of casualties may go up to over 100 and more than 500 injured in the coming hours," Seddiqi said. (Xinhua)

(13) Govt. Starts...

and families living in the rest were given until Saturday to move out.

According to commission officials, concerned departments have confirmed that the land

They say the government plans to build a recreation area on the land once it has been cleared of illegal dwellers.

Yusuf Pashtun, the president's advisor on urban development affairs said at least 400,000 hectares of land has been grabbed across Afghanistan over the past 15 years.

"We can say that up to 400,000 hectares of land has been grabbed over the past 15 years in Afghanistan. This has hampered many developments and big projects that could be a good economic source for the country. These projects are pending," said Pashtun.

Meanwhile, those who built houses around Qargha Lake say they have title deeds to the land they claim to own. They say they bought the land legally and that their documents have the signatures of officials.

"I have the deeds and I bought this land two years ago and I built my house here and I live with my family. This is a legal deed," said Ziauddin, one affected resident.

"If the government is legal then it should pay compensation to me because it is going to destroy my house; otherwise, if they don't and they destroy my house, it will mean that I am not part of this country," he added.

Former residents of Qargha meanwhile said the land around the lake was bought by the government years ago but that the home owners held on to their deeds - and that subsequently some of the land has been sold to new owners based on the previous deeds. (Tolonews)

(14) Czech Authorities..

it would deport the family, who have been in Bělá-Jezová since the start of September, because there were no longer grounds to detain them, not because of the court's decision. The court said the family should be transferred to another facility that does not violate Article 3 of the European Convention on Human Rights. (Agencies)

(15) Unidentified...

Government should pay close attention to the core matter. No group has claimed responsibility for the kidnapping.

The mass abduction comes about seven months after 31 civilians were kidnapped from Shah Joy District of this province. Kidnappers later released 19 of them in exchange for some of their prisoners in Jaghori District but others are still unaccounted for. (KP)

(16) World Leaders ...

President of Pakistan Mamnoon Hussain and Afghan President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani over the earthquake.

"On behalf of the people of Kyrgyzstan and myself, I express my deep condolences in connection with numerous victims of the devastating earthquake," said the Kyrgyz President.

President of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev said he was deeply shocked upon hearing the news on numerous casualties and destruction as a result of the strong

earthquake that occurred in Pakistan and Afghanistan, offered condolences to all the whole people of Pakistan and Afghanistan, wishing the injured recovery and soonest elimination of the earthquake consequences (Agencies)

(17) NSC to ...

country at 01:47 PM yesterday leaving nearly 100 people killed and over 300 others wounded. It ruined hundreds of homes mostly in Badakhshan, Takhar, Baghlan, Nangarhar and Kunar provinces. (KP)

(18) Afghan Ladies...

ghan market," said Hamdard. She said they were working to produce more mushrooms and sell them at markets. Explaining the method, her fellow inventor, Mehria Karim said the method was very simple and every Afghan can grow mushrooms. "We mix hygienic wheat straw with chlorine and a type of powder in a sanitized area and then blend it with mushroom seeds and keep them in special plastic bags," Mehria said. "We keep those bags in humid conditions for 26 days and they are ready for use on the 27th day."

Using this method, they can grow two different types of mushrooms. However, about 400 types of mushrooms have been identified worldwide and are used for food and medicine. (Tolonews)

(19) Taliban Vows ...

and Kunar have suffered huge devastation.

Afghanistan's chief executive Abdullah Abdullah said an initial assessment shows around 4,000 houses have been damaged by the powerful quake.

"Some 76 people including women and children were killed and 268 others were injured in the quake," he said, warning that the toll was expected to rise.

The Sri Lankan government also extended condolences and offered support to those who were affected in Afghanistan, India and Pakistan by the massive earthquake that hit Afghanistan and Pakistan.

The Foreign Affairs Ministry in a message said the Government and people of Sri Lanka are deeply saddened by the tragic loss of life and destruction to property caused by the devastating earthquake adding that "Sri Lanka stands in support and solidarity with the Governments and those affected in Afghanistan, India and Pakistan and wish to convey deep condolences to the families of those who lost their lives in this catastrophic disaster, and to those injured a speedy recovery." (AFP)

(20) School Girls ...

in Afghanistan has left at least 82 people dead. Officials say the death is still expected to rise as relief teams reach remote areas. "Numbers we have received - 38 people wounded and 12 died. The wounded are in critical condition and one of the wounded students died yesterday," the doctor said. (Tolonews)

(21) Migrants, ...

tunities further north. UNHCR indicated that some 264,615 refugees, of which 250,260 are Somali, are located in Yemen today. (Xinhua)

(22) Iraqi Forces...

added. Also in the province, at least six IS militants were killed when Iraqi aircraft conducted an air strike on a car bomb making factory in the town of al-Baghdadi, some 200 km northwest of Baghdad, the source said, adding that at least two booby-trapped cars were destroyed by the attack.

The attacks in Anbar province came as Iraqi security forces and allied militias have been fighting for months to retake control of key cities and towns in Iraq's largest province from the extremist IS militants, which seized most of Anbar and tried to advance toward Baghdad. (Xinhua)