

3 New Polio Cases Emerge in Nangarhar

JALALABAD - Three polio cases have emerged in Achin and Spin Ghar districts of eastern Nangarhar province, the provincial public health director said on Sunday.

Dr. Najibullah Kamawal told Pajhwok Afghan News that no anti-polio campaign could be launched in the said district over the past few months due to the existence of Daesh group, depriving nearly 10,000 children of polio drops. He feared the number of polio patients could increase.

Meanwhile, Dr. Ashraf, in charge of the vaccination section at the provincial Public



Health Department, two of the new polio cases had been registered in Achin district's Maktab Ghar's Mamakhel area. He said... (More on P4)... (9)

Taliban Commander Killed While Plotting an Attack on Kabul

KABUL - A commander of the Taliban group was killed while planning an attack on capital Kabul during the Eid days, the Afghan intelligence said Sunday.

A statement by the National Directorate of Security (NDS) said the Taliban commander Qari Yousuf was killed along with his four men in central Logar province.

The statement further

added that the eleven Taliban militants were also injured during the operation which was conducted in Khoshi district.

The group was looking to carry out coordinated attacks in Logar and capital Kabul during the Eid days, the statement added.

Afghan intelligence operatives confiscated 1 PKM machine gun, 1 PK-47 assault rifle, 1 pistol, 6 hand grenades, one com-

munication device set, two motorcycles and one binocular belonging to the militants.

NDS also added that various other types of explosives and military equipment were seized during the operation by the NDS operatives.

The anti-government armed militant groups have not commented regarding the report so far. (KP)

2 Women, 2 Taliban Commanders Killed in Blasts

KANDAHAR CITY - Two separate roadside bomb explosions have killed two women and as many insurgents in southern Kandahar province, where police shot injured a civilian.

The first roadside blast took place in Shahwali Kot district late on Saturday afternoon, killing a woman and her daughter in Cheena area.

The women were returning from the home of friends when came under attack, the governor's spokesman, SamimKhp-

palwak, said. The mother and her daughter had visited the friends to congratulate them on the occasion of EidulAdha.

The second blast took place hours later in Arghistan district's Spina-Gari area, killing two local Taliban commanders, according to Khpalwak.

He said the two men were planting a bomb on a road when it exploded on Saturday night.

The two local Taliban commanders had been involved in roadside bombings and killings,

he said. The Taliban have so far said nothing in this regard.

On Sunday noon, a policeman unintentionally shot injured a civilian in Jada area of Kandahar City. SamimKhpalwak said the policeman discharged his gun accidentally after disembarking the police vehicle and the bullet hit a man in a crowd of people visiting an Eid funfair.

The policeman has been arrested and the incident is being investigated. (Pajhwok)

6 ALP Members Injured in Faryab Suicide Attack

MIAMANA - At least six Afghan Local Police (ALP) members, including their commander, were injured in a suicide attack on Sunday in northwestern Faryab province, officials said.

The attack happened in ShirinTagab district after a suicide bomber detonated his explosives when the ALP commander, Faizullah, and his personnel passed the bomber, the district governor Sayed Rahman said.

The ALP commander, who has been shifted to a hospital, is said to have been a close aide to the First Vice President Abdul Rashid Dostum.

Dostum spent almost a month in Faryab to clear the province of insurgents.

Despite Faryab having been cleared of insurgents, they returned immediately after Dostums left the province. (Tolonews)

Illegal Armed Group Leader Killed in Sar-I-Pul

SAR-I-PUL - Unknown gunmen shot dead an illegal armed group commander in northern Sar-i-Pul province, police said on Sunday.

Syed Hashim, commander of the group "Zulfikar" was killed on Saturday night in Pala area of Gospandi district, acting provincial police chief Col. InayatullahHabibi told Pajhwok Afghan News. He did not provide further details.

No group has claimed responsibility for Hashim's killing.

Gosfandi district chief Ghulam Sakhi said the illegal armed group had been active in Balkhab, Sangcharak and Gosfandi districts over the past two years, forcibly collecting usher and zakat from local residents. (Pajhwok)

American Forces Come Under Attack in Bagram

CHARIKAR - A roadside bomb ripped through a convoy of American forces in the Bagram district of central Parwan province, damaging a tank, an official said on Sunday.

The blast took place on Saturday night in the district's Seghan area, said the district police chief, Col. Mohammad MasoomFarza. He said the American forces were on a patrol when the blast took place.

The NATO-led troops survived the blast, but one of their vehicles got damaged.

The American forces media office also con-



firming the blast, saying there were no casualties. Taliban's spokesman ZabihullahMujahid claimed four American troops were killed in the roadside bombing. (Pajhwok)

Traffic Accidents Left More than 140 People Wounded During Eid Days

HERAT - More than 140 people have been wounded in traffic accidents during the three days of Eid in western Herat province.

Mohammad RafiqShirzai, spokesman for Herat Regional Hospital said that most of the victims are young people who sustained injuries in traffic accidents while driving motorcycles in Herat city.

He said that the casualty toll recorded this Eid is



higher than that of recorded last year. Meanwhile, Mohammad Qasim a traffic police officer from the police HQ of Herat while confirming the casualty toll said... (More on P4)... (10)

Mother, Son Lose Life in Nimroz Blast

ZARANJ - A mother and her little son were killed and two others injured in a roadside bombing in ChaharBurjak district of southwestern Nimroz province, an official said Sunday.

Nimroz deputy police chief Maj. Mohammad Ghaws Sistani told Pajhwok Afghan News that the incident took place when a corolla car struck by a roadside bombing in Rodbar village on Saturday afternoon. He said that all the victims were members of the same



family who were going to their relatives for Eid celebration when their car hit by the bomb. Sistani blamed Taliban militants for planting the bomb on the road. Taliban militants did not comment on the incident, but claimed killing a soldier and wounding another one in a separate roadside bombing in Khashrod district of Nimroz. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

There isn't much of a chance that you can restrain your feelings today because the Full Moon Eclipse in your reckless sign urges you to say whatever is on your mind. Nevertheless, you can demonstrate your wisdom by following someone else's lead now and erring on the side of discretion. Instead of telling others to act with common sense, do it yourself.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

Although responsibilities can weigh you down today, they can't prevent you from escaping into your fantasies. The Aries Full Moon Eclipse energizes your 12th House of Spirituality, freeing you to go anywhere within your imagination as long as you keep up appearances by continuing to meet your obligations. But if you show any sign of slacking off.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Upholding your reputation is tricky business today, even if you want to meet everyone's expectations. Chasing your ambitions for the future is a delightful distraction while the Aries Lunar Eclipse rattles your 11th House of Hopes and Wishes, leaving you bored with the mundane details of the present moment. Nevertheless, following your impulses will probably land you in hot water.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

You crave immediate acknowledgment from your close friends and family for your impressive list of accomplishments. You might even carry resentment from a recent slight as the reactionary Aries Full Moon Eclipse fires up your 10th House of Public Recognition. Unfortunately, you don't want to compromise and your normally sympathetic demeanor is nowhere to be found.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You have a sudden flash of inspiration today and want to turn your new strategy into reality as fast as possible. The fiery Aries Lunar Eclipse sends shockwaves through your 9th House of Big Ideas, awakening you from your sleepy dreams with a clear vision of where you want to go. Everything looks good on paper until you start to put your plan into action.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

You might find yourself entangled in an emotionally charged melodrama today, even if you typically do your best to evade such distractions. Although the intensity of the Aries Full Moon Eclipse distresses your 8th House of Deep Sharing, there is also an undeniable adrenaline rush when you momentarily forget about remaining cool and detached. Rather than attempting to avoid this unfamiliar territory.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

Pushy people might get on your nerves today but your annoyance with them could actually be a projection of your own irrepressible urges. The bold Aries Full Moon Eclipse polarizes your 7th House of Relationships, making it difficult to discern subjective feelings from objective ideas. Your distaste toward your own aggressive behavior morphs into your perception of this very same trait in someone else.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

You are on a creative streak now, but may worry how long you can keep up this high level of ingenuity. Luckily, you receive a boost of energy from the ardent Aries Lunar Eclipse as it electrifies your 6th House of Work. You don't have to be responsible for everyone else's well-being; you only need to establish a productive routine for yourself.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

It's one thing to be confident, but a laissez-faire approach to a relationship is counterproductive now. Your cavalier attitude could anger a close friend or playmate rather than endearing him or her to you. A spontaneous Aries Full Moon in your 5th House of Fun and Frivolity is usually cause for celebration, but this Lunar Eclipse may be more challenging today if someone resists your party plans or your positive perspective.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

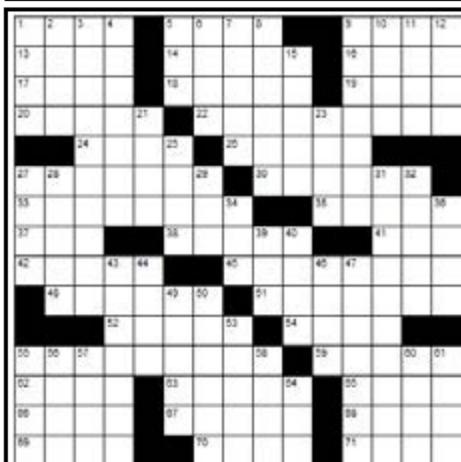
Although this may be your day off from the daily grind, thoughts of professional responsibilities still vie for your attention. Instead of focusing on your ambitions, dance with the powerful Aries Full Moon Eclipse as it pumps energy into your 4th House of Home and Family. Re-prioritize your life to balance work with personal time. You Mountain Goats like to climb,

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

Your agenda may be an intelligent one, but the fast-acting Aries Lunar Eclipse zaps your 3rd House of Immediate Environment, turning the tables and making your previous plans obsolete. You might as well set aside your strategy and just roll with the unpredictable energy of the day. Stubbornly sticking to past assumptions isn't helpful at all.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

It's no surprise that your financial condition is linked to your self-esteem. Money seems scarce when you don't value yourself. Today's enterprising Aries Lunar Eclipse wires your 2nd House of Income, stimulating new ideas for increasing your cash flow. But coming up with a get-rich-quick scheme on the fly doesn't mean that it will work. You may feel frustrated at first if others oppose your ideas.



Across

- Decorative case, 5. FFFF, 9. Envelop, 13. Blabs, 14. Rubber wheels, 16. Fit, 17. Reflected sound, 18. Frog sound, 19. Mimics, 20. Filched, 22. Most rigorous, 24. Tibetan monk, 26. Long-necked bird, 27. Bear witness, 30. Sags, 33. Entombed, 35. Grave marker, 37. East southeast, 38. Unpaid, 41. Record (abbrev.), 42. Bad-tempered, 45. Zither, 48. Shoelace hole, 51. Wood-eating insect, 52. Auspices, 54. Bites, 55. Gowns, 59. Autocratic, 62. Nursemaid, 63. Shooting sport, 65. Location, 66. Rubber wheel, 67. Latin name for our planet, 68. Wicked, 69. Blend, 70. Marsh plant, 71. Bottomless.

Down

- Visual organs, 2. Diplomacy, 3. Covering on a sofa, 4. Set apart, 5. And so forth, 6. Evergreen trees, 7. Foam, 8. Charred, 9. Knickknack, 10. Sexual assault, 11. Beers, 12. Annoyance, 15. To scour, 21. Arab chieftain, 23. Murmurs, 25. Hairdo, 27. Fastens, 28. Follow as a result, 29. A type of evergreen tree, 31. Indulgent, 32. Mixture of rain and snow, 34. Accomplished, 36. Unit of land, 39. Cashew or almond, 40. Secluded valley, 43. Cowhide, 44. The original matter (cosmology), 46. Baby's bed, 47. Levied, 49. Excrete, 50. Putter, 53. Cubic meter, 55. Tanks, 56. Send forth, 57. Indian dress, 58. Arid, 60. Anagram of «Ties», 61. Cry of pain, 64. Little bit.

Yesterday's Solution



alive, amateur, answer, blunt, business, chew, chick, climb, clock, collections, confront, cuddle, elite, expert, fable, great, halls, host, insect, lair, league, lease, money, patch, peculiar, pluck, pours, quarry, rays, reply, sass, shards, silo, sings.

