

**1 dead, 6 tourists injured**  
**F.P. Report**  
DIR UPPER: One young man died while six others sustained serious injuries when a vehicle carrying tourists lost control and plunged into a deep ravine on Monday near the Baraqot area on the way to Kumrat. Upon receiving the emergency call, Rescue 1122 Upper Dir control room immediately dispatched emergency response teams.



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## Field Marshal vows to respond firmly to anti-Pakistan threats

F.P. Report

RAWALPINDI: Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir, NI (M), Chief of Army Staff (COAS), visited the National Defence University (NDU) Islamabad on Monday, where he addressed the graduating officers of the National Security and War Course, comprising participants from all services.

In his address, the Army Chief highlighted the evolving character of warfare and underscored the centrality of mental preparedness, operational clarity, and institutional professionalism in navigating complex strategic issues. He lauded the role of premier institutions like NDU in enhancing civil-military synergy and nurturing future leadership capable of mitigating hybrid, conventional, and sub-conventional threats with poise and resolve.

Field Marshal Asim Munir noted that India's inability to achieve its stated military objectives during Operation Sindoor and the subsequent attempt to rationalize this shortfall through convoluted logic-speaks volumes about its lack of operational readiness and strategic foresight. Insinuations regarding external support in Pakistan's successful Operation Bunyanum Marsoos are irresponsible and factually incorrect and reflect a chronic reluctance to acknowledge indigenous capability and institutional resilience developed over decades of strategic prudence. Naming other states as participants in the purely bilateral military conflagration is also a shoddy attempt at playing camp politics and desperately trying that India remains the beneficiary of large

er geopolitical contestation as the so-called net security provider in a region which is getting increasingly weary of its hegemonic and extremist Hindutva ideology.

In contrast to India's strategic behaviour resting on parochial self-alignment, Pakistan has forged lasting partnerships based on principled diplomacy, anchored in mutual respect and peace, establishing itself to be a stabilizer in the region. COAS reiterated Pakistan's principled stance that any misadventure or attempts to undermine Pakistan's sovereignty or violation of territorial integrity will continue to be reflexively met with a swift, and resolute response without any constraints or inhibitions. Any attempt to target our population centres, military bases, economic hubs and ports will instantly invoke a 'deeply hurting and more than reciprocal response'. The onus of escalation will squarely lie on the strategically blind arrogant aggressor who fails to see the grave repercussions of such provocative actions against a sovereign nuclear state.

The COAS remarked that wars are not won through media rhetoric, imported fancy hardware, or political sloganeering, but through faith, professional competence, operational clarity, institutional strength and national resolve.

COAS concluded by expressing full confidence in the professionalism, morale, and readiness of the battle hardened Armed Forces of Pakistan and urged the graduating officers to remain steadfast in the values of integrity, selfless service, and unwavering commitment to the nation. On arrival, COAS was warmly received by the President NDU.



**Field Marshal pays heartfelt tribute to Havildar Lalak Jan Shaheed:** Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir, NI (M), Chief of Army Staff, Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee, Chief of Naval Staff, Chief of Air Staff and the Armed Forces of Pakistan solemnly commemorate and pay heartfelt tribute to Havildar Lalak Jan Shaheed, Nishan-e-Haider, honoring his unparalleled courage, unwavering dedication, and supreme sacrifice in the defence of the motherland during the Kargil conflict.

On this day in year 1999, Havildar Lalak Jan Shaheed demonstrated extraordinary valour by fearlessly repelling enemy attacks and defended his post despite sustaining critical injuries. Refusing evacuation, he continued to fight until he embraced martyrdom in the line of duty.

The Armed Forces of Pakistan and the nation, remember his sacrifice with immense respect and gratitude. His legacy remains a beacon of inspiration for present and future generations of Pakistan Armed Forces. We reaffirm our resolve to uphold the sacred trust of the martyrs and continue the Shuhada-e-Pakistan mission of defending the motherland with courage, dedication, and honour.

## KP CM launches interest free loans for own houses' construction

F.P. Report

PESHAWAR: The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Ali Amin Gandapur, has achieved another milestone by formally launching the "Ehsaas Apna Ghar" scheme, aimed at providing interest-free loans to low-income families for the construction, expansion and renovation of their houses. A ceremony was held at the Chief Minister's House on Monday for the distribution of loan cheques, with Chief Minister Gandapur as the chief guest. The event was attended by cabinet members Meena Khan Afridi, Muzammil Aslam, Dr. Amjad, and Rangaiz Ahmad, along with officials from the housing department.

On the occasion, the Chief Minister distributed cheques among the successful applicants. A total of Rs. 4.0 billion has been allocated for the provision of these interest-free loans under the scheme. To ensure cent percent transparency, applicants were selected through a computerized balloting system. The scheme targets individuals aged 18 to 65 years with a monthly income of less than Rs. 150,000. Eligible applicants can receive up to Rs. 1.5 million in interest-free loans to be reimbursed in easy installments over a seven-year period. The initiative also includes a revolving fund system to ensure the continued disbursement of loans in the coming years. In the first phase of the scheme, 123,000 applications were received, of which 18,555 met the eligibility criteria. Loans are being distributed across all districts of the province based on population ratios.

Addressing the gathering, Chief Minister Ali Amin Gandapur termed Ehsaas Apna Ghar as a flagship and pro-poor initiative of the incumbent provincial government and a step towards realizing Imran Khan's vision of providing housing facility to the underprivileged. He lauded the efforts of the housing department and the Bank of Khyber in implementing the scheme.

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stated. He further announced that the government will soon launch a Solarization of Houses Scheme for deserving households. He stressed that complete transparency and merit have been ensured in both the Ehsaas Apna Ghar and upcoming solar energy schemes. The Chief Minister added that several housing projects are underway to provide quality residential facilities across the province, including rapid progress on the New Peshawar Valley project. He emphasized that the upcoming fiscal year's budget includes substantial investments in health, education, clean drinking water, infrastructure, and other key sectors. Special Assistant to the Chief Minister on Housing, Dr. Amjad, and Secretary housing Mahmood Aslam also addressed the ceremony and provided a detailed overview of the various aspects of the Ehsaas Apna Ghar scheme.

## KP expresses reservations over committee formed on NMDs: Saif

F.P. Report

PESHAWAR: Advisor to the Chief Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Information and Public Relations, Barrister Dr. Saif, has stated that the KP government has serious reservations regarding the committee formed on the affairs of the merged districts. He conveyed these concerns to the committee during its meeting held in Islamabad, where he participated as the representative of the Chief Minister. The Chief Secretary and Inspector General of KP were also present in the meeting.

Barrister Dr. Saif informed the committee that its formation without consulting the KP government raises serious questions. "Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is the primary stakeholder in the merged districts, yet the province was not consulted during the formation of this committee," he said. He emphasized that the merged districts are a highly sensitive region, and any decision or change concerning them without the consultation of

the KP government is unacceptable. "The merged districts are now an official part of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and excluding the province from consultations is unjustifiable and unacceptable," he added.

Dr. Saif further questioned the authority of Amir Muqam in making decisions about the merged districts. "Who is Amir Muqam to decide the fate of KP's merged districts? He himself is a rejected figure who made it to Parliament through Form 47," he stated, adding, "How can someone who lacks public mandate make decisions about the tribal areas?"

He also raised concerns about the selection process of the committee members. "We were not taken into confidence regarding who selected the committee members and how they were chosen," he said.

Dr. Saif concluded by saying that the purpose of the merger was to address the deprivations of the tribal districts. "Any decision regarding the merged districts made without the involvement of tribal people and the KP government will not be acceptable under any circumstances," he affirmed.

Meanwhile, Advisor to the Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Information and Public Relations, Barrister Dr. Muhammad Ali Saif met with the representatives of the Tochi Welfare Organization at his office.

The delegation, led by General Secretary Mamoor Jan Dawar and Patron Engineer Rehmatullah Khan, discussed various issues facing the people of North Waziristan and explored possible solutions.

The delegation briefed the Advisor on the current situation in North Waziristan, highlighting challenges related to social development, journalism, and public grievances in government institutions. They proposed an increase in grants for the North Waziristan Press Club, raised concerns about the operational issues at Miranshah and Razmak radio stations, and suggested the establishment of a new radio station in Mir Ali. The issue of blocked national identity cards (NICs) was also discussed in detail.

## Efforts to enhance tax collection PM appreciates FBR, IB joint work

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif Monday commended the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) and Intelligence Bureau (IB) for their efforts to increase tax collection and stressed that all the relevant authorities should work together to increase national tax revenue.

The prime minister observed that stability in Pakistan's economy was made possible due to the joint efforts of the team, stressing that everyone should collaborate for the country's economic progress and the prosperity of the people. The prime minister was presented with a report by the FBR and IB on operations against tax evasion and hoarding, PM Office Media Wing said in a press release.

According to the report, the joint efforts by the IB and FBR had resulted in the recovery of Rs.178 billion. These measures led to a Rs. 69 billion increase in tax revenue through company mergers and telecom sector dues, it was added.

The IB conducted 515 raids in the sectors of sugar, animal feed, beverages, edible oil, tobacco and cement. As a result of these operations, Rs. 10.5 billion in additional taxes were recovered by thwarting attempts at tax evasion, the report added. To overcome hoarding and artificial price hike, the IB carried out over 13,000 operations in the sugar, fertilizer, and wheat sectors, seizing illegally hoarded goods worth more than Rs. 99 billion since April 2022, the report further said.

Meanwhile, the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), under the direction of Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, has for the first time in Pakistan's history introduced the Artificial

## Premier invites Etisalat Group investment

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Monday invited the Etisalat Group to further invest in various sectors of Pakistan's economy and assured that the government would provide all necessary facilities in this regard. The prime minister met with a five-member delegation of the Emirati telecommunications company Etisalat Group, led by its CEO Hatem Dowidar that called on him, PM Office Media Wing said in a press release. Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Mohammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance Muhammad Aurangzeb, Minister for IT Shaza Fatima Khawaja and senior officials from the relevant institutions also attended the meeting. The prime minister observed that the longstanding relations between the United Arab Emirates and Pakistan were based on shared culture, brotherhood, and religious values. The UAE companies had been investing in the economy of Pakistan for a quite long time, he added.

## Shehbaz directs NDMA, rescue teams to stay alert

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Monday directed the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), rescue agencies, and administrative authorities to remain on high alert during the recent heavy rains and any potential emergency situations. In anticipation of possible flooding in areas along the Indus River and other rivers, the prime minister has instructed the NDMA, rescue agencies, and administrative bodies to immediately implement safety measures and precautionary actions. The prime minister directed the NDMA to strengthen coordination with the Provincial Disaster Management Authorities (PDMAs) for effectively dealing with the flood situation.

Intelligence based Custom Clearance and Risk Management System (RMS).

During a meeting chaired by the prime minister held here to review the ongoing reforms measures by the FBR, it was informed that under this new system, estimation of cost and nature of goods during import and export will be conducted by Artificial Intelligence and BOTs.

The new risk management system, based on modern technology, will continuously improve

through automation using machine learning, along with the movement of goods, the meeting was told. "During the initial testing of the new system, over 92% improved performance was observed."

The briefing showed that in initial testing, not only was 83% more Goods Declarations (GD) determined for tax collection, but goods clearance through the green channel also increased two and a half times.

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## Rain-related incidents claim 8 lives in Punjab, KP

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: As many as eight people were killed in rain-related incidents in Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) said. According to NDMA, a cloudburst in the Kahuta area of Rawalpindi caused flash floods, with water entering several homes and shops. Meanwhile, a house roof also collapsed in the nearby area, resulting in the death of a child.

The parents and two other children were rescued from the debris with multiple injuries. Earlier, intermittent rain was recorded in Lahore since morning, significantly improving the weather by breaking the intense heat and humidity. The highest recorded rainfall in Lahore was 74 mm in the Pani Wala Talab area. Moreover, rain-related incidents led to the deaths of two people in Punjab. Meanwhile, five people were killed and two others injured in rain-related incidents during last 24 hours across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

According to a report of the Provincial Disaster Management Authority, one house was also completely

demolished due to rains. Losses were also reported in areas including Peshawar, Buner, Malakand, and Mansehra. The PDMA has directed the district administration to ensure immediate relief to the affected families and provision of best medical facilities to the injured.

The National Emergencies Operation Center (NEOC) has issued a weather advisory forecasting substantial monsoon downpours across Pakistan until July 10, 2025. The heavy precipitation is anticipated due to increased humidity from the Bay of Bengal and Arabian Sea, coupled with a westerly wave.

The intense rainfall is projected to concentrate in the basins of major rivers, specifically in North-Eastern and Central Punjab, Lower Sindh, Southern and North-Eastern Balochistan, Central Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Azad Jammu & Kashmir, and areas of Gilgit-Baltistan. This weather pattern is expected to cause elevated water levels in significant waterways, including the Kabul, Indus, and Chenab rivers.

Rivers at Tarbela, Kalabagh, and Chashma are presently at low flood

stages and could rise further. The Chenab River at Marala and Qadirabad is also predicted to reach low flood levels. The Swat and Panjkora rivers, along with their tributaries and streams, are anticipated to swell. Nullahs originating from the Pir Panjal range in North-Eastern Punjab could also experience significant swelling, potentially causing localized inundation.

The Jhelum River in AJ&K and its tributaries face a flash flood threat, as does the Chitral River and its connected streams. In Gilgit-Baltistan, the Hunza River and its streams may rise quickly. In Southern Balochistan, streams from the Kirthar Range, particularly in Awaran and Khuzdar, along with streams in the districts of Jhal Magsi, Kachi, Sibi, Qila Saifullah, Zhob, and Musakhel, are also projected to expand.

The NDMA strongly advises inhabitants near rivers and streams, including the Indus, Kabul, Chenab, Jhelum, Swat, Panjkora, Chitral, Hunza, Gaj, Zhob, Nari, and the Kachi Plains, to stay alert for sudden water level increases, particularly at night and during heavy downpours.

## President notifies appointment of 4 HC CJs

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: The Ministry of Law and Justice has issued notifications for the permanent appointment of chief justices to all four high courts of the country, following the approval of President Asif Ali Zardari.

According to the notification, Justice Sarfraz Dogar has been appointed as the chief justice of the Islamabad High Court. Justice Junaid Ghaffar has been named as the chief justice of the Sindh High Court. In Balochistan, Justice Rozi Khan Bareech has been appointed as the chief justice of the Balochistan High Court, while Justice Atiq Shah has been notified as the chief justice of the Peshawar High Court.

The development came a week after the Judicial Commission of Pakistan (JCP) nominated permanent chief justices for four high courts. In February, five IHC judges had moved the apex court against the appointment of Justice Dogar as the acting chief justice of IHC, as well as the transfer of three high court judges to their court.

The plea was filed by Justice Mohsin Akhtar Kiyani, Justice Tariq Mehmood Jahangiri, Justice Babar Sattar, Justice Sardar Ejaz Ishaq Khan and Justice Saman Riffat Imtiaz. However, the top court, on June 19, dismissed pleas filed against the transfer of judges and ruled that Justice Dogar could continue to work as IHC's acting chief justice.

Later on, Pre-sident Asif Ali Zardari formally declared Justice Dogar the "senior-most judge" of the IHC, following the issuance of a revised seniority list by the Ministry of Law and Justice. It is pertinent to know that the five IHC judges filed an intra-court appeal (ICA) against the SC's June 19 verdict.

In their plea, the judges urged that the Constitutional Bench's order should be "recalled and set aside [...] in the interest of justice". "During the pendency of the instant appeal, this Hon'ble Court may graciously grant interim relief as prayed for in the accompanying interim relief application. Any other relief that this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper may also be granted," the petition stated.

## Pakistan, Afghanistan discuss trade, security

ISLAMABAD (APP): The inaugural round of the Additional Secretary-Level Mechanism between the Foreign Ministries of Pakistan and Afghanistan was held here on Monday pursuant to decisions reached during the visit of the Deputy Prime Minister/Foreign Minister of Pakistan to Kabul, Afghanistan, on April 19, 2025.

Pakistan side was led by Additional Secretary (Afghanistan & West Asia), Ambassador Syed Ali Asad Gillani, while the Afghan side was led by Director General, First Political Division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan, Mufti Noor Ahmad Noor.





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Shipping(27"x22"x14") (5 Ply), Bubble Sheet (Standard), Emery Paper (Standard), Foam Sheet 1" (Standard), Foam Sheet 1/2" (Standard), Foam Sheet 2 Inch (Standard), Glue White (Tip Top) (Tip Top), Nail Steel (All Zise) (-), Paint Enemal (All Colour) (Andrew / Burger / Master / Buxlay), Paint Polyurethane (All Colour) (Andrew (For Aircraft)), Paint Remover, Paint Remover, Polythene Bag (Self Lock) All Sizes (Standard), Polythene Bag (Normal) All Sizes (Standard), Polythene Sheet 0.06mm (50 Mtr Roll), Sheet Thermopore 36"x24"x1" (Standard), Shipping Box (12"x9.5"x9.5") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (24"x18"x18") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (34"x11"x16") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (40"x18"x20") (5 Ply), Strip Binding (Standard), Tape Adhesive (15 Yds), Tape Insulation, Tape Masking (25 Yds), Tape Transparent (50 Yds), Thinner, Thinner No Th148(4lr One Can) (Put-300 (For Air Craft), **STATIONARY:** Carbon Paper 8 1/2x13 1/2 (21 X 33 Cm(100 Sheet Packing)), Correcting Fluid White 0.8 Mm Tip (Art No Dux-139)), DO Paper A-4 80gsm (Copymate (80 Gsm)), DO Paper A4 (Double AA (80 Gsm)), Envelopes SE-6, SE-7A, SE-8A (Sample Available At Lp Section ), Eraser Soft Steadtir (WR-90), File Clip Plastic (Paper Fastener (8cm) 50 Set / Box), Gum Liquid Picked (Bottle) (Gum (145 Gm)), Ink For Rubber Stamp Pad (Crystal (28.5 Gm)), Note Sheet Green (A4 100 Sheet Pad), Paper 2 Ply 80 Col (PC) (Imported), Paper (Color Blue, Green, Yellow, Pink) 18x23 80gsm (80gsm Best Quality), Paper Drawing Cartridge White (Size 27" X 21"), Paper I Ply 80 Col (Pc) (Imported), Paper Wrapping 35x47 (Camel Clour size 35" X 47"), PPC Paper A-4 75 Gsm (Copymate / Bright White / Pakmate (75 / 70 Gsm)), Register Ruled 3 Qrs (Al-Imran 3 Qrs 60 Pages), Register Ruled 4 Qrs (Al-Imran 4 Qrs 90 Pages), Stamp Pad Blue (Crystal Small), Stapple Pin 24/6 (Dollar 24/6(1000 Pin)), Tag Cotton 5 Small (5.2" Length), UHU Gum Stick Medium (Deli Stick Up 21gm), **TONNERS:** Ribbon Printer (LQ-1350, LQ-350, P5205B (A+ Copy), Toner LJ M402, M426 (26A) (A+ Copy), Toner LBP 6030 (725 / 325) (A+ Copy), Toner Fax Machine (83A) (A+ Copy), Toner (58A, 76A) With Chip (A+ Copy), Toner Laser Jet (05A, 107A, 12A, 17A, 30A, 35A, 48A, 49A, 53A, 79A, 80A, 85A) (A+ Copy), Toner Laser Jet (26A, 53A, 85A) (Original / 1st Copy), **CLEANING MATERIAL:** Bleaching Powder (25kg Packing), Car Polish (200gm), Chamous Leather (Size 43x32x0.2cm ), Chamous Leather (Size 43x32x0.2cm Original), Cloth Muslim (Sample Available at LP Sec), Cloth Polish (Yellow Cloth (16" X 20")), Dettol (Dettol 50ml (Plastic Bottle)), Floor Polish (450 Gm), Glint (Glass Cleaner) (Glint / Power Plus Glass Cleaner 500 Ml), Liquid White (2.75 Ltr), Metal Polish (200 Ml), Oil Kerosin Grade A (Standard), Plastic Polish (250 Ml), Polish Black (45ml)), Powder Cleaning (750-1000gm Pkt), Rag Coloured (1' X 1') (Size 1 Ft X 1 Ft, One Rag One Colour Without Zip + Button + Stitching, Fresh Cutting), Rags Coloured (Without Zip + Button + Stitching), Soap Flakes, Soap Toilet (70-85 Gm)), Soap Yellow 16oz Bar (Best Quality Mini Pack = 06 Ea), Soda Ash **Note:** - Detail Specifications / Tender documents and annual estimated Qty subject to authorization and trend analysis (which may vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds) for LP of items can be obtained from Logistics Squadron PAF, Base Nur Khan (Mob: 03239415715, "To meet the requirement of PPRA Rules " Words Equivalent" is to be read with each items and equivalent mean " equivalent in quality and specification or higher".

**PAF BASE, LAHORE (LOG)****03239428715**

**CLOSED FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR FY 2025-26.** In accordance with PPRA Rule 16-A, applications are invited for pre-qualification / registration of reputable, well-experienced, financially sound and Income Tax - registered firms /contractors / wholesalers / distributors / manufacturers with Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore for the supply of under-mentioned items against annual closed framework agreement for the duration of FY 2025-26 (1 Jul, 2025 to 30 Jun, 2026). Local Purchase of Cleaning Material (all items) Stationary (all items), Paper of DO & PPC A4 Size, A3 (75 GSM, 80 GSM, 100GSM), Paper 2 & 3 Ply 80 Column, Packing & Preservation of all sizes / types (Polythene sheet, Bubble sheet, Cartons, Wood, Thermosphere, Rubber sheet, Nails, Foam sheet, Tapes, Samadbond and Chip boards), All types of Tonners & Ribbons for Printer / PPC Machine, Air Conditioner Splits Inv / Non-Inv Rev / Non-Rev and Floor Standing (1 - 4 Tons), UPS / Computer all types and their Accessories / Spares (HDMI / Power / VGA Cables). All Make & Model of Batteries of different Voltages & Amperes (Acid & Maintenance free), All Types of Filters (MT Vehicles & Generators), All types of Printers (Wired Only), All typesof Air Conditioner Gases, All Types & Sizes of MT Tyres & Tubes, All grades of POL Lubes, All types of Paints & Dopes. Miscellaneous items (Cat 6 UTP Cable, Cell Dry - all sizes, WD-40 Anti-Corrosion, Cell Rechargeable, Contact Cleaner, Hand Torches, Flash Lights, Gloves - all types & sizes, Pad Locks, Safety Goggles, Water proof covers - all sizes", **Note:** - Annual estimated Qty is subject to authorization and requirements (which may vary from 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds). Detailed specifications or any other firm registration assistance may be obtained from LP Section of Logistics / Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore (Mobile: - 03239428715), **ANNUAL PROCUREMENT PLAN FOR FY 2025-26.** In accordance with PPRA Rules 8, applications are invited from well-experienced, financially sound and Income Tax registered firms with Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore for the supply of under-mentioned items against Annual Planned Procurements for the duration of FY 2025-26 (Tenders will be floated during the month of July, 25). Detailed list of procurements are as the following:- Local Purchase of Cleaning Material (all items), Stationary (all items), Paper of DO & PPC A4 Size, A3 (75 Gms, 80 Gms, 100 Gms), Paper 2 & 3 Ply 80 Column, Packing & Preservation of all sizes / types (Polythene sheet, Bubble sheet, Cartons, Wood, Thermosphere, Rubber sheet, Nails, Foam sheet, Tapes, Samadbond and Chip boards). All types of Tonners & Ribbons for Printer / PPC Machine, Air Conditioner Splits / Repairs Inv / Non-Inv Rev / Non-Rev and Floor Standing (1-4 Tons), UPS I Computer all types and their Accessories I Spares (HDMI / Power! VGA Cables). All Make and Models of Batteries of different Voltages & Amperes (Acid & Maintenance Free), All types of Filters (MT Vehicles & Generators), All types of Printers (Wired only), All types of Air Conditioner Gases, All types and sizes of MT Tyres & Tubes, All Grades of POL Lubes, All types of Paint & Dopes, Securing items (Knee pads, Elbow pads, Cameras, Walk through gate repairs etc.). All types of MT Repairs / Spare Parts / Tools / Testers. Clothing items and Misc. uniform accoutrements. The estimated value of the planned procurement for the FY 2025-26 will be approx. PKR 72 Mil, Note:- Annual estimated Qty is subject to authorization and requirements (which may vary from 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds). Detailed specifications or any other firm registration assistance may be obtained from LP Section of Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore, Mobile: -03239428715

**PAF BASE MUSHAF (LOG)****048-5552277**

Local Purchase of All Type of Tyres and Tube (Special Vehicles, SMTs, GPUs, HMTs) All Brand and Sizes, All Type of Batteries (12V 5AH to 220AH (Dry, Liquid, Maint Free) All Brands, All Type Of Reversible & Non Reversible (Inverter) Air Conditioner (1 to 4 Ton), Water Dispenser with Bottle, Electric Water cooler( 05 to 25 GLN), Refrigerator/ Deep Freezer (07 to 16 Cu Ft), All Type of GE Shop Items including All Type of Wood (Ply Wood, Wood Lasani, Lamination Sheet, Steel/Iron angles, Aluminum Sheets, Steel Sheets and All Guages, Wood Work Related Items), All Type of Stationary Items including PPC Paper A4 75 GSM imported & 80 GSM only, All Type of Cleaning Material including Rags Colured, Stock Nette, Polishes & Cloth Mualin Etc, All type of Packing amd Storage Material (Tapes, Polythese, Bubble Sheet, Cartons, Thermopore, Foam Sheets, Cloth Hassan & Nylon Straps Etc), All type of MT Filters, All Type of Uniform Accouterments, All Type of Tommers and Cartridges, All Types of MT spares and Related Accessories, Earthing Cables, All Air Conditioning and Refrigerant Gases, Misc Items (Networking Equipment, IT equipment and Common User items), All Types of Oil, Lubes and Engine Oils (Differential and Planetary Oil, Transmission Oil CD or ATF, Hyde Oil VG 46, Engine Oil 15W40 (API:C14), SAE 10W40, SAE 20W50, Hydraulic Oil SAE 90, Gear Oil SAE 90/140, Tellus 46 & Etc), All Types of Paint & Dopes (Thinner, Paint Remover Etc), All Types of Smart & Non Smart LEDs (32 to 95 Inches), Hiring Of Mechanical Civil Transport (All Types). For Framework Agreement in FY 2025-2026, Note: Detailed Specifications and Annual Estimated Quantity subject to Authorization and Trend Analysis (Which may Vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated fund) for LP list of Common use items and Sample can be obtained from LP Section Sargodha (As Req), Detailed Specifications can be obtained from Log Sqn Mushaf (Sargodha) on telephone 048-555-2278

**PAF BASE SHAHBAZ****0323-9439712**

Local Purchase of Tyres & Tubes of SMT all Sizes, Local Purchase of All Types of Batteries {Dry/ Liquid 12V 5AH to 220AH}, impres Li-Ion 3000 MAH CE Battery, Local Purchase of Air Conditioners / Ton, 1.5 Ton, 2 Ton, 4 Ton (Reversible 'All Brands' and Non Reversible 'All Brands'), Water Dispenser 05 Gln With Bottle, Electric Water Cooler (05, 10, & 25 Gln), Refrigerator/Deep Freezer (07, 08, 10, 12, 14, & 16 Cu ft), Local Purchase of All GE-Shop / AC Shop items, Cleaning Material, Stationary, Packing material, Filters (All Types), Local Purchase of PPC Paper A-4 75 GSM Imported, DO Paper A-4 80 GSM & D O Paper B 1/2X11, Local Purchase of all grades of MT Lubes All Grades (Oil Eng (API Cl-4 SAE 20W-50), Engine Oil 10W-40, Oil Eng API CD SAE 5W-50, API:CE,SAE 15W-40,SAE API Cl-4 15W40, API CD SAE 5W-30, Transmission Oil (CD OR ATF), Hyde Oil (ISO VG 32), Differential & Planetary Oil, Oil Gear/DIF/STR SAE 90, Delo Silver (Diesel) 20W-50, Brake Oil, Hydraulic Oil ISO68, Engine Oil CK-4/SN SAE 15W40, AP1.CD.SAE 15W-40, SAE 20W40, API: CD, SAE 20W40, AP1:ILSACSAE 10W-40, Oil Steering Dexron, Delo Silver Diesel 20W50, Hyde Oil (ISO VG 46), Engine Oil CK-4/SN SAE 15W 40, Oil Eng MB SHT228.3.SAE 10W-30, Oil Engine (API:C14,SAE 15W40). Oil Eng (AP1:CD, SAE 5W-30), Oil Eng (API :CD, SAE 20W-40), Oil Differential (SAE 85W-140) Hyd Oil, Differential Oil, Transmission Oil, Oil Taxaco Pinnode, Oil Rato Inj Fluid, Oil GR/DIF/STR, Oil Steering Dexron, Grease 07/22, Grease PX-7/C187, Local Purchase of Wood Kail, Wood Panel 10x5x9", Ply Wood (All Sizes), Local Purchase of Paints & Dopes Brighto/ Logo or equivalent, Local Purchase of Tonners & Ribbons (All Types), Local Purchase of Common Use Items i.e. Tapes, Contact Cleaner / WD-40, Dry Cells, Elf, Depoxy/ Epoxy, Cloth Abrasive etc (Ea As Req) Note: Detailed Specifications can be obtained from Log Sqn Shahbaz on telephone 0323-9439712

**NO 120 ALD PAF BASE LAHORE****048-555-2956/2917**

**Cleaning Material:** Bleaching Powder (Powder Cleaning (400Gm), Soda Ash, Soap Toilet (1100Gm), Soap Yellow 160z Bar (50Gm), Floor Polish, Metal polish (Plastic Polish, Glint Glass Cleaner, Crosel Liquid (Fighter Plus), Cloth Polish (18"x18") Printed, Cloth Muslin (Local), Stockinette, Rag Coloured, Stationery Items: PPC (A4) 75gsm (Imported), PPC (Legal) 90gsm (Imported), DO Paper (A4) 70 & 80 gsm (BLC), Registers Ruled (2,3,4 Qrs), Gum liquid, Gum Stick, Eraser Soft Deluxe (Large), Staple Pin 24/6, Tag Cotton, Thread Ball, Note Sheet Green (Pkt), Stamp Pad, Ink Stamp Pad 30gm, Envelopes (SE-5.6,7,8,8A), DO Envelopes, Blanko with Thinner; Wrapping Sheet Brown, File Clip Plastic, POL / Batteries / Filters : Eng Oil 20W-50 & 10W-40, Hyd Oil, K-2 Oil, Brake Oil SAE 20W-40, Grease LG-280 SC.881G (S.T.A), Gear Oil, Steering Oil, Air & Oil Filters (All Types) Guards, Batteries (All Types), Packing & Preservation / Misc Items :- Carton Card Board 5-Ply & 7-Ply (6"x6"x10" &, 12"x12"x12", 18"x18"x14", 18"x18"x18", 20"x16"x12", 24"x24"x22", 30"x24"x24", 32"x30"x24", 36"x30"x24" 48"x48"x48"), Foam Sheet 1", 2", 3" (Premium Quality), Bubble Sheet, Thermopore Sheet 1", Polythene Roll Transparent (100 Mtr), Stretch Film Wrapping (5, 8, 11, 13, 15/Kg), Tape Transparent 2" & 3" 50yd, Tape Packing Yellow 2" 50yd, Tape Masking 2", 50yd, Tape Adhesive 2" 10 & 20 Yd, Plywood 1/2" (6 Core), Wood Kail 5"x109" (Anamdar), Glue White, Nail Steel (All Sizes) Power, Nail Iron (All Sizes) Power, Adhesive Bond, Polythene Bags 27"x14", Polythene Bags Lock. 6"x8", 6"x4", 12"x12", 19"x12", Paints & Dopes: Paints (All Colors), Thinner BNC, Brush Painting (All Sizes), Paint Remover (As Req), Note: In case of any query, contact 048-555-2956 / 2917 and send email to flvg20@paf.gov.pk

**PAF BASE SAKESAR (LOG)****0483722299 Ext 829-2299**

**Close Frame of Work for Misc items for Financial Year 2025- 2026:** MT Lubes (Engine Oil 15W-40, 20W-50. SAE-A40, Gear Oil GI-4, SAE 75W90, Brake Oil, Grease Oil 80W90. Rigid Axle Oil LGP Transmission Oil, Compressor Oil, Oil lubricating SAE 10 etc As Reqd, Packing and Storage Material (Carton Boxes all sizes, All types of Polythene Bags Lock. Polythene sheet in KG/MR both. Bubble sheet. Foam sheets all size. Thermopore, Hard Foam, All types of Tapes (Masking, Adhesive, Transparent etc) Nail steel, Lamination sheet Lasani sheet MDF sheet. Wood/Chip Boards, All types of Wood Kail, Wood Fir, Ply wood etc As Regd, All Paints & Dopes. Cleaning Material (Stocknet. Rags coloured. Chamous Leather. Cloth Polishing, Car Polish, Glint. Metal Polish, soap Flask, Soap yellow, Floor Polish, Soda ASH, Power cleaning. Dettol. Polish Black, Power Bleaching, Plastic polish, k-2 oil etc. As Reqd, Stationary (Thread ball, Gum-stick small- medium-large, Ink violet stamp pad, Tag cotton SIL, Stamp pad blue, Blanco white, File clip plastic, Stapple pin. Envelope sizes 5 to 8 & 8A, DO Paper 80GSM, PPC Paper 70 & 75 GSM, Printers Toners all types etc. As Reqd, Note: Details specification and annual estimated Qty subject authorized and trend analysis (which may be vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated fund) for LP items can be obtained from Log Sqn Sakesar (Khushab) on telephone 0483722299 (Ext 829-2299) or Mobile # 0320-3465936

**PAF HOSPITAL, MASROOR (LOG)****021-99525281**

**Cleaning Material:** - Soap Toilet (All types), Soap Yellow (All types), Cleaning Powder, Bleaching Powder, Soda Ash, Rags Coloured, Cloth Muslin, Soap Flakes, Dettol, Glint Glass Cleaner, Floor Polish, Phenyle Liquid, Plastic Polish, Cloth Polish, **Chemicals:** - DDVP, Oil Insect Repellent. **Stationery:** - Eraser Soft, Ink Stamp Pad, Gum Liquid Picked, Blanco with thinner (Correcting Fluid White), File clip Plastic, Stamp Pad Blue, Minute Sheet, DO Paper A-4, PPC Paper A-4, Pin staple 24/6, Register Qr-2, Register Qr-3, Tag Cotton Small, Thread Ball Cotton, Paper wrapping 23 X 29, Drawing Paper 23 X 26, Paper 2 Ply 80 Columns, Envelope Size S-6A, Envelope Size S-7A, Envelope Size S-8A, PPC Paper Size 70 to 80 GSM, Dry Cell / Battery: - Dry Cell (All types), Cell Pencil 1.5 Volt (Battery 12V 120AMP, Battery 09 Volt, Battery 12 Volt (5 AH, 7 Ah, 9 Ah). **Hospital Items:** - Kurta Hosp Blue Poplin (Small, Medium, Large), Pajama Hosp Blue Poplin (Small, Medium, Large), OT Dress, Sheet Cotton (white), Dressing Gown, Towel Patient, Slipper Hosp (7, 8, 9, 10) Air Conditioning Gases (GAS FREON 410A, GAS FREON 22), **Misc Items:** - Polythene Bag 24x28, Tape Transparent 1x72 Yards, Tape Transparent, Tape Masking, Tape Adhesive 2, Polythene Bag 8x5, Soldering Wire, Polythene Bag Lock 14"x10", Bubble Sheet, Carton Boxes 18x22x14 Inches, Glue, Tape Transparent 1-½ x 72YDS, Nail 2", Nail 1 ½, Ply Wood 8'x4'x½", Plastic Strip Binding, Ply Wood 1'2x4'x8", Ply Wood 3'4x4'x8", Plyothene Sheet 0.0025x50, Foam Sheet 1", Wood Kail, Nail 1" No 17, Carton Box 24"x24"x22", Thermopore 39"x39"x1", Carbon Papers. Note: - "Closed Frame Work Agreement" against the requirement of PAF Hospital, Masroor for the FY 2025-26. The bids to be submitted will be according to the PPRA rule 36 (b) and have the validity of 01 Year. In case of winning the bids, the winning bidders will have to submit 05 % Bid security. The advertisement of same is required to be published in next issuance of PAF Tender notices. For further detail, please contact at 021-99525281

**NO 110 ALD PAF BASE LAHORE****042-99507221**

ARM Band Red Watchman (EA), Armllet PAF Police NCO (EA), AWC Badge (SC&SC) S/D JCO (EA), Badge Arm Shaheen SMR (2022), Badge Cap Beret JCO (N/P), Badge Cap Side Officer (EA), Badge Shoulder Security (W/M) (PR), Bag Helmet Flying (2022), Belt Black Narrow (All Sizes), Belt Nylon White Provost (All Sizes)(EA), Branch Insignia (All Branches) (EA), Buckle 2 Pin Ceremonial Beret JCO (N/P)(All Sizes)(EA), Cap Beret Red Provost (All Sizes)(EA),Cap Comforter CD (2022)(EA),Cap Sun Olive Green (All Sizes) (EA), Cape Water Proof (All Sizes), Chevron (I Bar, II Bar, III Bar, III Bar WC&S) Coverall (EA), Chevron III Bar WINWC&S(NP 2010)(PR), Cloth Shafoon For Dopatta L/OFF (MR), Collar Badge A/Cdre W/D(Screws)(PR),Collar Badge Golden With Screw(PR),Collar Badge Medical(PR),Command Badge (EA), Command Badge CD (2022) (EA), Coverall Flying Orange (All Sizes) (EA), Drawer Air Crew (All Sizes) (EA), Field Jacket CD (2022) (EA), Field Jacket N/P(All Sizes) (EA), Gloves Knitted B/G (All sizes) (PR), Gloves Olive Green (All Sizes) (PR), Gloves L/B Without Lining (All Sizes) (PR), Glovs L/B With Lining (All Sizes) PR, Head Scarf CD (2022) (EA), Jacket Flying (All Sizes) (EA), Jacket Flying Tropical (All Sizes) (EA), Knife Survival (EA), Liner Assembly (All Sizes) (EA), Prop SAC Coverall (EA), Rank ACM W/D (2022) (EA), Rank Badge Flying Coverall Flg Off to Gp Capt (PR), Rank Badge JCO Ceremonial (PR), Rank Badge JCO Coverall (PR),Rank Jacket CD(2022) ACM (EA), Rank Jacket CD (2022) CWO (EA), Shaheen Red For Provost (PR), Shirt winter 2022(All Sizes) (EA), Shoes B/L Patent (All Sizes) (PR),Sun Hat CD(2022)(EA),THR Vest Combat Dress F/S (All Sizes) (EA), THR vest F/S Air Off(MILD, HVY) (All Sizes), TIE Ceremonial (EA), Trouser Winter (All Sizes)(2022),Vest Full sleeve Sage Green (All Sizes), Vest Cotton Air Crew (All Sizes), Waist Coast Mess kit (All Sizes),Wing Para CD (2022), Braid Trouser Mess Kit (MR), Mess kit Braid Roundel (Left) (EA), Mess kit Braid Roundel (Right)(EA), Further details / complete specifications, may be collected from No, 110 ALD, PAF (Tele No 0323-9428714, 042-9507221-7203) on any working day

**PAF PRESS, MASROOR (LOG)****051-9505556**

CLOSED FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT OF PRINTING RELATED STORE FOR OPEN TENDERING OF STORE PERIOD 01ST JULY, 2025 TO 30TH JUNE 2026: Bag Polythene 23"x36", Pulp Board (White, Blue, Green and Pink) 9"x28", 19"x25" 180, 230, 240 and 265GSM, Screw Brass and Mild Steel ¼", ½", 1/3", ¾", 1" 3 ¼" and 3 ½", Card Board Legal 9"x14", Carton Box 24"x22"x10" and 20"x16"x12", Cloth Binding D/Blue Spl 100CM, Straw Board 25 ½"x30 ½" 32 OZ, Fancy Card Yellow 22"x28" 180GSM and 22"33" 250GSM, Film lamination 13", Glue EVA Past Lamination, Glue White, Bleach Card 20"x30" and 23"x36" 250GSM, Paper White Offset 20"x30", 23"x36", 25"x35½" and 27"x34" 80 and 100GSM, Real Art Paper 20"x30", 23"x36" and 25"x36" 100, 115, and 128GSM, Real Art Card 20"x30", 23"x36" 31"x43" 18"x23", 22"x28" 25x35 ½", and 25"x36" 190, 210, 250, 260, 300 and 310GSM, Plate Thermal / UV 745x605x.30MM and 915x715x.30MM, Charging Assy CMYK 3070L, Tonner C.M.Y.K for 3070L and 550/5550 machines, T-9 Developer, Developer C.M.Y.K for 3070L and 550 machine, Drum C.M.Y.K for 3070L 550 and 5550 machines, Fuser Assembly 550/5550 machines, Alcohol 99.9% Pure, Developing Unit 3070L, Cartridge C.M.Y.K for 550 machine, Transfer Cleaning Unit 3070L, Sapira Wash-up Unit (Specification details collect from PAF Press, Masroor), Quotes for closed framework agreement and should be valid for 12 months (01st July, 2025 to 30th June 2026). Detailed specifications estimated quantities (which may vary owing to allocated funds for LP of common Printing press related store can be obtained from PAF Press, Masroor (Mobile No. 0323-9432745)





# PAKISTAN AIR FORCE

## OPEN TENDER NOTICES

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED BY THE FOLLOWING BASES / UNITS FOR THE SUPPLY / PURCHASE / REPAIR / OVERHAULING OF MENTIONED ITEMS.

**PAF BASE, NUR KHAN (LOG)****051-952-3867**

CLOSED FRAME WORK AGREEMENT FY 2025-26, **BATTERIES:** Batteries 12V Capacity 2.5AH to 220AH (AGS or Equivalent) Wet, Dry Batteries 12V Capacity 2.5AH to 150AH, **CLOTHING ACCOUTERMENT:** Anklelet White GOH, Armllet PAF Police NCO, Armllet PAF Watchman, Badge Arm Shaheen Summer, Badge Arm Shaheen Winter, Bed Sheet Blue, Belt Broad CD All Size, Belt Nylon White Provost All Size, Belt White Leather GOH, Cap Comforter CD (2022), Collar Badge JCO / Off With Screw, Coverall Engg Off/Men (All Size), Drawer Cotton Long Small, Durree Small, Gloves White GOH, Gloves Cotton White, Hat Olive Green Chain, Headgear Kullah, Jacket Anti-Static Air/Men All Size, Pak Flag Badge Metal, Pillow Ball Fiber, Pillow Slip, Quilt Cover, Quilt Single Polyester With Bag, Rain Coat (All Size), Socks Black Combat, Socks Cotton Black, Socks Sports White, Toshak Cotton, Towel Bath (Officers), Towel Hand, Track Suit All Size, T-Shirt Pt Sports All Size, Vest F/S White All Size, Vest Full Sleeves Sage Green All Size, Vest H/S Summer All Size, Vest Sage Green Summer All Size, Vest Summer CD All Size, Vest Winter CD All Size **MT FILTERS:** Air Filters GDA-952A, GDA 2002, GDA 2003, GDA 2024, GDA-2002, GDA-2003, GDA-2022, GDA-2042, AGDA-449, GDA-852, GDA-863, GDA-865, GDA-889, GDA-916, GDA-949, GDA952A&B, GDA-952B, GDA-865, Fuel Filters GDF 0L010,GDF 206, GDF-213, GDF-214, GDF-216, GDF-222, GDF-223, GDF-433,GDF-456, GDF-461, GDO 135,GDO 158, GDO 161, Oil Filters GDO 199, GDO 2250, GDO 345, GDO-133, GDO-135, GDO-151, GDO-154, GDO-158, GDO-161, GDO-171, GDO-179, GDO-198, GDO-345, GDO-347, GDO-348, GDO-349, GDO-371, GDO-372, GDO-401, GDO-506A,

**COMMON ITEMS:** Battery 9 Volt (Carbon 6F22 9V)), Battery 9 Volt 9V1 (5 Year Shelf Life)), Battery Alkaline 9 Volt (9 Volt Rechargeable Battery), Brush Cleaning (Universal 2", 3", 4"), Brush Cleaning (Black Cat 1"), Cable Elect 2Core (GM / Fast Cable (7.029)), Cable Electric 2 Core 5AMP (GM / Fast Cable (3.029)), Cable Ties (Cble Ties No 04), Cable Ties (Cable Ties No 06), Cable Ties (Cable Ties No 08), Cable Ties (No 10, 12), Cell "AA" ("AA"), Cell "AAA" ("AAA"), Cell "AA" (Cell Non-Rechargeable "AA"), Cell Type "C" (Cell Non-Rechargeable Type "C"), Cell Type "D" (Cell Non-Rechargeable Type "D"), Cell Type "C" (Type "C"), Cell Type "D" (Type "D"), Carpet Cleaner (Tuff Stuf 600ml), Clips Crocodile Large, Cloth Muslin White 36 (Standard), Contact Cleaner (CRC Contact Cleaner 400 Ml), Contact Cleaner (200 Ml), Contact Cleaner (400 Ml), Coolant Radiator (Guard 01 Ltr Packing), Earthing Cable (Imported 10 MM), Earthing Cable (Imported 12mm), Earthing Cable (Imported 2 MM), Earthing Cable (Imported 6 MM), Elect Cable (Pakistan Cable), Elphy (2gram), Emergency Light (Model 3801 / Equavilant), Epoxy / Depoxy (Magic Epoxy Large), Epoxy / Depoxy (Magic Epoxy Small), Extension Board (06 Port), Extension Board (Ext Board 06 Port ), Gloves Cotton (Standard), Gloves Leather (Standard), Gloves Rubber (Nitrile Gloves), Goggles Safety, Goggles Safety (Ingco Or Equivalent), Industrial Connector 3 Pin (16 Amp), Industrial Connector 3 Pin (32 Amp), Industrial Connector 5 Pin (125 Amp), Industrial Connector 5 Pin (125 Amp), Industrial Connector 5 Pin (63 Amp), Label 50x25mm (Almunium Foil) (Standard), Lead Seal 1/3"x1/2" (Standard), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 2 1/2" (Imported) With Key Chain), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 2"), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 3"), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 4" (Imported)), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 4"), Paper Cup With Lid (High Quality With Hard Lid), Paper Packing Craft Union W/P (Standard), Pouch Mechanics Tools (Tool Bag (Stainly / Ingco) (Medium Size)), Rechargeable Battery 3.7 Volt, Rechargeable Cell "AA" (Cell Rechargeable "AA"), Rechargeable Cell "AAA" (Cell Rechargeable "AAA"), Rechargeable Cell Type "C" (Cell Rechargeable Type "C"), Rubber Glove (Standard), Samad Bond (Samad Bond (80 Gm)), Samad Bond Tin 0.75 Kg (750 Gm), Schuko Power Sockets 6 Slots (Original Schuko Ext Board ), Silicon Tube (Rtv Silicone 20 Gm), Silicon Tube (Rtv Silicone 50 Gm), Spoon Plastic (Best Quality), Tool Bag (Stanly / Ingco (Medium Size)), Umbrella Portable (Large) (Imported), Wd-40 (5 Ltr Packing), Wd-40 (Wd-40 200 Ml), Wd-40 (Wd-40 330 Ml), **NETWORKING:** Cable Manager (3m Brand), Cplisal Titanium Cat 6 Patch Panel (3m Brand (With I/Os)), Coaxial Cable RG-7 (Imported), Connector RJ-45 (3m Brand), CT Box 100 Pair (Dip / Local), CT Box 50 Pair (Dip / Local), C-Vivace Dual Face Plate (3m Brand), Data Sockets W/RJ-11 & RJ-45 (3m Brand), DC Cable For Rectifier 25mm (Gm / Fast Cable 25 Mm), Drop Wire WI 40 In Coils (Pctl / Premium), Dual Portface Plate With 2xiO (3m Brand), FCPC-SC Patch Cord (LTE / Litech / Corning Brand), Frequency Knob (Imported), HDMI 2.0 Active Optical Cable (3m / Speed-X / Premium 25 Mtr), HDMI Cable 15 Mtr (3m / Speed-X /Premium 15 Mtr), HDMI Cable 5 Meter (3m / Speed-X / Premium 05 Mtr), HDMI To HDMI Cable (20m/25m) (3m / Speed-X / Premium 20 Mtr), I/O Wall Plates 5RJ-11 Port (3m Brand), Jointing Kit Cable 50 Pairs (J2 Brand 50 Pairs), Jointing Kit U/G Cable 10pairs (J2 Brand 10 Pairs), Jumper Wire (Original Copper Wire), Lane Cord (Local (5 Mtr To 10 Mtr)), Microphone Cable PVC (GM Brand / Pakistan Cable), Multi-Purpose Back Box FR LAN, Optical Fiber Cable 12 Core Cat-6 Utp 1/O Jack, Patch Cable 30m FC To LC, Patch Cable SM 100m FC To LC, Patch Cable SM 50m FC To LC (Lte / Litech / Corning Brand), Patch Cable UTP (Type-1) 10m, Patch Card (Original 3m Brand 3ft), Patch Card SC-LC 15mtr Duplex, Patch Cord UTP 01 Meter (3m Brand), Patch Cord Utp 3 Meter (3m Brand), Pigtail (G.652 Complaint), Power Cable 2.5mm 2 (Imported), Power Cord, 250v AC 10a Bs 136 (Imported), Premium Buried 48 Optical Fiber, PVC Cable 10 Pairs, PVC Cable Five Pairs, PVC Cable Two Pairs, Rawal Plug (Small Size (2")), Rawl Plugs (Large Size (3")), Receiver Cord (Standard Length), RJ-11 4 Pin Connector, RJ-45 Connector (With Sleeves) (3m / Corning Brand / D-Link), RJ45 Connector With Boot Cover (3m / Corning Brand / D-Link), RJ-6 6 Pin Connector, RJ-8 4 Pin Connector, Rosette (Imported (Small), Rosette (Imported (Large), Cat-6 I/Os, Single Gang Face Plate 2 Port (3m Brand), Single Port Face Plate With 1x I/O (3m Brand), Switch Connector RJ-45 (3m / Corning Brand / D-Link), U/G 50 Pair 0.6mm Copper Cable (Armoured Brand), UTP Cable Cat 6 (Oxygen Free ), UTP Cable Cat-Vi (Oxygen Free ), U-Y Connectors (3m / Corning Brand), Cat6 RJ 45 3m (I/Os) (3m Brand), Volition Cat6 UTP 1000 Ft (Oxygen Free ), RJ45 K6 Jack, Cat6 (I/Os) (3m Brand), Cat 6 RJ45 Utp 2m (I/Os) (3m Brand), RJ45 K6 UTP White (I/Os) (3m Brand), Single Gang 1 Port (3m Brand), Volume Knob (Imported), Connectors, Cat 6 RJ 45 3m (I/Os), Cat6 UTP 1000 Ft (Oxygen Free ), RJ45 K6 Jack, Cat 6 (I/Os) (3m Brand), TM Cat 6 RJ45 Utp 2m (I/Os) (3m Brand), TM RJ45 K6 UTP White (I/Os) (3m Brand), Volition UK Single Gang 1 Port (3m Brand), Volume Knob (Imported), **PACKING MATERIAL:** Box Shipping (30"x17"x12") (5 Ply), Box Shipping (36"x36"x30") (5 Ply), Box Shipping(27"x22"x14") (5 Ply), Bubble Sheet (Standard), Emery Paper (Standard), Foam Sheet 1" (Standard), Foam Sheet 1/2" (Standard), Foam Sheet 2 Inch (Standard), Glue White (Tip Top) (Tip Top), Nail Steel (All Zise) (-), Paint Enemal (All Colour) (Andrew / Burger / Master / Buxlay), Paint Polyurethane (All Colour) (Andrew (For Aircraft)), Paint Remover, Paint Remover, Polythene Bag (Self Lock) All Sizes (Standard), Polythene Bag (Normal) All Sizes (Standard), Polythene Sheet 0.06mm (50 Mtr Roll), Sheet Thermopore 36"x24"x1" (Standard), Shipping Box (12"x9.5"x9.5") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (24"x18"x18") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (34"x11"x16") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (40"x18"x20") (5 Ply), Strip Binding (Standard), Tape Adhesive (15 Yds), Tape Insulation, Tape Masking (25 Yds), Tape Transparent (50 Yds), Thinner, Thinner No Th148(4lr One Can) (Put-300 (For Air Craft), **STATIONARY:** Carbon Paper 8 1/2x13 1/2 (21 X 33 Cm (100 Sheet Packing)), Correcting Fluid White 0.8 Mm Tip (Art No Dux-139)), DO Paper A-4 80gsm (Copymate (80 Gsm)), DO Paper A4 (Double AA (80 Gsm)), Envelopes SE-6, SE-7A, SE-8A (Sample Available At Lp Section ), Eraser Soft Steadtir (WR-90), File Clip Plastic (Paper Fastener (8cm) 50 Set / Box), Gum Liquid Picked (Bottle) (Gum (145 Gm)), Ink For Rubber Stamp Pad (Crystal (28.5 Gm)), Note Sheet Green (A4 100 Sheet Pad), Paper 2 Ply 80 Col (PC) (Imported), Paper (Color Blue, Green, Yellow, Pink) 18x23 80gsm (80gsm Best Quality), Paper Drawing Cartridge White (Size 27" X 21"), Paper I Ply 80 Col (Pc) (Imported), Paper Wrapping 35x47 (Camel Clour size 35" X 47"), PPC Paper A-4 75 Gsm (Copymate / Bright White / Pakmate (75 / 70 Gsm)), Register Ruled 3 Qrs (Al-Imran 3 Qrs 60 Pages), Register Ruled 4 Qrs (Al-Imran 4 Qrs 90 Pages), Stamp Pad Blue (Crystal Small), Stapple Pin 24/6 (Dollar 24/6(1000 Pin)), Tag Cotton 5 Small (5.2" Length), UHU Gum Stick Medium (Deli Stick Up 21gm), **TONNERS:** Ribbon Printer (LQ-1350, LQ-350, P5205 (A+ Copy), Toner LJ M402, M426 (26A) (A+ Copy), Toner LBP 6030 (725 / 325) (A+ Copy), Toner Fax Machine (83A) (A+ Copy), Toner (58A, 76A) With Chip (A+ Copy), Toner Laser Jet (05A, 107A, 12A, 17A, 30A, 35A, 48A, 49A, 53A, 79A, 80A, 85A) (A+ COPY), Toner Laser Jet (26A, 53A, 85A) (Original / 1st Copy),

**CLEANING MATERIAL:** Bleaching Powder (25kg Packing), Car Polish (200gm), Chamous Leather (Size 43x32x0.2cm ), Chamous Leather (Size 43x32x0.2cm Original), Cloth Muslim (Sample Available at LP Sec), Cloth Polish (Yellow Cloth (16" X 20")), Dettol (Dettol 50ml (Plastic Bottle)), Floor Polish (450 Gm), Glint (Glass Cleaner) (Glint / Power Plus Glass Cleaner 500 Ml), Liquid White (2.75 Ltr), Metal Polish (200 Ml), Oil Kerosin Grade A (Standard), Plastic Polish (250 Ml), Polish Black (45ml)), Powder Cleaning (750-1000gm Pkt), Rag Coloured (1' X 1') (Size 1 Ft X 1 Ft, One Rag One Colour Without Zip + Button + Stitching, Fresh Cutting), Rags Coloured (Without Zip + Button + Stitching), Soap Flakes, Soap Toilet (70-85 Gm)), Soap Yellow 16oz Bar (Best Quality Mini Pack = 06 Ea), Soda Ash **Note:** - Detail Specifications / Tender documents and annual estimated Qty subject to authorization and trend analysis (which may vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds) for LP of items can be obtained from Logistics Squadron PAF, Base Nur Khan (Mob: 03239415715, "To meet the requirement of PPRA Rules " Words Equivalent" is to be read with each items and equivalent mean " equivalent in quality and specification or higher".

**PAF BASE, LAHORE (LOG)****03239428715**

**CLOSED FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR FY 2025-26.** In accordance with PPRA Rule 16-A, applications are invited for pre-qualification / registration of reputable, well-experienced, financially sound and Income Tax - registered firms /contractors / wholesalers / distributors / manufacturers with Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore for the supply of under-mentioned items against annual closed framework agreement for the duration of FY 2025-26 (1 Jul, 2025 to 30 Jun, 2026). Local Purchase of Cleaning Material (all items) Stationary (all items), Paper of DO & PPC A4 Size, A3 (75 GSM, 80 GSM, 100GSM), Paper 2 & 3 Ply 80 Column, Packing & Preservation of all sizes / types (Polythene sheet, Bubble sheet, Cartons, Wood, Thermosphere, Rubber sheet, Nails, Foam sheet, Tapes, Samadbond and Chip boards), All types of Tonners & Ribbons for Printer / PPC Machine, Air Conditioner Splits Inv / Non-Inv Rev / Non-Rev and Floor Standing (1 - 4 Tons), UPS / Computer all types and their Accessories / Spares (HDMI / Power / VGA Cables). All Make & Model of Batteries of different Voltages & Amperes (Acid & Maintenance free), All Types of Filters (MT Vehicles & Generators), All types of Printers (Wired Only), All typesof Air Conditioner Gases, All Types & Sizes of MT Tyres & Tubes, All grades of POL Lubes, All types of Paints & Dopes. Miscellaneous items (Cat 6 UTP Cable, Cell Dry - all sizes, WD-40 Anti-Corrosion, Cell Rechargeable, Contact Cleaner, Hand Torches, Flash Lights, Gloves - all types & sizes, Pad Locks, Safety Goggles, Water proof covers - all sizes", **Note:** - Annual estimated Qty is subject to authorization and requirements (which may vary from 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds). Detailed specifications or any other firm registration assistance may be obtained from LP Section of Logistics / Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore (Mobile: - 03239428715), **ANNUAL PROCUREMENT PLAN FOR FY 2025-26.** In accordance with PPRA Rules 8, applications are invited from well-experienced, financially sound and Income Tax registered firms with Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore for the supply of under-mentioned items against Annual Planned Procurements for the duration of FY 2025-26 (Tenders will be floated during the month of July, 25). Detailed list of procurements are as the following:- Local Purchase of Cleaning Material (all items), Stationary (all items), Paper of DO & PPC A4 Size, A3 (75 Gms, 80 Gms, 100 Gms), Paper 2 & 3 Ply 80 Column, Packing & Preservation of all sizes / types (Polythene sheet, Bubble sheet, Cartons, Wood, Thermosphere, Rubber sheet, Nails, Foam sheet, Tapes, Samadbond and Chip boards). All types of Tonners & Ribbons for Printer / PPC Machine, Air Conditioner Splits / Repairs Inv / Non-Inv Rev / Non-Rev and Floor Standing (1-4 Tons), UPS I Computer all types and their Accessories I Spares (HDMI / Power! VGA Cables). All Make and Models of Batteries of different Voltages & Amperes (Acid & Maintenance Free), All types of Filters (MT Vehicles & Generators), All types of Printers (Wired only), All types of Air Conditioner Gases, All types and sizes of MT Tyres & Tubes, All Grades of POL Lubes, All types of Paint & Dopes, Securing items (Knee pads, Elbow pads, Cameras, Walk through gate repairs etc.). All types of MT Repairs / Spare Parts / Tools / Testers. Clothing items and Misc. uniform accoutrements. The estimated value of the planned procurement for the FY 2025-26 will be approx. PKR 72 Mil, Note:- Annual estimated Qty is subject to authorization and requirements (which may vary from 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds). Detailed specifications or any other firm registration assistance may be obtained from LP Section of Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore, Mobile: -03239428715

**PAF BASE MUSHAF (LOG)****048-5552277**

Local Purchase of All Type of Tyres and Tube (Special Vehicles, SMTs, GPUs, HMTs) All Brand and Sizes, All Type of Batteries (12V 5AH to 220AH (Dry, Liquid, Maint Free) All Brands, All Type Of Reversible & Non Reversible (Inverter) Air Conditioner (1 to 4 Ton), Water Dispenser with Bottle, Electric Water cooler( 05 to 25 GLN), Refrigerator/ Deep Freezer (07 to 16 Cu Ft), All Type of GE Shop Items including All Type of Wood (Ply Wood, Wood Lasani, Lamination Sheet, Steel/Iron angles, Aluminum Sheets, Steel Sheets and All Guages, Wood Work Related Items), All Type of Stationary Items including PPC Paper A4 75 GSM imported & 80 GSM only, All Type of Cleaning Material including Rags Colured, Stock Nette, Polishes & Cloth Mualin Etc, All type of Packing amd Storage Material (Tapes, Polythese, Bubble Sheet, Cartons, Thermopore, Foam Sheets, Cloth Hassan & Nylon Straps Etc), All type of MT Filters, All Type of Uniform Accouterments, All Type of Tommers and Cartridges, All Types of MT spares and Related Accessories, Earthing Cables, All Air Conditioning and Refrigerant Gases, Misc Items (Networking Equipment, IT equipment and Common User items), All Types of Oil, Lubes and Engine Oils (Differential and Planetary Oil, Transmission Oil CD or ATF, Hyde Oil VG 46, Engine Oil 15W40 (API:C14), SAE 10W40, SAE 20W50, Hydraulic Oil SAE 90, Gear Oil SAE 90/140, Tellus 46 & Etc), All Types of Paint & Dopes (Thinner, Paint Remover Etc), All Types of Smart & Non Smart LEDs (32 to 95 Inches), Hiring Of Mechanical Civil Transport (All Types). For Framework Agreement in FY 2025-2026, Note: Detailed Specifications and Annual Estimated Quantity subject to Authorization and Trend Analysis (Which may Vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated fund) for LP list of Common use items and Sample can be obtained from LP Section Sargodha (As Req), Detailed Specifications can be obtained from Log Sqn Mushaf (Sargodha) on telephone 048-555-2278

**PAF BASE SHAHBAZ****0323-9439712**

Local Purchase of Tyres & Tubes of SMT all Sizes, Local Purchase of All Types of Batteries {Dry/ Liquid 12V 5AH to 220AH}, impres Li-Ion 3000 MAH CE Battery, Local Purchase of Air Conditioners / Ton, 1.5 Ton, 2 Ton, 4 Ton (Reversible 'All Brands' and Non Reversible 'All Brands'), Water Dispenser 05 Gln With Bottle, Electric Water Cooler (05, 10, & 25 Gln), Refrigerator/Deep Freezer (07, 08, 10, 12, 14, & 16 Cu ft), Local Purchase of All GE-Shop / AC Shop items, Cleaning Material, Stationary, Packing material, Filters (All Types), Local Purchase of PPC Paper A-4 75 GSM Imported, DO Paper A-4 80 GSM & D O Paper B 1/2X11, Local Purchase of all grades of MT Lubes All Grades (Oil Eng (API Cl-4 SAE 20W-50), Engine Oil 10W-40, Oil Eng API CD SAE 5W-50, API:CE,SAE 15W-40,SAE API Cl-4 15W40, API CD SAE 5W-30, Transmission Oil (CD OR ATF), Hyde Oil (ISO VG 32), Differential & Planetary Oil, Oil Gear/DIF/STR SAE 90, Delo Silver (Diesel) 20W-50, Brake Oil, Hydraulic Oil ISO68, Engine Oil CK-4/SN SAE 15W40, AP1.CD.SAE 15W-40, SAE 20W40, API: CD, SAE 20W40, AP1:ILSACSAE 10W-40, Oil Steering Dexron, Delo Silver Diesel 20W50, Hyde Oil (ISO VG 46), Engine Oil CK-4/SN SAE 15W 40, Oil Eng MB SHT228.3.SAE 10W-30, Oil Engine (API:C14,SAE 15W40). Oil Eng (AP1:CD, SAE 5W-30), Oil Eng (API :CD, SAE 20W-40), Oil Differential (SAE 85W-140) Hyd Oil, Differential Oil, Transmission Oil, Oil Taxaco Pinnode, Oil Rato Inj Fluid, Oil GR/DIF/STR, Oil Steering Dexron, Grease 07/22, Grease PX-7/C187, Local Purchase of Wood Kail, Wood Panel 10x5x9", Ply Wood (All Sizes), Local Purchase of Paints & Dopes Bright/ Logo or equivalent, Local Purchase of Tonners & Ribbons (All Types), Local Purchase of Common Use Items i.e. Tapes, Contact Cleaner / WD-40, Dry Cells, Elf, Depoxy/ Epoxy, Cloth Abrasive etc (Ea As Req) Note: Detailed Specifications can be obtained from Log Sqn Shahbaz on telephone 0323-9439712

**NO 120 ALD PAF BASE LAHORE****048-555-2956/2917**

**Cleaning Material:** Bleaching Powder (Powder Cleaning (400Gm), Soda Ash, Soap Toilet (1100Gm), Soap Yellow 160z Bar (50Gm), Floor Polish, Metal polish (Plastic Polish, Glint Glass Cleaner, Crosel Liquid (Fighter Plus), Cloth Polish (18"x18") Printed, Cloth Muslim (Local), Stockinette, Rag Coloured, Stationery Items: PPC (A4) 75gsm (Imported), PPC (Legal) 90gsm (Imported), DO Paper (A4) 70 & 80 gsm (BLC), Registers Ruled (2,3,4 Qrs), Gum liquid, Gum Stick, Eraser Soft Deluxe (Large), Staple Pin 24/6, Tag Cotton, Thread Ball, Note Sheet Green (Pkt), Stamp Pad, Ink Stamp Pad 30gm, Envelopes (SE-5.6,7,8,8A), DO Envelopes, Blanko with Thinner; Wrapping Sheet Brown, File Clip Plastic, POL / Batteries / Filters : Eng Oil 20W-50 & 10W-40, Hyd Oil, K-2 Oil, Brake Oil SAE 20W-40, Grease LG-280 CS.881G (S.T.A), Gear Oil, Steering Oil, Air & Oil Filters (All Types) Guards, Batteries (All Types), Packing & Preservation / Misc Items :- Carton Card Board 5-Ply & 7-Ply (6"x6"x10" &, 12"x12"x12", 18"x18"x14", 18"x18"x18", 20"x16"x12", 24"x24"x22", 30"x24"x24", 32"x30"x24", 36"x30"x24" 48"x48"x48"), Foam Sheet 1", 2", 3" (Premium Quality), Bubble Sheet, Thermopore Sheet 1", Polythene Roll Transparent (100 Mtr), Stretch Film Wrapping (5, 8, 11, 13, 15/Kg), Tape Transparent 2" & 3" 50yd, Tape Packing Yellow 2" 50yd, Tape Masking 2", 50yd, Tape Adhesive 2" 10 & 20 Yd, Plywood 1/2" (6 Core), Wood Kail 5"x109" (Anamdar), Glue White, Nail Steel (All Sizes) Power, Nail Iron (All Sizes) Power, Adhesive Bond, Polythene Bags 27"x14", Polythene Bags Lock. 6"x8", 6"x4", 12"x12", 19"x12", Paints & Dopes: Paints (All Colors), Thinner BNC, Brush Painting (All Sizes), Paint Remover (As Req), Note: In case of any query, contact 048-555-2956 / 2917 and send email to flvg20@paf.gov.pk

**PAF BASE SAKESAR (LOG)****0483722299 Ext 829-2299**

**Close Frame of Work for Misc items for Financial Year 2025- 2026:** MT Lubes (Engine Oil 15W-40, 20W-50. SAE-40, Gear Oil GI-4, SAE 75W90, Brake Oil, Grease Oil 80W90. Rigid Axle Oil LGP Transmission Oil, Compressor Oil, Oil lubricating SAE 10 etc As Reqd, Packing and Storage Material (Carton Boxes all sizes, All types of Polythene Bags Lock. Polythene sheet in KG/MR both. Bubble sheet. Foam sheets all size. Thermopore, Hard Foam, All types of Tapes (Masking, Adhesive, Transparent etc) Nail steel, Lamination sheet Lasani sheet MDF sheet. Wood/Chip Boards, All types of Wood Kail, Wood Fir, Ply wood etc As Regd, All Paints & Dopes. Cleaning Material (Stocknet. Rags coloured. Chamous Leather. Cloth Polishing, Car Polish, Glint. Metal Polish, soap Flask, Soap yellow, Floor Polish, Soda ASH, Power cleaning. Dettol. Polish Black, Power Bleaching, Plastic polish, k-2 oil etc. As Reqd, Stationary (Thread ball, Gum-stick small- medium-large, Ink violet stamp pad, Tag cotton SIL, Stamp pad blue, Blanco white, File clip plastic, Stapple pin. Envelope sizes 5 to 8 & 8A, DO Paper 80GSM, PPC Paper 70 & 75 GSM, Printers Toners all types etc. As Reqd, Note: Details specification and annual estimated Qty subject authorized and trend analysis (which may be vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated fund) for LP items can be obtained from Log Sqn Sakesar (Khushab) on telephone 0483722299 (Ext 829-2299) or Mobile # 0320-3465936

**PAF HOSPITAL, MASROOR (LOG)****021-99525281**

**Cleaning Material:** - Soap Toilet (All types), Soap Yellow (All types), Cleaning Powder, Bleaching Powder, Soda Ash, Rags Coloured, Cloth Muslim, Soap Flakes, Dettol, Glint Glass Cleaner, Floor Polish, Phenyle Liquid, Plastic Polish, Cloth Polish, **Chemicals:** - DDVP, Oil Insect Repellent. **Stationery:** - Eraser Soft, Ink Stamp Pad, Gum Liquid Picked, Blanco with thinner (Correcting Fluid White), File clip Plastic, Stamp Pad Blue, Minute Sheet, DO Paper A-4, PPC Paper A-4, Pin staple 24/6, Register Qr-2, Register Qr-3, Tag Cotton Small, Thread Ball Cotton, Paper wrapping 23 X 29, Drawing Paper 23 X 26, Paper 2 Ply 80 Columns, Envelope Size S-6A, Envelope Size S-7A, Envelope Size S-8A, PPC Paper Size 70 to 80 GSM, Dry Cell / Battery: - Dry Cell (All types), Cell Pencil 1.5 Volt (Battery 12V 120AMP, Battery 09 Volt, Battery 12 Volt (5 AH, 7 Ah, 9 Ah). **Hospital Items:** - Kurta Hosp Blue Poplin (Small, Medium, Large), Pajama Hosp Blue Poplin (Small, Medium, Large), OT Dress, Sheet Cotton (white), Dressing Gown, Towel Patient, Slipper Hosp (7, 8, 9, 10) Air Conditioning Gases (GAS FREON 410A, GAS FREON 22), **Misc Items:** - Polythene Bag 24x28, Tape Transparent 1x72 Yards, Tape Transparent, Tape Masking, Tape Adhesive 2, Polythene Bag 8x5, Soldering Wire, Polythene Bag Lock 14"x10", Bubble Sheet, Carton Boxes 18x22x14 Inches, Glue, Tape Transparent 1-½ x 72YDS, Nail 2", Nail 1 ½, Ply Wood 8'x4'x½", Plastic Strip Binding, Ply Wood 1'2x4'x8", Ply Wood 3'4x4'x8", Ploythene Sheet 0.0025x50, Foam Sheet 1", Wood Kail, Nail 1" No 17, Carton Box 24"x24"x22", Thermopore 39"x39"x1", Carbon Papers. Note: - "Closed Frame Work Agreement" against the requirement of PAF Hospital, Masroor for the FY 2025-26. The bids to be submitted will be according to the PPRA rule 36 (b) and have the validity of 01 Year. In case of winning the bids, the winning bidders will have to submit 05 % Bid security. The advertisement of same is required to be published in next issuance of PAF Tender notices. For further detail, please contact at 021-99525281

**NO 110 ALD PAF BASE LAHORE****042-99507221**

ARM Band Red Watchman (EA), Armllet PAF Police NCO (EA), AWC Badge (SC&SC) S/D JCO (EA), Badge Arm Shaheen SMR (2022), Badge Cap Beret JCO (N/P), Badge Cap Side Officer (EA), Badge Shoulder Security (W/M) (PR), Bag Helmet Flying (2022), Belt Black Narrow (All Sizes), Belt Nylon White Provost (All Sizes)(EA), Branch Insignia (All Branches) (EA), Buckle 2 Pin Ceremonial Beret JCO (N/P)(All Sizes)(EA), Cap Beret Red Provost (All Sizes)(EA),Cap Comforter CD (2022)(EA),Cap Sun Olive Green (All Sizes) (EA), Cape Water Proof (All Sizes), Chevron (I Bar, II Bar, III Bar, III Bar WC&S) Coverall (EA), Chevron III Bar WINWC&S(NP 2010)(PR), Cloth Shafoon For Dopatta L/OFF (MR), Collar Badge A/Cdre W/D(Screws)(PR),Collar Badge Golden With Screw(PR),Collar Badge Medical(PR),Command Badge (EA), Command Badge CD (2022) (EA), Coverall Flying Orange (All Sizes) (EA), Drawer Air Crew (All Sizes) (EA), Field Jacket CD (2022) (EA), Field Jacket N/P(All Sizes) (EA), Gloves Knitted B/G (All sizes) (PR), Gloves Olive Green (All Sizes) (PR), Gloves L/B Without Lining (All Sizes) (PR), Glovs L/B With Lining (All Sizes) PR, Head Scarf CD (2022) (EA), Jacket Flying (All Sizes) (EA), Jacket Flying Tropical (All Sizes) (EA), Knife Survival (EA), Liner Assembly (All Sizes) (EA), Prop SAC Coverall (EA), Rank ACM W/D (2022) (EA), Rank Badge Flying Coverall Flg Off to Gp Capt (PR), Rank Badge JCO Ceremonial (PR), Rank Badge JCO Coverall (PR),Rank Jacket CD(2022) ACM (EA), Rank Jacket CD (2022) CWO (EA), Shaheen Red For Provost (PR), Shirt winter 2022(All Sizes) (EA), Shoes B/L Patent (All Sizes) (PR),Sun Hat CD(2022)(EA),THR Vest Combat Dress F/S (All Sizes) (EA), THR vest F/S Air Off(MILD, HVY) (All Sizes), TIE Ceremonial (EA), Trouser Winter (All Sizes)(2022),Vest Full sleeve Sage Green (All Sizes), Vest Cotton Air Crew (All Sizes), Waist Coast Mess kit (All Sizes),Wing Para CD (2022), Braid Trouser Mess Kit (MR), Mess kit Braid Roundel (Left) (EA), Mess kit Braid Roundel (Right)(EA), Further details / complete specifications, may be collected from No, 110 ALD, PAF (Tele No 0323-9428714, 042-9507221-7203) on any working day

**PAF PRESS, MASROOR (LOG)****051-9505556**

CLOSED FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT OF PRINTING RELATED STORE FOR OPEN TENDERING OF STORE PERIOD 01ST JULY, 2025 TO 30TH JUNE 2026: Bag Polythene 23"x36", Pulp Board (White, Blue, Green and Pink) 9"x28", 19"x25" 180, 230, 240 and 265GSM, Screw Brass and Mild Steel ¼", ½", 1/3", ¾", 1" 3 ¼" and 3 ½", Card Board Legal 9"x14", Carton Box 24"x22"x10" and 20"x16"x12", Cloth Binding D/Blue Spl 100CM, Straw Board 25 ½"x30 ½" 32 OZ, Fancy Card Yellow 22"x28" 180GSM and 22"33" 250GSM, Film lamination 13", Glue EVA Past Lamination, Glue White, Bleach Card 20"x30" and 23"x36" 250GSM, Paper White Offset 20"x30", 23"x36", 25"x35½" and 27"x34" 80 and 100GSM, Real Art Paper 20"x30", 23"x36" and 25"x36" 100, 115, and 128GSM, Real Art Card 20"x30", 23"x36" 31"x43" 18"x23", 22"x28" 25x35 ½", and 25"x36" 190, 210, 250, 260, 300 and 310GSM, Plate Thermal / UV 745x605x.30MM and 915x715x.30MM, Charging Assy CMYK 3070L, Tonner C.M.Y.K for 3070L and 550/5550 machines, T-9 Developer, Developer C.M.Y.K for 3070L and 550 machine, Drum C.M.Y.K for 3070L 550 and 5550 machines, Fuser Assembly 550/5550 machines, Alcohol 99.9% Pure, Developing Unit 3070L, Cartridge C.M.Y.K for 550 machine, Transfer Cleaning Unit 3070L, Sapira Wash-up Unit (Specification details collect from PAF Press, Masroor), Quotes for closed framework agreement and should be valid for 12 months (01st July, 2025 to 30th June 2026). Detailed specifications estimated quantities (which may vary owing to allocated funds for LP of common Printing press related store can be obtained from PAF Press, Masroor (Mobile No. 0323-9432745)

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# PAKISTAN AIR FORCE

## OPEN TENDER NOTICES

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED BY THE FOLLOWING BASES / UNITS FOR THE SUPPLY / PURCHASE / REPAIR / OVERHAULING OF MENTIONED ITEMS.

**PAF BASE, NUR KHAN (LOG)****051-952-3867**

CLOSED FRAME WORK AGREEMENT FY 2025-26, **BATTERIES:** Batteries 12V Capacity 2.5AH to 220AH (AGS or Equivalent) Wet, Dry Batteries 12V Capacity 2.5AH to 150AH, **CLOTHING ACCOUTERMENT:** Anklelet White GOH, Armllet PAF Police NCO, Armllet PAF Watchman, Badge Arm Shaheen Summer, Badge Arm Shaheen Winter, Bed Sheet Blue, Belt Broad CD All Size, Belt Nylon White Provost All Size, Belt White Leather GOH, Cap Comforter CD (2022), Collar Badge JCO / Off With Screw, Coverall Engg Off/Men (All Size), Drawer Cotton Long Small, Durree Small, Gloves White GOH, Gloves Cotton White, Hat Olive Green Chain, Headgear Kullah, Jacket Anti-Static Air/Men All Size, Pak Flag Badge Metal, Pillow Ball Fiber, Pillow Slip, Quilt Cover, Quilt Single Polyester With Bag, Rain Coat (All Size), Socks Black Combat, Socks Cotton Black, Socks Sports White, Toshak Cotton, Towel Bath (Officers), Towel Hand, Track Suit All Size, T-Shirt Pt Sports All Size, Vest F/S White All Size, Vest Full Sleeves Sage Green All Size, Vest H/S Summer All Size, Vest Sage Green Summer All Size, Vest Summer CD All Size, Vest Winter CD All Size **MT FILTERS:** Air Filters GDA-952A, GDA 2002, GDA 2003, GDA 2024, GDA-2002, GDA-2003, GDA-2022, GDA-2042, AGDA-449, GDA-852, GDA-863, GDA-865, GDA-889, GDA-916, GDA-949, GDA952A&B, GDA-952B, GDA-865, Fuel Filters GDF 0L010,GDF 206, GDF-213, GDF-214, GDF-216, GDF-222, GDF-223, GDF-433,GDF-456, GDF-461, GDO 135,GDO 158, GDO 161, Oil Filters GDO 199, GDO 2250, GDO 345, GDO-133, GDO-135, GDO-151, GDO-154, GDO-158, GDO-161, GDO-171, GDO-179, GDO-198, GDO-345, GDO-347, GDO-348, GDO-349, GDO-371, GDO-372, GDO-401, GDO-506A, **COMMON ITEMS:** Battery 9 Volt (Carbon 6F22 9V)), Battery 9 Volt 9V1 (5 Year Shelf Life)), Battery Alkaline 9 Volt (9 Volt Rechargeable Battery), Brush Cleaning ( Universal 2", 3", 4"), Brush Cleaning (Black Cat 1"), Cable Elect 2Core (GM / Fast Cable (7.029)), Cable Electric 2 Core 5AMP (GM / Fast Cable (3.029)), Cable Ties (Cble Ties No 04), Cable Ties (Cable Ties No 06), Cable Ties (Cable Ties No 08), Cable Ties (No 10, 12), Cell "AA" ("AA"), Cell "AAA" ("AAA"), Cell "AA" (Cell Non-Rechargeable "AA"), Cell Type "C" (Cell Non-Rechargeable Type "C"), Cell Type "D" (Cell Non-Rechargeable Type "D"), Cell Type "C" (Type "C"), Cell Type "D" (Type "D"), Carpet Cleaner (Tuff Stuf 600ml), Clips Crocodile Large, Cloth Muslin White 36 (Standard), Contact Cleaner (CRC Contact Cleaner 400 Ml), Contact Cleaner (200 Ml), Contact Cleaner (400 Ml), Coolant Radiator (Guard 01 Ltr Packing), Earthing Cable (Imported 10 MM), Earthing Cable (Imported 12mm), Earthing Cable (Imported 2 MM), Earthing Cable (Imported 6 MM), Elect Cable (Pakistan Cable), Elphy (Zgram), Emergency Light (Model 3801 / Equavilant), Epoxy / Depoxy (Magic Epoxy Large), Epoxy / Depoxy (Magic Epoxy Small), Extension Board (06 Port), Extension Board (Ext Board 06 Port ), Gloves Cotton (Standard), Gloves Leather (Standard), Gloves Rubber (Nitrile Gloves), Goggles Safety, Goggles Safety (Ingco Or Equivalent), Industrial Connector 3 Pin (16 Amp), Industrial Connector 3 Pin (32 Amp), Industrial Connector 5 Pin (125 Amp), Industrial Connector 5 Pin (125 Amp), Industrial Connector 5 Pin (63 Amp), Label 50x25mm (Almunium Foil) (Standard), Lead Seal 1/3"x1/2" (Standard), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 2 1/2" (Imported) With Key Chain), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 2"), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 3"), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 4" (Imported)), Pad Lock (Pad Lock 4"), Paper Cup With Lid (High Quality With Hard Lid), Paper Packing Craft Union W/P (Standard), Pouch Mechanics Tools (Tool Bag (Stainly / Ingco) (Medium Size)), Rechargeable Battery 3.7 Volt, Rechargeable Cell "AA" (Cell Rechargeable "AA"), Rechargeable Cell "AAA" (Cell Rechargeable "AAA"), Rechargeable Cell Type "C" (Cell Rechargeable Type "C"), Rubber Glove (Standard), Samad Bond (Samad Bond (80 Gm)), Samad Bond Tin 0.75 Kg (750 Gm), Schuko Power Sockets 6 Slots (Original Schuko Ext Board ), Silicon Tube (Rtv Silicone 20 Gm), Silicon Tube (Rtv Silicone 50 Gm), Spoon Plastic (Best Quality), Tool Bag (Stanly / Ingco (Medium Size)), Umbrella Portable (Large) (Imported), Wd-40 (5 Ltr Packing), Wd-40 (Wd-40 200 Ml), Wd-40 (Wd-40 330 Ml), **NETWORKING:** Cable Manager (3m Brand), Cplisal Titanium Cat 6 Patch Panel (3m Brand (With I/Os)), Coaxial Cable RG-7 (Imported), Connector RJ-45 (3m Brand), CT Box 100 Pair (Dip / Local), CT Box 50 Pair (Dip / Local), C-Vivace Dual Face Plate (3m Brand), Data Sockets W/RJ-11 & RJ-45 (3m Brand), DC Cable For Rectifier 25mm (Gm / Fast Cable 25 Mm), Drop Wire WI 40 In Coils (Pctl / Premium), Dual Portface Plate With 2xi/O (3m Brand), FCPC-SC Patch Cord (LTE / Litech / Corning Brand), Frequency Knob (Imported), HDMI 2.0 Active Optical Cable (3m / Speed-X / Premium 25 Mtr), HDMI Cable 15 Mtr (3m / Speed-X /Premium 15 Mtr), HDMI Cable 5 Meter (3m / Speed-X / Premium 05 Mtr), HDMI to HDMI Cable (20m/25m) (3m / Speed-X / Premium 20 Mtr), I/O Wall Plates 5RJ-11 Port (3m Brand), Jointing Kit Cable 50 Pairs (J2 Brand 50 Pairs), Jointing Kit U/G Cable 10pairs (J2 Brand 10 Pairs), Jumper Wire (Original Copper Wire), Lane Cord (Local (5 Mtr To 10 Mtr)), Microphone Cable PVC (GM Brand / Pakistan Cable), Multi-Purpose Back Box FR LAN, Optical Fiber Cable 12 Core Cat-6 Utp 1/O Jack, Patch Cable 30m FC To LC, Patch Cable SM 100m FC To LC, Patch Cable SM 50m FC To LC (Lte / Litech / Corning Brand), Patch Cable UTP (Type-1) 10m, Patch Card (Original 3m Brand 3ft), Patch Card SC-LC 15mtr Duplex, Patch Cord UTP 01 Meter (3m Brand), Patch Cord Utp 3 Meter (3m Brand), Pigtail (G.652 Complaint), Power Cable 2.5mm 2 (Imported), Power Cord, 250v AC 10a Bs 136 (Imported), Premium Buried 48 Optical Fiber, PVC Cable 10 Pairs, PVC Cable Five Pairs, PVC Cable Two Pairs, Rawal Plug (Small Size (2")), Rawl Plugs (Large Size (3")), Receiver Cord (Standard Length), RJ-11 4 Pin Connector, RJ-45 Connector (With Sleeves) (3m / Corning Brand / D-Link), RJ45 Connector With Boot Cover (3m / Corning Brand / D-Link), RJ-6 6 Pin Connector, RJ-8 4 Pin Connector, Rosette (Imported (Small), Rosette (Imported (Large), Cat-6 I/Os, Single Gang Face Plate 2 Port (3m Brand), Single Port Face Plate With 1x I/O (3m Brand), Switch Connector RJ-45 (3m / Corning Brand / D-Link), U/G 50 Pair 0.6mm Copper Cable (Armoured Brand), UTP Cable Cat 6 (Oxygen Free ), UTP Cable Cat-Vi (Oxygen Free ), U-Y Connectors (3m / Corning Brand), Cat6 RJ 45 3m (I/Os) (3m Brand), Volition Cat6 UTP 1000 Ft (Oxygen Free ), RJ45 K6 Jack, Cat6 (I/Os) (3m Brand), Cat 6 RJ45 Utp 2m (I/Os) (3m Brand), RJ45 K6 UTP White (I/Os) (3m Brand), Single Gang 1 Port (3m Brand), Volume Knob (Imported), Connectors, Cat 6 RJ 45 3m (I/Os), Cat6 UTP 1000 Ft (Oxygen Free ), RJ45 K6 Jack, Cat 6 (I/Os) (3m Brand), TM Cat 6 RJ45 Utp 2m (I/Os) (3m Brand), TM RJ45 K6 UTP White (I/Os) (3m Brand), Volition UK Single Gang 1 Port (3m Brand), Volume Knob (Imported), **PACKING MATERIAL:** Box Shipping (30"x17"x12") (5 Ply), Box Shipping (36"x36"x30") (5 Ply), Box Shipping(27"x22"x14") (5 Ply), Bubble Sheet (Standard), Emery Paper (Standard), Foam Sheet 1" (Standard), Foam Sheet 1/2" (Standard), Foam Sheet 2 Inch (Standard), Glue White (Tip Top) (Tip Top), Nail Steel (All Zise) (-), Paint Enemal (All Colour) (Andrew / Burger / Master / Buxlay), Paint Polyurethane (All Colour) (Andrew (For Aircraft)), Paint Remover, Paint Remover, Polythene Bag (Self Lock) All Sizes (Standard), Polythene Bag (Normal) All Sizes (Standard), Polythene Sheet 0.06mm (50 Mtr Roll), Sheet Thermopore 36"x24"x1" (Standard), Shipping Box (12"x9.5"x9.5") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (24"x18"x18") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (34"x11"x16") (5 Ply), Shipping Box (40"x18"x20") (5 Ply), Strip Binding (Standard), Tape Adhesive (15 Yds), Tape Insulation, Tape Masking (25 Yds), Tape Transparent (50 Yds), Thinner, Thinner No Th148(4lr One Can) (Put-300 (For Air Craft), **STATIONARY:** Carbon Paper 8 1/2x13 1/2 (21 X 33 Cm (100 Sheet Packing)), Correcting Fluid White 0.8 Mm Tip (Art No Dux-139)), DO Paper A-4 80gsm (Copymate (80 Gsm)), DO Paper A4 (Double AA (80 Gsm)), Envelopes SE-6, SE-7A, SE-8A (Sample Available At Lp Section ), Eraser Soft Steadtir (WR-90), File Clip Plastic (Paper Fastener (8cm) 50 Set / Box), Gum Liquid Picked (Bottle) (Gum (145 Gm)), Ink For Rubber Stamp Pad (Crystal (28.5 Gm)), Note Sheet Green (A4 100 Sheet Pad), Paper 2 Ply 80 Col (PC) (Imported), Paper (Color Blue, Green, Yellow, Pink) 18x23 80gsm (80gsm Best Quality), Paper Drawing Cartridge White (Size 27" X 21"), Paper I Ply 80 Col (Pc) (Imported), Paper Wrapping 35x47 (Camel Clour size 35" X 47"), PPC Paper A-4 75 Gsm (Copymate / Bright White / Pakmate (75 / 70 Gsm)), Register Ruled 3 Qrs (Al-Imran 3 Qrs 60 Pages), Register Ruled 4 Qrs (Al-Imran 4 Qrs 90 Pages), Stamp Pad Blue (Crystal Small), Stapple Pin 24/6 (Dollar 24/6(1000 Pin)), Tag Cotton 5 Small (5.2" Length), UHU Gum Stick Medium (Deli Stick Up 21gm), **TONNERS:** Ribbon Printer (LQ-1350, LQ-350, P5205 (A+ Copy), Toner LJ M402, M426 (26A) (A+ Copy), Toner LBP 6030 (725 / 325) (A+ Copy), Toner Fax Machine (83A) (A+ Copy), Toner (58A, 76A) With Chip (A+ Copy), Toner Laser Jet (05A, 107A, 12A, 17A, 30A, 35A, 48A, 49A, 53A, 79A, 80A, 85A) (A+ Copy), Toner Laser Jet (26A, 53A, 85A) (Original / 1st Copy), **CLEANING MATERIAL:** Bleaching Powder (25kg Packing), Car Polish (200gm), Chamous Leather (Size 43x32x0.2cm ), Chamous Leather (Size 43x32x0.2cm Original), Cloth Muslim (Sample Available at LP Sec), Cloth Polish (Yellow Cloth (16" X 20")), Dettol (Dettol 50ml (Plastic Bottle)), Floor Polish (450 Gm), Glint (Glass Cleaner) (Glint / Power Plus Glass Cleaner 500 Ml), Liquid White (2.75 Ltr), Metal Polish (200 Ml), Oil Kerosin Grade A (Standard), Plastic Polish (250 Ml), Polish Black (45ml)), Powder Cleaning (750-1000gm Pkt), Rag Coloured (1' X 1') (Size 1 Ft X 1 Ft, One Rag One Colour Without Zip + Button + Stitching, Fresh Cutting), Rags Coloured (Without Zip + Button + Stitching), Soap Flakes, Soap Toilet (70-85 Gm)), Soap Yellow 16oz Bar (Best Quality Mini Pack = 06 Ea), Soda Ash **Note:** - Detail Specifications / Tender documents and annual estimated Qty subject to authorization and trend analysis (which may vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds) for LP of items can be obtained from Logistics Squadron PAF, Base Nur Khan (Mob: 03239415715, "To meet the requirement of PPRA Rules " Words Equivalent" is to be read with each items and equivalent mean " equivalent in quality and specification or higher".

**PAF BASE, LAHORE (LOG)****03239428715**

**CLOSED FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR FY 2025-26.** In accordance with PPRA Rule 16-A, applications are invited for pre-qualification / registration of reputable, well-experienced, financially sound and Income Tax - registered firms /contractors / wholesalers / distributors / manufacturers with Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore for the supply of under-mentioned items against annual closed framework agreement for the duration of FY 2025-26 (1 Jul, 2025 to 30 Jun, 2026). Local Purchase of Cleaning Material (all items) Stationary (all items), Paper of DO & PPC A4 Size, A3 (75 GSM, 80 GSM, 100GSM), Paper 2 & 3 Ply 80 Column, Packing & Preservation of all sizes / types (Polythene sheet, Bubble sheet, Cartons, Wood, Thermosphere, Rubber sheet, Nails, Foam sheet, Tapes, Samadbond and Chip boards), All types of Tonners & Ribbons for Printer / PPC Machine, Air Conditioner Splits Inv / Non-Inv Rev / Non-Rev and Floor Standing (1 - 4 Tons), UPS / Computer all types and their Accessories / Spares (HDMI / Power / VGA Cables). All Make & Model of Batteries of different Voltages & Amperes (Acid & Maintenance free), All Types of Filters (MT Vehicles & Generators), All types of Printers (Wired Only), All typesof Air Conditioner Gases, All Types & Sizes of MT Tyres & Tubes, All grades of POL Lubes, All types of Paints & Dopes. Miscellaneous items (Cat 6 UTP Cable, Cell Dry - all sizes, WD-40 Anti-Corrosion, Cell Rechargeable, Contact Cleaner, Hand Torches, Flash Lights, Gloves - all types & sizes, Pad Locks, Safety Goggles, Water proof covers - all sizes", **Note:** - Annual estimated Qty is subject to authorization and requirements (which may vary from 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds). Detailed specifications or any other firm registration assistance may be obtained from LP Section of Logistics / Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore (Mobile: - 03239428715), **ANNUAL PROCUREMENT PLAN FOR FY 2025-26.** In accordance with PPRA Rules 8, applications are invited from well-experienced, financially sound and Income Tax registered firms with Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore for the supply of under-mentioned items against Annual Planned Procurements for the duration of FY 2025-26 (Tenders will be floated during the month of July, 25). Detailed list of procurements are as the following:- Local Purchase of Cleaning Material (all items), Stationary (all items), Paper of DO & PPC A4 Size, A3 (75 Gms, 80 Gms, 100 Gms), Paper 2 & 3 Ply 80 Column, Packing & Preservation of all sizes / types (Polythene sheet, Bubble sheet, Cartons, Wood, Thermosphere, Rubber sheet, Nails, Foam sheet, Tapes, Samadbond and Chip boards). All types of Tonners & Ribbons for Printer / PPC Machine, Air Conditioner Splits / Repairs Inv / Non-Inv Rev / Non-Rev and Floor Standing (1-4 Tons), UPS I Computer all types and their Accessories I Spares (HDMI / Power! VGA Cables). All Make and Models of Batteries of different Voltages & Amperes (Acid & Maintenance Free), All types of Filters (MT Vehicles & Generators), All types of Printers (Wired only), All types of Air Conditioner Gases, All types and sizes of MT Tyres & Tubes, All Grades of POL Lubes, All types of Paint & Dopes, Securing items (Knee pads, Elbow pads, Cameras, Walk through gate repairs etc.). All types of MT Repairs / Spare Parts / Tools / Testers. Clothing items and Misc. uniform accoutrements. The estimated value of the planned procurement for the FY 2025-26 will be approx. PKR 72 Mil, Note:- Annual estimated Qty is subject to authorization and requirements (which may vary from 5 to 10% owing to allocated funds). Detailed specifications or any other firm registration assistance may be obtained from LP Section of Logistics Squadron, PAF Base, Lahore, Mobile: -03239428715

**PAF BASE MUSHAF (LOG)****048-5552277**

Local Purchase of All Type of Tyres and Tube (Special Vehicles, SMTs, GPUs, HMTs) All Brand and Sizes, All Type of Batteries (12V 5AH to 220AH (Dry, Liquid, Maint Free) All Brands, All Type Of Reversible & Non Reversible (Inverter) Air Conditioner (1 to 4 Ton), Water Dispenser with Bottle, Electric Water cooler( 05 to 25 GLN), Refrigerator/ Deep Freezer (07 to 16 Cu Ft), All Type of GE Shop Items including All Type of Wood (Ply Wood, Wood Lasani, Lamination Sheet, Steel/Iron angles, Aluminum Sheets, Steel Sheets and All Guages, Wood Work Related Items), All Type of Stationary Items including PPC Paper A4 75 GSM imported & 80 GSM only, All Type of Cleaning Material including Rags Colured, Stock Nette, Polishes & Cloth Mualin Etc, All type of Packing amd Storage Material (Tapes, Polythese, Bubble Sheet, Cartons, Thermopore, Foam Sheets, Cloth Hassan & Nylon Straps Etc), All type of MT Filters, All Type of Uniform Accouterments, All Type of Tommers and Cartridges, All Types of MT spares and Related Accessories, Earthing Cables, All Air Conditioning and Refrigerant Gases, Misc Items (Networking Equipment, IT equipment and Common User items), All Types of Oil, Lubes and Engine Oils (Differential and Planetary Oil, Transmission Oil CD or ATF, Hyde Oil VG 46, Engine Oil 15W40 (API:C14), SAE 10W40, SAE 20W50, Hydraulic Oil SAE 90, Gear Oil SAE 90/140, Tellus 46 & Etc), All Types of Paint & Dopes (Thinner, Paint Remover Etc), All Types of Smart & Non Smart LEDs (32 to 95 Inches), Hiring Of Mechanical Civil Transport (All Types). For Framework Agreement in FY 2025-2026, Note: Detailed Specifications and Annual Estimated Quantity subject to Authorization and Trend Analysis (Which may Vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated fund) for LP list of Common use items and Sample can be obtained from LP Section Sargodha (As Req), Detailed Specifications can be obtained from Log Sqn Mushaf (Sargodha) on telephone 048-555-2278

**PAF BASE SHAHBAZ****0323-9439712**

Local Purchase of Tyres & Tubes of SMT all Sizes, Local Purchase of All Types of Batteries {Dry/ Liquid 12V 5AH to 220AH}, impres Li-Ion 3000 MAH CE Battery, Local Purchase of Air Conditioners / Ton, 1.5 Ton, 2 Ton, 4 Ton (Reversible 'All Brands' and Non Reversible 'All Brands'), Water Dispenser 05 Gln With Bottle, Electric Water Cooler (05, 10, & 25 Gln), Refrigerator/Deep Freezer (07, 08, 10, 12, 14, & 16 Cu ft), Local Purchase of All GE-Shop / AC Shop items, Cleaning Material, Stationary, Packing material, Filters (All Types), Local Purchase of PPC Paper A-4 75 GSM Imported, DO Paper A-4 80 GSM & D O Paper B 1/2X11, Local Purchase of all grades of MT Lubes All Grades (Oil Eng (API Cl-4 SAE 20W-50), Engine Oil 10W-40, Oil Eng API CD SAE 5W-50, API:CE,SAE 15W-40,SAE API Cl-4 15W40, API CD SAE 5W-30, Transmission Oil (CD OR ATF), Hyde Oil (ISO VG 32), Differential & Planetary Oil, Oil Gear/DIF/STR SAE 90, Delo Silver (Diesel) 20W-50., Brake Oil, Hydraulic Oil ISO68, Engine Oil CK-4/SN SAE 15W40, AP1.CD.SAE 15W-40, SAE 20W40, API: CD, SAE 20W40, AP1:ILSACSAE 10W-40, Oil Steering Dexron, Delo Silver Diesel 20W50, Hyde Oil (ISO VG 46), Engine Oil CK-4/SN SAE 15W 40, Oil Eng MB SHT228.3.SAE 10W-30, Oil Engine (API:C14,SAE 15W40). Oil Eng (AP1:CD, SAE 5W-30), Oil Eng (API :CD, SAE 20W-40), Oil Differential (SAE 85W-140) Hyd Oil, Differential Oil, Transmission Oil, Oil Taxaco Pinnode, Oil Rato Inj Fluid, Oil GR/DIF/STR, Oil Steering Dexron, Grease 07/22, Grease PX-7/C187, Local Purchase of Wood Kail, Wood Panel 10x5x9", Ply Wood (All Sizes), Local Purchase of Paints & Dopes Brighto/ Logo or equivalent, Local Purchase of Tonners & Ribbons (All Types), Local Purchase of Common Use Items i.e. Tapes, Contact Cleaner / WD-40, Dry Cells, Elf, Depoxy/ Epoxy, Cloth Abrasive etc (Ea As Req) Note: Detailed Specifications can be obtained from Log Sqn Shahbaz on telephone 0323-9439712

**NO 120 ALD PAF BASE LAHORE****048-555-2956/2917**

**Cleaning Material:** Bleaching Powder (Powder Cleaning (400Gm), Soda Ash, Soap Toilet (1100Gm), Soap Yellow 160z Bar (50Gm), Floor Polish, Metal polish (Plastic Polish, Glint Glass Cleaner, Crosel Liquid (Fighter Plus), Cloth Polish (18"x18") Printed, Cloth Muslin (Local), Stockinette, Rag Coloured, Stationery Items: PPC (A4) 75gsm (Imported), PPC (Legal) 90gsm (Imported), DO Paper (A4) 70 & 80 gsm (BLC), Registers Ruled (2,3,4 Qrs), Gum liquid, Gum Stick, Eraser Soft Deluxe (Large), Staple Pin 24/6, Tag Cotton, Thread Ball, Note Sheet Green (Pkt), Stamp Pad, Ink Stamp Pad 30gm, Envelopes (SE-5.6,7,8,8A), DO Envelopes, Blanko with Thinner; Wrapping Sheet Brown, File Clip Plastic, POL / Batteries / Filters : Eng Oil 20W-50 & 10W-40, Hyd Oil, K-2 Oil, Brake Oil SAE 20W-40, Grease LG-280 CS.881G (S.T.A), Gear Oil, Steering Oil, Air & Oil Filters (All Types) Guards, Batteries (All Types), Packing & Preservation / Misc Items :- Carton Card Board 5-Ply & 7-Ply (6"x6"x10" &, 12"x12"x12", 18"x18"x14", 18"x18"x18", 20"x16"x12", 24"x24"x22", 30"x24"x24", 32"x30"x24", 36"x30"x24" 48"x48"x48"), Foam Sheet 1", 2", 3" (Premium Quality), Bubble Sheet, Thermopore Sheet 1", Polythene Roll Transparent (100 Mtr), Stretch Film Wrapping (5, 8, 11, 13, 15/Kg), Tape Transparent 2" & 3" 50yd, Tape Packing Yellow 2" 50yd, Tape Masking 2", 50yd, Tape Adhesive 2" 10 & 20 Yd, Plywood 1/2" (6 Core), Wood Kail 5"x109" (Anamdar), Glue White, Nail Steel (All Sizes) Power, Nail Iron (All Sizes) Power, Adhesive Bond, Polythene Bags 27"x14", Polythene Bags Lock. 6"x8", 6"x4", 12"x12", 19"x12", Paints & Dopes: Paints (All Colors), Thinner BNC, Brush Painting (All Sizes), Paint Remover (As Req), Note: In case of any query, contact 048-555-2956 / 2917 and send email to flvg20@paf.gov.pk

**PAF BASE SAKESAR (LOG)****0483722299 Ext 829-2299**

**Close Frame of Work for Misc items for Financial Year 2025- 2026:** MT Lubes (Engine Oil 15W-40, 20W-50. SAE-A40, Gear Oil GI-4, SAE 75W90, Brake Oil, Grease Oil 80W90. Rigid Axle Oil LGP Transmission Oil, Compressor Oil, Oil lubricating SAE 10 etc As Reqd, Packing and Storage Material (Carton Boxes all sizes, All types of Polythene Bags Lock. Polythene sheet in KG/MR both. Bubble sheet. Foam sheets all size. Thermopore, Hard Foam, All types of Tapes (Masking, Adhesive, Transparent etc) Nail steel, Lamination sheet Lasani sheet MDF sheet. Wood/Chip Boards, All types of Wood Kail, Wood Fir, Ply wood etc As Regd, All Paints & Dopes. Cleaning Material (Stocknet. Rags coloured. Chamous Leather. Cloth Polishing, Car Polish, Glint. Metal Polish, soap Flask, Soap yellow, Floor Polish, Soda ASH, Power cleaning. Dettol. Polish Black, Power Bleaching, Plastic polish, k-2 oil etc. As Reqd, Stationary (Thread ball, Gum-stick small- medium-large, Ink violet stamp pad, Tag cotton SIL, Stamp pad blue, Blanco white, File clip plastic, Stapple pin. Envelope sizes 5 to 8 & 8A, DO Paper 80GSM, PPC Paper 70 & 75 GSM, Printers Toners all types etc. As Reqd, Note: Details specification and annual estimated Qty subject authorized and trend analysis (which may be vary 5 to 10% owing to allocated fund) for LP items can be obtained from Log Sqn Sakesar (Khushab) on telephone 0483722299 (Ext 829-2299) or Mobile # 0320-3465936

**PAF HOSPITAL, MASROOR (LOG)****021-99525281**

**Cleaning Material:** - Soap Toilet (All types), Soap Yellow (All types), Cleaning Powder, Bleaching Powder, Soda Ash, Rags Coloured, Cloth Muslin, Soap Flakes, Dettol, Glint Glass Cleaner, Floor Polish, Phenyle Liquid, Plastic Polish, Cloth Polish, **Chemicals:** - DDVP, Oil Insect Repellent. **Stationery:** - Eraser Soft, Ink Stamp Pad, Gum Liquid Picked, Blanco with thinner (Correcting Fluid White), File clip Plastic, Stamp Pad Blue, Minute Sheet, DO Paper A-4, PPC Paper A-4, Pin staple 24/6, Register Qr-2, Register Qr-3, Tag Cotton Small, Thread Ball Cotton, Paper wrapping 23 X 29, Drawing Paper 23 X 26, Paper 2 Ply 80 Columns, Envelope Size S-6A, Envelope Size S-7A, Envelope Size S-8A, PPC Paper Size 70 to 80 GSM, Dry Cell / Battery: - Dry Cell (All types), Cell Pencil 1.5 Volt (Battery 12V 120AMP, Battery 09 Volt, Battery 12 Volt (5 AH, 7 Ah, 9 Ah). **Hospital Items:** - Kurta Hosp Blue Poplin (Small, Medium, Large), Pajama Hosp Blue Poplin (Small, Medium, Large), OT Dress, Sheet Cotton (white), Dressing Gown, Towel Patient, Slipper Hosp (7, 8, 9, 10) Air Conditioning Gases (GAS FREON 410A, GAS FREON 22), **Misc Items:** - Polythene Bag 24x28, Tape Transparent 1x72 Yards, Tape Transparent, Tape Masking, Tape Adhesive 2, Polythene Bag 8x5, Soldering Wire, Polythene Bag Lock 14"x10", Bubble Sheet, Carton Boxes 18x22x14 Inches, Glue, Tape Transparent 1-½ x 72YDS, Nail 2", Nail 1 ½, Ply Wood 8'x4'x½", Plastic Strip Binding, Ply Wood 1'2x4'x8", Ply Wood 3'4x4'x8", Ploythene Sheet 0.0025x50, Foam Sheet 1", Wood Kail, Nail 1" No 17, Carton Box 24"x24"x22", Thermopore 39"x39"x1", Carbon Papers. Note: - "Closed Frame Work Agreement" against the requirement of PAF Hospital, Masroor for the FY 2025-26. The bids to be submitted will be according to the PPRA rule 36 (b) and have the validity of 01 Year. In case of winning the bids, the winning bidders will have to submit 05 % Bid security. The advertisement of same is required to be published in next issuance of PAF Tender notices. For further detail, please contact at 021-99525281

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ARM Band Red Watchman (EA), Armllet PAF Police NCO (EA), AWC Badge (SC&SC) S/D JCO (EA), Badge Arm Shaheen SMR (2022), Badge Cap Beret JCO (N/P), Badge Cap Side Officer (EA), Badge Shoulder Security (W/M) (PR), Bag Helmet Flying (2022), Belt Black Narrow (All Sizes), Belt Nylon White Provost (All Sizes)(EA), Branch Insignia (All Branches) (EA), Buckle 2 Pin Ceremonial Beret JCO (N/P)(All Sizes)(EA), Cap Beret Red Provost (All Sizes)(EA),Cap Comforter CD (2022)(EA),Cap Sun Olive Green (All Sizes) (EA), Cape Water Proof (All Sizes), Chevron (I Bar, II Bar, III Bar, III Bar WC&S) Coverall (EA), Chevron III Bar WINWC&S(NP 2010)(PR), Cloth Shafoon For Dopatta L/OFF (MR), Collar Badge A/Cdre W/D(Screws)(PR),Collar Badge Golden With Screw(PR),Collar Badge Medical(PR),Command Badge (EA), Command Badge CD (2022) (EA), Coverall Flying Orange (All Sizes) (EA), Drawer Air Crew (All Sizes) (EA), Field Jacket CD (2022) (EA), Field Jacket N/P(All Sizes) (EA), Gloves Knitted B/G (All sizes) (PR), Gloves Olive Green (All Sizes) (PR), Gloves L/B Without Lining (All Sizes) (PR), Glovs L/B With Lining (All Sizes) PR, Head Scarf CD (2022) (EA), Jacket Flying (All Sizes) (EA), Jacket Flying Tropical (All Sizes) (EA), Knife Survial (EA), Liner Assembly (All Sizes) (EA), Prop SAC Coverall (EA), Rank ACM W/D (2022) (EA), Rank Badge Flying Coverall Flg Off to Gp Capt (PR), Rank Badge JCO Ceremonial (PR), Rank Badge JCO Coverall (PR),Rank Jacket CD(2022) ACM (EA), Rank Jacket CD (2022) CWO (EA), Shaheen Red For Provost (PR), Shirt winter 2022(All Sizes) (EA), Shoes B/L Patent (All Sizes) (PR),Sun Hat CD(2022)(EA),THR Vest Combat Dress F/S (All Sizes) (EA), THR vest F/S Air Off(MILD, HVY) (All Sizes), TIE Ceremonial (EA), Trouser Winter (All Sizes)(2022),Vest Full sleeve Sage Green (All Sizes), Vest Cotton Air Crew (All Sizes), Waist Coast Mess kit (All Sizes),Wing Para CD (2022), Braid Trouser Mess Kit (MR), Mess kit Braid Roundel (Left) (EA), Mess kit Braid Roundel (Right)(EA), Further details / complete specifications, may be collected from No, 110 ALD, PAF (Tele No 0323-9428714, 042-9507221-7203) on any working day

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# Business community’s issues to be resolved: Naqvi

F.P. Report

KARACHI: Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi on Monday assured the business community of Karachi that the government was actively working to resolve all their issues, including law and order, crimes, water shortages, smuggling, narcotics and encroachments on priority basis.

Addressing a ceremony at the Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI), the interior minister emphasized that the government was considering all proposals to address

## Hajj draw held at SSUET

KARACHI (APP): The 24th annual Hajj draw at Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology (SSUET) was held with deep reverence, resulting in the selection of two lucky staff members to undertake the sacred pilgrimage in 2026.

Organized by the University’s administration, the event aims to give employees the chance to embark on a transformative spiritual journey.

The selected individuals included Nadia Qamar (Assistant Professor) and Abdul Hameed (Senior Security Guard), while Engr. Madiha Abbasi (Senior Lecturer in Telecommunications) and Engr. Prof. Dr. Abdul Sami Qureshi (Civil Engineering) are standby.

Chancellor Akbar Ali Khan expressed his heartfelt sentiments during the ceremony, stating, “It is a profound blessing from Allah Almighty that four of our esteemed colleagues will have the opportunity to perform Hajj this year.

Registrar Syed Sarfraz Ali emphasized the university’s commitment to employee welfare, noting, “The Hajj balloting is a testament to Sir Syed University’s dedication to its staff.

the concerns of traders.

Upon his arrival at the KCCI, the minister was warmly welcomed by the Chamber’s office bearers and leading members of the city’s business community, who briefed him on the challenges they are facing.

During his speech, Naqvi highlighted the government’s efforts to improve the global ranking of the green passport, stating, “We are proud of our green passport, and in the future, it will be a source of even greater pride.”

He also praised the performance of the Sindh Police and Karachi Police, noting that the law and order situation in the city has significantly improved compared to the past, with a noticeable reduction in crime. “If Karachi is healthy, Pakistan will be healthy,” he remarked.

On the issue of water scarcity, the Interior Minister said that Karachi, being a large metropolitan city, faces challenges similar to other major urban centers. He cited Islamabad as an example, where only 33% of the population currently receives water supply, and called for collec-

tive efforts to find a sustainable solution.

Regarding smuggling, Naqvi said that the government has made considerable progress in curbing illegal trade. “A few years ago, even dollars were being smuggled from here, but the situation has improved, and further measures are underway,” he said. However, he clarified that while smuggling has not been completely eradicated, it has been significantly reduced.

The minister expressed concern over the limited resources available to the Pakistan Coast Guards in tackling smuggling along the coastline. “With only six operational boats to cover a 1,002-kilometer coastal border, how can we effectively counter smuggling?” he questioned, announcing that the government plans to provide more operational boats and strengthen all border security forces.

Naqvi also stressed the importance of the Safe City Project in controlling crime, calling it a key initiative endorsed by the Prime Minister. He mentioned Faisalabad as a suc-

cessful model where the project has led to a decline in criminal activity and expressed his hope that similar efforts would be intensified in Karachi.

On the issue of verifying employees’ criminal backgrounds, the minister said the government will work with NADRA to streamline ID and SIM card verification, enabling businesses to make informed hiring decisions.

Touching on narcotics, Naqvi noted that enforcement alone is not sufficient to combat drug abuse. He called for joint efforts between the government, business community, and Anti-Narcotics Force, emphasizing the need for rehabilitation centers before arresting drug users. He cited Lahore’s experience, where prior actions without proper facilities had limited impact.

Addressing the problem of encroachments, the minister called for strict legislation, including penalties and fines, to effectively deal with the issue. “Without proper laws and punishments, the problem of encroachments cannot be resolved,” he concluded.

## Over 600 suspects arrested

F.P. Report

KARACHI: In a continued crackdown on crime, Karachi Police have arrested more than 623 suspects over the past week across East, West, and South zones, following the directives of Additional Inspector General of Police - Karachi, Javed Alam Odho.

According to a police spokesperson on Monday, the city’s district police engaged in 11 armed encounters with robbers, resulting in the arrest of 22 suspects, including 12 wounded criminals. Police also recovered 13 illegal weapons and seven motorcycles used in criminal activities.

During targeted anti-narcotics operations, police seized over 29 kilograms of drugs, including charas, ice (crystal meth), and heroin, worth millions of rupees.

In addition, authorities recovered more than 68 illegal firearms, ammunition, 14 snatched/stolen motorcycles, and one car was also recovered.

## SFA cracks down in Karachi

KARACHI (PPI): The Sindh Food Authority (SFA) launched a surprise inspection of milk shops and dairies in several Karachi neighborhoods today, amid concerns over milk quality.

The operation, overseen by Deputy Director Bashir Khan of the SFA’s Kemari District team, targeted establishments in Pak Colony, Baldia Colony, Metrovil, and Site Area. Milk samples were gathered and sent to a Karachi University laboratory for analysis.

The inspection followed directives from Special Assistant to the Chief Minister on Food, Abdul Jabbar Khan, and SFA Director General, Asif Jan Siddiqui. Deputy Director Khan stated that penalties will be levied against vendors selling substandard milk based on the laboratory results.



KARACHI: Volunteers uses cannons to spray water on mourners to get relief from heat during 10th Ashura procession.

## Jinnah Postgraduate Medical Centre: NCHR investigates staffing crisis

KARACHI (PPI): The National Commission for Human Rights (NCHR) Sindh, visited Jinnah Postgraduate Medical Centre (JPMC) in Karachi to investigate patient care, healthcare quality, and budget allocation, especially medicine availability. The commission’s visit follows concerns about the hospital’s capacity to provide adequate services amid resource constraints.

JPMC’s Executive Director, Dr. Shahid Rasul, briefed the NCHR delegation, outlining the hospital’s operational status and addressing their inquiries. He highlighted a significant staff shortage and the urgent requirement for roughly 3,000 more personnel—including physicians, nurses, paramedics, technicians, and support workers—to ensure efficient healthcare delivery.

Dr. Irfan Siddique, head of the Emergency Ward, presented data on patient volume, authorized staff positions, and medicine availability, emphasizing the importance of adequate human resources for effective emergency care. He

noted that a separate treatment area has been designated for transgender individuals.

The NCHR team inspected the Anti-Rabies Vaccination Unit and the ward for unidentified patients—those admitted without family or identification. The commission recognized the administration’s efforts in managing healthcare despite limited resources. Their findings will inform official recommendations to authorities to enhance public healthcare in Sindh.

## Rangers foil robbery attempt

F.P. Report

KARACHI: The Pakistan Rangers Sindh, in collaboration with the police, thwarted a robbery attempt and arrested three armed suspects during an operation on the Indus Highway in Kashmir-Kandhkot district on Monday.

According to a Rangers spokesperson on Monday, the operation was launched based on intelligence reports indicating that three to four armed men were

committing robberies near the Arbelo police picket on the Indus Highway.

As soon as the alert was received, Rangers and police patrol teams rushed to the scene.

Upon spotting the approaching law enforcement personnel, the suspects fled towards Khamis Khan Bhangwar village.

A joint search operation was launched in the area, during which three suspects Shabbir Ahmed Mirani, Faqeer Bakhsh Bhangwar,

and Ahsan Bhangwar were apprehended.

Weapons, ammunition, and stolen items were recovered from the suspects, including a.222 bore rifle with 10 rounds, a 30-bore pistol with 7 rounds, a motorcycle, a mobile phone, and both local and foreign currency.

The arrested individuals, along with the seized weapons and stolen property, were handed over to the police for further legal proceedings.

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Hiring Of Civil Transport, AC Split 1 Ton Rev, AC Split 1 Ton N/Rev, AC Split 1.5 Ton Rev, AC Split 1.5 Ton N/Rev, AC Split 2 Ton Rev, AC Split 2 Ton N/Rev, All Types Of Electric Water Cooler & Dispensers, PPC Machines H/duty & L/duty, All Sizes Of LED/LCD TV, Printer H/duty & L/duty, Printer LBP226DW, Paper Shredder H/duty & L/duty, NOTE: - Separate Quotation (Technical and Financial) For each line item is required (As Req). For details / specifications / scope of work please contact Log Sqn on Ph No: 0323-9408714, 051-9505556, Email: Lsaq05@Paf.gov.Pk, <b>ENGINE OIL:</b> - <b>OIL TYPE:</b> - Mineral Based, Semi Synthetic and Fully Synthetic. <b>GRADE / VESCOSITY:</b> - 5W30, 10W30, 15W40, 20W50 for Petrol and Heavy Duty Diesel engines. Note: - Separate Quotes are required for Petrol and Diesel engine oil. <b>PERFORMANCE STANDARDS:-</b> All oils must meet or exceed API Ck-4/CI-4/CH-4 Standards. Compliance with ACEA E9/E7 or equivalent. <b>CERTIFICATIONS:</b> - API and ACEA compliance and ISO 9001 or equivalent quality control certificates. <b>ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT:</b> - Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) required of each grade. Non-refundable samples of 1 Liter Packing of each grade is also required. <b>MILEAGE:</b> - Mileage of every oil must be mentioned against each. All Types of Tyres & Batteries (Tyre Sizes With Aspect Ratio, Brand, Pattern, Construction, Load Index, Speed Rating, Temperature And Year Of Manufacturing) (NOTE:- SEPARATE QUOTATION (TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL) FOR EACH LINE ITEM IS REQUIRED) Sample of items must be provided with quotations, quotations will not be considered without sample (As Req). For details / specifications / scope of work please contact Log Sqn on Mobile No: 0323-9408702, Phone No. 051-9505387, Email: Lsaq05@Paf.gov.Pk	
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# Senate panel pushes for stronger educational reforms

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: The Senate Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training met on Monday at Parliament House under the chairmanship of Senator Bushra Anjum Butt reaffirming its commitment to improving governance, inclusivity, and transparency in the education sector.

The meeting, attended by Senators Ashraf Ali Jatoi, Syed Masroor Ahsan, Falak Naz, Fawzia Arshad, Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan, Rahat Jamali, Kamran Murtaza, Khalida Ateeb, Gurdeep Singh, Qurat Ul Ain Marri, and Sarmad Ali, along with senior officials of the Ministry for Federal Education and Professional Training, took up multiple key agenda items, said a press release.

Opening with the compliance report on the Pakistan Institute of Fashion Design (PIFD), the Committee reviewed the Ministry's progress on amendments directed in its previous sittings. The proposed changes include ensuring 33% women representation in the Senate of PIFD, in line with the Prime Minister's Office directive for all federal bodies.

Furthermore, the new clause proposes that the Vice Chancellor's appointment be restricted to a four-year term, with no extensions, but open to competitive re-selection. "This will lead to transparency and credibility — we don't want heads to be bigger than the institutions themselves. Legislation should solve problems, not create them," the Chairman remarked.

She also stressed that a mandatory quarterly Senate meeting must be held to maintain checks and balances and sought a complete list of federal institutions where vice chancellors have served beyond one or two terms.

The Committee next deliberated the Federal Supervision of Curricula, Textbooks and Maintenance of Standards of Education (Amendments) Bill 2024, moved by Senator Qurat-Ul-Ain Marri. After extensive debate on sensitive aspects — particularly age limits for reproductive health education — the Bill was deferred for further input.

While Senators Kamran Murtaza and Gurdeep Singh rejected the Bill outright, other members suggested amendments, including setting the age for reproductive health

education at 13 or 16 years, respecting cultural sentiments and local context.

"The intention is clear: to curb child abuse, misinformation on the internet, and ensure that 'reproductive health education' equips children with accurate knowledge about their physical, mental, and social well-being," the Chairman emphasized.

On the agenda item moved by Senator Sarmad Ali regarding "provision of free milk in ICT educational institutions", Ministry officials acknowledged the noble intent but highlighted cost implications — estimating a requirement of "Rs. 900 million" — and potential food safety risks due to milk's perishable nature.

The Committee decided to review the "Punjab Government's provision of free milk model" and invited stakeholders, including representatives from "Nestlé" and "Olpers", to deliberate on sustainable frameworks.

In a detailed briefing, the "Directorate General of Special Education (DGSE)" presented its current roles, functions, and ongoing projects. The Chairman reiterated the urgent need to table a "comprehensive policy

draft" for Special Education, lamenting that the sector still operates under outdated legislation predating the 18th Amendment.

During the meeting key financial figures were also discussed: "FY 2023-24": Grant Rs.950.364 million, Expenditure Rs.886.614 million, Deficit Rs.63.75 million "FY 2024-25: Grant Rs.726.008 million, Expenditure Rs.840.753 million, Deficit Rs.114.745 million "FY 2025-26: "Requirement Rs.1,436 million, Allocation Rs.788.188 million

Institutions under DGSE include the National Special Education Centres for "Visually Handicapped, Physically Handicapped, Hearing Impaired Children", and the "Rehabilitation Centre for Children with Developmental Disorders".

The Committee directed that the "Secretary of the Health Ministry" be called in to discuss the inclusion of test through which children with hearing issues be detected and also be included in Children health Card", ensuring tests are done within six months of birth. It also called for a comprehensive review of the "PSDP budget allocations" for special education.

## ICT Police nabbed two dacoits

ISLAMABAD (APP): Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) Police's Khanna Police Station arrested two suspects allegedly involved in heinous crimes.

An official told APP that the Khanna police team apprehended the suspects identified as Umar Mubarak and Shiraz who were accused of abducting citizens at gunpoint, looting them. He said the suspects were traced and apprehended through human intelligence and surveillance efforts carried out by the Khanna police team.

He said both suspects were previously involved in 28 cases of theft and robbery registered in Rawalpindi, and five cases at Khanna Police Station, making them habitual offenders.

He said fresh First Information Reports (FIRs) have been registered at Khanna and Koral police stations under charges of kidnapping, robbery.

He said police recovered snatched mobile phones, cash, weapons with ammunition, and the motorcycle used in the crimes.

He said all legal formalities are being fulfilled to ensure the culprits face exemplary punishment.

DIG M. Jawad Tariq said that large-scale operations are underway against organized and active criminal gangs operating across the federal capital.



ISLAMABAD: A view of vehicles passing through accumulated rain water during heavy downpour in Capital City.

## Islamabad-Murree Expressway:

# Aleem reviews construction works

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Communications, Abdul Aleem Khan undertook a visit to inspect the ongoing construction and up gradation works on the Islamabad-Murree Expressway.

Accompanied by senior officers, the minister instructed that the pace of work be accelerated and directed about beautification of both sides of the Murree Expressway with green belts. He set a target date of July 30 for the reconstruction

of the Murree Toll Plaza and linked with the E-Tag System, said a press release issued on Monday.

He further directed that local residents of Murree would be exempted from toll charges through token-free access. Highlighting the strategic importance of the Islamabad-Murree Expressway as a major tourism route, the minister stated, this road not only connects Rawalpindi and Islamabad but also serves tourists from across the country. "As the gateway to Murree, known as the 'Queen of the Hills', this Expressway must reflect a positive and appealing image," he emphasized.

Abdul Aleem Khan instructed about the installation of decorative lighting, comprehensive landscaping and timely completion of other beautification works. He directed the officers of National Highway Authority to ensure that the road remains safe and comfortable for commuters both day and night. He also issued directions to construct aesthetically pleasing boundary walls along with the Murree-Expressway to enhance the feelings for travelers. Moreover, he ordered the closure of all unauthorized access points and removal of illegal constructions to prevent disruptions to the traffic flow.

During the inspection tour, citizens at various points welcomed the federal minister and appreciated his efforts regarding construction and up gradation work on the Islamabad-Murree Expressway. On-site, Abdul Aleem Khan assigned specific tasks to senior officials regarding toll plaza construction and related matters, directing that all work must be completed within the stipulated timeframe. The Federal Secretary for Communications and the Chairman of the National Highway Authority were also present during the visit.

## ITP's zero-tolerance drive nets 112 FIRs

ISLAMABAD (APP): Islamabad Traffic Police (ITP) impounded 1,119 motorcycles and 412 vehicles while registering 112 FIRs during a week-long special enforcement campaign.

An official told APP that the campaign aims to curb dangerous driving habits, enforce traffic laws, and provide smooth and safe travel for citizens across the federal capital.

He said legal action was also taken against 845 motorists for lane violations, 76 for driving without a valid license, 11 for triple riding on motorcycles, and 23 underage drivers.

He said ITP teams registered 923 cases of wrong-way driving and issued 1,007 challans to bikers for not wearing helmets. Meanwhile, 2,766 drivers were penalized for illegal parking during the campaign.

Chief Traffic Officer (CTO) Captain (retd) Syed Zeeshan Haider directed all officers to continue the campaign with full momentum and without any discrimina-

hurdles be cleared on a priority basis.

He also directed the Finance Wing to ensure the timely release of funds for ongoing and upcoming development projects.

"CDA is mobilizing all available resources to turn Islamabad into a model city — beautiful, well-planned and responsive to its citizens' needs," said

Randhawa, adding that the authority is focused on both infrastructure development and resolving the city's chronic housing challenges.

officials. Islamabad Administration representatives will also be available on-site to assist claimants.

"All claims will be reviewed with transparency and resolved strictly in line with the law," Randhawa stated, reaffirming the CDA's commitment to protecting legal rights of residents while advancing urban development.

The Chairman instructed authorities to expedite development in Park Enclave and other housing sectors, and ordered that all bureaucratic or logistical

mmissioner CDA and other relevant officials in actively developing sectors. These field offices will serve as first points of contact for residents to submit complaints, resolve land issues, and access information.

The CDA chief also announced a strict enforcement campaign to remove encroachments in key sectors including H-16, C-15, C-16, E-12, and F-13.

Citizens with legitimate land or property claims in these areas are being encouraged to present their documents directly to field

The meeting was attended by senior officials including the CDA Members for Administration, Estate, Engineering, Finance and Environment, DG Works, Deputy Commissioners of Islamabad and CDA, among others.

"Development must not only be fast-tracked, but the quality and transparency of work must be non-negotiable," Randhawa stressed during the meeting.

As part of the new strategy, the Chairman directed the establishment of on-site offices of the Deputy Co-

# Chairman directs for expediting work on sector development, crackdown on encroachments

ISLAMABAD (APP): Chairman Capital Development Authority (CDA) and Chief Commissioner Islamabad, Muhammad Ali Randhawa, has directed immediate expediting the work on development projects across Islamabad's residential sectors, along with a decisive crackdown on illegal encroachments.

Chairing a high-level meeting at CDA Headquarters on Monday, Randhawa emphasized the need for high-quality construction and swift execution of infrastructure projects.

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# CM orders high alert as Indus flood threat looms

F.P. Report

LAHORE: Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif has directed all relevant departments and institutions to remain on high alert in response to the alarming flood situation in the Indus River near District Attock.

The CM directed Rescue 1122, the district administration, police, and other relevant agencies to stay vigilant and ensure immediate preparedness to tackle any emergency. She ordered urgent inspection of all vulnerable sites along the riverbanks, emphasizing that residents in potentially

dangerous areas must be relocated to safer locations without delay.

The chief minister stressed the need to deploy all available resources to prevent loss of life and damage to property.

CM Maryam Nawaz also instructed authorities to maintain round-the-clock monitoring of the Indus River's water flow and dam conditions.

She further emphasized the importance of keeping the public informed about precautionary and rescue measures.

Rescue teams have been directed to remain on standby, with all necessary

machinery and boats readily available for emergency evacuation.

She reiterated that the timely evacuation of people from low-lying and high-risk areas must be ensured.

**CM congratulates Pakistani karate champions on winning gold at South Asian Championships**

Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif has extended heartfelt congratulations to Pakistani athletes Huzaifa Arshad and Aina Noel for winning gold medals at the South Asian Karate Championships.

In her message, the CM commended their outstanding achievement and con-

veyed her best wishes for their continued success.

The CM praised the young athletes for bringing honour and pride to Pakistan through their dedication, skill, and determination on the regional stage.

"The success of Huzaifa and Aina will not only raise the morale of our youth but also serve as a powerful source of inspiration for aspiring athletes across the country," she added.

The CM Maryam Nawaz said that the Punjab government is committed to supporting young talent, ensuring that Pakistan's flag continues to soar in every field of sports.

## ‘Action to be taken if constitution violated’

LAHORE (APP): Punjab Assembly (PA) Malik Muhammad Ahmad Khan said on Monday that he was not in favor of expelling any member from the house.

Addressing a press conference here he said, "Under Articles 62 and 63 of the Constitution, it is the constitutional right of petitioners to have their applications decided within 30 days." He made it clear that if these applications were not resolved within the stipulated time, they would automatically be forwarded to the Election Commission.

Speaker Malik Muhammad Ahmad Khan said that he believed in the supremacy of the constitution and had always strived to run the assembly according to the rules and regulations.

He said that the opposition had been given every possible democratic space in the past but unfortunately, the opposition turned the assembly into a forum for constant disruption.

The opposition thought hooliganism is their political right, but there is no such provision in the constitution, he said and added that parliament was meant for legislation, not protest.

He said, "The Leader of the Opposition, after consulting constitutional expert Salman Akram Raja, claimed that the speaker does not have the authority to send a reference."

However, the judgment by Justice Asif Saeed Khosa in the Panama Papers case clearly establishes that if members violate their oath, the Speaker must either make a decision or refer the matter to the Election Commission."

The speaker categorically said that he does not believe in the politics of disqualifying anyone, as practiced by Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf.

He said, "If anyone violates constitutional boundaries or undermines the discipline of the house against party decisions, he will not hesitate to take action."



LAHORE: A view of closed road due to procession of Ashura on 10th Muharram ul Haram.

## Exemplary Ashura security arrangements: IGP praises Punjab police

LAHORE (APP): Inspector General of Police (IGP) Punjab Dr. Usman Anwar on Monday commended the Punjab Police for ensuring exemplary security arrangements during 9th, 10th Muharram without any untoward incident.

According to a Punjab Police spokesperson, more than 134,000 officers and personnel were deployed across Punjab, including over 15,000 in Lahore, to safeguard more than 9,200 processions and 38,000 Majalis.

Dr. Usman visited the main procession route in Lahore, including Nisar Haveli and Karbala Gamay Shah Imam Bargah, where he reviewed security arrangements and interacted with police personnel and mourners. He also visited the Safe City Headquarters and monitored operations from the command centre.

The IGP praised the efforts of CCPO Lahore, all RPOs and DPOs, as well as Special Branch, Counter Terrorism Department (CTD), and other operational units. He also acknowledged the support extended by the Pakistan Army and Rangers during the Muharram security operations.

Addressing the role of

digital monitoring, the IGP said that action against the spread of hate content on social media continued. In the past 24 hours, 25 cases were reported, 19 FIRs registered, and 18 arrests made. Over the last week, 130 cases were registered and 148 individuals arrested.

Dr. Anwar reiterated that elements spreading sectarian hatred and objectionable content online would be dealt with strictly.

**IGP pays tribute to police martyrs of Islamabad bomb blast**

Inspector General of Police (IGP) Punjab Dr. Usman Anwar paid a heartfelt tribute on the 17th anniversary of the martyrdom of Punjab Police personnel who lost their lives in a bomb blast in Islamabad while on duty.

"We salute the heroic sons who embraced martyrdom in the line of duty and extend our deepest respect to their families," said IGP Punjab Dr. Usman Anwar.

According to the Punjab Police spokesperson, on July 6, 2008, nine officers and personnel of Punjab Police were martyred in a bomb explosion during official duty in Islamabad. The martyrs included Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Muhammad Nawaz, Head Constable Atta Ullah,

and Constables Abid Rashed, Khalid Mehmood, Babar Ali, Shahid Maqsood, Haq Nawaz, Amjad Iqbal, and Qamar Abbas.

**IGP takes notice of fatal road accident in Shahdara**

Inspector General of Police (IGP) Punjab, Dr. Usman Anwar, on Monday took notice of a tragic traffic accident in Shahdara, Lahore, in which a man was killed and several others were injured after being hit by a car driven by an underage driver.

Expressing serious concern over the rising number of traffic violations involving minor drivers, the IGP directed all regional and district police units to launch a province-wide crackdown on underage and unlicensed drivers.

Dr. Usman emphasised that underage individuals must not be allowed to operate vehicles on public roads under any circumstances, terming them a significant cause of road accidents and fatalities.

He further instructed the use of Safe Cities Authority cameras to identify and track traffic violations involving minors. Strict legal action should also be taken against the parents or guardians of such drivers, he added.

## Minister urges unity, highlights constitutional rights for minorities

LAHORE (APP): Federal Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar said on Monday that articles enshrined in Pakistan's 1973 Constitution were not merely symbolic but also guarantees of equality, freedom, and fundamental rights.

Talking to the inaugural ceremony of National Outreach Programme for Minorities at the Civil Services Academy here, he particularly cited Article 36, which pertains to the protection of minority rights, as part of the state's ethical and social responsibilities.

Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar said: "I am here today as the Minister for Human Rights to remind young officers that the country must be steered collectively, just like carriages of a train moving in the same direction. Unfortunately, our train has fallen behind, and it is now our responsibility to set it back on the right track".

He stressed the need for building an inclusive society, stating, "Pakistan needs people who could spread love, not command from above. We are all

Pakistanis, whether part of a majority or a minority, and that singular identity must prevail."

He said: "On the instructions of the Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, I'm here to reaffirm that the dream envisioned by Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah and embedded in our Constitution is not just an aspiration, it is a living reality. Every citizen, regardless of religion, deserves equal rights and recognition under the law", he added.

Highlighting social responsibility, he said: "We must also turn our attention to the underprivileged, the children playing in the dirt and the brick kiln laborers. These are the segments of Pakistan that need our compassion and focus." He also spoke about the Civil Services Academy, calling it a vital institution for nurturing future nation-builders.

"This is no longer the era of colonial command-and-control. What we need now is love, empathy, and dialogue, not hatred," he emphasized.

Referring to the white in Pakistan's flag, he said it

symbolizes minorities and that the spirit must be reflected in our behavior, not just our symbols.

The senator also highlighted the formation of the National Commission for Minority Rights, established under Articles 20, 26, 27, and 36 of the Constitution, to ensure equal opportunities and protection for non-Muslim citizens.

"These provisions are not dormant clauses, they are living elements of our constitutional fabric. With sincere efforts, a time will come when special quotas for minorities will no longer be necessary, as inclusivity becomes the norm," he said.

He expressed gratitude to the organizers, artists, and attendees and prayed for Pakistan's progress and interfaith harmony.

Later, talking to the media, Azam Nazeer Tarar said that the suspension of 26 members of the Punjab Assembly falls within the Speaker's jurisdiction. He added that the speaker had the authority to refer a reference to the Chief Election Commissioner to de-seating the assembly members

as he was the head of the House. He noted that all assembly members had taken an oath under the Constitution to perform their duties with honesty and integrity. "If any member violates this oath, the speaker has the authority to take action against them," Tarar said.

Senator Tarar acknowledged the opposition's right to protest but condemned acts of violence and vandalism. "Throwing chairs, breaking microphones, and damaging assembly property is not protest, it is a violation of the law," he remarked. He expressed hope that the speaker of the Punjab Assembly would resolve the issue in a way that upholds the dignity of the House and democratic traditions.

On the occasion, Patron-in-chief Pakistan Hindu Council Ramesh Kumar Vankwani Dr Ramesh Kumar said that the term "non-Muslim" should be preferred over "minority", as the latter reflects a narrower, exclusionary mindset. He urged that this terminology be adopted across all government institutions, including the academy.

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## In brief

### Laborer electrocuted F.P. Report

BUNER: A laborer electrocuted touching in a marble factory at village Ghazi Khanay of Tehsil Gadezai Buner. The rescue team reached the spot and confirmed the death of the laborer. The rescue team shifted the body to THQ Hospital Pacha Kalay Pir Baba. After completing the medico-legal and necessary legal requirements at the hospital, the body has been sent to native village where the relatives will perform the last rituals. Meanwhile, a house affected by the recent rains in village Tinulu Dheri of Tehsil Mandnar has reportedly collapsed. As a result, the housewife, wife Hidayatullah, has died while son Nageebullah has been injured. The injured has shifted to nearby CH Nawagai. The funeral prayers of the deceased offered at Tinulu Dheri funeral home at 3:00 PM on Sunday. The ADC Relief Syed Akram Shah and AC Mandanr Juned Khalid on the directives of DC Kashif Qayum attended funeral prayer of late lady and handed over rupees one million cheque to her husband.

### Residents hold protest F.P. Report

SHANGLA: The residents of Dedal, Kamach, Kabulgram, and Martung from Shangla's Martung Tehsil held a peaceful protest in Puran against the continuous neglect and lack of basic facilities in their region. The protest was led by Dr. Ibad Khan (Dedal/Kamach), Ghani Khan (Kabulgram/Dolat), and Riaz Alam Khan (Martung), who voiced the long-standing concerns of the local population. The Martung-Kabulgram road, which has been under construction for several years, remains incomplete and has now become a major source of hardship for the people. The contractor should be ordered to complete the road without further delay. Silence from the elected MPA is deeply regrettable, especially regarding a project approved in his own constituency. Power outages have persisted since Eid, and WAPDA officials have failed to identify the fault even after several weeks. Recent monsoon rains have led to the closure of several roads, paralyzing daily life in the area. The protestors warned that if immediate action is not taken, the scope of the protest will be expanded across the district.

### WSSCM forms special team F.P. Report

MARDAN: Chief Executive Officer Water and Sanitation Services Company Mardan (WSSCM), has stated that company formed 43-members special sanitation team to deal with any emergency situation arising during the monsoon season. The team will remain on standby around the clock to ensure uninterrupted drainage operations across the city. While chairing a meeting focused on improving services during the monsoon, the CEO stated that phase wise cleaning of 380-kilometer drainage network has already been completed. Briefing the meeting, General Manager Muhammad Khalil Akbar informed that all staff leaves have been cancelled in anticipation of possible emergencies. He said the company has identified nine "hotspots" locations within Mardan city, for which a dedicated team has already been deployed and equipped with necessary machinery and tools.

# Startup Summer camp for entrepreneurs ends



### F.P. Report

ABBOTTABAD, BARA-GALI: The Startup Summer Camp 2024, a dynamic four-day residential program, concluded with great success from 30th June to 3rd July at the scenic Baragali Campus of the University of Peshawar. Organized by the Business Incubation Center (BIC) in collaboration with the National Incubation Center (NIC) Peshawar, the camp brought together aspiring entrepreneurs, startup founders, and seasoned professionals from across Pakistan.

Set in the tranquil surroundings of pine forests

and colonial-era cottages, the camp created a unique ecosystem of learning, creativity, and collaboration. Over four days, participants engaged in interactive sessions on leadership, startup development, innovation, and sustainability, including the Net Zero Challenge, startup clinics, fireside chats, and mental wellness workshops.

Daily wellness routines such as yoga and mindfulness, led by Tahira Kaleem, helped participants recharge and maintain balance. The evenings were equally vibrant with bonfires, music therapy, and networking under the stars.

The camp was graced by Prof. Dr. Naeem Qazi, Pro Vice Chancellor of the University of Peshawar, and Prof. Dr. Jahanzeb Khan, Vice Chancellor of the University of Bannu, who appreciated the initiative and encouraged students to continue their entrepreneurial journeys.

With over a dozen expert facilitators and an engaging agenda, the Startup Summer Camp 2024 proved to be a transformative experience, nurturing innovation, building meaningful connections, and energizing the youth to shape the future of Pakistan's startup landscape.

## Peaceful observance of Ashura lauded

### F.P. Report

D I KHAN: Commissioner Dera Ismail Khan, Zafar-ul-Islam Khattak, has praised the people of the district for maintaining harmony and upholding the sanctity of Muharram, declaring that "Dera truly lives up to its title 'Dera Phullan da Sehra'.

Talking to media representatives here, the commissioner commended the exemplary coordination and performance of the police, Pakistan Army, TMA, WAPDA, WASA, and other line departments during the religious observances of Ashura.

"We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all departments for their tireless efforts," he said, emphasizing the

essential role of media as the fourth pillar of society and acknowledging its constructive contribution. Commissioner Khattak warned of possible challenges ahead, citing the Met Department's forecast of widespread rains over the next three weeks.

He said the administration is actively working to prevent flood-like situations and ensure public safety. The citizens living near rivers and waterways have been advised to relocate to safer areas as a precautionary measure.

He also highlighted that anti-encroachment operations continued during Muharram without discrimination, as part of the government's broader strategy

to enforce the rule of law. He noted that directives from the Chief Minister and Chief Secretary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa were fully implemented, particularly in light of recent unfortunate events in Swat.

Deputy Commissioner Abdul Nasir Khan, speaking on the occasion, confirmed that the district administration, under the supervision of the Irrigation and Revenue departments, has launched a crackdown on illegal encroachments along riverbanks. He assured the public that all actions are being carried out fairly, stating that even structures illegally built on government land are being demolished without any discrimination.

## SIAL commits for advancement in services

### F.P. Report

SIALKOT: Sialkot International Airport (SIAL) has concluded a remarkable first half of 2025, marked by steady operational growth, infrastructural advancements, and strengthened diplomatic and business relations.

In the last six months, nearly 450,000 passengers travelled through SIAL, facilitated by the smooth operation of more than 1,300 flights. Complementing this impressive passenger flow, over 4,350 tons of cargo were exported to international markets, reaffirming Sialkot's pivotal role in Pakistan's economic landscape, especially for the business community and export sector.

With a vision to expand and elevate passenger experience, SIAL top brass has formally initiated the expansion of its International Passenger Terminal, a forward-looking step that aligns with the airport's commitment to modernity, capacity enhancement, and world-class services. In a show of compliance and operational readiness, SIAL successfully conducted a full-scale Airport Emergency Exercise, strictly adhering to the Pakistan Civil Aviation Authority's (PCAA) safety regulations and protocols, ensuring the airport's preparedness for any contingencies.

The first half of the year also witnessed high-level diplomatic engagements. Chairman Hassan Ali Bhatti, Vice Chairman Faraz Akram Awan & CEO of SIAL AVM Tanweer Ashraf Bhatti (R) met with the U.S. Consul General, fostering potential bilateral aviation cooperation. Moreover, the Ambassadors of Saudi Arabia and Ethiopia to Pakistan paid significant visits to the airport, highlighting SIAL's growing stature on the diplomatic

and global aviation map.

During the recent Pak-India conflict, SIAL promptly took all precautionary measures to cautiously tackle the crisis situation, complying to the directions of the Pakistan Airports Authority & Civil Aviation. SIAL also underscored unconditional support to the Armed Forces of Pakistan with all possible resources and later paid tribute to the heroic victory by the Defence Forces.

In a notable achievement on the commercial aviation front, SIAL Management actively pursued for additional increased flights frequency and new airline partnerships. This effort bore fruit as Salam Air increased the frequency of its flights followed by AirSial formally announced additional international flights on the Sialkot-Dubai route, alongside the initiation of domestic operations between Sialkot and Karachi, which is another big milestone. These additions are expected to significantly benefit both business and leisure travellers. Furthermore, SIAL is expecting anticipatedly on grounds of concrete information/intimation leading international carriers, Air Arabia Abu Dhabi, Fly2Deal, Jazeera Airways, Turkish Airlines, and several other operators are anticipated to begin services from Sialkot in the near future, ushering in a new era of connectivity for the region.

In recognition of logistics excellence, SIAL also hosted the Cargo Terminal Business Partner Award Ceremony, celebrating the unwavering support and performance of its business partners, airlines, and freight operators who have consistently contributed to the airport's success. SIAL continues to rise as a model of public-private partnership, driving economic growth and regional connectivity while upholding the highest standards of

professionalism, service, and safety.

Chairman SIAL Hassan Ali Bhatti stated that the six-month review of Sialkot International Airport reflects our unwavering commitment to growth, operational excellence, and service to the nation. It is with immense pride that I acknowledge the resilience of our teams, whose collective efforts have translated into tangible progress in airline expansion, infrastructural development, and passenger facilitation.

Vice Chairman SIAL Faraz Akram Awan said that in the past six months we as team have seen remarkable developments, from increased airline interest to the launch of new domestic and international routes. These successes are not just milestones; they are a proof to SIAL's growing strategic importance in Pakistan's aviation landscape.

## Road construction inaugurated F.P. Report

BUNER: District Development Advisory Committee (DDAC) Chairman Buner Kabir Khan Advocate inaugurated Bagh-Khadukhel 2 KM road with estimated cost rupees 40.50 Million on Monday.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by a large number of local dignitaries, party workers, and the public. Kamran Khan Chairman Kabir Khan Johar Khan Iqbal Khan of Panjtar Syed Muammar Bacha Muhammad Afzar Khan and other leaders addressed the ceremony. The speaking said that public service is our top priority and the construction of this road will provide better travel facilities to the local people.

## Young man drowns in Kabul river Syed Waliullah Shah

NEWSHERA: A young man named Owais resident of Nowshera Kalan's Dhwanai Khel neighborhood, drowned in the Kabul River while fishing near the riverbank.

The incident occurred when Owais slipped and fell into the river, and the strong currents swept him away. The Rescue 1122 team, including divers, has launched an operation to recover Owais' body from the river.

Despite the ongoing search efforts, Owais' body has not been recovered yet. The local authorities and rescue teams are working to recover the body and provide support to the family.

### Pharmacy demolition at Qazi Medical Complex a violation of court order:

The Director of Mohammad Pharmacy, Pirzada Hassan claimed that Assistant Commissioner Nowshera has violated court order by demolition of the pharmacy's emergency branch at Qazi Medical Complex. He claimed that the demolition was a result of blackmailing by a few vested interests.

This he said while addressing a press conference at Nowshera press club and added that Mohammad Pharmacy had a contract with the hospital administration to operate two branches in the complex, which was extended after a court order.

The emergency branch was demolished by the Assistant Commissioner, allegedly under pressure from the vested interests, despite a court order restraining any action against the pharmacy. The demolition not only violated the court order but also deprived poor patients of the benefits of the Sehat Card facility provided by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government.

Mohammad Pharmacy reserves the right to approach the court and stage a peaceful protest against the demolition and the actions of the Assistant Commissioner. The owner demands accountability from the district administration for succumbing to blackmailing by a few individuals.

## Facilities provided to mourners

### F.P. Report

TOBA TEK SINGH: On the special directives of Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif, comprehensive arrangements were ensured across the district during Ashra-e-Muharram for security, cleanliness, and provision of medical services.

Under the supervision of Deputy Commissioner Muhammad Naeem Sandhu and District Police Officer (DPO) Ibadat Nisar, all processions and Majalis in the district were held peacefully. A total of 334 processions were carried out, including 21 in Category A, 17 in Category B, and 296 in Category C. Similarly, 534 Majalis were held, comprising 31 Category A, 12 Category B, and 491 Category C gatherings. To ensure security, over 1,700 police personnel along with 970 volunteers were deployed. Walk-through gates and metal detectors were installed at Imambargahs and sensitive locations, while continuous monitoring through CCTV cameras remained active throughout the proceedings.

The Deputy Commissioner and DPO personally visited control rooms, procession routes, and Imambargahs to oversee arrangements. Barbed wires and barricades were placed to block irrelevant pathways along the routes. Elite Force, Dolphin Squad, and police mobiles remained on active patrol duty. In line with the Chief Minister's vision of peace and public service, the district administration ensured water sprinkling, lighting, sanitation, and other facilities along the procession routes. The Suthra Punjab Squad remained actively engaged in maintaining cleanliness. Cold water, Niaz and bottled water were distributed among mourners at multiple points.

# JI demands NAB probe into major financial scams in KP

### Haleem Asad

LOWER DIR: Jamaat-e-Islami Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (North) chief and former senior minister Inayatullah Khan has demanded immediate investigations by the National Accountability Bureau (NAB) and other anti-graft institutions into several corruption scandals that have rocked the province. These include the Rs40 billion Kohistan scam, Rs30 billion solar panel fraud, Rs7 billion wheat scandal, Rs1.19 billion medicine scam, and the Rs110 million biscuit scandal.

Addressing a meeting of the JI members at Timergara as chief guest here on Sunday, he accused the provincial government of massive corruption, institutional failure, and administrative chaos. He warned that public trust in governance was rapidly eroding due to rampant financial mismanagement and political favoritism.

The gathering, attended by party registered members from all parts of the district, was also addressed by the JI former central chief Siraj ul Haq, district chief Maulana Asadullah, Sheikh Noor Ahmad Din, district general secretary Shuaib Ahmad, Maulana Ihsanullah Khalis and others.

He strongly condemned the reported scrapping of Rs42 billion worth of development projects in Malakand Division, calling it "an open injustice and betrayal of the people of backward regions." He urged the government to immediately reinstate the dropped schemes and ensure fair development across the province.

"The discretionary fund has been inflated from Rs50 million to Rs500 million, while secret funds have risen from Rs50 million to Rs200 million. These figures alone reflect the extent of financial irregularities," he said. Inayatullah Khan also criticized the prolonged inactivation of the Balambat irrigation project and alleged "mega corruption" in the Timergara Medical College project.

Calling for accountability, he said:

"NAB, FIA, and other institutions must launch transparent investigations into these scams. Those responsible must be held accountable, and justice should be served without delay."

He urged JI workers to continue their political struggle in a more organized and determined manner. "We will knock on every door for the rights of the people. The corrupt system must be confronted, and Jamaat-e-Islami is the only force capable of delivering real change," he stated. Inayatullah Khan concluded his address by stressing the need to raise awareness among the public. "The time has come to awaken the people, speak out for their rights, and expose the corrupt elements who have destroyed governance in this province."

**Pesco urged to end power outage during prayer-times:** Residents of Samarbagh and Kambat are facing severe electricity load-shedding, particularly during prayer times, which has sparked public outrage in the region. Local political figure and former PK-16 candidate Dr. Sarbiland Khan has strongly condemned the ongoing power outages and called for an immediate and permanent solution.

Speaking to media representatives at Samarbagh here on Sunday, he demanded that electricity generated from the Koto Hydel Power Project in Lower Dir be supplied directly to the residents of the district. "If Chitral can benefit from the Golen Gol project, then Dir must be given its fair share of electricity. It is the constitutional and legal right of the people of Dir," he said. He stressed that the denial of basic facilities like electricity amounted to systematic injustice. "The nation must unite and raise its voice for its rights. Continued deprivation will no longer be tolerated," he warned. Dr. Sarbiland Khan urged WAPDA authorities, the district administration, and elected representatives to take urgent steps to resolve the crisis. Otherwise, he cautioned, public protests would be inevitable.

# DPO visits press club to ensure coordination

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WANA: District Police Officer (DPO) South Waziristan Lower, Khan Khail, paid an official visit to the Wana Press Club on Monday. The visit was aimed at fostering collaboration and holding an open dialogue with local journalists regarding the current law and order situation in the district.

During the meeting, DPO Khan Khail held a candid discussion with members of the press, acknowledging the challenges faced by both the police force and media in the region. He reiterated that the police, in close coordination with the public, are committed to implementing a robust and sustainable strategy to curb crime and maintain peace.

"Sustainable peace can only be achieved through joint efforts, and the support of the local population — including the media — is indispensable," the DPO remarked. "The media is not just a source of information; it is a powerful force for promoting awareness, highlighting societal

issues, and shaping constructive public discourse."

He praised the efforts of journalists for their dedication in reporting under challenging circumstances, adding that their role as the "eyes and ears of society" helps law enforcement agencies stay informed and accountable.

The meeting concluded on a positive note, with journalists at the Wana Press Club terming the DPO's visit a welcome and encouraging gesture. They appreciated the police department's continued efforts to uphold law and order, particularly in a region long affected by security concerns.

The journalists also stressed the need for regular interaction between the press and police to promote transparency, build mutual trust, and enhance cooperation in the larger interest of peace and development in South Waziristan.

**Abductee killing in Waziristan:** A wave of fear and grief has swept through Lower South Waziristan after the body of a 22-year-old youth was discovered in

the Shin Warsak area.

According to details, the deceased, identified as Haq Nawaz, son of Bahadur Khan, a resident of Karey Khel, was abducted by unidentified armed men from the Dekanina car stop. His body was found today in Lagad, a location situated behind the mountainous area of Shin Warsak.

Local sources reported that the deceased owned a shop at Dekanina stop and had left home in connection with his daily work routine. The body has been shifted to his native village Zeri Noor, where funeral prayers will be held at 5:30 PM today at the Zeri Noor graveyard.

The tragic death has sparked outrage and sorrow throughout the region. Residents have demanded an immediate and thorough investigation by security agencies, urging that those responsible be brought to justice. The incident has caused deep concern and anxiety among the local population, with civil society and community members voicing alarm over the rising number of such violent occurrences.

# Inter provincial car lifter killed in encounter

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SAHIWAL: Ghulam Murtaza alias Murti, a declared member of the Sahiwal inter-provincial car robbery gang, was killed in a police encounter. 125 cases were registered against the accused, who was also declared by the Sadar Chicha and Tani police station and was highly wanted by the Sahiwal police for a long time.

A special team of CCD Chicha Watani surrounded the accused while conducting an operation near 17/14 L. Mor. Ghulam Murtaza alias Murti was killed in the exchange of fire. The accused was involved in car snatching, robbery, and other serious incidents.

The police recovered illegal weapons from the spot, while a search operation is underway to arrest other accomplices. It is not possible to escape from the law. Criminal elements should surrender, otherwise be ready for strict legal action. The protection of people's lives and property is our top priority, and operations will continue uninterrupted until crimes are completely eliminated. CCD is active for peace. Crime has no place now.

M e a n w h i l e ,

Commissioner Sahiwal Division Dr. Asif Tufail has been continuously visiting different cities to review the arrangements during Muharram, including Chichawatni, Arifwala and the Safe City Authority Office established in Sahiwal.

RPO Mehboob Rasheed was also with him. During the Chichawatni visit, he reviewed the Muharram arrangements in detail. He checked the cleanliness of the procession routes and foolproof security arrangements. Commissioner Dr. Asif Tufail said that maintaining an atmosphere of peace and order during this month is the joint responsibility of all of us.

Commissioner Dr. Asif Tufail and RPO Mehboob Rasheed also met with the administrators of Imambargah 4 Block Dar Ahul Bayt. The administrators expressed complete satisfaction with the steps taken by the administration and said that all departments are discharging their responsibilities in a good manner. Commissioner Dr. Asif Tufail said that no negligence should be done in security, cleanliness, sprinkling of water, and provision of facilities on the procession route. He also met with local school

Minors drowns to death: A ten-year-old boy, Rehan, died after drowning in a canal near Shadab Town, while his three friends were rescued. Due to the intense heat and humidity, four friends reached Canal 9L to take a bath and jumped into the canal.

Meanwhile, 10-year-old Rehan drowned and died. His body has been found. Before Rescue 1122 arrived, the three boys were saved by the people present there. Rehan's dead body was handed over to the heirs.

Moreover, DPO Sahiwal Rana Tahir Rehman Khan has said that the security plan for the day of Ashura has been finalized. On 9 Muharram, 92 gatherings will be held across the district, and 23 processions will be taken out across the district on 9 Muharram, and a total of 60 processions, big and small, will be taken out across the district on 10 Muharram.

Foolproof security arrangements have been made across the district. In case of any emergency, the district administration is on high alert 24 hours a day. All routes of Muharram are also being monitored under the Safe City Project.





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TEXAS: First responders from College Station Fire Department searching along banks of Guadalupe River, as rescue efforts continue following extreme flooding in Ingram.

## Macron to rekindle relationship with King Charles on UK visit

PARIS (AFP): French-speaking King Charles III, who is hosting President Emmanuel Macron for a state visit starting, professes a long-standing love of France, describing it as "an essential part" of his life.

The visit, at the invitation of the monarch, is a rare privilege full of spectacular pomp and circumstance and an opportunity to strengthen a bilateral relationship which the king called "indispensable" during his visit to France in September 2023. That visit, hailed as a symbol of "cordial detente" after Brexit, demonstrated a closeness between the two heads of state on issues such as Ukraine, but also on a personal level.

"If you see their body language, and this was particularly noticeable during the state visit... it does seem that they get on tremendously well," said monarchy expert Richard Fitzwilliams. Macron touched the monarch on the shoulder several times during the visit, a casual gesture unthinkable in the time of Elizabeth II, but the king took no offence. Brigitte Macron and Queen Camilla, who share a love of literature, exchange kisses whenever they meet, even though official protocol dictates a curtsy.

As well as Ukraine, the two men

also share common ground on topics such as the environment. "Inspired and encouraged by my grandmother's and my late mother's example, France has been an essential part of the fabric of my own life for as long as I can remember," Charles declared before the French Senate in September 2023, in a speech delivered largely in French, which earned him a standing ovation. Like his mother, Elizabeth II, who often visited France and met every French president from Vincent Auriol to Macron, Charles III learned French from childhood. He reads it fluently, and speaks it with a hint of an accent. He has made more than 35 official visits to France since the 1970s, and according to him, Edith Piaf's "La Vie en rose" remains one of his favourite songs. Macron is the first European leader to be invited for a state visit since Charles III assumed the throne.

The king's first state visit abroad was originally scheduled to also take place in France, in March 2023, but was postponed due to social unrest. The French couple's state visit will take place at Windsor Castle, as Buckingham Palace is undergoing renovations, and will follow the standard schedule. There are on average two of these visits per year, and

preparation for them generally takes around a year. The Prince and Princess of Wales will greet the French presidential couple on landing and accompany them on the journey to Windsor, west of London, where they will be officially welcomed by the King and Queen.

They will join a carriage procession through the town, attend a military parade and take lunch with the royal family at the castle. Macron and his wife will visit the Palace of Westminster in London, where the French president will address parliamentarians for a "very political" speech, according to the Elysee Palace. The day will end with a state dinner, including speeches by the King and the French leader in front of some 150 guests. Emmanuel Macron will lay flowers on the grave of Queen Elizabeth II, who died in September 2022, at St George's Chapel at Windsor Castle, and will tour the gardens. He will attend Franco-British summit, the second since they resumed in 2023 after being suspended due to Brexit, before leaving with his wife later in the day. US President Donald Trump has also been invited for a state visit this year and is expected in September, but no date has yet been officially announced.

## One dies in violent storm pounding Milan

MILAN (Reuters): One person was killed by a falling tree near Milan, local firefighters said, as a powerful storm battered the northern Italian city after days of high temperatures. The 63-year-old woman died in the town of Robecchetto con Induno, west of Milan, as she was returning from a walk with two other people who were injured in the incident and have been hospitalised, the firefighters said.

Firefighters have dealt with about 50 incidents so far, with another 37 still pending. Most involve dangerous trees, flooded basements and taverns, and advertising billboards torn down by strong winds. According to Italian news agency Ansa, heavy rains also hit the eastern Veneto region, where bad weather swept areas around the cities of Belluno and Vicenza, as well as parts of Tuscany, where falling trees were also reported. While rain and gales pounded the north, temperatures remained close to 30 degrees Celsius (86 degrees Fahrenheit) in much of southern and central Italy, including in Rome. Much of Europe has sweltered in an early summer heatwave which officials have linked to at least eight deaths on the continent.

## Lula flays Gaza 'genocide'

RIO DE JANEIRO: Brazil's president says the world must act to stop what he describes as an Israeli "genocide" in Gaza as leaders from 11 emerging BRICS nations gathered in Rio de Janeiro. "We cannot remain indifferent to the genocide carried out by Israel in Gaza, the indiscriminate killing of innocent civilians and the use of hunger as a weapon of war," President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva told leaders from China, India and other nations.

His comments came as Gaza truce talks between Israel and Hamas resumed in Doha and as pressure mounted to end the 21-month war, which began with Hamas's October 7, 2023, attacks in southern Israel. Lula said "absolutely nothing could justify the terrorist actions" of Hamas on that day, which resulted in the deaths of 1,219 people, mostly Israeli civilians. But he also offered fierce criticism of Israel's subsequent actions. Israel's military campaign has killed at least 57,418 people in Gaza, also mostly civilians. BRICS countries have been in disagreement over how strongly to denounce Israel's bombing of Iran and its actions in Gaza.

Leaders in Rio called for reform of traditional Western institutions while presenting BRICS as a defender of multilateral diplomacy in an increasingly fractured world. With forums such as the G7 and G20 groups of major economies hamstrung by divisions and the disruptive America First approach of United States President Donald Trump, expansion of BRICS has opened new space for diplomatic coordination. In his opening remarks, Lula drew a parallel with the Cold War's Non-Aligned Movement, a group of developing nations that resisted formally joining either side of a polarised global order.

"BRICS is the heir to the Non-Aligned Movement," Lula told leaders. "With multilateralism under attack, our autonomy is in check once again."

BRICS nations now represent more than half the world's population and 40 percent of its economic output. Leaders from Brazil, Russia, India and China gathered for the first summit in 2009. The bloc later added South Africa and last year included Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates as members. This is the first summit of leaders to include Indonesia. Some leaders were missing from this year's summit, however: Chinese President Xi Jinping chose to send his prime minister in his place. Russian President Vladimir Putin is attending online because of a warrant issued for his arrest by the International Criminal Court.

## Pressed to confess: Japan accused of 'hostage justice'

TOKYO (AFP): Yo Amano says he is unravelling in a cell where he has been confined alone almost 24 hours a day for over six years, despite not having been convicted of the fraud charges against him. In Japan's harsh criminal justice system, critics say innocence is not presumed and coerced confessions help drive the 99 percent conviction rate.

"From the moment I was arrested, I've been treated like I'm a prisoner," Amano, 36, told AFP through a glass screen at the Tokyo Detention Centre, where he is held alongside people convicted of violent crimes, including death-row inmates. "I'm sure something is wrong with me mentally, but I can't tell for sure because I can't even get a decent medical diagnosis here," he said. Campaigners argue that lengthy pre-trial detention is meted out too easily in Japan, especially if suspects remain silent or refuse to confess. That often makes confessions a de-facto condition for their release, one that rights groups say exists in few other liberal democracies.

This alleged use of confinement as a way to elicit confessions -- or 'hostage justice' -- is under renewed scrutiny after a group of victims recently filed a lawsuit challenging its constitutionality. Lawyer Takashi Takano, who spearheads the suit, slammed the "completely inverted chronology". In Japan, "if you contest your charges, your bail is denied and detention drags on. You get punished and robbed of everything first, sometimes before the trial even begins, followed finally by a verdict," he told AFP. AFP obtained rare, court-issued approval to speak to Amano, who

denies the charges against him.

Since his 2018 arrest, he has been locked up incommunicado, having "lost everything", including his job, partner and mental health. In summer, what little coolness there is in the detention facility filters through a small food slot into Amano's sweltering cell. Three tatami mats fill the floor space, and there is no air conditioning. For most of the day, Amano is not allowed to lie down or lean against a wall, so he spends hours sitting on a mat. The former restaurant owner says he has lost 30 kilograms (66 pounds) since his arrest. He can only contact his lawyers and is denied access to anyone else, including family, barring rare exceptions.

This has left him estranged from the "daughter I doted on", now seven years old, and whom he last saw in 2019. "I don't know if she still remembers me," "Hostage justice" -- a term popularised by ex-Nissan chief Carlos Ghosn's months-long, 2018-2019 detention -- has been repeatedly decried by international rights bodies.

The latest lawsuit challenges judges' ability to "rubber-stamp" detentions, and to reject bail without demonstrating "probable cause" that evidence will be destroyed, according to lawyer Takano. In Japan, pre-indictment detention can last up to 23 days, extendable by multiple rearrests. Only after indictment does bail become possible, but as with Amano, the option is often dismissed if the accused denies the charges, campaigners say. Judicial data from 2021 shows that those who confessed were released much more quickly than those who denied

the charges.

"In Japan, refusing to confess or remaining silent is seen as high-risk behaviour of someone likely to destroy evidence," Kana Sasakura, a criminal law professor at Konan University, told AFP. Furthermore, detainees are typically interrogated without attorneys -- a stark contrast to most Group of Seven and East Asian democracies -- which makes it harder to withstand the pressure of questioning. This, coupled with gruelling confinement, attests to Japan's overall reliance on confessions, Sasakura noted. "It's a structure where, by conducting interrogations behind closed doors and isolating the suspect from the outside world, extracting confessions is made easier," she said. The justice ministry told AFP that "prolonged detention solely on the grounds of remaining silent or denying charges isn't occurring".

"We don't use physical detention to force confessions," it added, defending Japan's "fair" and "evidence-based" system. But Tomoya Asanuma, another plaintiff in the suit, recalls almost cracking under the strain. Last year, the 36-year-old transgender activist endured almost four months of detention for charges including assault that he was ultimately acquitted of in January. "Detectives would tell me, 'confess already, and we don't have to interrogate you so many times,'" Asanuma told AFP of the frequent, hours-long questioning. Life under constant surveillance, including when he bathed or relieved himself, was a source of extra humiliation as his body still retained biologically female characteristics.

## Australian woman convicted of three murders

MORWELL (AP): Australian woman Erin Patterson was Monday found guilty of murdering three of her estranged husband's relatives by deliberately serving them poisonous mushrooms for lunch. The jury in the Supreme Court trial in Victoria state returned a verdict after six days of deliberations, following a nine-week trial that gripped Australia. Patterson faces life in prison and will be sentenced at a later date. Patterson, who sat in the dock between two prison officers, showed no emotion but blinked rapidly as the verdicts were read.

Three of Patterson's four lunch guests - her parents-in-law Don and Gail Patterson, and Gail's sister Heather Wilkinson - died in the hospital after the 2023 meal at her home in Leongatha, at which she served individual beef Wellington pastries containing death cap mushrooms. She was also found guilty of attempting to murder Ian Wilkinson, Heather's husband, who survived the meal. It wasn't disputed that Patterson served the mushrooms or that the pastries killed her guests. The jury was required to decide whether she knew the lunch contained death caps, and if she intended for them to die.

The guilty verdicts, which were required to be unanimous, indicated that jurors rejected Patterson's defense that the presence of the poisonous fungi in the meal was a terrible accident, caused by the mistaken inclusion of foraged mushrooms that she didn't know were death caps. Prosecutors didn't offer a motive for the killings, but during the trial highlighted strained relations between Patterson and her estranged husband, and frustration that she had felt about his parents in the past. The case turned on the question of whether Patterson meticulously planned a triple murder or accidentally killed three people she loved, including her children's only surviving grandparents. Her lawyers said she had no reason to do so - she had recently moved to a beautiful new home, was financially comfortable, had sole custody of her children and was due to begin studying for a degree in nursing and midwifery. But prosecutors suggested Patterson had two faces - the woman who publicly appeared to have a good relationship with her parents-in-law, while her private feelings about them were kept hidden. Her relationship with her estranged husband, Simon Patterson,

who was invited to the fatal lunch but didn't go, deteriorated in the year before the deaths, the prosecution said.

The simplest facts of what happened that day and immediately afterward were hardly disputed. But Patterson's motivations for what she did and why were pored over in detail during the lengthy trial, at which more than 50 witnesses were called. The individual beef Wellington pastries Patterson served her guests was one point of friction, because the recipe she used contained directions for a single, family-sized portion. Prosecutors said that she reverted to individual servings, so she could lace the other diners' portions, but not her own, with the fatal fungi - but Patterson said that she was unable to find the correct ingredients to make the recipe as directed. Nearly every other detail of the fateful day was scrutinized at length, including why Patterson sent her children out to a film before her guests arrived, why she added additional dried mushrooms to the recipe from her pantry, why she didn't become ill when the other diners did, and why she disposed of a food dehydrator after the deaths and told investigators that she didn't own one.

## Turkey says 5 soldiers killed by methane gas

ISTANBUL (AP): Five Turkish soldiers have died after exposure to methane gas while searching a cave in northern Iraq for the remains of a fellow soldier killed by Kurdish militants in 2022, the Turkish Defense Ministry said.

Soldiers were searching a mountain cave when 19 of them were exposed to the gas, which is colorless, odorless, flammable and can cause asphyxiation in sufficient concentration. "They were immediately transported to the hospital (but) despite all interventions, five heroic personnel were martyred," the ministry said in a statement. "Rescue operations in the area continue."

The ministry did not give

a specific location for the incident other than the "Claw-Lock Operation region," a reference to an operation launched against the Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, in north Iraq in April 2022. The Turkish unit affected by methane gas was searching for the remains of an infantry officer killed by "terrorist gunfire" during a search-and-clear operation in May 2022, the ministry said. For the last three years, teams have been hunting for his remains. The cave was at an altitude of 852 meters (2,795 feet) and was known to have been used as a hospital by the PKK in the past, although it had since been cleared by Turkish soldiers. The office of President

Recep Tayyip Erdogan said the soldiers were "exposed to a high concentration of accumulated methane gas." Turkey and the PKK have waged a 40-year conflict which has often spilled over into Iraq and Syria. Turkey has set up a series of bases in northern Iraq, where the PKK has been established for decades. The PKK, which is considered a terrorist organization by Turkey and most of the West, announced in May that it would disband and renounce armed conflict as part of a new peace initiative with Turkey. Its fighters are expected to begin handing over their weapons over the next few days in the first concrete move toward disarmament.

PARIS: French military and intelligence officials claim China has deployed its embassies to spread doubts about the performance of French-made Rafale jets following the aerial combat between India and Pakistan in May.

The Associated Press news agency, quoting French officials, reported that Beijing is working to harm the reputation and sales of France's flagship fighter aircraft. French officials say they have found that the Chinese embassies are trying to undermine Rafale sales by persuading countries that have already ordered the jets, notably Indonesia, not to buy them and instead choose Chinese-made fighters. The AP report said the findings were shared by a French military official on condition that they should not be named. Four days of India-Pakistan clashes in May were the most serious confrontation in years between the two nuclear-armed neighbours, which included air combat involving dozens of aircraft from both sides. Military officials and researchers have since been digging for details of how Pakistan's Chinese-made

military hardware - particularly warplanes and air-combat missiles - fared against weaponry that India used in air strikes on Pakistani targets, notably French-made Rafale fighters. Sales of Rafales and other armaments are big business for the French defence industry and help Paris to strengthen ties with other nations, including in Asia, where China is becoming the dominant regional power. Pakistan says its air force downed five Indian planes during the fighting, including three Rafales. French officials say that prompted questions about their performance from countries that have bought the fighter from French manufacturer Dassault Aviation.

India acknowledged aircraft losses but did not say how many. French air force chief General Jerome Bellanger said he has seen evidence pointing to just three aircraft losses - a Rafale, a Russian-made Sukhoi and a Mirage 2000, which is an earlier generation French-made jet. It was the first known combat loss of a Rafale, which France has sold to eight countries. "Of course, all those, the

nations that bought Rafales, asked themselves questions," Bellanger said. French officials have been battling to protect the plane from reputational damage, pushing back against what they allege was a concerted campaign of Rafale-bashing and disinformation online from Pakistan and its ally, China. They say the campaign included viral posts on social media, manipulated imagery showing supposed Rafale debris, AI-generated content and video-game depictions to simulate supposed combat. More than 1,000 social media accounts newly created as the India-Pakistan clashes erupted also spread a narrative of Chinese technological superiority, according to French researchers who specialise in online disinformation.

Military officials in France say they have not been able to link the online Rafale-bashing directly to the Chinese government. But the French intelligence service said Chinese embassy defence attaches echoed the same narrative in meetings they held with security and defence officials from other countries, arguing that Indian Rafale

jets performed poorly and promoting Chinese-made weaponry. The defence attaches focused their lobbying on countries that have ordered Rafales and other potential customer nations that are considering purchases, the intelligence service said. It said French officials learned of the meetings from nations that were approached. The French Ministry for Armed Forces said the Rafale was targeted by "a vast campaign of disinformation" that "sought to promote the superiority of alternative equipment, notably of Chinese design". "The Rafale was not randomly targeted. It is a highly capable fighter jet, exported abroad and deployed in a high-visibility theatre," the French ministry wrote on its website.

Asked by AP to comment on the alleged effort to dent Rafale's appeal, the Ministry of National Defence in Beijing said: "The relevant claims are pure groundless rumours and slander. China has consistently maintained a prudent and responsible approach to military exports, playing a constructive role in regional and global peace and stability." — Aljazeera

## Syria fights 'catastrophic' fires for fourth day

DAMASCUS (AFP): Syrian authorities said some 100 square kilometres (40 square miles) of forest had "turned to ash" in wildfires as firefighters from neighbouring Jordan arrived to battle a fourth day of blazes in the province of Latakia.

Syrian emergency workers have faced tough conditions including high temperatures, strong winds, rugged mountainous terrain in the coastal province and the danger of explosive war remnants, in a country worn down by years of conflict and economic crisis. An AFP correspondent in Latakia's Rabbiaa region saw emergency workers battling a blaze near homes, while vast swathes of forest and olive groves were burnt and smoke filled the air over a long distance. Jordanian civil defence

teams crossed into Syria, the Syrian ministry for emergencies and disaster management said, after Turkey sent assistance a day earlier. Minister Raed al-Saleh said on X that "hundreds of thousands of forest trees over an estimated area of around 10,000 hectares (25,000 acres) in 28 locations have turned to ash". He later decried "a real environmental disaster" at a press conference in the province. More than 80 teams including civil defence personnel have been helping battle the blaze, he said, noting local organisations and residents were also providing assistance, in addition to teams and firefighting aircraft from neighbouring Jordan and Turkey.

Saleh said it would take days to declare the blazes completely extinguished

once the fire was brought under control, calling them "catastrophic". Syria's defence ministry said the air force was assisting, publishing images of a helicopter collecting and dropping water. Jordan's public security directorate said in a statement that the "specialised firefighting teams from the civil defence... have been provided with all the modern equipment and machinery necessary to carry out their duties to the fullest extent". Swathes of forested area and farmland have burnt and some villages evacuated as the fires raged including near the Turkish border.

The United Nations deputy envoy to Syria Najat Rochdi said in a statement on X that Damascus "needs more international assistance" to face the fires. A statement from the UN resi-

dent and humanitarian coordinator for Syria Adam Abdelmoula said that "UN teams are on the ground conducting urgent assessments to determine the scale of the disaster and to identify the most immediate humanitarian needs". Nearly seven months after the ousting of longtime ruler Bashar al-Assad, Syria is still reeling from more than a decade of civil war that ravaged the country's economy, infrastructure and public services. With man-made climate change increasing the likelihood and intensity of droughts and wildfires worldwide, Syria has also been battered by heatwaves and low rainfall. In June, the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation told AFP that Syria had "not seen such bad climate conditions in 60 years".



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## America's broken politics affecting economy

**T**HE political realignment has come for economics. At least since the days of Friedrich Hayek and John Maynard Keynes in the last century, the divide in economic thinking roughly corresponded to the political split. In the mainstream, everyone was a capitalist and saw some role for government. The right/left divide was mostly over exactly how big that role should be.

Now, in economics as in politics, it is no longer left versus right; it is moderates versus populists. The question isn't so much the optimal size of government in a global market-based economy, it is whether the economy is positive or zero-sum and how it entrenches power, according to Tribune News Service.

The result is unlikely allies and enemies. The horseshoe theory of politics holds that extreme left and right partisans agree more with each other than they do with the centrists in their party. That theory now also applies to economics. A decade and a half ago, economists and policy wonks were divided on things that in retrospect seem quite small — the structure of the Affordable Care Act, for example. More and more lately, I struggle to find disagreement with center-left economics pundits who used to make me shake my head.

It could be that we are all moderating with age. But I don't think so. It's that the conversation has changed. The debate is increasingly about questions we moderates have long seen as resolved, such as whether price controls work (no), globalization is a good thing (yes), or growth should be the primary objective (of course).

These questions are being revisited because populists have become a much bigger and more influential force in US politics and policy — and as they do, centrists find that we have more in common with each other than the more extreme wings of our respective camps. It's not just me. Ezra Klein recently described a divide in the Democratic Party over the so-called abundance agenda, which argues that getting many regulations and special-interest groups out of the way can unlock more growth. So-called "abundance liberals" argue that, with the right policies, the government can increase economic growth and make everyone better off.

The more populist wing of the Democratic Party rejects this approach, because it sees the real problem as power. It has a more zero-sum view of the economy, in which the powerful (usually corporations and the rich) take most of the limited resources everyone should be entitled to. I am closer to abundance liberals (let's make a bigger economic pie) than I am to populist liberals (let's make sure the pie slices are exactly even). I also support getting rid of wasteful regulations and favors to special-interest groups. The difference is that I think these barriers need to be removed to empower the private sector, not the government, to drive growth. This is not a trivial difference, and someday it will probably tear our fragile alliance apart. But for now, compared to the alternative, it feels semantic.

Conservatives are facing a divide similar to the one Klein describes among liberals. The populist strain of the right also sees the world as zero-sum and condemns the concentration of power — not of the rich, but among foreigners and institutions: universities, technology firms, government bureaucracies, international agencies, and so on.

President Donald Trump's administration reflects this division. Its economic team includes representatives from the more traditional pro-growth wing of the Republican Party, with trained economists and people who worked in finance, as well as people from the more populist zero-sum wing, dominated by Yale Law graduates and their fellow travelers.

This realignment will shape America's economic discourse and policies for the foreseeable future. Rather than a right/left divide on the role of government, the main debate going forward will be between centrists and populists.

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## Government employees and tax vollection

Muhammad Mohsin Iqbal

**T**AX collection has always been an indispensable pillar in the architecture of a functioning state. Since the earliest formations of organized governance, levying taxes has been a standard practice to ensure the sustenance of administrative machinery, provision of public services, and the defense of the realm. No society, however prosperous or modest, can remain viable without a steady inflow of revenue, and taxes provide precisely that foundation. In modern states, particularly those with large populations and growing development needs, tax collection becomes not merely a fiscal necessity but a moral and civic obligation. Citizens who enjoy the privileges and protections offered by the state are expected, in return, to contribute their due share. This principle, though universally acknowledged in theory, often faces glaring contradictions in practice.

Pakistan, unfortunately, presents a classic example of this discrepancy. Despite repeated campaigns and policy measures to broaden the tax base, there remains a large segment of society that views tax payment not as a duty, but as a burden to be shirked. Various interest groups, often shielded by special patronage or informal networks, have for decades found ways to escape their share of contribution. Yet, amidst this culture of evasion and selective accountability, there exists one group that bears the burden consistently and inevitably—the government servants.

Unlike many other classes, the salaried government employees in Pakistan have no room to maneuver or evade. Their income, being drawn directly from the state exchequer, is subject to automatic deductions at

the source. Regardless of their consent or financial flexibility, they are taxed before their salaries even reach their hands. And this past fiscal year, these deductions reached a record high. According to recent reports, the salaried class contributed an astounding Rs. 545 billion in income tax during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. This contribution not only surpassed but dwarfed the combined tax paid by two other significant segments of the economy—exporters and retailers.

Exporters, despite enjoying the benefits of earning in foreign currency and having access to substantial government incentives, paid only Rs180 billion. Retailers, a politically entrenched group historically resistant to documentation and regulation, contributed a meager Rs62 billion under sections 236G and 236H of the Income Tax Ordinance. When added together, these two sectors paid Rs242 billion—less than half of what the salaried class alone contributed. This disparity speaks volumes about the structural inequalities embedded within the tax regime. Why are income tax rates not levied on other sectors of life at the same rate and with the same spirit as government employees? This question echoes across the corridors of public discourse, unanswered and inconvenient.

The government employees' contribution of Rs545 billion marked a sharp increase from Rs367 billion in the previous fiscal year, indicating an additional burden of Rs178 billion. Such a dramatic rise, though indicative of increased revenue collection, also highlights the lack of equitable tax enforcement across sectors. It is deeply ironic that those who are most exposed,

most transparent in their earnings, and least able to avoid taxation, are the ones carrying the largest share of the burden.

The much-publicized Tajir Dost Scheme (TDS), introduced with fanfare as a mechanism to bring retailers into the formal tax net, has largely failed to deliver on its promises. Retailers, despite their profitability and volume of transactions, have managed to evade meaningful taxation yet again. Sections 236G and 236H, which impose taxes on distributors, dealers, wholesalers, and retailers based on their gross sales, were meant to serve as deterrents against non-compliance. However, even these measures have resulted in limited success. While they have generated some revenue and forced a few into the net, the overall response remains lukewarm.

In light of this, the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) has attempted to offer some relief to the already overburdened salaried class. According to FBR's officials, the first two tax slabs have been revised downward for the fiscal year 2025-26. Individuals earning between Rs600,000 and Rs1.2 million annually will now be taxed at 1 percent instead of 5 percent, and those earning between Rs1.2 million and Rs2.2 million will see their rate reduced from 15 percent to 11 percent. This adjustment is expected to provide a collective relief of Rs50 billion to the salaried class—though one could argue it is a modest reprieve considering the scale of their contribution.

Among the salaried class, government employees serving in teaching and research roles had long benefitted from a modest tax rebate—a recognition of their intellectual service to

the nation. This rebate was first introduced under General Pervez Musharraf's government in 2006 at a generous 75%, later reduced to 40% in 2013, and then to 25% by 2022. However, under the Finance Act 2022, the rebate was entirely withdrawn, leaving academicians and researchers without the relief they had relied upon for over a decade. In March 2025, following sustained advocacy by teacher associations, the federal cabinet reinstated the 25% rebate. Yet this reinstatement was met with resistance from the IMF, which objected to the rebate's continuation on the grounds of tax harmonization.

Despite IMF pressure, the government, through the Finance Bill 2025-26, restored the 25% rebate retrospectively for Tax Years 2023, 2024, and 2025. This gesture has been welcomed as a step toward acknowledging the unique service of educators and researchers, though uncertainty looms over the rebate's future. Such episodes illustrate the broader dilemma—whether national fiscal policy should prioritize external directives or respond to domestic needs and the principle of fairness.

In any fair and responsible state, the tax regime must be broad-based, equitable, and transparent. Burdening only those who are easily accessible while allowing powerful segments to remain untouched breeds resentment and erodes public trust. The salaried class, especially government servants, have performed their duty—often without applause or recognition. It is now time for other sectors to rise to the same standard. Equity in taxation is not merely a question of numbers; it is a test of the state's moral authority and administrative integrity.

## Israel now faces adversaries

Jasim Al-Azzawi

**S**INCE October 7, 2023, the war of images has eclipsed the war of weapons. From Gaza's pulverised hospitals and starving infants to mass graves and desperate fathers digging through rubble, every pixel captured on a smartphone strikes deeper than a missile.

These raw, unfiltered, and undeniable images have a far greater impact than any press conference or official speech. And for the first time in its history, Israel cannot delete them or drown them in propaganda.

The horrifying images of the Israeli army massacring people at aid distribution locations prompted newspaper Haaretz's Gideon Levy to write on June 29: "Is Israel perpetrating genocide in Gaza? [...] The testimonies and images emerging from Gaza don't leave room for many questions."

Even staunchly pro-Israel commentator and New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman no longer buys into the Israeli narrative. In a May 9 op-ed, addressed to US President Donald Trump, he declared: "This Israeli government is not our ally," clarifying that it is "behaving in ways that threaten hard-core US interests in the region".

Once, Israel's narrative was protected by the gates of editorial rooms and the gravity of Western guilt. But the smartphone shattered those gates. What we see now is no longer what Israel tells us — it's what Gaza shows us.

The platforms carrying

these images — TikTok, WhatsApp, Instagram, X — don't prioritise context; they prioritise virality. While older generations might look away, younger ones are glued to the stream of suffering, absorbed by every pixel, every siren, every moment of destruction. The global public is agitated, and this works against the Israeli interest. Israel is no longer just at war with its neighbours; it is at war with the lens itself.

The psychological toll of this visual war is reverberating deep inside Israeli society. For decades, Israelis were conditioned to see themselves as global narrators of trauma, not subjects of international scrutiny. But now, with videos of Israeli bombardment, flattened Gaza neighbourhoods, and emaciated children flooding every platform, many Israelis are grappling with a growing ethical predicament.

There is unease, even among centrists, that these visceral images are eroding Israel's moral high ground. For the first time, public discourse in Israeli society includes fear of the mirror: what the world now sees and what Israelis are forced to confront.

Internationally, the effect has been even more destabilising for Israel's diplomatic standing. Longstanding allies, once unconditionally supportive, now face growing domestic pressure from citizens who are not consuming official statements but TikTok's live

streams and Instagram's image feed.

Lawmakers in Europe and North America are openly questioning arms shipments, trade deals, and diplomatic cover, not because of the briefings they have on Israeli war crimes but because their inboxes are flooded with screenshots of scattered body parts and starving children.

The battlefield has expanded into parliaments, campuses, city councils, and editorial rooms. This is the backlash of a war Israel cannot win with brute force. To regain control of the narrative, Israeli officials have pressured social media platforms to curb content they dislike. Yet even Israel's most sophisticated public diplomacy efforts are struggling to keep pace with the virality of raw documentation.

Behind closed doors, the Israeli military is no longer merely worried about public relations; it is concerned about prosecution. The Israeli army has admonished soldiers for taking selfies and filming themselves demolishing Palestinian homes, warning that such material is now being harvested as evidence by international human rights organisations.

Footage and images from social media have already been used by activists to target Israeli servicemen abroad. In a number of cases, Israeli citizens have had to flee countries they were visiting due to war crimes complaints filed

against them.

In the age of smartphones, the occupation is no longer just visible — it's indictable.

In the past, Israel fought wars that it could explain. Now, it fights a battle it can only react to — often too belatedly and too clumsily. The smartphone captures what the missile conceals. Social media disseminates information that official briefings attempt to suppress. The haunting images, digitally preserved, ensure that we never forget any devastating atrocity, or act of brutality.

Images of conflict do not just convey information; they can also redefine our perceptions and influence our political positions. The powerful "Napalm Girl" photo that captured the aftermath of an attack by the US-allied South Vietnamese army on civilians during the Vietnam War had a profound impact on American society. It helped create a significant shift in public opinion regarding the war, accelerating the decision of the US government to end it.

Today, in Gaza, the stream of powerful images does not stop. Despite Israel's best efforts, the global opinion is overwhelmingly against its genocidal war.

Smartphones have completely changed the nature of conflict by putting a camera in the hands of every witness. In this new era, Israel struggles to defeat the relentless, unfiltered visual record of its crimes that calls for justice.

## Netanyahu hosted by the guarantor-in-chief

Ghassan Charbel

**W**HEN visiting the president's office, it helps to come bearing warmth. A firm embrace, a grateful smile, a public thank you — all gestures of loyalty that set the tone. It is best to arrive eager for wisdom and ready to express not only personal admiration but also that of your people. In these corridors of power, both elders and juniors are expected to display reverence.

Some go further. They declare themselves lucky to have been born during his era, lucky to sail on the same ship. For he, they say, is a seasoned captain, unfazed by tempests. Success clings to him and landmark deals bear his signature. He is, in their eyes, unlike any predecessor — a singular force, a steadfast ally in turbulent times.

Flattery often extends to his choice of necktie or dance steps — and, of course, his tweets. Such an encounter may begin with congratulations: victories abroad echo those at home.

As Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu flew toward his US meeting this week, he was both relaxed and cautious. He credits himself with having slipped inside Donald Trump's mind — perhaps even his heart. But Trump is a complex man: hard-edged, addicted to winning, a master of deals and disruption. He recoils at failure, bristles at disappointment and never backs down.

He plays both sides — extending a hand one moment, throwing punches the next. He views the world through his own lens, dismissing the vision of experts. His talent for veering off course is matched only by his flair for unsettling both allies and foes. Each new battle deepens his conviction that destiny has chosen him to save not only

Netanyahu might open the meeting with a tale. He could say the president's backing allowed him to carry out major surgery on the Middle East — painful, delicate, expensive surgery that has redrawn the region's face. Just two years ago, he might say, a missile could travel from Tehran to Beirut via Iraq and Syria, bypassing state permission. An Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps adviser could accompany it, arming proxies and cementing their place in the so-called axis of resistance. Back then, a visitor to Syria could meet President Bashar Assad in Damascus, then travel by road to Beirut's southern suburbs to sit with Hezbollah chief Hassan Nasrallah. They could even meet leaders of Hamas and Islamic Jihad living in Lebanon without state consent. American support secured Israel's military and technological edge and facilitated the operation. Today, the missile no longer reaches its target. Nor does the adviser. Syria, once the corridor and incubator, speaks a different language now — reportedly seeking only to revive the disengagement accord in exchange for stepping out of the military side of the conflict with Israel. Lebanon, once the base of the "support front," has paid a steep price. Though Israel paused its shelling, it continues lethal strikes. Without Syrian depth, Hezbollah cannot launch a war.

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Netanyahu knows Trump needs a win in Gaza after failing to deliver one in Ukraine. Russian President Vladimir Putin wants to crush Ukraine before agreeing to a truce and he wants no partner in claiming victory. But Netanyahu will not challenge the guarantor-in-chief. The man of war can also be the man of peace. A ceasefire in Gaza might be accepted — then navigated around. Some flexibility may be necessary, given the devastation. There is little left in Gaza that could pose a danger.

Israel's adversaries now wait for guarantees from the US. Netanyahu, meanwhile, hopes for a fresh endorsement from the White House to fuel his reelection bid.

Some in the region are even hoping Trump concludes that the most meaningful guarantee he can offer is to keep the two-state solution alive — even if on pause. For now, the guarantor also remains the dealer of surprises.

Lebanon, once the base of the "support front," has paid a steep price. Though Israel paused its shelling, it continues lethal strikes. Without Syrian depth, Hezbollah cannot launch a war. Yet its insistence on holding onto its weapons robs Lebanon of stability and reconstruction prospects and could trigger something worse.

The old balance is broken. Israeli jets control the skies over much of the neighborhood and operate across borders. Syria wants US guarantees. So does Hamas. Lebanon, too. Even Iran is said to be seeking American assurances. Trump, it seems, is the region's guarantor-in-chief.

Netanyahu closes his eyes. He feels genuine gratitude toward the president. The picture has changed. The fall of Assad's regime, in his eyes, shifted the game. The current phase is about forcing factions back into their native maps, stripped of regional extensions. That return coincides with extracting borders from the battlefield, at least for now.

Removing the rubble from Gaza will take years. So will reconstruction. In the meantime, Hamas will likely be sidelined, unable to contemplate another war.

Lebanon, too, may not pose a threat in the coming years. At best, it hopes for implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1701, Israeli withdrawal from its territory and for weapons to be placed solely in the state's hands.

The biggest file remains Iran. Trump's vow to prevent it from obtaining a nuclear weapon is unwavering. The latest round of conflict drew Tehran directly into the war, stripping it of the luxury of fighting by proxy. Israeli strikes on Iranian soil pierced what Tehran once considered untouchable. Even as



# Democrats try to spoil Trump’s victory party by slamming his greatest domestic win

**IS it the start of something bigger? Or the beginning of the end of the GOP House majority? President Donald Trump’s triumph in forcing his massive agenda bill into law before his July Fourth deadline was the most significant domestic triumph of his two terms in office.**

And his show of dominance in forcing Republican holdouts to back down has left GOP leaders wanting more at a time when his presidency is gathering momentum at home and abroad.

It was a holiday weekend of celebration for the Republican Party, though shock over the unspeakable tragedy in Texas — where flash floods claimed many lives and swept away young girls at summer camp — kept some of the heat out of partisan clashes on

against the new law. “I just don’t think that taking away the health care with the Medicaid cuts and food assistance to give the tax breaks for the very wealthy is going to be good for working- and middle-class Americans,” the California Democrat said on “Fox News Sunday.”

But House Speaker Mike Johnson doubled down Sunday on a plan to pass two more bills packed with Trump priorities using reconciliation — the budgetary trick the GOP used to ram through the president’s tax cuts along with huge boosts in spending on border enforcement, carbon energy and defense.

And he predicted Democrats would fail to make Trump’s bill a political loser for the president. “Everyone will have more take-home pay, they’ll have more jobs and opportunity, the

**Stephen Collinson**

size and complexity, which has left many Americans unsure of what is actually included, always triggers a messaging war.

Republicans, for instance, falsely presented the Affordable Care Act as a massive far-left takeover of government health care on the way to winning back the House in 2010.

Democrats hope to inflict similar punishment on Trump.

When Americans were suffering from rising grocery prices and inflation, Republicans were successful in blaming former President Joe Biden’s billions of dollars in Covid-19 recovery legislation for making the situation worse.

Multiple polls show Democrats may have an opening. Trump’s new law is massively unpopu-

larly Christmas of his first term that his first tax-cutting legislation passed.

This time, budget hawks in the House Freedom Caucus talked a good game, but ended up folding to the president’s power when a vastly changed bill returned from the Senate. It was the latest occasion when the president’s experience during his first White House spell helped make him more effective in his second.

Johnson, meanwhile, led the fractious GOP House conference with skill that has not always been obvious since he rose from the back benches to succeed former Speaker Kevin McCarthy.

But many of Trump’s top priorities — on border funding, tax cuts and defense — were packed into one big bill for a good reason. Logic sug-

gested that a majority in which the speaker can lose only a handful of votes could not bear multiple tests of fire.

The upside of such an approach is that the bill was so vital to Trump’s authority and prestige that it was harder for significant numbers of Republicans to oppose.

Johnson is now testing the waters on pulling off the same trick again. “We had always planned to do the first big reconciliation bill,” Johnson said on “Fox News Sunday,” adding he was eyeing two more such efforts in the fall and next spring. “Three more reconciliation bills before this Congress is over.” If the Louisiana Republican can deliver that, he’d repay the faith in millions of Republican base voters.

But will divides in the GOP conference Trump papered over last week be as easily suppressed next time? Will budget hawks who swallowed their antipathy to widening the deficit fold for Trump again in the

future? It’s hard to believe that vulnerable swing-state Republicans will be more open to politically painful spending cuts even closer to the next election.

Trump’s wider economic political fortunes will therefore play a huge role in how the new law settles in the public’s mind.

If the economy proves resilient and his predictions of soaring growth materialize, it will be harder for Democrats to highlight the negative aspects of his leadership. But if inflation is rekindled and jobs and economic growth slow, they’ll have an easier target.

This is one reason why the coming days will be vital to the president. The deadline comes Wednesday for foreign nations to conclude trade deals with the US or face massive tariff hikes, which were pulled back amid global market panics in April.

Across-the-board tariff increases could hammer the economy and raise prices for Americans who sent a message in the presidential election last year that they were angry about the cost of living.

But Trump is betting that a three-legged strategy of huge cuts in government spending, increased revenue in tariffs and huge tax cuts will be an unorthodox growth plan.

And Bessent appeared to indicate on “State of the Union” that Trump’s latest trade deadline this week is yet another bluff that might spare the economy the most adverse impacts.

“President Trump’s going to be sending letters to some of our trading partners, saying that ‘If you don’t move things along, then, on August 1, you will boomerang back to your April 2 tariff level.’ So I think we’re going to see a lot of deals very quickly.”

That sounds a lot like another extension to another deadline for trade deals that administration officials once predicted would arrive in huge numbers.

Aside from a few framework agreements with nations including Britain and Vietnam, there have been no major breakthroughs.

Unlike the mirages and contradictions of Trump’s constantly shifting trade policy, however, the new agenda bill represents a big concrete bet. If rural hospitals are shuttered because of Medicaid cuts, if major immigration spending feeds a police state that alienates moderate Americans or if regular workers struggle in Trump’s new age of oligarchy, the GOP risks paying the price in coming elections.

But the president has a record of convincing millions of people of his own version of reality — and Democrats have rarely found a way to counter him.

They have yet another chance with the “One Big Beautiful Bill.”

# Ukraine’s sovereignty was violated long before Trump

**Peter Korotaev**

**ON June 16, the Ukrainian government started the process for opening bids for foreign companies to mine lithium deposits in the country. Among the interested investors is a consortium linked to Ronald S. Lauder, who is believed to be close to United States President Donald Trump.**

The bid is part of a minerals deal signed in April that is supposed to give the US access to Ukraine’s mineral wealth. The agreement was negotiated over months and was touted by Trump as “payback” for US military support for the Ukrainian military.

The final text, which the Ukrainian side has celebrated as “more favourable” compared with previous iterations, paves the way for US investment in the mining and energy sectors in Ukraine. Investment decisions will be made jointly by US and Ukrainian officials, profits will not be taxed and US companies will get preferential treatment in tenders and auctions.

Trump’s demand for access to Ukrainian mineral wealth was slammed by many as infringing on Ukrainian sovereignty and being exploitative at a time when the country is fighting a war and is highly dependent on US arms supplies. But that is hardly an aberration in the record of relations between Ukraine and the West. For more than a decade now, Kyiv has faced Western pressure to make decisions that are not necessarily in the interests of its people.

Perhaps the most well-known accusations of Western influence peddling have to do with the son of former US President Joe Biden — Hunter Biden. He became a board member of the Ukrainian natural gas company Burisma in May 2014, three months after Viktor Yanukovich, the pro-Russian president of Ukraine, fled to Russia during nationwide protests.

At that time, Joe Biden was not only vice president in President Barack Obama’s administration but also its pointman on US-Ukrainian relations. Over five years, Hunter Biden earned up to \$50,000 a month as a board member. The apparent conflict of interest in this case bothered even Ukraine’s European allies.

But Joe Biden’s interference went much further than that. As vice president, he openly threatened then-Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko with blocking \$1bn in US aid if he did not dismiss the Ukrainian prosecutor general, whom Washington opposed.

When Biden became president, his administration — along with the European Union — put pressure on Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy to give foreign “experts” a key role in the election of judges for Ukraine’s courts. As a result, three of the six members on the Ethics Council of the High Council of Justice, which vets judges, are now mem-

bers of international organisations.

There was fierce opposition to this reform, even from within Zelenskyy’s own political party. Nevertheless, he felt compelled to proceed.

The Ukrainian government also adopted other unpopular laws under Western pressure. In 2020, the parliament passed a bill introduced by Zelenskyy that removed a ban on the sale of private farmland. Although polls consistently showed the majority of Ukrainians to be against such a move, pressure from the West forced the Ukrainian president’s hand.

Widespread protests against the move were muffled by COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Subsequently, Ukraine’s agricultural sector became even more dominated by large, export-oriented multinational companies with deleterious consequences for the country’s food security.

Attempts to challenge these unpopular laws were undermined by attacks on courts. For example, the Kyiv District Administrative Court ruled that the judicial reform law violated Ukraine’s sovereignty and constitution, but this decision was invalidated when Zelenskyy dissolved the court after the US imposed sanctions on its head judge, Pavlo Vovk, over accusations of corruption.

The Constitutional Court, where there were also attempts to challenge some of these laws, also faced pressure. In 2020, Zelenskyy tried to fire all the court’s judges and annul their rulings but failed. Then in 2021, Oleksandr Tupytyskiy, the chairman of the court, was sanctioned by the US, again over corruption accusations. This facilitated his removal shortly thereafter.

With Western interference in Ukrainian internal affairs made so apparent, public confidence in the sovereignty of the state was undermined. A 2021 poll showed that nearly 40 percent of Ukrainians did not believe their country was fully independent.

In step with interference in Ukraine’s governance, its economy has also faced foreign pressures. In 2016, US Ambassador to Ukraine Geoffrey Pyatt urged the country to become an “agricultural superpower”. And it appears that the country indeed has gone down that path, continuing the process of deindustrialisation.

From 2010 to 2019, industry’s share of Ukraine’s gross domestic product fell by 3.7 percentage points while that of agriculture rose by 3.4 percentage points.

This didn’t benefit Ukrainians. UNICEF found that nearly 20 percent of Ukrainians suffered from “moderate to severe food insecurity” from 2018 to 2020, a figure that rose to 28 percent by 2022. This is more than twice as high as the same figure for the EU.

This is because the expansion of agriculture has favoured export-oriented monocrops like sunflowers, corn and soya beans. Although Ukraine became the world’s biggest exporter of sunflower oil in 2019, a 2021 study found that the domination of agriculture by intensively farmed monoculture has put 40 percent of the country’s soil at risk of depletion.

The 2016 free trade agreement with the EU also encouraged low-cost exports. Due to the restrictive provisions of the agreement, Ukrainian business complained that domestic products were often unable to reach European markets while European producers flooded Ukraine. Ukraine had a 4-billion-euro (\$4.7bn) trade deficit with the EU in 2021, exporting raw materials and importing processed goods and machinery.

Meanwhile, Ukraine’s industrial output collapsed under the blows of closed export markets, Western competition and neoliberal economic policies at home. According to the Ministry of Economy, by 2019, automobile production had shrunk to 31 percent of its 2012 level, train wagon production to 29.7 percent, machine tool production to 68.2 percent, metallurgical production to 70.8 percent and agricultural machinery production to 68.4 percent.

In 2020, the government under the newly elected Zelenskyy tried to intervene. It proposed new legislation to protect Ukrainian industry, Bill 3739, which aimed to limit the amount of foreign goods purchased by Ukrainian state contracts. Member of parliament Dmytro Kiselevsky pointed to the fact that while only 5 to 8 percent of state contracts in the US and EU are fulfilled with imports, the same figures stood at 40 to 50 percent in Ukraine.

But Bill 3739 was immediately criticised by the EU, the US and pro-Western NGOs in Ukraine. This was despite the fact that Western countries have a range of methods to protect their markets and state purchases from foreigners. Ultimately, Bill 3739 was passed with significant amendments that provided exceptions for companies from the US and the EU.

The recent renewal of EU tariffs on Ukrainian agricultural exports, which had been lifted in 2022, is yet another confirmation that the West protects its own markets but wants unrestricted access to Ukraine’s, to the detriment of the Ukrainian economy. Ukrainian officials worry that this move would cut economic growth this year from the projected 2.7 percent to 0.9 percent and cost the country \$3.5bn in lost revenues.

In light of all this, Trump’s mineral deal reflects continuity in Western policy on Ukraine rather than a rupture. What the US president did differently was show to the public how Western leaders bully the Ukrainian government to get what they want — something that usually happens behind closed doors.

Party leaders will now anchor their midterm election strategy for next year on their warning that Trump’s law further enriched his billionaire friends and stuck working Americans with the bill. “I cannot believe Congress was willing to pass this. I mean, it’s awful,” Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear told CNN’s Dana Bash on “State of the Union” on Sunday. Beshear, who said he was considering a run for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2028, warned the bill could end Medicaid for 200,000 people in his commonwealth alone and would buckle state budgets. Rep. Ro Khanna pressed home the new Democratic offensive against the new law. “I just don’t think that taking away the health care with the Medicaid cuts and food assistance to give the tax breaks for the very wealthy is going to be good for working- and middle-class Americans,” the California Democrat said on “Fox News Sunday.” But House Speaker Mike Johnson doubled down Sunday on a plan to pass two more bills packed with Trump priorities using reconciliation — the budgetary trick the GOP used to ram through the president’s tax cuts along with huge boosts in spending on border enforcement, carbon energy and defense. And he predicted Democrats would fail to make Trump’s bill a political loser for the president. “Everyone will have more take-home pay, they’ll have more jobs and opportunity, the economy will be doing better and we’ll be able to point to that as the obvious result of what we did,” Johnson said on Fox. Republicans deny the Democrats’ claims about the effect of cuts to Medicaid, potentially the most emotive and politically sensitive aspect of the bill. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said on “State of the Union” that new work requirements for access to the program would preserve its viability and do nothing to hurt the most vulnerable Americans. And despite multiple independent assessments that the new law is a gift to the rich, Bessent highlighted its move to cut taxes on tips for some service workers for several years as proof that Trump had reoriented the economy toward workers. Bessent called his boss the “most economically sophisticated president we have had in 100 years, maybe ever.” But legislation of this size and complexity, which has left many Americans unsure of what is actually included, always triggers a messaging war. Republicans, for instance, falsely presented the Affordable Care Act as a massive far-left takeover of government health care on the way to winning back the House in 2010. Democrats hope to inflict similar punishment on Trump. When Americans were suffering from rising grocery prices and inflation, Republicans were successful in blaming former President Joe Biden’s billions of dollars in Covid-19 recovery legislation for making the situation worse. Multiple polls show Democrats may have an opening. Trump’s new law is massively unpopular with Americans already — so a skillful public campaign by Democrats could play on voter discontent by blaming every future adverse economic event on the new law. But the administration carefully drew up the bill to ensure that tax cuts come into force quickly while some of the most controversial cuts in spending on programs such as Medicaid do not take effect until after the midterm elections, or even until 2028. The strategy seemed designed to spare GOP candidates political heat — but it also ensures the new law will be at the centerpiece of midterm elections next year and the 2028 presidential race, when Trump is term-limited. The swift passage of the bill — despite the GOP’s tiny House majority and internal suspicion between Republicans in the House and Senate — was possible only because of Trump’s crushing control over his party. It was not until nearly Christmas of his first term that his first tax-cutting legislation passed. This time, budget hawks in the House Freedom Caucus talked a good game, but ended up folding to the president’s power when a vastly changed bill returned from the Senate.

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The upside of such an approach is that the bill was so vital to Trump’s authority and prestige that it was harder for significant numbers of Republicans to oppose.

Johnson is now testing the waters on pulling off the same trick again.

“We had always planned to do the first big reconciliation bill,” Johnson said on “Fox News Sunday,” adding he was eyeing two more such efforts in the fall and next spring. “Three more reconciliation bills before this Congress is over.” If the Louisiana Republican can deliver that, he’d repay the faith in millions of Republican base voters.

But will divides in the GOP conference Trump papered over last week be as easily suppressed next time? Will budget hawks who swallowed their antipathy to widening the deficit fold for Trump again in the

**Michael Jansen**

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# Israel maintains its policy of nuclear ambiguity

**IT is ironic that two nuclear powers, the US and Israel, attacked non-nuclear Iran’s research sites and put them out of action for months or years. While Donald Trump has repeatedly said Iran cannot be permitted to obtain a nuclear weapon, Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin said its June 12-day war on Iran was meant to stop it from making nuclear weapons. Iran has denied it seeks to produce nuclear arms and argues its nuclear programme is solely for peaceful civilian purposes.**

Iran has no bombs and is a member of the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT). The US, which has 5,500 nuclear warheads, is among the states recognised as possessing nuclear bombs along with France, Britain, Russia, and China. Pakistan,

India, and North Korea also have bombs while non-NPT member Israel does not admit to having at least 90 nuclear devices plus between 750 and 1,110 kilograms of plutonium, which would be enough to build 187 to 277 nuclear weapons. Nevertheless, Israel relies on a policy of ambiguity to avoid criticism or sanctions.

Iran has submitted to NPT controls and inspections and had abided by the 2015 agreement with the US, France, Britain, Germany, Russia and China until 2018 when Trump took the US out of the deal and imposed punitive sanctions, crippling Iran’s economy. In 2019, Iran began to breach the terms of the deal by enriching uranium to 60 per cent (a provocative gesture) instead of sticking to the 3.67 per cent permitted, amassing a large stockpile, and curbing UN nuclear

watchdog (IAEA) inspections.

Israeli ambiguity over its nuclear bomb programme and arsenal has been exposed as pointless by a number of international and Israeli writers and experts. France played a key role in the creation in the late 1950’s of Israel’s nuclear programme by helping to build Israel’s main reactor at Dimona in the Negev desert where plutonium was first produced, the first step in weaponization. French-Israeli cooperation initially remained a secret from the US, Israel’s protector, which repeatedly queried Israel on its activities at Dimona. Among the whistle-blowers were defected Dimona employee Mordechai Vanunu, Israeli professor Israel Shahak, and Israeli-US historian Avner Cohen. Vanunu published an article in London’s Sunday Times in 1986, Shahak released his book “Open

Secrets” in 1997, and Cohen brought out “Israel and the Bomb” in 1998. It is significant that Shahak and Cohen published their books more than a decade after Vanunu challenged Israel’s policy of ambiguity.

Vanunu fled Israel but was kidnapped from Rome by Israeli agents, tried, spent 18 years in prison, 11 in solitary confinement, and when released, was banned from travelling outside Israel. I met Vanunu at a dinner party in occupied East Jerusalem soon after he was released from prison in 2004. Branded as a “traitor” by the Israeli government, Vanunu became a sad, lonely figure hanging around the American Colony hotel’s courtyard cafe. Unlike Vanunu, neither Cohen nor Shahak, who was a friend of mine, faced harsh treatment by the

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sion, ‘The Atom and Me,’ [which] lays out how the country got its nuclear weapons.” Effectively torpedoing Israel’s policy of ambiguity, the series describes how the US aided Israel in this effort.

“The United States’ indulgence of Israeli nuclear weapons has not escaped international attention, and the evident hypocrisy has undermined US non-proliferation policy. The US government’s public position continues to be that it does not know anything about Israeli nuclear weapons, and this will apparently continue until Israel releases the United States’ gag. This policy is allegedly enforced by a secret federal bulletin that threatens disciplinary actions for any US official who publicly acknowledges Israel’s nuclear weapons.” The writers exposed the result of this policy: “The existence of these weapons may have started

as a deterrent against another Holocaust but has now morphed into an instrument of an aggressive and expansionist Israel.”

This has been notably true during the premiership of Netanyahu — who Galinsky and Weiss wrote — bragged about nuclear weapons in a 2016 speech on the delivery of Israel’s Rahav submarine which was built by Germany. “The Times of Israel, using the standard “according to foreign reports,” described the submarine as “capable of delivering a nuclear payload.” In his speech, Netanyahu said, “Above all else, our submarine fleet acts as a deterrent to our enemies... They need to know that Israel can attack, with great might, anyone who tries to harm it.” The writers asked, “How else, other than with nuclear weapons, can a submarine be a deterrent?”





# Pakistan’s economy now out of difficult period

## F.P. Report

KARACHI: The Governor State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) Jameel Ahmad on Monday said that the economy of the country endured challenges in the past few years but now we are out of the difficult period.

While addressing the launching ceremony of Women Entrepreneurs Finance Code organized by the SBP and Asian Development Bank (ADB) at a local hotel here, he said we must ensure economic stability in the country.

The SBP Governor said that the economic growth is moving forward and it is crucial not to repeat mistakes of the past.

Jameel Ahmad said that both SBP and the government remain steadfast in their approach to transitioning from recently hard-earned economic stability to a medium term economic transformation.

This resolve is reflected in our prudent and cautious monetary policy stance, fundamentals aligned exchange rate, and ongoing fiscal consolidation and improving debt dynamics, he said adding that the approach is helping us ensure overall macroeconomic stability, building fiscal and external buffers

and supporting sustainable economic growth.

Ahmad said that with the focus now increasingly shifting towards structural reforms, he believes that this time is indeed different for Pakistan’s economy due to the average headline inflation has declined to 4.5 percent in FY25 the lowest level in the last nine years and with prudent and coordinated mix of monetary and fiscal policies, inflation will stabilize within its target range of 5 – 7 percent.

He said that the foreign exchange market remains stable driven by external account outperformance and a high-quality buildup of foreign exchange reserve buffers. SBP’s foreign exchange reserves are now almost five times higher than the low levels at the start of 2023.

The current account balance is projected to remain supportive driven by robust remittances and resilient exports despite rapid growth in both the value and volume of imports in line with ongoing economic recovery.

He said that the SBP is fully committed to undertake structural reforms and lay the foundation for sustainable and inclusive economic growth.

Ahmed said that Fiscal

policy has proactively supported monetary tightening, as reflected in the second consecutive primary surplus in fiscal year 25. Both tax and non-tax revenues have shown sizable growth, while overall expenditures have remained relatively contained.

The government is targeting a higher primary surplus for fiscal year 2026. Economic growth is showing signs of gradual, consistent, and sustainable recovery.

He said that unlike the previous episodes of boom-bust cycles, the current policy mix remains conducive to a lasting increase in economic activity rather than a short-sighted, fragile, and populist ‘sugar rush’.

The SBP Governor said that economic growth holds little meaning unless it is both sustainable and inclusive. He emphasized that women entrepreneurs are a powerful engine for economic growth and social progress. He said that supporting WMSMEs aligns closely with SBP’s vision to foster a stable and inclusive financial ecosystem conducive to broad-based and inclusive growth.

The Governor also appreciated ADB’s commitment to support women financial inclusion in

Pakistan and reflected on ADB’s role in supporting SBP in the adoption and implementation of the Code in Pakistan.

The Deputy Governor SBP Saleemullah said that SBP has introduced several initiatives to promote women financial inclusion, namely the National Financial Inclusion Strategy (NFIS) and the landmark Banking on Equality Policy (BOE) to embed gender lens in the banks policies, products and roll out strategies.

On this occasion, Senior Director Finance ADB Christine Engstrom and Head of WE Finance Initiative at World Bank Wendy Teleki expressed pleasure on having SBP join the Code as a global signatory.

The launch event also featured two panel discussions bringing together policymakers, financial sector leaders, entrepreneurs, and civil society representatives to discuss challenges, share success stories, and explore collaborative strategies for advancing women’s entrepreneurship in the country.

Earlier, the event featured national and international dignitaries that expressed solidarity on the important cause of women’s economic empowerment in Pakistan.



ISLAMABAD: Commerce Minister Jam Kamal Khan chairing 12th TDAP Board Meeting.

## ICCI to continue help for business reforms

ISLAMABAD (APP): Nasir Mansoor Qureshi, President, Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) said that ICCI to continue push for business reforms and Small and Medium Enterprises Growth (SME) growth.

The said that “We will continue its robust policy engagements with the government to address key challenges facing the business community, including high taxation, rising energy costs, regulatory bottlenecks, and the urgent need for structural reforms to support local industries and Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)” the president said.

This was stated by Nasir Mansoor Qureshi, President of ICCI, during his interactions with various business delegations at the Chamber House here on Friday.

He noted that small and medium enterprises (SMEs) form the backbone of Pakistan’s economy and must be prioritized through targeted policy support, access to finance, simplified regulations, and skill development initiatives.

He called for inclusive dialogue between public and private stakeholders to create an ecosystem that nurtures entrepreneurship and industrial growth.

## CDNS achieved net target

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Central Directorate of National Savings (CDNS) has accomplished a net target of Rs 255 at the end of fiscal year, from July 1 to June 30, 2024-25.

The senior official of CDNS told APP on Monday that the CDNS has achieved the net annual target of Rs 106 billion for the current Fiscal Year, 2024-25, which will promote the country’s saving culture.

Similarly, the CDNS has set a target of Rs140 billion in investments in Islamic finance for the Current Fiscal Year, which will lead to the growth of the Islamic economy in the country.

National Savings has set an annual target of Rs1.7 trillion for the year 2023-24; it is encouraging that this year, “We surpassed the 100 per cent of the annual target.”

The CDNS surpassed the annual target and achieved the target of Rs 1.6 trillion in fresh bonds in the previous fiscal year 2022-23, he said.

He said it was an Rs 200 billion additional annual target than the target of Rs 1300 billion for the previous financial year 2021-22.

The CDNS has set a revised saving target of Rs 1.4 trillion for the financial year (2021-22), which will promote a savings culture in the country, he said, adding that given the current market trend in the country, the ambitious target had been set to further improve the savings culture.

The official said that work was being done on institutional reforms in CDNS and new reforms and innovations were being introduced.

At this time, Automated Teller Machine (ATM) has also been introduced in CDNS, which will provide enough facilities to the users,” he added.

The official said that the directorate had set a target of Rs 75 billion for the new financial year 2023-24 for Islamic finance bonds.

# TDAP board’s 12th meeting held — approves strategic export initiatives

ISLAMABAD (APP): The 12th Board Meeting of the Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) was, in Islamabad, under the chairmanship of the Federal Minister for Commerce, Jam Kamal Khan.

The meeting was attended by senior government officials and members of the TDAP Board, said the release issued here on Monday.

During the session, the Board reviewed and approved several strategic initiatives aimed at enhancing Pakistan’s export competitiveness and improving trade facilitation.

Key approvals included the Annual Business Plan for the Financial Year 2025–26, Participation in over a hundred and twenty international exhibitions, Made in Pakistan Exhibitions in Ethiopia and Bangladesh, National

Exhibitions, Seminars on export promotion, and National Export Training programs across Pakistan.

As part of its efforts to strengthen regional trade infrastructure, the Board approved the establishment of display centers, conference rooms, and IT accelerators at TDAP’s regional offices in Quetta and Sialkot, with dedicated facilities for sports goods and surgical instruments in Sialkot.

The Board also endorsed measures to promote greater participation of women entrepreneurs in international trade exhibitions.

The Minister for Commerce stressed the importance of shifting Pakistan’s export focus toward emerging international markets instead of relying solely on traditional destinations.

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The Minister for Commerce also proposed the induction of dedicated researchers within TDAP to conduct sector-specific studies and provide data-driven insights. This, he said, would strengthen the authority’s planning and policy support capabilities.

While acknowledging the need for improvements, the Minister for Commerce appreciated the ongoing efforts to restructure TDAP and transform it into a more export-oriented institution, aligned with the dynamic needs of global trade.

The meeting concluded with the approval of enhanced promotional support for Pakistan’s trade missions abroad and the endorsement of key recommendations put forward by the Sub-Committees of the TDAP Board.

# PSX witnesses bullish trend, gains 1,421 more points

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Pakistan Stock Exchange’s (PSX) benchmark KSE-100 Index witnessed bullish trend on Monday, gaining 1,421.08 points, a positive change of 1.08 percent, closing at 133,370.15 points against 131,949.07 points last trading day.

A total of 919,907,440 shares were traded during the day as compared to 733,079,943 shares the previous trading day, whereas the price of shares stood at Rs 45,311 billion against Rs 34,924 billion on the last trading day.

As many as 479 companies transacted their shares in the stock market, 299 of them recorded gains and 155 sustained losses, whereas the share price of 25 companies remained unchanged.

The three top trading companies were Image Pakistan with 48,084,641 shares at Rs 36.32 per share, Bank of Punjab with 42,510,708 shares at Rs 11.87 per share and WorldCall Telecom with 36,920,603 shares at Rs 1.55 per share.

Hoechst Pakistan Limited witnessed a maximum increase of Rs158.11 per share closing at Rs 3,526.13 whereas runner-up was Lucky Core

Industries Limited with Rs158.05 rise in its share price to close at Rs1,738.51.

PIA Holding Company LimitedB witnessed a maximum decrease of Rs 1,882.55 per share price, closing at Rs 21,787.59, whereas the runner-up was Unilever Pakistan Foods Limited with Rs 247.84 decline in its per share price to Rs 23,399.15.

**Rupee loses 25 paisa against US Dollar**

The Rupee on Monday depreciated by 25 paisa against the US Dollar in the interbank trading and closed at Rs 284.21 against the previous day’s closing of Rs 283.96.

However, according to the Forex Association of Pakistan (FAP), the buying and selling rates of the dollar in the open market stood at Rs 285.5 and Rs 286.65 respectively.

The price of the Euro decreased by Rs 1.57 to close at Rs 333.81 against the last day’s closing of Rs 335.38, according to the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP).

The Japanese yen depreciated by 01 paisa and was traded at Rs1.95 against Rs1.96, whereas a decrease of Rs 1.36 was witnessed in the exchange

rate of the British Pound, which was traded at Rs 386.65 as compared to the last day’s closing of Rs 388.01.

The exchange rates of the Emirates Dirham and the Saudi Riyal increased by 06 paisa and 07 paisa to close at Rs 77.37 and Rs 75.78 respectively.

**Gold rates dip by Rs2,500 to Rs353,000 per tola**

The price of 24 karat per tola gold decreased by Rs.2,500 and was traded at Rs.353,000 on Monday as compared to its sale at Rs. 355,500 on the last trading day, All Pakistan Sarafa Gems and Jewelers Association reported.

The prices of 10 grams of 24 karat also decreased by Rs2,143 to Rs.302,640 from Rs. 304,783 and for 10 grams of 22 Karat it went down by Rs.1,964 to Rs.277,430 from Rs. 279,394

The rates of per tola and ten gram silver decreased by Rs.30 and Rs.25 to Rs.3,841 and Rs.3,293 respectively.

The price of gold in the international market decreased by \$25 to \$3,310 from \$3,335, whereas that of silver declined by \$0.30 to \$36.57, the Association reported.

# ‘Exporters can generate growth, employment’

FAISALABAD (APP): Pakistan stands at a crossroads and with right policy support exporters can generate growth, employment and economic stability, said Chairman Pakistan Textile Exporters Association Sohail Pasha.

During a meeting, he expressed some apprehensions on budget proposals and appealed the government to immediately address budget anomalies as continued inaction could disrupt exports and weaken exporters’ confidence.

He said that Pakistan’s value-added textile sector contributes over \$9 billion to national exports annually, supports millions of livelihoods, and remains a key pillar of the country’s economic stability.

Yet, this sector is currently facing severe setbacks due to taxation measures introduced in the Finance Act 2024, which

replaced the simplified Final Tax Regime (FTR) with the more burdensome Normal Tax Regime (NTR).

He said that export proceeds are subjected to deduction of 1% Advance tax under section 154 as minimum tax.

Simultaneously an advance tax @1% has been levied through insertion of sub-section (6C) in section 147; however contrary to these local supplies are liable to payment of 1% advance tax. The treatment meted out to the exporters is discriminatory and against the principles of equity and natural justice, he lamented.

He said that the Export Facilitation Scheme (EFS) was introduced to simplify export procedures, reduce liquidity pressure, and promote digital traceability.

He demanded restoration of the original EFS frame-

work which allowed zero-rated invoicing on local purchases and exempted key raw materials such as cotton yarn from sales tax at the import stage.

He said that Pakistan’s regional competitors like Bangladesh and Vietnam continue to provide tax-free access to raw materials for their export industries, giving them a clear advantage in global markets.

He said that around Rs.36 billion are pending for payment under textile policy incentives and if these amounts are released, the exporters can deploy the capital towards expanding their businesses, which in turn will help Pakistan’s export earnings grow.

The government should reconsider the budgetary measures and restore the confidence of exporters by addressing the anomalies to achieve the desired targets, he demanded.

## Successful ESP installation:

# OGDCL boosts oil, gas production at Rajian-05 Well in Chakwal

## F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) has successfully enhanced production at its Rajian well -05 in Chakwal district by installing an Electrical Submersible Pump (ESP), resulting in a significant increase in oil and gas output. Following a planned work-over and ESP deployment, production from Rajian-05 has increased to 3,100 barrels of oil per day (BPD) and 1.0 million standard cubic

feet per day (MMSCFD) of gas. Prior to this intervention, the well was producing 820 BPD of oil and 0.5 MMSCFD of gas.

Rajian Field, located in Chakwal district of Punjab and held under the Gujar Khan Exploration License, is a 100% OGDCL-owned and operated asset. Discovered in August 1994, the field remains a key component of the Company’s production portfolio. Two other wells in the field have previously been completed with ESPs. The Rajian

well-05 success further validates OGDCL’s strategy of maximizing the potential of existing fields through targeted, data-driven redevelopment.

The success reinforces the company’s continued focus on domestic energy resource optimization in support of long-term sustainability and national energy security. While Artificial Lift Systems (ALS) have traditionally been applied to shut-in or low-producing wells, OGDCL is now selectively

extending their use to naturally flowing wells, where technical and economic assessments indicate clear benefits.

This approach aligns with international best practices and supports the company’s broader objectives of enhancing recovery and improving production efficiency across its asset portfolio.

OGDCL is committed to leveraging advanced technologies and field management strategies to strengthen Pakistan’s energy future.

## Approving election cycle realignment:

# FPCCI expresses profound gratitude to PM and Cabinet

## F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: Atif Ikram Sheikh, President of the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI), along with Aun Ali Syed, Vice President FPCCI (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa), has extended his sincere gratitude and deep appreciation to the Honorable Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, for his bold and forward-looking decision to

approve the alignment of FPCCI’s election cycle with that of its affiliated trade bodies and associations across the country.

The FPCCI leadership also earnestly acknowledges the invaluable support of the Federal Minister for Commerce, the Federal Minister for Law and Justice, and Mr. Rana Tanveer Hussain for their active roles in advancing this long-standing and important institutional request. Their support has been instrumental in enabling the Federal Cabinet’s approval of this much-needed reform.

This landmark step by the Government of Pakistan comes in response to the unanimous call of FPCCI’s Executive Committee, and demonstrates a clear commitment to enhancing institutional efficiency, stability, and alignment within the country’s trade and commerce architecture.

As per the new arrangement, the current office bearers of FPCCI will continue to serve until December 2026, allowing the organization to implement its long-term vision and policy agenda without unnecessary disruption.

The alignment of election schedules will ensure better coordination among trade bodies, improved institutional governance, and more effective national and international representation of Pakistan’s business community.

Atif Ikram Sheikh remarked: “This is a milestone for FPCCI and a clear signal that the government values institutional stability and the role of the private sector in national economic development. By synchronizing our election cycle with our member bodies, we can now move forward with confidence and unity of purpose.”

Aun Ali Syed added:

“We view this as a turning point in how trade bodies are managed and represented across Pakistan. This continuity will not only improve internal efficiency, but also strengthen our voice in policymaking and public-private partnerships at both federal and provincial levels.”

The FPCCI leadership reaffirmed their commitment to promoting Pakistan’s economic growth, enhancing regional trade integration, facilitating investment, and addressing the challenges faced by the business community through effective dialogue and collaboration with government stakeholders.

This decision is seen as a reflection of the Prime Minister’s deep understanding of the importance of empowering apex trade institutions and ensuring that their mandates are aligned with the evolving needs of the national economy.

# Anizar demands dual nationality declarations

LAHORE (APP): Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry (LCCI) President Mian Abuzar Shad has lauded Punjab Inspector General of Police (IGP) Dr. Usman Anwar, for initiating the process of obtaining dual nationality certificates from police personnel.

He termed the step a significant move in the national interest and urged the government to extend this practice across all government departments and require formal affidavits regarding dual citizenship from public servants.

Mian Abuzar Shad, in a media statement issued here Monday, said that holding dual nationality while serving in key and sensitive positions in government not only under-

mines public trust but also poses serious threats to national security and transparent governance.

He said that all officials serving in the bureaucracy, semi-government organizations, public sector companies and other state institutions be required to submit verified certificates of their citizenship status and that a clear and comprehensive policy be developed in this regard.

The LCCI President pointed out that officers with dual nationality often have the privilege of leaving the country in times of crisis, which reflects a weak institutional commitment and raises concerns about divided loyalties.

Assigning such individuals to sensitive positions

could be a dangerous move and must be addressed proactively.

He added that the decision by the IG Punjab will not only promote transparency but also help restore institutional confidence across the country.

He urged the government to expand this initiative beyond the police department and implement it across all public institutions without exception.

Mian Abuzar Shad said that the Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry stands for institutional integrity, transparency and national interest and will support all positive initiatives aimed at strengthening governance and accountability in Pakistan.





In brief

Haris Rauf gets injured

LAHORE (Monitoring Desk): Pakistan's fast bowler Haris Rauf will not be able to play the remaining matches of the Major Cricket League after receiving a grade-I hamstring injury. His team, San Francisco Unicorns, has confirmed that the player has become unfit and will miss the remaining matches. On the other hand, New Zealand player Benjamin Lister has immediately been included in the squad. There is no chance that Haris, who is the leading wicket-taker in the tournament, will be available for the Pakistan cricket team in the near future. At least, he will not be playing the series against Bangladesh.

Hatton announces comeback

DUBAI (Agencies): Former multiple world champion Ricky Hatton has announced his return to boxing. Manchester's Hatton, who turns 47 in October, will fight the United Arab Emirates' Eisa Al Dah in a middleweight bout on 2 December in Dubai. Organisers say the contest will be a professional bout but it is unclear if it will be fully sanctioned or if it will have conditions like Mike Tyson v Jake Paul, where there were shorter rounds and a limit on number of rounds. Hatton fought Marco Antonio Barrera in an exhibition in 2022. His previous professional bout was a loss to Vyacheslav Senchenko in 2012. The fight was announced during a show promoted by Al Dah in Dubai on Sunday, with Hatton confirming his return via livestream. Hatton, who won world titles at welterweight and light-welterweight, revealed he should have been in Dubai but could not attend after accidentally injuring his eye with his sunglasses. "I wish I was there but I had a little bad injury on my eye. The main thing is the fight will take place and I can't wait, I'm really looking forward to it," said Hatton. "It's just one of them freakish things, I caught one of my sunglasses in my eyes and I'm very fortunate it's not done any permanent damage. It's just scraped the surface, so fingers crossed we're good to go."

ICC appoints Indian broadcaster as CEO

NEW DELHI (Agencies): After Jay Shah, who is the International Cricket Council (ICC) chairman, another Indian has been appointed to an important position in the ICC. The International Cricket Council on Monday named Sanjog Gupta as its new chief executive officer, a senior official at India's key broadcaster of the game. Gupta, the ICC's seventh CEO, succeeds Geoff Allardice, who resigned from the post in January after four years in office. Gupta was broadcaster JioStar's chief executive for sports and live experiences. ICC chairman Jay Shah said Gupta "brings extensive experience in sports strategy and commercialisation, which will be invaluable for the ICC". The role attracted more than 2,500 applications from candidates across 25 countries, the ICC said. "These are exciting times for the sport as marquee events grow in stature, commercial avenues widen and opportunities such as the women's game scale in popularity," Gupta said in a statement. "Cricket's inclusion in the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games and the rapid acceleration of technology deployment/adoption could act as force-multipliers for the cricket movement around the world."



Wiaan Mulder became the second fastest triple centurion in Test cricket.

Respect for Lara stops Mulder short of world Test record

ZIMBABWE (AFP): South African captain Wiaan Mulder said respect for Brian Lara convinced him to declare 33 runs short of the former West Indies star's world Test record, against Zimbabwe at Queens Sports Club on Monday. Mulder hammered an unbeaten 367 — a South African record and the fifth highest score in Test cricket — before declaring at lunch on the second day of the second Test. South Africa's total of 626 for five proved way beyond Zimbabwe's reach. They were bowled out for 170 and were 51 for one in their second innings after being forced to follow on. "Brian Lara is a legend. He got 401 or whatever it was (it was 400) against England. For someone of that stature to keep the record is pretty special," Mulder said at the close. "I think if I get the chance again I would do the same again." Mulder spoke to South African coach Shukri Conrad who agreed with his decision. "He said to me as well, let the legend keep the record. I never know what my fate will be but letting Brian Lara keep the record is the way it should be." Mulder took two wickets and held a catch at slip as Zimbabwe crumbled in reply.

Sean Williams, who was only allowed to bat after five wickets had fallen because of time spent off the field because of illness, slammed 83 not out off 55 balls in Zimbabwe's only innings of substance. Resuming on 264 not out, Mulder became the second South African triple centurion, reaching the mark off 297 balls — the second-fastest behind India's Virender Sehwag, who took 278 deliveries against South Africa in Chennai in 2007/08. Mulder went past the previous highest South African individual score of 311 not out by Hashim Amla against England at The Oval in London in 2012 with successive boundaries off fast bowler Blessing Muzarabani. Mulder faced 334 balls and hit 49 fours and four sixes off an increasingly dispirited and largely toothless Zimbabwe bowling attack. "I've never even dreamed of getting a double hundred, let alone a triple hundred," said Mulder. "When I started playing for South Africa I was nowhere near good enough but it gave me the opportunity to learn from great players." "Keeping myself natural" Mulder said playing English county cricket for

Leicestershire as well as batting in domestic cricket on the notoriously tricky Wanderers pitch in Johannesburg had helped him hone his game. "Going to England gave me a chance to understand what kind of batter I wanted to be and to figure out some technical things." He also said current Zimbabwe coach Justin Sammons had played a big role while he was coaching in South Africa, particularly in playing the short ball. Like former England captain Mike Brearley, Mulder said he sung to himself between balls, "keeping myself natural, keeping myself present." Whereas Brearley hummed classical music, Mulder said Afrikaans music helped him reach his first Test century in Bangladesh last year, while in Bulawayo he opted for Zombie by the Cranberries. Zombie was sung by Irish rugby supporters at the 2023 Rugby World Cup and adapted by South African rugby fans after the Springboks won the World Cup in a homage to coach Rassie Erasmus and was used for Conrad at the World Test Championship final won by South Africa against Australia last month. "It was sung at Lord's to Shuks," said Mulder.

PCB announces domestic cricket calendar

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) has announced the domestic cricket calendar for the 2025-26 season, with an emphasis on increased competitiveness, highlighted by an eight-team Quaid-e-Azam Trophy (first-class) tournament. The domestic season will commence on 15 August with the 12-team Hanif Mohammad Trophy (non-first-class) being staged in Karachi, Multan, Bahawalpur and Rahim Yar Khan, said a press release on Monday. The teams are divided into two pools, with 31 matches scheduled in the four-day tournament. The top two sides will qualify for this season's premier first-class competition — Quaid-e-Azam Trophy. The 12 regional sides participating in the Hanif Mohammad Trophy are the same teams that competed in last season's Quaid-e-Azam Trophy. Based on last season's standings, these are: Faisalabad, Rawalpindi, FATA, Lahore Region Blues, Hyderabad, Karachi Region Blues, Karachi Region Whites, Multan, Quetta, D.M Jamali, A.J.K and Larkana. The Quaid-e-Azam Trophy will feature Lahore Region Whites, Sialkot, Peshawar, Islamabad, Abbottabad, Bahawalpur and the two qualifying teams. The tournament is set to begin on September 22 and will comprise 29 matches in a single-league format, with the final scheduled from November 3 to 7. Matches will be held at four venues across Islamabad and Rawalpindi, with further details to be announced in due course. To further enhance competitiveness, a qualifying stage has also been

introduced for the National T20. 10 teams — Abbottabad, Multan, Quetta, Bahawalpur, Rawalpindi, Hyderabad, FATA, Larkana, D.M. Jamali, and A.J.K will compete in the qualifier round. These teams will be divided into two pools, with the top two sides progressing to the National T20 (Super 10) tournament, which will be held in Faisalabad from March 1 to 12. The eight teams automatically qualified for the Super 10 stage are: Karachi Region Whites, Lahore Region Whites, Peshawar, Karachi Region Blues, Sialkot, Islamabad and Faisalabad. Four departmental tournaments — President's Trophy (four-day, first-class), President's Cup (One-Day), President's Trophy Grade II and President's Trophy Grade III will also feature in this domestic season. PCB Chief Operating Officer Sumair Ahmed Syed said, "We are pleased to unveil a domestic structure that places merit, opportunity and competitiveness at its core. The 2025-26 season has been designed to provide a clear pathway for teams and players to progress based on performance, not reputation. "Introducing a qualifier for both the Quaid-e-Azam Trophy and the National T20 ensures that every match in our domestic calendar carries significant weight. This not only raises the standard of competition but also fosters a high-performance culture across all formats. "The Quaid-e-Azam Trophy will now feature the most in-form and deserving teams, while the Hanif Mohammad Trophy gives 12 regions a meaningful chance to stake their claim. Similarly, the Super 10 format of the

National T20 is a step towards creating more high-intensity, quality cricket. "Our aim is to reward performance and create a vibrant environment where players and teams are constantly challenged. This structure lays the foundation for a long-term growth and helps us prepare future stars for the demands of international cricket." Director — Domestic Cricket Operations Abdullah Khurram Niazi said, "The 2025-26 domestic season reflects our commitment to building a competitive and inclusive structure that nurtures talent at every level, from grassroots to senior cricket. By aligning our tournaments across age-group and senior formats, we are creating a clear development pathway for young cricketers. "We have placed equal emphasis on both regional and departmental cricket. The inclusion of a first-class and a one-day tournament exclusively for departments, along with Grade II and Grade III departmental competitions, ensures departments remain a vital pillar of our domestic cricket system. "We are looking forward to U15, U17 and U19 age-group tournaments this season. These competitions will serve as vital stepping stones for young talent, helping us identify and groom future national stars early in their careers. "Also, the top performers of the Hanif Mohammad Trophy will not only be recognised as guest players by the top regions in the Quaid-e-Azam Trophy, but they will also be considered for domestic contracts, a move aimed at incentivising excellence."

Djokovic survives scare to reach Wimbledon quarters, Sinner in action

LONDON (AFP): Novak Djokovic survived a scare to reach the Wimbledon quarter-finals with a tense four-set victory over Alex de Minaur on Monday, staying on course for a blockbuster clash with world number one Jannik Sinner. Seven-time champion Djokovic endured a nightmare start to his last-16 match against the Australian 11th seed on Centre Court, but eventually battled back to win 1-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4. Fresh from his 100th win at Wimbledon on Saturday -- making him the third player to achieve that feat after Martina Navratilova and Roger Federer -- Djokovic reached his 16th quarter-final at the tournament. Aged 38, Djokovic is aiming to win a record 25th major title, breaking a tie with the long-retired Margaret Court, and a record-equaling eighth men's crown at the All England Club. That would make him the oldest Grand Slam singles champion in the Open era. "It wasn't a great start for me, it was a great start for Alex de Minaur obviously. I kind of reset myself in the second set," Djokovic said. "I was very pleased to



hang in tough in the right moments and win this one." Sixth-seeded Djokovic's 101st victory at Wimbledon came under the gaze of Federer, who was sitting in the front row of the royal box alongside his wife Mirka. "It's probably the first time he's watching me and I've won the match," said Djokovic. "The last couple I lost, so good to break the curse. "No, it's great, obviously, great to have Roger, a huge champion and someone that I admired and respected a lot. "We shared the stage for so many years, and it's great to have him back." Sinner in the groove In the last eight, Djokovic faces Italian 22nd seed Flavio Cobolli,

who defeated former Wimbledon runner-up Marin Cilic 6-4, 6-4, 6-7 (4/7), 7-6 (7/3). The 23-year-old will be playing in his Grand Slam quarter-final having never advanced past the third round in his seven previous appearances at the majors. While defending champion Carlos Alcaraz is yet to consistently find his top form at the tournament, Sinner has been dominant on the grass. The three-time Grand Slam champion, who takes on Bulgarian 19th seed Grigor Dimitrov on Monday, is looking to reach his maiden Wimbledon final. He has dropped just 17 games in his first three matches, equalling Jan

Kodes' 1972 record for the lowest number of games lost on route to the Wimbledon last 16. Iga Swiatek, a five-time major winner, has never reached a Wimbledon final but the Pole is in a strong position in the second week of the tournament after the exit of so many of the top seeds. Although Swiatek, who plays Danish 23rd seed Clara Tauson in the last 16, has reached only one All England Club quarter-final, she made the Bad Homburg final on grass recently and also won the Wimbledon junior title. Russian seventh seed Mirra Andreeva, who is just 18 years old, can reach the Wimbledon quarters for the first time if she defeats American 10th seed Emma Navarro, who ended Barbora Krejickova's reign as champion on Saturday. Former Olympic champion Belinda Bencic reached her maiden Wimbledon quarter-final -- and first at any Grand Slam since 2021 -- with a 7-6 (7/4), 6-4 victory against Russian world number 17 Ekaterina Alexandrova. Russia's Liudmila Samsonova defeated Spain's Jessica Bouzas Maneiro 7-5, 7-5.

England have 'got to' pick Archer, says Anderson

LONDON (Agencies): England have "got to" play Jofra Archer in the third Test against India at Lord's, says James Anderson. The pace bowler is in line to play his first Test for more than four years after a string of injuries. The 30-year-old's route back to fitness has been almost exclusively in white-ball cricket. He made his red-ball comeback for Sussex against Durham in the County Championship two weeks ago, bowling 18 overs. Anderson, England's all-time leading wicket-taker, told the Tailenders podcast: "You could keep trying to build his overs up and play him later in the series, but it could be too late by then." Anderson was part of the England team when Archer last played a Test, against India in Ahmedabad in 2021. The 42-year-old has since retired from Test cricket and spent time on the England coaching staff as a fast-bowling consultant. Archer returned to the England squad for the second Test at Edgbaston, which India won by 336 runs to level the series at 1-1. The third Test begins on Thursday.

Players, seedings, draws announced for World Squash Jr C'ships

ISLAMABAD (APP): The player list, seedings and draws have been announced ahead of this month's World Squash Junior Championships as 234 of the world's best squash talents aged under 19 prepare to head to Egypt for a chance to earn the title of World Champion. The individual championships are taking place from July 21 to 26 at Cairo's Black Ball Sporting Club, with the team event following at the same venue from July 27 to August 1, said a press release. Headlining the draws in the men's and women's events are home duo Amina Orfi and Mohamad Zakaria. Cairo-born Orfi, aged 18

and already women's World No.5, is aiming to make history by becoming the first player to win the competition four times after lifting the title in 2022, 2023 and 2024. 17-year-old men's World No.14 Zakaria of Alexandria, meanwhile, will be aiming to defend the title he won last year in Houston, when he became the youngest ever male World Squash Junior Champion with victory over Republic of Korea's Jooyoung Na. Joining Orfi and Zakaria in the top seeded positions are six of their compatriots. In the men's event, Marwan Asal - younger brother of current World No.1 and reigning World

Champion Mostafa - and Eiad Daoud have been made 3/4 seeds, while in the women's event Nadien Elhammamy and Janna Swaifi are 3/4 seeds and Malika Elkaraksy and Sohayla Hazem are 5/8 seeds. Completing the seedings in the men's event are last year's finalist Na, who has been made No.2 seed, while the 5/8 seeds are US duo Christian Capella and Alexander Dartnell, Pakistan's Abdullah Nawaz and Malaysia's Low Wa-Sern. In the women's event, India's Anahat Singh is at No.2 seed, while France's Lauren Baltayan and Hong Kong, China's Ena Kwong are the 5/8 seeds.

Merlier pips Milan in crash-marred stage three of Tour



DUNKIRK (Agencies): Tim Merlier pipped Jonathan Milan on the line in a sprint finish to win a crash-marred stage three of the Tour de France. The Belgian edged the Italian by the slenderest of margins with Germany's Phil Bauhaus in third on a day when Mathieu van der Poel retained the race leader's yellow jersey and stage one winner Jasper Philipsen was forced to abandon. "It was difficult to be in position in the battle before the last corner and I must say, my team did an incredible job to the last 5km and then the real battle started," said Merlier. "I was able to get some slipstream next to Milan. It's always difficult to beat him but I'm happy I can take today my second win in the Tour de France. "At first I was sure [I had won] and put my hands in the air but then I was not sure anymore so I was waiting until I was." Belgian Philipsen, who would almost certainly have contested the race to the finish line, fell heavily

around 60km from the end of the 178.3km route from Valenciennes to Dunkirk when Frenchman Bryan Coquard unintentionally diverted into his path. There were three more crashes including two in the final 5km of the stage with Olympic champion Remco Evenepoel and Geraint Thomas seemingly involved. The two main general classification favourites, Tadej Pogacar and Jonas Vingegaard, finished safely in the main pack and remain in second and third place overall behind Van der Poel. Meanwhile, the 11 bikes stolen from the Cofidis team truck on Sunday morning were all found before the stage concluded. Five of them had been abandoned in a forest with the others being located by the police later on Tuesday. Tuesday's fourth stage is a rolling 174.2km run from Amiens Metropole to Rouen, with five categorised climbs in a demanding finale. Stage three results

1. Tim Merlier (Bel/Soudal Quick-Step) 4hrs 16mins 55secs
  2. Jonathan Milan (Ita/Lidl-Trek) Same time
  3. Phil Bauhaus (Ger/Bahrain Victorious)
  4. Soren Waerenskjoeld (Nor/Uno-X Mobility)
  5. Pavel Bittner (Cze/Picnic PostNL)
  6. Biniam Girmay (Eri/Intermarche-Wanty)
  7. Kaden Groves (Aus/Alpecin - Deceuninck)
  8. Danny van Poppel (Ned/Red Bull - Bora - hansgrohe)
  9. Pascal Ackermann (Ger/Israel - Premier Tech)
  10. Amaury Capiot (Bel/Arkwa - B&B Hotels)
- General classification after stage three
1. Mathieu Van der Poel (Ned - Alpecin-Deceuninck) 12hrs 55mins 37secs
  2. Tadej Pogacar (UAE Emirates-XRG) +4secs
  3. Jonas Vingegaard (Visma-Lease a Bike) +6secs
  4. Kevin Vauquelin (Ark6a-B&B Hotels) +10secs
  5. Matteo Jorgenson (Visma-Lease a Bike) Same time
  6. Enric Mas (Spa-Movistar), Same time
  7. Joseph Blackmore (GB - Israel - Premier Tech) +41secs
  8. Tobias Halland Johannessen (Nor - Uno-X Mobility) Same time
  9. Ben O'Connor (Aus - Jayco AlUla)
  10. Emanuel Buchmann (Ger/Cofidis) +49secs.





## In brief

### ITP issues traffic plan

ISLAMABAD (APP): Islamabad Traffic Police (ITP) on Monday announced special traffic arrangements for the 11th Muharram procession, scheduled to be taken out from Noor Pur Shahan. An ITP spokesperson told APP that the procession will start from the residence of Nawazish Shah in Noor Pur Shahan, by passing through Darbar Bazaar Road, and will enter the shrine of Bari Imam before returning to its starting point for culmination. He said that during the procession, T-cross on Quaid-e-Azam University Road and T-cross Bari Imam Chowk will remain closed for general traffic. Chief Traffic Officer Captain (R) Syed Zeeshan Haider said commuters can use alternate routes including Third Road, Margalla Road, Kashmir Chowk, and Murree Road to avoid inconvenience. CTO Zeeshan said citizens are advised to use alternative routes during the procession to ensure smooth traffic flow. He said the general public must avoid illegal parking around the procession route to prevent congestion. CTO said vehicles should only be parked in designated parking areas. He said citizens are requested to fully cooperate with traffic police during the procession. CTO Zeeshan urged the public to support the ITP in maintaining order and facilitating safe movement during religious gatherings.

### Three drug dealers held

RAWALPINDI (APP): Sadiqabad Police arrested three drug dealers and recovered more than 2.5 kilograms of drugs from their possession, in a successful anti-drug operation here Monday. According to police spokesman, Police have registered separate cases against them and further investigation was in progress. SP Rawal Muhammad Haseeb Raja commended police team for their swift action and stated that the arrested individuals will be presented in court with solid evidence. He emphasized that the police will continue their efforts to eliminate drug-related crimes from the area. The operation is part of an ongoing crackdown to make the community safer and free from the menace of drugs, he added.

### Police nabbed two dacoits

ISLAMABAD (APP): Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) Police's Khanna Police Station team arrested two suspects allegedly involved in heinous crimes. An official told APP that the Khanna police team apprehended the suspects identified as Umar Mubarak and Shiraz who were accused of abducting citizens at gunpoint, looting them. He said the suspects were traced and apprehended through human intelligence and surveillance efforts carried out by the Khanna police team. He said both suspects were previously involved in 28 cases of theft and robbery registered in Rawalpindi, and five cases at Khanna Police Station, making them habitual offenders. He said fresh First Information Reports (FIRs) have been registered at Khanna and Koral police stations under charges of kidnapping, robbery. He said police recovered snatched mobile phones, cash, weapons with ammunition, and the motorcycle used in the crimes. He said all legal formalities are being fulfilled to ensure the culprits face exemplary punishment. Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Muhammad Jawad Tariq said that large-scale operations are underway against organized and active criminal gangs operating across the federal capital.



ISLAMABAD: A view of heavy downpour during monsoon rain in capital city. —INP Photo

## Naqvi thanks forces, praises peaceful observance of Ashura

ISLAMABAD (APP): Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi has expressed deep gratitude to Almighty Allah and commended the coordinated efforts of security forces and government institutions for ensuring a peaceful and secure environment during Ashura across Pakistan.

In a statement, Naqvi said that due to divine blessings and effective government measures, Ashura was observed peacefully in all parts of the country including Islamabad, Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Balochistan, Sindh, Gilgit-Baltistan, and Azad

Kashmir. All processions and majalis concluded safely and without incident, he confirmed.

"I wholeheartedly thank every soldier, officer, and official deployed for Ashura security," said Naqvi, praising the dedication and professionalism of the Army, Rangers, Police, and civil administration.

He also acknowledged the commendable role of religious scholars in promoting sectarian harmony and interfaith unity throughout Muharram.

"Our forces performed their duties with devotion and unity, providing fool-proof security to mourners

and gatherings," Naqvi added, emphasizing that the entire nation witnessed disciplined and exemplary coordination between field formations and law enforcement agencies.

He noted that from the first of Muharram to the 10th (Ashura), a comprehensive and integrated security plan was implemented successfully, which played a pivotal role in maintaining peace.

Naqvi concluded by saying, "We bow our heads in gratitude before Allah Almighty for the peaceful completion of the sacred days of Muharram."

## Minister reviews construction works on Islamabad-Murree Expressway

ISLAMABAD (APP): Federal Minister for Communications, Abdul Aleem Khan undertook a visit to inspect the ongoing construction and up gradation works on the Islamabad-Murree Expressway.

Accompanied by senior officers, the minister instructed that the pace of work be accelerated and directed about beautification of both sides of the Murree Expressway with green belts. He set a target date of July 30 for the reconstruction of the Murree Toll Plaza and linked with the E-Tag System, said a press release issued on Monday.

He further directed that local residents of Murree would be exempted from toll charges through token-free access. Highlighting the strategic importance of the Islamabad-Murree

Expressway as a major tourism route, the minister stated, this road not only connects Rawalpindi and Islamabad but also serves tourists from across the country. "As the gateway to Murree, known as the 'Queen of the Hills', this Expressway must reflect a positive and appealing image," he emphasized.

Abdul Aleem Khan instructed about the installation of decorative lighting, comprehensive landscaping and timely completion of other beautification works. He directed the officers of National Highway Authority to ensure that the road remains safe and comfortable for commuters both day and night.

He also issued directions to construct aesthetically pleasing boundary walls along with the Murree-Expressway to

enhance the feelings for travelers. Moreover, he ordered the closure of all unauthorized access points and removal of illegal constructions to prevent disruptions to the traffic flow.

During the inspection tour, citizens at various points welcomed the federal minister and appreciated his efforts regarding construction and up gradation work on the Islamabad-Murree Expressway. On-site, Abdul Aleem Khan assigned specific tasks to senior officials regarding toll plaza construction and related matters, directing that all work must be completed within the stipulated timeframe.

The Federal Secretary for Communications and the Chairman of the National Highway Authority were also present during the visit.

### Ninth Space Summer School to start at IST from July 21

ISLAMABAD (APP): In order to foster students' interest in space sciences, the Institute of Space Technology (IST) will hold ninth Space Summer School (SSS) 2025 from July 21 for the young science enthusiasts.

The initiative organized annually since 2017, has become a cornerstone in Pakistan's efforts to foster STEM education among school students.

Held under the umbrella of the Space Education Research Lab (SERL) at the National Center for GIS and Space Applications (NCGSA), the week-long program brings together students from across the country for immersive learning in space science and technology.

This year's school will run from July 21 to 25, with sessions held daily from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at IST's Islamabad campus.

Over the years, SSS has gained recognition for its experiential learning model, combining interactive lectures, hands-on activities, software simulations, STEAM-based space projects, lab visits, and even astronomy night sessions. These activities aim to spark scientific curiosity and build foundational skills in disciplines such as rocketry, satellite engineering, aviation, astronomy, and climate science.

The program is structured around two distinct academic streams: Abecedarian for students of grades 6-8, and Virtuoso for grades 9-12, allowing age-appropriate content delivery and project assignments. Students are also encouraged to work on group projects, selecting specific domains for focused mentorship and collaborative exploration.

With each passing year, the Space Summer School has grown in reach and reputation, often drawing participants from dozens of educational institutions nationwide.

## Merger of tribal districts not being reversed: Muqam

ISLAMABAD (APP): Federal Minister for Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan and SAFRON, Engineer Amir Muqam, stated that the merger of tribal districts was not being reversed and anyone who has objections could raise their concerns.

Addressing a press conference here Monday, he said that the Prime Minister has formed a committee with sincere intentions.

Engr Amir Muqam explained that during the Prime Minister's recent visit to Peshawar, a Jirga of tribal elders took place where their concerns were discussed. He said the committee included representatives from all relevant parties and has been tasked

with improving the living conditions of the people in the merged districts.

He confirmed that the committee's meeting decided to consult with both current and former parliamentarians on these matters.

Engr Amir Muqam expressed regret over the opposition's decision to boycott the committee, emphasizing the importance of a unified approach for the development of these areas. He emphasized that approved laws could be improved and politicizing the matter of merged districts was regrettable.

"No new constitutional amendment is being introduced," he added. "The ruling party in Khyber

Pakhtunkhwa is fragmented, and currently, no contacts have been made with any political group — though in politics, anything is possible," he noted.

Engineer Muqam emphasized that decisions would be made in accordance with the aspirations of the people of the merged districts. The committee, he said, would engage all stakeholders, including elected representatives, and would work through broad consultations to address tribal concerns and enhance governance in the region.

Secretary of the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan, Zafar Hasan was also present during the press conference.

## Speaker NA reaffirms unwavering support for Azerbaijan

ISLAMABAD (APP): Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq on Monday reaffirmed Pakistan's unwavering and resolute support for the brotherly Republic of Azerbaijan. The speaker extended his profound gratitude for the warm reception accorded by President of Azerbaijan, Mr. Ilham Aliyev, said a news release.

He commended Azerbaijan's principled and resolute stance on key regional and international issues, including its unwavering support for Pakistan's position on the Jammu and Kashmir dispute, Sardar Ayaz Sadiq also acknowledged Azerbaijan's clear and courageous positions regarding India's recent escalations against Pakistan, the situation in Gaza, and the Iran-Israel conflict, underscoring Azerbaijan's commitment to justice and adherence to international law. President Ilham Aliyev highlighted the exemplary level of bilateral relations between Azerbaijan and Pakistan. He emphasized that ties between the two brotherly nations are anchored in brotherhood, mutual support, and unwavering solidarity.

President of Azerbaijan fondly recalled the recent participation of Pakistan's Prime Minister, Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, in the 17th Summit of the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) held in Khankendi, noting the extensive discussions they held on key aspects of the bilateral agenda. He expressed confidence that the Pakistani delegation's visit would further deepen cooperation and strengthen the enduring partnership between the two countries.

Ayaz Sadiq underscored the vital importance of inter-parliamentary relations between Azerbaijan and Pakistan, highlighting that both nations have consistently stood in unwavering solidarity with each other through challenging times as well as moments of celebration.

He highlighted the symbolic signifi-

cance of Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif's recent visit to Azerbaijan's liberated territories, attended by several heads of state, which sent a powerful message of solidarity to the international community. He recalled two landmark resolutions presented and unanimously adopted by Pakistan's National Assembly under his leadership: the first strongly condemned Armenian aggression, including brutal attacks on Azerbaijani civilians and military operations in Nagorno-Karabakh; the second was adopted following Azerbaijan's victory and the liberation of its territories, reaffirming Pakistan's steadfast support.

Ayaz Sadiq congratulated President Ilham Aliyev on the successful organization of the 17th ECO Summit in Khankendi, highlighting its significant political and diplomatic importance. He appreciated the large-scale reconstruction and restoration efforts underway in Azerbaijan's liberated areas, particularly in Nagorno-Karabakh, emphasizing the critical role of these initiatives in fostering regional stability and economic revival.

He further appreciated the existing and potential opportunities for enhancing connectivity through improved road networks, and noted that the establishment of direct flights between the two brotherly countries has facilitated easier travel, which will contribute significantly to strengthening bilateral cooperation. President Ilham Aliyev welcomed the continued mutual support extended by the parliamentary delegations of both nations within international parliamentary forums, and emphasized the importance of further enhancing inter-parliamentary relations and reinforcing institutional cooperation between their respective legislative bodies. Sardar Ayaz Sadiq emphasized that the Pakistani delegation included members from both the ruling party and the opposition.

## Islamabad, Baghdad set to become sister cities



ISLAMABAD (APP): The Republic of Iraq and Pakistan are moving to formalize a sister city relationship between Baghdad and Islamabad in a step toward strengthening bilateral ties and fostering urban cooperation.

The announcement came during a meeting between Abdul Qadir Suleiman Al-Himeiri, Head of Mission at the Iraqi Embassy, and Muhammad Ali Randhawa, Chairman of the Capital Development Authority (CDA), and Chief Commissioner Islamabad on Monday. Held at the CDA Headquarters, the meeting centered on enhancing collaboration in urban development, cultural exchange, and sustainable city planning.

The two sides agreed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to establish Baghdad and Islamabad as sister cities, paving the way for long-term cooperation in

municipal management, infrastructure development, heritage conservation, and beautification of public spaces.

"This twinning arrangement is a significant step to deepen our cultural and urban linkages," said Abdul Qadir Suleiman Al-Himeiri. "We are eager to share knowledge and explore joint initiatives that can strengthen economic, cultural, and tourism connections between Iraq and Pakistan."

Chairman CDA Muhammad Ali Randhawa briefed the Iraqi envoy on Islamabad's recent development initiatives, particularly the upgradation of the Diplomatic Enclave. "On the directions of Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi, we are working to modernize the enclave to meet international standards, transforming it into a secure and vibrant diplomatic hub," Randhawa stated.

He added that renowned

architects and landscaping professionals are being brought in to ensure the area reflects global standards of design and functionality. The Iraqi ambassador commended these efforts and expressed his appreciation for the CDA's commitment to enhancing the capital's urban landscape.

The meeting, described as cordial and forward-looking, concluded with both sides reaffirming their intent to deepen institutional ties. Randhawa presented a commemorative souvenir to Ambassador Al-Himeiri as a token of friendship, symbolizing the shared ambition of building a lasting partnership between the two nations.

"This initiative reflects Pakistan's commitment to international cooperation rooted in mutual respect and shared goals," Randhawa said, expressing optimism about the future of Islamabad-Baghdad collaboration.

## Senate panel pushes for stronger educational reforms

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Senate Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training met on Monday at Parliament House under the chairmanship of Senator Bushra Anjum Butt reaffirming its commitment to improving governance, inclusivity, and transparency in the education sector.

The meeting, attended by Senators Ashraf Ali Jatoi, Syed Masroor Ahsan, Falak Naz, Fawzia Arshad, Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan, Rahat Jamali, Kamran Murtaza, Khalida Ateeab, Gurdeep Singh, Qurat Ul Ain Marri, and Sarmad Ali, along with senior officials of the Ministry for Federal Education and Professional Training, took up multiple key agenda items, said a press release.

Opening with the compliance report on the Pakistan Institute of Fashion Design (PIFD), the Committee reviewed the Ministry's progress on amendments directed in its previous sittings. The proposed changes include ensuring 33% women representation in the Senate of PIFD, in line with the Prime Minister's Office directive for all federal bodies.

Furthermore, the new clause proposes that the Vice Chancellor's appointment be restricted to a four-year term, with no extensions, but open to competitive re-selection. "This will lead to transparency and credibility — we don't want heads to be bigger than the institutions themselves. Legislation should solve problems, not create them," the Chairman remarked.

She also stressed that a mandatory quarterly Senate meeting must be held to maintain checks and balances and sought a complete list of federal institutions where vice chancellors have served beyond one or two terms.

The Committee next deliberated the Federal Supervision of Curricula, Textbooks and Maintenance of Standards of Education (Amendments) Bill 2024, moved by Senator Qurat-Ul-Ain Marri. After extensive debate on sensitive aspects — particularly age limits for reproductive health education — the Bill was deferred for further input.

While Senators Kamran Murtaza and Gurdeep Singh rejected the Bill outright, other members suggested amendments, including setting the age for reproductive health education at 13 or 16 years, respecting cultural sentiments and local context. "The intention is clear: to curb child abuse, misinformation on the internet, and ensure that 'reproductive health education' equips children with accurate knowledge about their physical, mental, and social well-being," the Chairman emphasized.

On the agenda item moved by Senator Sarmad Ali regarding "provision of free milk in ICT educational institutions", Ministry officials acknowledged the noble intent but highlighted cost implications — estimating a requirement of "Rs. 900 million" — and potential food safety risks due to milk's perishable nature.

The Committee decided to review the "Punjab Government's provision

of free milk model" and invited stakeholders, including representatives from "Nestlé" and "Olpers", to deliberate on sustainable frameworks.

In a detailed briefing, the "Directorate General of Special Education (DGSE)" presented its current roles, functions, and ongoing projects. The Chairman reiterated the urgent need to table a "comprehensive policy draft" for Special Education, lamenting that the sector still operates under outdated legislation predating the 18th Amendment.

During the meeting key financial figures were also discussed:

"FY 2023-24": Grant Rs. 950.364 million, Expenditure Rs. 886.614 million, Deficit Rs. 63.75 million  
"FY 2024-25": Grant Rs. 726.008 million, Expenditure Rs. 840.753 million, Deficit Rs. 114.745 million  
"FY 2025-26": Requirement Rs. 1,436 million, Allocation Rs. 788.188 million  
Institutions under DGSE include the National Special Education Centres for "Visually Handicapped, Physically Handicapped, Hearing Impaired Children", and the "Rehabilitation Centre for Children with Developmental Disorders".

The Committee directed that the "Secretary of the Health Ministry" be called in to discuss the inclusion of test through which children with hearing issues be detected and also be included in Children health Card", ensuring tests are done within six months of birth. It also called for a comprehensive review of the "PSDP budget allocations" for special education.



4 killed, 9 hurt in accidents

PARAKH/CHARIKAR (Pajhwok): At least four people have been killed and nine others wounded in two separate traffic accidents in central Panjsher and Parwan provinces. In a statement, Panjsher police headquarters said a van veered off the road and overturned due to a technical fault in Khenj district. It said two people lost their lives and nine others were injured in the incident. In Parwan, a car-motorcycle collision in the Dwa Saraka area of Charikar city left two people dead.

Car theft gang busted

KABUL (Pajhwok): Security forces have arrested a group involved in vehicle thefts in Jalalabad, the capital of eastern Nangarhar province. The group was captured during an operation in Batikot district on Monday, the Nangarhar police headquarters said in a statement. A Suzuki-type vehicle and various car parts were recovered from their possession. According to the statement, the suspects would steal vehicles, dismantle them and sell the parts separately.

Asia is comparable to a living body composed of soil and water. The heart that beats inside the body is Afghanistan. The destruction of Afghanistan would be the destruction of Asia. And in its progress and prosperity lies the well-being of Asia. - Allama Iqbal

## Chinese company plans investment in Balkh province

BALKH (BNA): A private Chinese company has announced its intentions to invest in Afghanistan, focusing on various sectors in Balkh province, including agriculture, industry, mining, road construction, and railways.

During a recent meeting with Mohammad Yousuf Wafa, the governor of Balkh, representatives from the Chinese firms Winkton, Yazong, and Rin Sen Lin outlined their ambitious economic plans.

Among the key proposals discussed were: Power Generation Plant, Establishing a power generation facility in Bamyān province in exchange for coal extraction.

Industrial Park, Constructing an industrial park at Hairatan port, potentially housing between 10 to 100 factories. Reconstruction Projects, Rebuilding the fertilizer and power plant in Balkh. Joint Market, Creating a joint market on the

Wakhan border, facilitating trade between Badakhshan and China. Railway Development. Implementing a railway project connecting Kandahar to Herat.

The representatives also expressed their readiness to commence standard coal extraction in Dara-i-Suf, Samangan, and produce oil, as well as offer technical cooperation with the Jabal al-Siraj cement factory.

Additionally, plans for a large camel farm and a milk production factory in Kandahar were discussed.

Governor Wafa welcomed the initiatives, emphasizing the Islamic Emirate's commitment to ensuring security and creating favorable conditions for investment in Afghanistan.

He urged the Chinese investors to prioritize the construction of industrial parks and the reconstruction of the fertilizer and power plant in Balkh as soon as possible.

## Afghan industrialists return amid deportations

KABUL (TOLONews): Amid the ongoing deportation of Afghan refugees from Iran and Pakistan, a portion of those returning includes industrialists and investors who had previously invested in these countries.

The Ministry of Industry and Commerce stated that a committee titled "Committee for the Organization of Returning Entrepreneurs and Industrialists and Provision of Facilities for Them," established in the month of Qaws 1402 (December 2023), has so far confirmed the return of 24 industrialists. The process of verifying the documents of additional returning entrepreneurs and investors is currently ongoing.

Most of these individuals have returned to Afghanistan from Iran and Pakistan. According to the ministry, the returning industrialists have already begun investing in various production sectors.

The sectors in which Afghan industrialists had invested abroad include:

Car paint and thinner  
Electrical cables and electronic device production  
PVC pipes and baked bricks production  
Plastic utensils production  
Cosmetic products manufacturing  
Women's clothing and embroidery production  
Poultry feed production

Plastic goods manufacturing  
Shoe and sandal manufacturing  
Used tire processing  
Detergent and washing materials production

The ministry's spokesperson, Akhundzada Abdul Salam Jawad, said: "The ministry has planned numerous facilities to encourage returning investors. These include allocating residential plots, distributing industrial land, customs exemptions for one vehicle and industrial machinery, five years of tax exemption, and other support measures."

Meanwhile, the Kabul Industrialists' Union and several economic experts believe that if the Islamic Emirate increases support for returning industrialists and investors, the return of Afghan industrialists from abroad could accelerate.

The head of the Kabul Industrialists' Union, Abdul Jabbar Safi, stated:

"The private sector is also ready to support them, and the government should facilitate business opportunities for them so that they are not forced to leave the country again."

The return of Afghan investors and industrialists from abroad not only plays a constructive role in the country's economic growth but also creates new job opportunities within Afghanistan.

## In a first, Balkh company exports detergent to Europe



MAZAR-I-SHARIF (Pajhwok): A 21-tonne shipment of detergent produced by a private company has been exported from northern Balkh province to European countries for the first time.

Ehsanullah Amini, CEO of the Qatra manufacturing company in the northern zone, said that for the first time, 21 tons of detergent worth 30,000 US dollars was exported to London, the capital of England.

Previously, he said, the

company's products were exported to several other countries, including Uzbekistan and Tajikistan.

Qari Amir Mohammad Muttaqi, the Balkh head of industry and commerce, said the export of Afghan products to foreign countries shows that production capacity and quality had reached a stage where they could compete with global products.

He emphasized the IEA provided comprehensive

support to investors across the country.

According to him, businessmen and investors who live outside Afghanistan should come and invest in the country in order to play their role the progress and development of the country and providing job opportunities for the youth.

Since IEA takeover, more than 300 new factories have started operating in the province, providing jobs for thousands of people.

## Supporting Afghan returnees top priority

KABUL (TOLONews): The Ministry of Economy says that the process of delivering initial assistance to Afghan returnees from neighboring countries has begun.

According to Abdul Rahman Habib, the ministry's spokesperson, addressing the urgent needs of returnees including shelter, healthcare services, and food distribution is a top priority for the ministry.

Abdul Rahman Habib, the ministry's spokesperson stated: "To address the challenges faced by returnees from neighboring countries, a High Commission has been established. Twelve working committees are actively engaged in providing services such as temporary shelter, distribution of food and drinking water, healthcare services, cash assistance, transporting returnees to their respective provinces, and supporting their reintegration into society. All available resources are being utilized for this purpose."

These efforts are being carried out in cooperation with international organizations, particularly the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

Meanwhile, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) has expressed concern over the continued forced deportations of Afghan migrants and announced that essential services — including healthcare — will be provided to returnees inside Afghanistan.

Faramarz Barzin, spokesperson for the UNHCR, stated:

"The UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) plays a key role in supporting documented returnees, both at border points and in the areas where they resettle. We provide a wide range of services, including cash for urgent needs, medical care, mental health support, mine risk education, and other essential services."

However, several Afghans recently deported from Iran say they left behind all their possessions and returned home empty-handed.

Shafiqullah, one deportee, said: "The weather is hot, and people, especially women and children are facing many hardships. There must be better support so people can return to their provinces more quickly."

Abdul Hafiz, another deportee, said: "We suffered a lot in Iran, in places like Zahedan and Bandar Abbas. Here, too, the facilities are limited. For instance, there are no proper restrooms, and women cannot access medical care. Since yesterday, we've been paying for transport and I've already taken my wife to the doctor two or three times."

This comes as neighboring countries have, one after another, deported Afghan migrants over the past year, a process with wide-ranging humanitarian and social consequences for returnees.

## Uniform made mandatory for on-duty police officers



KABUL (Pajhwok): The Ministry of Interior (MoI) says all police officers and personnel under its command are required to wear uniform while on duty.

In a statement, MoI said since its core responsibilities

included maintaining security, enforcing law and combating crimes, the decision was made at a meeting chaired by acting Interior Minister Khalifa Sirajuddin Haqqani.

The statement added that

all military officials and personnel were now obliged to wear uniform approved by the Islamic Emirate's leadership during official duty hours.

The ministry noted that the move was aimed at

making it easier for the public to identify police officers.

This comes as most police personnel currently wear uniform, though some continue to wear civilian clothing while on duty.

## 35 public projects launched in Kunar border districts

KUNAR (BNA): The Ministry of Borders, Ethnic, and Tribal Affairs has initiated 35 public utility projects worth 131 million Afghanis across six border districts in Kunar province of Afghanistan.

During the inauguration, Deputy Minister Mawlawi Mohammad Ismail Ghaznawi said the projects are being implemented based on a special directive from the Amir al-Mu'minin (may Allah protect him)

using domestic funds. They aim to improve living conditions in Khas Kunar, Sarkano, Manogai, Shultān, Dangam, and Narai districts.

Governor Mawlawi Qudratullah Abu Hamza stated that residents of these districts have faced many difficulties and that these projects have been launched to address their needs.

The initiatives include the construction of schools,

roads, clean water networks, health centers, and other essential infrastructure to facilitate better access to services for the local population.

Deputy Governor Mawlawi Abdullah Haqqani also highlighted the main challenges, including lack of proper roads, clean drinking water, health centers, and school buildings. He said the new projects are expected to significantly alleviate these issues.

## Afghan child laborers deported from Iran

KABUL (TOLONews): Thousands of Afghan children who had gone to Iran as laborers in search of a piece of bread have also been deported.

Hanzala is now 18 years old, but he still hears the voice of his Iranian employer echoing in his ears.

He went to Iran when he was twelve, but now regrets not having received an education.

He said, "No matter how hard I tried, I couldn't manage to study. Now I can't

even write my own name.

Even when I went to school there once, the teacher came to class for a few minutes and then left."

Among these hundreds of Afghan children, each one has a unique memory from Iran, some speak of classmates, while others recount experiences of humiliation and mistreatment.

Sohrab says, "I worked in a shop. Later, I tried to enroll in school, but they didn't accept me. When I went again, they wanted to

place me in second or third grade."

Hossein shares his story too: "They treated us very badly. They used to beat and insult me. My childhood was a very bitter experience."

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) had previously reported that in the past Gregorian month, over 5,000 orphaned or unaccompanied Afghan children — or children with their families, were deported from Iran.

## WFP warns 10m Afghans face hunger this summer amid funding shortfall

KABUL (Amu TV): The UN World Food Program warned on Monday that approximately 10 million people in Afghanistan will require urgent food assistance during the summer months, but said a critical funding shortfall means it can only support a fraction of them.

In a video message posted to social media, the agency said it currently has the resources to assist just one million of the most vulnerable Afghans, underscoring the severity of the crisis.

The WFP said its emergency food packages — including wheat flour, vegetable oil, pulses, and salt — are being distributed to families living in areas with the highest levels of food insecurity. These rations are intended to meet basic nutritional needs for several months.

"These short-term aid deliveries are only a partial

solution," the agency noted, warning that without fresh funding, the continuation of life-saving assistance will be at risk.

The warning comes as Afghanistan reels from compounding natural disasters, including destructive floods and prolonged droughts, which have further destabilized livelihoods and pushed millions closer to the brink of famine.

Earlier this year, the

WFP and other humanitarian agencies issued similar alerts, saying that without renewed international support, food insecurity would deepen, particularly in rural and conflict-affected areas.

According to the Global Network Against Food Crises, Afghanistan remains among the countries with the highest rates of acute hunger, with over one million people currently in emergency or crisis-level conditions.

## Doctors, parents praise report on unhealthy snacks

KABUL (Pajhwok): Chief physician at the Indira Gandhi Children's Hospital and several other medical professionals have praised Pajhwok's recent report titled "Chemical-laden snacks harm children's health," calling it an effective step in raising public awareness and urging action from relevant authorities to stop the sale of harmful food products targeting children.

Pajhwok Afghan News published the report on June 29, and it has since been praised by both doctors and parents for its informative content and timely message.

### Doctors' reactions

Dr. Khyber Sahak, Chief Physician at Indira Gandhi Children's Hospital in Kabul, said: "First of all, I

thank Pajhwok Afghan News for producing this report. It allows us to educate mothers and sisters about the harmful products being sold in markets. These snacks are causing children to suffer from various illnesses."

He emphasized the role of parents in preventing their children from consuming such items and encouraged preparing healthy, quality food at home instead.

Dr. Ramesh Qadeer, General Surgeon at the Children's Health Hospital, noted: "I read the entire report, and it thoroughly covers all aspects of the issue. The positive impact of such reporting is considerable—anyone who reads or watches it will certainly try to stop their children

from consuming these harmful products."

Dr. Sayed Farid Shah Rafiye, Internal Medicine Specialist at Wazir Mohammad Akbar Khan Hospital, stated: "Pajhwok's report on the use of chemical colors in children's food is a critical warning for the health of future generations. These additives can cause digestive problems, allergic reactions, cognitive issues like poor concentration and memory, and even serious long-term risks such as cancer."

He added that such reports not only raise public awareness but also pressure responsible institutions to take regulatory action and prompt legal reforms to control unhealthy products.

"I recommend closer collaboration between health professionals and the

media to pursue and strengthen such initiatives, leading to real and positive change," he concluded.

Dr. Faridullah Omari, Trainer and Infectious Disease Specialist at the National Infectious Diseases Hospital in Kabul, said: "We appreciate and support such reports and always call for more content like this to help prevent children from falling victim to various illnesses."

Dr. Javid Hajir, Public Relations Specialist at the Deputy Ministry of Food and Drugs (Ministry of Public Health), also welcomed the report, calling it instrumental in boosting public awareness.

"These issues are real, and our teams at the Food and Drug Authority encounter them on a daily

basis. Fortunately, we've managed to address many of these cases. This year, our public awareness department has become more active, conducting educational outreach in schools and other venues."

He also urged the media to continue publishing and promoting such investigative reports.

### Mothers' reactions

Yalda Ebrahimi, a mother from Kabul, said that after reading Pajhwok's report, she decided to prohibit her children from eating such snacks.

"My young son and daughter don't usually listen—they love buying and eating these market snacks. They even cry to get money from me. Sometimes, they fall sick. But after reading the report, I won't let them



buy these things anymore."

Setayesh Ahmadi, another mother, added: "I saw the Pajhwok report and learned how harmful these



snacks really are. We didn't know before, but now I've decided not to let my children buy chips, puffs, or other similar items."

Both mothers praised Pajhwok for its initiative in informing the public and protecting children's health.





ISLAMABAD: Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf presiding over Board of Governor meeting of Bahria University.

# Pakistan and UAE to deepen cooperation

F.P. Report

DUBAI: Ambassador Faisal Niaz Tirmizi, Pakistan's Envoy to the United Arab Emirates (UAE), met with H.E. Abdulla Nasser Lootah, Deputy Minister of Cabinet Affairs for Competitiveness and Experience Exchange, UAE in Dubai today.

During the meeting, Ambassador Tirmizi conveyed his gratitude to H.E. Lootah for the opportunity to engage in constructive dialogue and underscored the historic and fraternal ties between Pakistan and the UAE. He paid tribute to the visionary leadership of the UAE for fostering a model of inclusive development and harmony that embraces people from across the world, including the large and vibrant Pakistani diaspora.

The Ambassador also extended appreciation to the UAE Government for hosting a High-Level Pakistan Government delegation led by Mr. Bilal Azhar Kiyani, Minister of State for Finance for



Finance and Railways and Head of Prime Minister's Delivery Unit. The delegation participating in an intensive two-day (8 & 9 July) experience exchange program with various UAE ministries and authorities, focusing on innovation in governance and public service delivery.

H.E. Abdulla Nasser Lootah reaffirmed the UAE's commitment to seamless cooperation with Pakistan, particularly in governance, public sector competitiveness, and innovation. He emphasized Pakistan's significant potential across multiple sectors and reiterated the

UAE's willingness to extend full support in collaborative endeavors. He highlighted the importance of mutual learning to generate solutions that benefit both nations.

Ambassador Tirmizi noted that Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif has expressed strong interest in learning from the UAE's successful tax automation systems to enhance Pakistan's domestic tax collection capacity. He emphasized the Prime Minister's directive to fully utilize this opportunity for knowledge and experience sharing with the UAE.

## SC issues new Practice and Procedure rules for 2025

F.P. Report

ISLAMABAD: The Supreme Court of Pakistan's Practice and Procedure Committee has released its new procedural framework for 2025.

According to reports, the rules were approved during a committee meeting chaired by Chief Justice of Pakistan Yahya Afridi, and are now in effect under the Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Act, 2023. The committee overseeing these changes includes Justice Yahya Afridi as chair, along with Justice Mansoor Ali Shah and Justice Aminuddin Khan. According to the official notification, the Chief Justice of Pakistan can convene committee meetings either physically or virtually.

A minimum of two members is required for the meeting to proceed. The Supreme Court committee will now form benches either monthly or every 15 days under the updated system. Once a bench is constituted, it cannot be altered unless the procedure specifically allows it.

Additionally, any change in the chairman or a member of the committee does not invalidate the existing bench formation. In situations where the Chief Justice is abroad or unavailable, a special committee may be formed. This special committee will be empowered to make changes to the bench in cases of a judge's illness, absence, resignation, or death.

## Opp leader calls on KP Governor

F.P. Report

PESHAWAR: Leader of the Opposition in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly, Dr. Ibadullah, visited Governor House and met with Governor Faisal Karim Kundi on Monday. The meeting was also attended by Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa President Muhammad Ali Shah Bacha.

During the meeting, the overall political situation in the province was discussed in detail. Dr. Ibad briefed the governor on ongoing coordination and mutual engagement among members of opposition parties. The two leaders also exchanged views on the recent outreach by independent members of the provincial assembly and deliberated on the upcoming Senate elections.

The meeting highlighted the evolving political dynamics in the province and emphasized the importance of dialogue and coordination among stakeholders. Meanwhile, the delegation of the All Pakistan Commercial Exporters Association (APCEA), led by Chairman Iftikhar Ahmad, called on Governor Faisal Karim Kundi at the Governor House.

The delegation included former Chairman Mushtaq Ahmad, Rashid Qadeer Mir, Zulfiqar Ahmad Siddiqui, Senior Vice Chairman Hanan Khan, Executive Member Farooq Zaman Shah, and Haji Nazirullah. During the meeting, the delegation briefed the Governor on several key issues faced by exporters in the province.

They urged the removal of the one percent cess on exports from the province and called for the development and operationalization of the Peshawar Dry Port. They also requested permission to hold APCEA's Gold Medal Award ceremony at the Governor House.

Other issues highlighted included the need to establish a clear mechanism for the import of gemstones through the Torkham border from Afghanistan, the removal of obstacles in the free movement of gemstones, and the unfriendly behavior of local authorities towards foreign and Gilgit-Baltistan-based gemstone traders.

# Iran open to renewed nuclear talks with US if trust rebuilt: President

TEHRAN: Iran is willing to resume nuclear negotiations with the United States, President Masoud Pezeshkian has said, but only if Washington can re-establish trust following recent hostilities.

In an interview released on Monday with former US television host Tucker Carlson, the Iranian president stated, "We see no problem in re-entering the negotiations," but added that Tehran requires guarantees that attacks like those in June will not recur. The comments come just weeks after a dramatic escalation between Iran and Israel, during which the United States also conducted strikes on Iran's nuclear facilities. The clashes disrupted an anticipated round of nuclear talks that had been scheduled between Washington and Tehran.

"How are we going to trust the US again?" Pezeshkian asked during the interview. "We re-entered the negotiations, then how can we know for sure that in the middle of the talks, the Israeli regime will not be given the permission again to attack us?" President Pezeshkian further accused Israel of attempting to assassinate him amid the conflict. "They did try, yes. They acted accordingly, but they failed," he said, claiming that a meeting he was attending was targeted in an Israeli airstrike.

The mid-June Israeli bombardment reportedly killed hundreds in Iran, including senior military commanders and nuclear scientists. Iranian retaliation with missiles and drones killed 28 people in Israel, according to officials. The brief but intense conflict ended with a ceasefire on 24 June, which has held thus far. Pezeshkian criticised Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's approach to the region, accusing him of drawing the US into endless conflict. "The US administration should refrain from getting

involved in a war that is not America's war, it is Netanyahu's war," he warned.

He also addressed fears surrounding Iran's nuclear intentions. "We have never been after developing a nuclear bomb," he said, citing a religious decree by Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei forbidding such weapons. Finally, Pezeshkian sought to reassure Americans of Iran's posture. "Iran has never invaded another country in the last 200 years," he said, clarifying that slogans like "Death to America" are directed at perceived injustice and aggression, not the American people themselves.

The 12-day war between Iran and Israel saw it, along with the US, launching strikes on Iranian nuclear facilities at Fordow, Isfahan and Natanz. A ceasefire between Iran and Israel has held since June 24. On June 16, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu did not rule out plans to assassinate Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, saying it would "end the conflict" after reports emerged at the time that US President Donald Trump had vetoed the move.

During the interview with Carlson, Pezeshkian accused Netanyahu of pursuing his "own agenda" of "forever wars" in the Middle East and urged the US not to be dragged into it. "The US administration should refrain from getting involved in a war that is not America's war, it is Netanyahu's war," he said.

"I believe the US president can guide the region and the world to peace and tranquillity, or, on the other hand, to lead it to forever wars," Pezeshkian said. When asked about giving up Iran's nuclear programme, Pezeshkian reiterated that Tehran was not pursuing nuclear weapons, nor was it in the past.

"Netanyahu, since 1984, has created this false mentality that Iran seeks

a nuclear bomb ... and it has put it in the minds of every US president since then," the Iranian president said. "We have never been after developing a nuclear bomb ... because this is wrong and in contrast to the religious decree which has been issued by his eminence, the supreme leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran. It is religiously forbidden for us to go after a nuclear bomb."

When asked if Americans should be afraid of Iran, Pezeshkian tried to dispel those fears and said it was "a very wrong impression" of Iranians. "Iran has never invaded another country in the last 200 years," he explained. He added that when Iranians chanted, "Death to the United States", they did not mean "death to the people or officials of the United States".

"They mean 'death' to crimes, atrocities, bullying, to the use of force and anyone who would become an accomplice in crimes perpetrated by others," Pezeshkian stated. Later, Pezeshkian said on X: "I told Tucker Carlson: While we were negotiating in good faith at the request of the US, Netanyahu dropped bombs — literally — on diplomacy."

"Israel torpedoed the talks and killed peace. The world should remember who derailed the process," he wrote. The Iranian president said that his country neither started the war nor wanted it to continue. "From day one, our policy has been clear: unity at home, peace with our neighbours, and stability in the region," Pezeshkian wrote. He noted that the US must choose between reining in Netanyahu or following him "into another forever war", adding that only US President Donald Trump can stop Netanyahu. Pezeshkian quoted Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei as saying that American investors "are welcome in Iran". — Agencies

# PHC grants protective bail to KP CM Advisor

Humayun Khan

PESHAWAR: The Peshawar High Court (PHC) has granted protective bail to Advisor to the Chief Minister on Population Welfare Malak Laiqat Ali and restrained authorities from arresting him, on Monday.

PHC divisional bench comprising of Justice Sahibzada Asadullah and Justice Dr. Khurshid Iqbal heard the petition while Alam Khan Adeenzai advocate appeared on behalf of petitioner.

Malik Liaqat Ali stated that he has already spent time in jail in 5 FIRs in Islamabad and is now seeking bail in KP. He emphasized that there is no difference of opinion within the PTI, and the party is the largest in the country. The Advisor announced that a

new movement will be launched for the release of the party founder, which will include protests. He stated that if Amir Muqam's hotel is lawful, they will not interfere with his property. However, Amir Muqam has been a political adversary in KP.

**Court hear plea on reserved seats distribution:** The Peshawar High Court (PHC) has adjourned the hearing of a petition filed by Pakistan Muslim League Nawaz against the allocation of reserved seats until today (Tuesday). The court has directed that the case be listed before Bench No. 3, on Monday.

PMLN lawyer Amir Javed advocate argued that the party won 7 general seats in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly, but the Election Comm-

ission allocated only 8 reserved seats, which is incorrect. The party actually won 6 seats, and one independent MP joined within three days.

The Election Commission's lawyer, Mohsin Kamran Siddique, informed the court that a similar petition has been filed by ANP and was being heard by Bench No. 3. He requested a 3-day extension to submit a response, but the court directed him to submit it by today (on Tuesday).

The court adjourned the hearing until today and directed the Election Commission to submit its response by the end of the day. However, Jammat Ulema Islam Fazal opposed the writ petition as Supreme Court of Pakistan has already decided the issue.

# BRICS flays attacks on Iran, Gaza war

RIO DE JANEIRO: Leaders of the BRICS bloc have sharply rebuked the United States and Israeli bombardments of Iran in June, calling them a "blatant breach of international law" while voicing strong support for the creation of a Palestinian state.

But their joint declaration, issued at a summit in the Brazilian city of Rio de Janeiro, was largely silent about another major war that is now in its fourth year and in which a founding BRICS member—Russia—is the aggressor: the conflict in Ukraine. Instead, it criticised Ukrainian attacks on Russian soil.

The carefully worded declaration, released amid escalating trade tensions with the US, condemned aggressive economic policies without directly naming US President Donald Trump. Almost all 10 members of BRICS, a bloc of emerging world economies, are currently engaged in sensitive trade talks with the US and are trying to assert their positions without provoking further tensions. However, the BRICS statement did take aim at "unilateral tariff and non-tariff barriers" that "skew global trade and flout WTO [World Trade Organization] regulations", a clear, though indirect critique of Trump's protectionist agenda, before a deadline on Wednesday for new US tariffs to potentially kick in.

Trump responded to the BRICS declaration within hours, warning on his social media platform, Truth Social, that countries siding with what he termed "anti-American policies" would face added tariffs. "Any Country aligning themselves with the Anti-American policies of BRICS, will be charged an ADDITIONAL

10% Tariff. There will be no exceptions to this policy," he wrote.

The first BRICS summit was held in 2009 with the leaders of Brazil, Russia, India and China coming together. South Africa joined in 2010, and the bloc has since become a major voice for the Global South. Last year, Indonesia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates joined the group, expanding its influence further and turning the bloc into a 10-nation entity.

There is growing interest from emerging economies to join the bloc with more than 30 nations queueing up for membership. Argentina was expected to join but withdrew its application after ultra-conservative President Javier Milei, an ally of Trump, took office in December 2023. The Rio summit was led by Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva. Most other member countries were represented by their leaders with three exceptions:

Chinese President Xi Jinping, Russian President Vladimir Putin and Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian were absent.

Xi had attended all previous BRICS summits since taking office in 2013 while Putin has avoided most international trips since the International Criminal Court (ICC) issued an arrest warrant against him over his role in the war on Ukraine in March 2023. Brazil is a member of the ICC and would have been required under the Rome Statute, which established the court, to arrest Putin if he visited. Russia and Iran were represented by their foreign ministers and China by Premier Li Qiang.

This was the first summit

attended by Indonesia after its induction into the bloc this year. The BRICS statement also welcomed Belarus, Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Cuba, Nigeria, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, Uganda and Uzbekistan as new BRICS partner countries — a status that places them on a perch below full membership and allows the bloc to increase cooperation with them.

In their declaration, member states described the recent Israeli and American attacks on Iran as a "violation of international law", expressing "grave concern" about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East. The conflict began on June 13 when Israel launched air strikes on Iranian military, nuclear and civilian sites, killing at least 935 people, including top military and scientific leaders. Iran's Ministry of Health reported 5,332 people were injured.

Tehran retaliated with missile and drone strikes on Israel, killing at least 29 people and injuring hundreds more, according to figures from Israeli authorities. A US-brokered ceasefire came into effect on June 24 although the US had supported Israeli strikes just days earlier by dropping bunker-buster bombs on Iranian nuclear facilities on June 21.

The BRICS statement underscored the importance of upholding "nuclear safeguards, safety, and security, ... including in armed conflicts, to protect people and the environment from harm". As Israel's 21-month-long war on Gaza continues, BRICS denounced the use of starvation as a weapon of war and rejected the politicisation or militarisation of humanitarian aid. — Aljazeera

# Trump says there's a good chance for Gaza ceasefire

WASHINGTON/JERUSALEM (AFP, Reuters): US President Donald Trump said there was a good chance a Gaza hostage release and ceasefire deal could be reached with the Palestinian militant group Hamas this week.

Trump told reporters before departing for Washington that such a deal meant "quite a few hostages" could be released. Netanyahu said earlier in the day that he hoped his upcoming meeting with Trump could "help advance" a Gaza ceasefire deal, after sending negotiators to Doha for indirect talks with Hamas.

A Palestinian official familiar with the talks on

Sunday said that indirect negotiations between Israel and Hamas toward a ceasefire deal in the Gaza Strip had started in Qatar. "Negotiations are about implementation mechanisms and hostage exchange, and positions are being exchanged through mediators," the official said.

Under mounting pressure to end the war, now approaching its 22nd month, the Israeli premier is scheduled to sit down on Monday with Trump, who has recently made a renewed push to end the fighting. Speaking before boarding Israel's state jet bound for Washington, Netanyahu said: "We are working to achieve this deal that we have discussed,

under the conditions that we have agreed to."

He said he had dispatched the team to Doha "with clear instructions," and thought the meeting with Trump "can definitely help advance this (deal), which we are all hoping for." "We've gotten a lot of the hostages out, but pertaining to the remaining hostages, quite a few of them will be coming out," Trump added.

He said the United States was "working on a lot of things" with Israel, including "probably a permanent deal with Iran." Netanyahu had previously said Hamas's response to a draft US-backed ceasefire proposal contained "unacceptable" demands.



ISLAMABAD: A view of vehicles' passing through accumulated rainwater during heavy downpour in Capital.

# PM appreciates FBR, IB

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It was informed in the meeting that the new risk management system will bring transparency to the system, minimize human intervention, and provide ease to businessmen. With the launch of the new system, immediate and effective estimation of goods and their cost will be possible, resulting in time savings. The meeting was further informed that the implementation of the new system will reduce pressure on customs officials, enhance transparency and efficiency, and facilitate businessmen.

PM Shehbaz Sharif pointed out that reforms in the FBR were among the government's top priorities. "By automating the tax system, we are making it more transparent and effective," the prime minister said adding that the technology-based modern system will bring ease in doing business and provide convenience to taxpayers.

Due to reduced human intervention, he said the

system will be more efficient, saving both time and money. The prime minister directed to make the new system integrated and sustainable. He appreciated the officers and staff who worked on the development of the new risk management system.

The meeting was briefed on video analytics-based measures to increase tax collection in the manufacturing sector. With this system, tax collection in these sectors will be automated and conducted transparently, which will increase government revenue and allow taxpayers to pay taxes without human interference. The meeting was also informed that this system is cost-effective and showed 98% efficiency during initial testing.

The meeting also reviewed the potential for increased tax revenue following its implementation in manufacturing sectors. Minister for Finance Muhammad Aurangzeb, Minister for Information Attaulah Tarar, Chairman FBR and other senior gov-

ernment officials attended the meeting.

**Tribute to Havaladar Lalak Jan Shaheed paid:** Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif paid tribute to Havaladar Lalak Jan Shaheed (Nishan-i-Haider) on his martyrdom anniversary, saying that during the Kargil War, he thwarted the enemy's nefarious designs and made a great sacrifice for the homeland.

The prime minister said that the enemy's attacks could not undermine the courage of Havaladar Lalak Jan Shaheed and that his bravery, valour, and dutifulness served as a role model for the younger generation. "The Pakistani nation can never forget the sacrifices of its martyrs. The martyrs of the Pakistan armed forces and their families are a source of pride for me and the entire nation," Prime Minister Shehbaz remarked. He said that the entire nation stood shoulder to shoulder with the Pakistan armed forces in their unwavering resolve to protect the beloved homeland.

# Israel launches airstrikes in Yemen

DUBAI (AP): Israel's military launched airstrikes early Monday targeting ports and facilities held by Yemen's Houthi rebels, with the rebels responding with missile fire targeting Israel.

The attacks came after an attack Sunday targeting a Liberian-flagged ship in the Red Sea that caught fire and took on water, later forcing its crew to abandon the vessel. Suspicion for the attack on the Greek-owned bulk carrier Magic Seas immediately fell on the Houthis, particularly as a security firm said it appeared bomb-carrying drone boats hit the ship after it was targeted by small arms and rocket-propelled grenades. The rebels' media reported on the attack but did not claim it. It can take them hours or even days before they acknowledge an assault.

A renewed Houthi campaign against shipping could again draw in US and Western forces to the area, particularly after President Donald Trump targeted the rebels in a major airstrike campaign. The ship attack comes at a sensitive moment in the Middle East, as a possible ceasefire in the Israel-Hamas war hangs in the balance and as Iran weighs whether to restart negotiations over its nuclear program following American airstrikes targeting its most-sensitive atomic sites amid an Israeli war against the Islamic Republic. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu also was traveling to Washington to meet with Trump.

The Israeli military said it struck Houthi-held ports at Hodeida, Ras Isa and Salif, as well as the Ras Kanatib power plant. "These ports are used by the Houthi terrorist regime to transfer weapons from the Iranian regime, which are employed to carry out terrorist operations against the state of Israel and its allies," the Israeli military said.

The Israeli military also said it struck the Galaxy Leader, a vehicle-carrying vessel that the Houthis seized back in November 2023 when they began their attacks in the Red Sea corridor over the Israel-Hamas war. "Houthi forces installed a radar system on the ship and have been using it to track vessels in the international maritime arena to facilitate further terrorist activities," the Israeli military said. The Bahamas-flagged Galaxy Leader was affiliated with an Israeli billionaire. It said no Israelis were on board.