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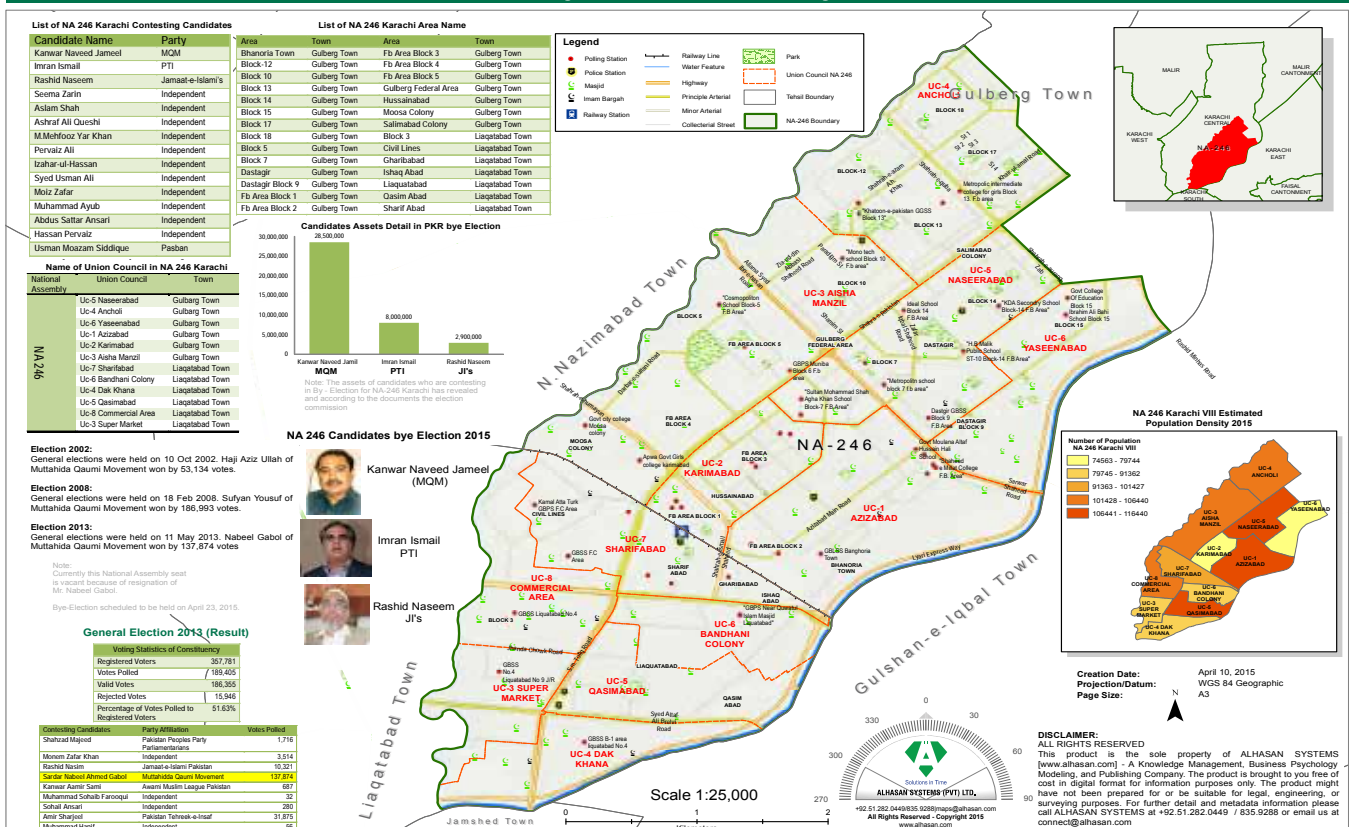
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## NATURAL CALAMITIES

### NEWS HEADLINES

#### Smartphones Could Help Protect People From Earthquakes

*Express Tribune, April 11 2015*

#### The Blame Game: CM Upset At Rivals, Media For 'Making An Issue Out Of The Drought'

*Express Tribune, April 10, 2015*

#### Signing of LOA for Institutional Support to NDMA, WFP-NDMA Joint Annual Work plan 2015

*NDMA, April 9, 2015*

#### Dengue is Down, This Year Too

*DAWN News, April 9, 2015*

### DETAILS

US Geological Survey released the results of a study that found the sensors in smartphones and other similar devices could be used to detect early ground movement to warn people about a potential earthquake. While the sensors in your iPhone or Android device aren't anywhere near as accurate as the advanced early warning systems the USGS relies on, the system could be used in poorer areas that lack the funding for the high tech detection approach. The ShakeAlert system is one of the scientific-grade warning systems that will soon be used on the west coast — but it costs roughly \$145 million dollars. "The U.S. earthquake early warning system is being built on our high-quality scientific earthquake networks," the USGS Coordinator for that system said. "But crowdsourced approaches can augment our system and have real potential to make warnings possible in places that don't have high-quality networks." By using smart phones, data can be easily gathered from pretty much anywhere on the planet. A map created by NASA and Pacifico shows how researchers can use shared GPS data from multiple cell phones in the same area to detect changes in the displacement of the ground. The sensors may only be useful for catching the most dangerous and damaging quakes — about magnitude 7 or larger. For context, the earthquake that hit the San Francisco Bay Area in 1989 was a 6.9 magnitude, in 1994 an earthquake with a magnitude of 6.7 devastated Los Angeles, and in February of this year a 6.7 magnitude earthquake hit off the coast of Japan.

**HYDERABAD:** Defending his government's drought-mitigation activities in Tharparkar, Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah blamed political opponents and the media for making a mountain out of a molehill. "We have done a lot to stop the deaths of children and to provide better health facilities in Thar," he complained while addressing the three-day health festival in Mithi on Thursday. "But the opponents keep on criticising our government by making an issue out of the drought. The media also doesn't recognise our endeavours either."

Shah said the needs of 1.6 million people of Tharparkar will take time to be fulfilled. He also censured the media for finding fault with the festival while ignoring its objective of creating awareness among the people. The issues of maternal and child health, family planning, nutrition and immunisation are being highlighted at the festival. Stalls of puppet shows, kids play area, food courts, handicrafts and musical nights have been set up to entertain the visitors. According to the chief minister, 200 reverse osmosis (RO) plants have been installed in Tharparkar to address the drinking water problem. Another 550 will be installed by the end of June, he added.

**Festival challenged in court:** The District Bar Association, Tharparkar, has challenged the on-going festival in a local court, arguing that millions of rupees are being wasted on the festival instead of being spent on providing the required health facilities. In his plea, the bar's president, Bheru Lal Herani, appealed the court to order the government to stop the festival and divert the funds to establish orthopaedic and burns wards and blood banks in Tharparkar. The court ordered the health secretary and district health officer to appear before the court in person on April 10.

**ISLAMABAD:** NDMA is striving to build and strengthen institutional capacity under the three-tiered institutional set-up for Disaster Management (established by the Disaster Management Act) through the implementation of NDMP. In this regard on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 a Letter of Agreement (LOA) was signed between National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and the World Food Program (WFP) on 'Institutional Support to NDMA for Implementation of the National Disaster Management Plan in Pakistan' —under 2015-WFP Work Plan.

The Signing Ceremony was held at NDMA. Chairman NDMA (Major General Asghar Nawaz) and Ms. Lola Castro (WFP Country Representative/Director to Pakistan) signed the LOA in the presence of representatives from WFP and senior NDMA officials. The Project shall be implemented through WFP funding. The key purpose of the Project is to establish and refine existing processes related to Disaster Management, strengthening coordination, knowledge management as well as building capacities of personnel and communities through technical, financial assistance and training.

NDMA will work closely with WFP and other UN agencies through the Project. The Project activities will be carried out through the DRR wing of the NDMA. Important components of the project include Technical Support to NDMA for strengthening multi-hazard vulnerability & risk assessment and mapping; Strengthening Capacities for disaster preparedness and response and Highlighting NDMA's role in Media through Education & Awareness and DRR Advocacy.

Chairman NDMA welcomed the WFP team and lauded WFP for its continuous support and assistance in various capacity building efforts towards DRR, disaster preparedness and building up disaster management institutions in Pakistan. He urged continuation of support from WFP and other development partners to shoulder NDMA in its efforts to implement various DRM related activities under the spirit of DRR priority and National Disaster Management Plan. Ms. Lola Castro also appreciated NDMA for the endeavors made in the field of disaster management and expressed the hope that successful implementation of Annual Work plan- 2015 in coordination with NDMA will be beneficial to further strengthen and enhance existing level of preparedness and response to cope with disasters like situation in future.

**LAHORE:** A virologist of the Punjab University (PU), Dr Idrees Khan, sees no danger of a dengue fever outbreak this year too despite an increase in breeding of mosquitoes. "Out of the 50 samples received in the laboratories of PU Centre for Excellence in Molecular Biology, not a single one was found positive," said Dr Khan at a seminar on dengue awareness and preventive measures by the



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### The Missing Link: Villagers Cut Off From Tank City Amid Heavy Rain

*Express Tribune, April 8, 2015*

### Japan Satisfied With Development In Sindh

*The Nnews, April 8, 2015*

### Pakistan farmers shift from wheat to cope with floods

*Eco-Business, April 7, 2015*

PU Dengue Research Group (DRG) at Al Raazi Hall on Wednesday. "Last year, the World Health Organization and SIMS (Services Institute of Medical Sciences) had sent five samples of suspected dengue patients, but no sample was found positive," Dr Khan said. "The PU team had intimated the Punjab government last year in time which took steps accordingly to avoid the outbreak. This year too there is no likelihood of dengue outbreak."

DRG Chairman Prof Dr Saeed Akhter gave a presentation about dengue prevention measures and said that offices and house environment should particularly be kept dry. He also commended efforts by Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif to control dengue fever. PU Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Mujahid Kamran appealed to the media to report the detection of dengue larvae after verification. "All the larvae of mosquitoes do not belong to Aedes Aegypti and media should not create panic and play responsible role in this regard," he said. PU Faculty of Life Sciences Dean Prof Dr Naeem Khan, Department of Zoology Chairman Dr Javed Iqbal Qazi, Chief Minister's monitoring force head Mubarak, Deputy District Officer (health) Dr Muhammad Iqbal and others also attended the seminar.

**THESIS SHOW:** A degree show of MFA Visual Arts students of the Punjab University College of Art and Design began here on Wednesday. A total of 26 students showcased their works in the disciplines of painting, sculpture and graphic arts. The show with variety of techniques, media and keen skillfulness of the students in their selected majors, has attracted a large number of artists, art lovers and critics visited the show that will continue till April 14. The thesis display of the graphic design department will begin on April 13 and continue till April 17.

**DI KHAN:** At least 16 villages in Tank district were cut off from the main city after Shah Alam Bridge was submerged in water following a heavy downpour which lashed the region. Situated about 10 kilometres east of Tank city, the wooden structure is completely off limits for traffic. Failure to take prompt action in this regard has drawn the ire of residents as a large number of students and businessmen have been inconvenienced. "Students are having their matric exams," Majid Khan, an elder from Kot Kalay village told The Express Tribune. "They have to travel to the city to take their exams. Since it has become difficult for vehicles to pass through the bridge, students have been forced to travel on foot. Some of them have even missed their exams."

**A cycle of neglect?:** The bridge was built in the early 20th century and connects several villages to Tank city. However, this isn't the first time the link between the city and the villages has been severed. On August 9, 2010, parts of the bridge were destroyed in the floods. "This has become a recurring problem," said Majid Khan. "We have repeatedly asked government officials to repair it and even organised protests to have our voices heard. But our complaints have fallen on deaf ears."

During the Awami National Party-led government in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Rs40 million had been allocated to repair the bridge. However, the money was never released. "The provincial government has not released funds for repair and reconstruction work," said Umer Farooq Miankhal, a contractor who is working on the project. "As a result, we have halted construction work."

**Makeshift arrangement:** Until the government releases funds for the project, residents have taken matters into their own hands and constructed a makeshift bridge made of wood. However, the structure is not sturdy enough and is frequently washed away by heavy rain. Nevertheless, residents have found another way to ensure this provisional link to Tank city is not broken. "A villager is appointed to charge Rs10 to every vehicle which passes through the road," says Habibullah, a local. "The money is used to repair the bridge if it is damaged by heavy rainfall."

**HYDERABAD:** Consul General of Japan Akira Ouchi has expressed satisfaction on improved drinking water and sanitation system of rural Sindh which were destroyed by the floods of 2011. The Consul General said this while addressing a project completion ceremony at Ladho Kolhi Village, which was implemented by Sindh Community Foundation (SCF). The government of Japan had earlier extended a grant of around \$100,000 for the installation of 216 hand water pumps, five water supply systems and 200 public toilets in 27 villages located in the remote areas under Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP) in coordination with the non-governmental organization Sindh Community Foundation (SCF).

The Union Council Ghulam Shah Bagrani in Tando Muhammad Khan was worst affected by the flood, the village was entirely wiped out putting the community in a vulnerable situation. The completed facilities have so far benefitted more than 23,000 people living in the 27 villages with clean water and sanitation. The project was supported by Japan to improve the water and sanitation systems, which were damaged by the devastated flood.

Ouchi realized that the new water supply facilities will greatly contribute to the betterment of the people in the villages and wished that this project strengthens the friendly relationship between Japan and Pakistan. He lauded the generosity of the rural people in Sindh province, saying the people of Japan are also keen to extend the support to see the change in lifestyle in the rural areas of Pakistan. The Consul General was received warmly by the people of the rural area and was showered with petals. The people also chanted slogans to strengthen Pakistan and Japan friendship. SCF Executive Director Javed Hussain briefed about the cooperation of the community during the project completion and said Japan helped the people at a time of disaster.

As millions of farmers in Pakistan and neighbouring India bear the brunt of unseasonal, heavy rains that have destroyed their crops, some have devised their own mitigation plans to cope with the crisis. Muhammad Nageen, a farmer in Thoi Valley in Pakistan's mountainous Gilgit Baltistan area, is not familiar with the phrase climate change, but knows only too well the phenomenon of untimely, heavy rain that has led him to shift from wheat to potatoes and onions.

As experts debate the why and the how of climate change in seminar rooms the world over and unseasonal rains lash Pakistan and neighbouring India, leading to fears of food production being

significantly lowered, farmers like Nageen are crafting their own mitigation plans. The sowing season for a single crop started in the mountain valleys of the upper Indus region of Gilgit Baltistan shortly after the harsh winter. But this time Nageen decided to do something different. His wheat crop – the source of his livelihood and on which depended food as well as fodder — had been damaged for several years due to the change in the rain pattern and he has now moved to potatoes and onions that he believes will be more resilient.

Firm in his belief that wheat will no longer bring in the dividends, he is keen on converting his 20 acres of fertile land to orchards in the long term. Every year, the ready wheat crop is either partially or completely damaged by the end of August or early September because of torrential rains. First, the standing crops flatten due to strong winds, then the grain swells and ultimately becomes useless due to the moisture. "I have no other option but to grow potatoes and onions to sell in the market and buy wheat in return. Growing wheat in these valleys seems to no more a productive option," said Nageen. Every year, he added, the wheat crop is reduced to rubbish. Experts believe this is part of a climate change, which has been affecting the upper Indus area. The snow continues till early March and the harsh winter sets in in mid September itself. It takes at least five months to grow wheat in the mountain areas. Like Nageen, many others are doing a rethink on how to adapt to changing circumstances. Hundreds of small farmers in the region are shifting from wheat. Many people have started growing orchards of apricots, almonds and apples as an alternate option to avoid losses of livelihood due to erratic rainfall.

Mayoon Khan from Barkulti village is amongst those suffering the consequences of hail and heavy rain during the harvest season. "I have planted apricot and cherry trees in two fields. I used to grown wheat in those fields," he said. In a third field, he is growing potatoes that can withstand the vagaries of rain and also fetch an attractive market price. Ashraf Wali from Umalchat village is in the same boat too. The certainties of the past no longer hold and they are unsure about when to sow the crop.

**Expert view:** According to Babar Shahbaz, professor at University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, climate pattern had rapidly changed in the last eight to 10 years, impacting on the agriculture sector. There was significant change in the timing of winter and summer as well as the duration and extent of rain; this had many implications for crops. Shahbaz said the government had not taken any significant step to protect the farmers and provide them with new technology and seed varieties to meet the changed scenario. Provincial governments, he suggested, should take measures to educate farmers and how they should respond to climate change.

Ghulam Rasool, senior researcher at the Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) has been quoted as saying that winter rains in the north and central parts of Pakistan and the sudden rise and fall in temperature are related to climate change. "I will suggest that farmers revise the crop calendar according to the changed weather," Rasool suggested. Farmers, he added, should start sowing the crop early so they can harvest before heavy monsoon rains in late August and September. The situation is not confined to Gilgit Baltistan. Farmers in Sindh, Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa are facing similar problems, he said. There would earlier be no heavy rain during the wheat harvesting season in Sindh in March but it is different now.

According to Sher Ahmed of the Pakistan Agriculture Research Council, Gilgit Baltistan, unexpected rains have become common during the harvesting season, particularly in the far flung mountain areas of Ghizer, Skardu, Gojal, Ishkoman and Phunder valleys. "It is difficult for us to predict because of the unexpected change in the weather conditions over the years." The government was providing seed varieties in some areas that were helpful for the early preparation of crops. In his view, however, farmers are changing their crop pattern because of comparatively higher market prices of fruit, onion and potatoes as compared to wheat. Whatever the view, it is likely to be a bad year for millions of farmers in both Pakistan and India. Ibrahim Mughal, chairperson of the Pakistan Agri Forum, estimates that production is likely to be halved because of the rain. "If the rains come a month ahead of the harvesting time (April to mid-May), it is always disastrous. It can hit production for a crop such as wheat by between 20 per cent and 30 per cent, and if the rain is accompanied by hailstorms and winds then the losses can escalate to more than 50 per cent," he told tcktcktck.org. In India, too, prices will be hit. Unseasonal rains have hit the Rabi crop (sown in winter and harvested in spring), particularly wheat. The government has estimated that 30 per cent of the 62 million acres under cultivation have been hit by the unseasonal rain.

Pakistan is planning to use radar technology for flood and rain forecasts, and disaster-risk insurance plans are being prepared. Recently, the chief minister of Sindh requested removal of unapproved infrastructure from the Indus to lower risk of flooding. As the summer approaches, floods could become a reality.

Soon after the devastation caused by the floods of 2010, it became clear that, while technical systems for early warning and disaster-proof structures were necessary, it was also important to strengthen people economically and socially. Vulnerability to such impacts was one of the main causes of the massive losses. If losses are to be minimised in future, a reduction of this vulnerability is necessary.

The Forest Gate branch of Minhaj Welfare Foundation (MWF) sent a representatives to Pakistan. The trip was to assess MWF's progress in humanitarian projects there. The charity is part of the Minhaj-ul-Quran organisation, which has a mosque on Romford Road. On March 9, Newham's Minhaj-ul-Quran sent communication liaison officer, Adnan Sohail, who said his visit was a "real eye-opener". "My 14-day visit to Pakistan was part of a field visit on behalf of MWF, which has been working in the developing world since 1989," he said. "Part of my visit included a look at some of our key projects in education, health care and water." During his trip, Adnan travelled to Tharparkar in Sindh, a region in south east Pakistan that was hit with a severe drought through 2013 and 2014 that killed 45 children.

## Most At Risk

*The Whip, April 6, 2015*

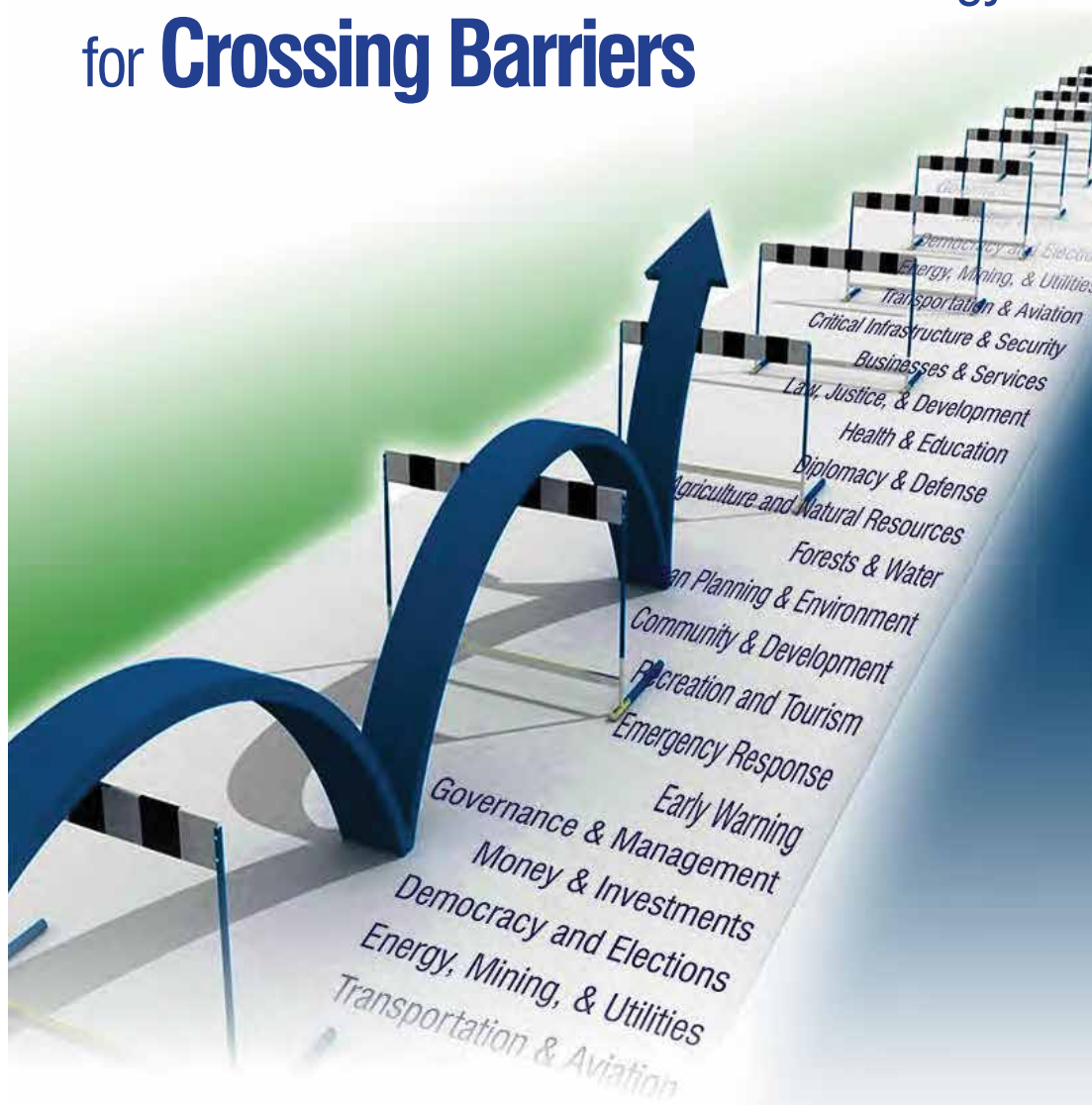
## Newham Muslim aid helps drought-hit Pakistanis

*Newham Recorder, April 6, 2015*



Since March 2014, it has had severe food and water shortages. The MWF organised fundraising scheme in which Newham muslims gave cash for emergency relief and water facilities. As a result, MWF gave emergency aid to more than 1,000 families and built 1,000 clean water facilities, helping more than 8,000 families. "The people of Tharparkar are living in abject poverty – the only thing they want is clean water," said Adnan. "I was glad to see the donations and efforts of the donors being well-spent on providing clean water to the poor and needy in Tharparkar." As well as his visit to Sindh, Adnan crossed the border to Punjab, India where MWF supports more than 630 primary and secondary schools. The MWF was founded in 1989 and is based in Lahore. It was the first charity in Pakistan's history to arrange and fund mass-marriage ceremonies for the poor. The largest ceremony had 25 couples, including four Christians, marrying on the same day at Minhaj University, Township. The group shares is led by the head of Minhaj-ul-Quran, Dr Muhammad Tahir-ul-Qadri. Dr Qadri famously issued a 600-page Fatwa (religious ruling) against terrorism in 2010, which condemned acts of terror as un-Islamic.

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## WEEKLY SITUATION ANALYSIS REPORT BY PDMA/PEOC, KP as of APRIL 9, 2015

Weekly Weather Alert		Weather outlook for April, 2015.
<b>Synoptic Situation:</b> : Continental air is prevailing over most parts of the country <b>Significant Weather Update:</b> Nil		As per PMD during the month of April, above average precipitation is expected during the month with higher values over upper Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Two to three spells of rainfall are expected to affect the country. Daily average temperature would be lower than average during the month of April, 2015.
<b>Thursday</b> <b>9-4-2015</b>	Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the Country.	<b>DAMS POSITION (0600 PST)</b>  TARBELA Max Level: 1550.00 Feet TARBELA Level : 1458.13 Feet Max Conservation Level:1204.05 Feet MANGLA Level: 1160.65 Feet
<b>Friday</b> <b>10-4-2015</b>	Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country. However, light rain-thunderstorm is expected at isolated places in D.I.Khan, Bannu and Kohat divisions.	
<b>Saturday</b> <b>11-4-2015</b>	Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the Country.	
<b>Sunday</b> <b>12-4-2015</b>	Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country.	
<b>Monday</b> <b>13-4-2015</b>	Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country.	
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>14-4-2015</b>	Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the country.	

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## SAFETY AND SECURITY

### NEWS HEADLINES

#### Law and order: Safe City Project to cover five cities, says Shahbaz

*The Express Tribune, April 12, 2015*

#### Terrorists kill 20 labourers in Turbat

*Geo News, April 11, 2015*

### DETAILS

**LAHORE:** Besides Lahore, the Safe City Project will be started in Multan, Rawalpindi, Faisalabad and Gujranwala, Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif said on Saturday. He was speaking at a meeting on the law and order situation in the province that he chaired. Among other steps, the meeting decided to set up a Safe City Authority. "The Safe City Project is of special importance with regard to law and order. The protection of the life and property of the people is a responsibility of the state. All steps are being taken in this regard," the chief minister said. The chief minister said that the Safe City Project should be started quickly. Steps taken under National Action Plan were also reviewed at the meeting. "The entire nation wants the elimination of terrorism, extremism and sectarianism. A decisive war is being fought against terrorism on all fronts. Immediate and effective steps are being taken in the Punjab under the National Action Plan Against Terrorism. The plan will purge the country of terrorism," he said.

The chief minister directed officials to take steps to improve security at important places. "Effective monitoring of security arrangements should be carried out continuously. The Cabinet Committee should regularly review the implementation of security arrangements and monitoring system," he said. Shahbaz Sharif directed the cabinet committee to immediately prepare a draft law for establishing the Punjab Safe City Authority. He further directed that action be continued against wall-chalking, distribution and publication of literature spreading religious hatred and against violations of the ban on use of loudspeakers. Ministers Col (retd) Shuja Khanzada and Mujtaba Shujaur Rehman, MPAs Rana Sanaullah and Zaeem Hussain Qadri, Special Assistant Rana Maqbool, Lahore Transport Company Chairman Khawaja Ahmed Hassaan, the chief secretary and the inspector general of police attended the meeting.

#### Oil and ghee prices:

Meanwhile, the chief minister directed the authorities concerned to take steps to ensure the provision of vegetable oil and ghee to the people at the fixed rates. He chaired a meeting of the Price Control Committee through video link. He said that the prices should be displayed on each oil and ghee pack. "Effective monitoring should be carried out for provision of quality vegetable oil and ghee at the rates set by the government. All departments should coordinate over the issue," he said. He said that the Price Control Committee should regularly review the prices of edibles. "Capacity-building at government departments is the need of the hour," he said. The chief minister directed ministers and secretaries to visit all districts and check prices and quality of oil and ghee. The industries secretary briefed the meeting about the steps taken to ensure the prices of oil and ghee were reduced. Ministers Bilal Yasin, Chaudhry Muhammad Shafiq and Malik Nadeem Kamran, MPA Dr Ayesha Ghaus Pasha, the chief secretary, Lahore Division commissioner and the Lahore DCO attended the meeting.

**QUETTA:** At least 20 people were killed and three others injured when terrorists opened fire on a labour camp in Balochistan's Turbat area in the early hours of Saturday. The murdered labourers belonged to Sindh and Punjab provinces and were working on a bridge at Sohrab Dam in Gagdan area of Turbat. The bodies and injured have been shifted to Turbat Hospital. Commissioner Makran Pasand Khan Buledi told Geo News that 16 of the dead belonged to Sadiqabad and Rahim Yar Khan while four hailed from Hyderabad. The incident took place at around 1:30AM, he added. Buledi said that unidentified gunmen, riding motorcycles, attacked the camp, built for labourers working on a bridge at Sohrab Dam in Gagdan area. Police and other security forces have cordoned off the area after reaching at the site, he said. The commissioner said that all check posts and security stations have been alerted. AFP Adds: Akbar Hussain Durrani a senior administration official said the labourers were lined up and shot after the terrorists asked for their identity. Hussain further said that security personnel guarding the camp had fled when confronted by a large number of attackers. Nobody has claimed responsibility for the incident but Hussain said insurgents have attacked non-Baloch settlers in the area in the past.

#### There was a security lapse in Turbat: CM

Chief Minister Balochistan Dr Abdul Malik Baloch said there was a security lapse in Turbat and action would be taken against those guards responsible for it. "The Turbat incident was a result of Levies negligence". Speaking to Geo News Dr Baloch condemned the horrific incident in Turbat and said efforts were underway to improve the security situation in the province. "Is murdering the poor justice," the chief minister asked. The chief minister added the provincial government would provide security to labourers in the area. Earlier the chief minister summoned a report of the attack and directed authorities to arrest those responsible. Compensation of Rs1 million for the victims' families and Rs. 50,000 for the injured was also announced.

#### Eight Levies personnel arrested

Security forces informed Geo News that eight Levies personnel had been arrested. These personnel were accused of fleeing when terrorists attacked the camp of labourers' in Turbat.

#### Levies personnel did not repulse attack: Home Minister

Balochistan Home Minister Mir Sarafarz Bugti said an order had been passed to arrest security personnel who had failed to resist the terrorist attack. The minister said police and Levies personnel didn't repulse the attack and an inquiry has also been ordered against the personnel who were deployed for security of the labourers. "There is no place in police for such personnel", he said, adding that a search operation has also been launched in the area to arrest the attackers.

#### PM Nawaz condemns attack

**CIA arrest TTP commander from Lahore**  
*The Express Tribune, April 10, 2015*

Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif strongly condemned the attack in Turbat resulting into the killing of 20 labourers. Expressing his grief and shock he sought immediate report on the incident. The prime minister directed provincial government and law enforcement agencies to ensure that all steps were taken for bringing the culprits to justice. Extending condolences to the bereaved families Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said the government was committed to eradicating the menace of terrorism and extremism from the country.

**LAHORE:** The Crime Investigation Agency (CIA) on Thursday claimed to have arrested a member of the banned Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) and commander of Harkatul Mujahideen, who had allegedly kidnapped Colonel Imam, a retired officer of the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) and squadron leader (retd) Khalid Khawaja. The suspect was identified as Hafiz Sanaullah alias Qari Zarar by the CIA. Terming the arrest a major breakthrough, a police official said the CIA team arrested him from Lorry Adda, Lahore on a tip off, adding that during interrogation Sanaullah had made startling revelations. He was allegedly involved in a number of kidnapping-for-ransom cases in Lahore and Rawalpindi, adding that he often hurled hand grenades and other sophisticated weapons to pursue his criminal activities. In 2009, Sanaullah said, he in connivance of Punjabi Taliban kidnapped Col Imam, Col Khalid Khawaja, a journalist Asad Qureshi and his employee. The three were taken to Waziristan, where he slayed Col Imam and Khalid Khawaja. Qureshi and his employee were later released after ransom payment of Rs14 million from their families.

Quoting the suspect, the police official added that he had even abducted a citizen from Islamabad in 2008, who was later set free after collecting Rs27 million from his family. Further, in 2001, Sanaullah had abducted two officials of a security agency from Balochistan. According to police, Sanaullah who hails from Dera Ismail Khan had received militant training from Waziristan and Afghanistan. In 1998, he was made the Nazim of Harkatul Mujahideen and then commander in 2000. He had also been Nazim of central office of the banned organisation in Golra Sharif in 2005, and a close aide to its Amir.

**Evacuation mission culminates as 1019 stranded Pakistanis brought home from Yemen: FO**  
*Daily Times, April 10, 2015*

**ISLAMABAD** - 1019 stranded Pakistanis have been evacuated from Yemen in the last ten days by three special flights, three naval evacuations and a land evacuation, through neighboring Oman, there may still be an estimated 100-150 Pakistanis left in the country, these are mostly the ones who have chosen to stay on. The emergency evacuation operation has thus effectively culminated on 7th April, 2015, since we do not have any more compatriots registered for evacuation, a statement by the foreign office said here Friday. This was the first wide scale evacuation from Yemen, through special flights and Navy ships, during the current crisis, and the first to conclude successfully, safely bringing back all nationals wanting to evacuate at a minimal cost to the national exchequer. It would not have been possible to carry out such a formidable undertaking, without the un-interrupted guidance and support of the Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, and the excellent coordination among all concerned departments, including, Civil Aviation Authority, PIA, Ministry of Defence (Pakistan Navy in particular), Ministry of Overseas Pakistanis, as well as, our Embassies in Sana'a, Muscat, Addis Ababa, Beijing and Riyadh.

There were around 3000 Pakistanis residing in Yemen before the current crisis. However, in response to various advisories sent by the mission, in the wake of evolving security situation, the community members started leaving Yemen gradually, and only around 1200 Pakistanis remained in the country when air strikes campaign by GCC coalition commenced on March 26, 2015. Over 900 of these registered with the embassy for immediate evacuation. They were mostly located in Sana'a, Al Hudeida, Aden and Mokallah. The statement said that seamless implementation of a historic emergency evacuation mission, under the prime minister's leadership and supervision, has ensured a safe return for all our stranded citizens in Yemen and earned laurels for the country, with a number of foreign nationals having been rescued and returned to their countries.

**Pakistan parliament rejects Saudi call to join Yemen coalition**  
*Gulf News, April 10, 2015*

**ISLAMABAD:** Pakistan's parliament voted on Friday not to join the Saudi-led military intervention in Yemen, rejecting Riyadh's call for support from outside of the region in its fight to halt the advance of Iranian-allied Al Houthi rebels. A unanimous resolution passed by a special session of parliament backed the government's commitment to protect Saudi Arabia's territory, which has so far not been threatened by the conflict. But it said Pakistan should play a mediating role and not get involved in fighting — turning down longstanding ally Riyadh's request for troops, ships and warplanes. "Parliament of Pakistan... underscores the need for continued efforts by the government of Pakistan to find a peaceful resolution of the crisis," the resolution said. It adopted a draft resolution calling on all sides to resolve their differences peacefully in a "deteriorating security and humanitarian situation" which has "implications for peace and stability of the region." "[Parliament] desires that Pakistan should maintain neutrality in the Yemen conflict so as to be able to play a proactive diplomatic role to end the crisis." It expressed "unequivocal support for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia" and promising to "stand shoulder to shoulder with Saudi Arabia and its people" if Saudi territory were violated.

Pakistan's government has yet to comment publicly on the draft but has said it would comply with parliament's decision. The motion came after five days of debate on the Yemen crisis, in which the majority of lawmakers urged Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif not to send Pakistani forces to join the fight. The coalition led by Riyadh has been hitting Al Houthi rebels in Yemen with air strikes in a bid to restore the government of President Abd Rabbo Mansour Hadi. Saudi Arabia has vowed to bomb the rebels, who it says are backed by Tehran, into surrender to prevent them establishing a pro-Iran state on its doorstep. Islamabad found itself in an awkward position on Yemen. It has deep military and religious ties to Saudi and has long benefited from the kingdom's support. But it has been reluctant to become ensnared in a conflict. Moreover, the large Pakistani military is stretched, maintaining a heavy presence on the border with arch-rival India as well as fighting against Taliban militants in the northwest. Instead, Pakistan has pushed diplomatic efforts in the past week, holding talks with Turkish and Iranian officials to try to forge a way ahead.

## Decisive war is being fought against terrorists: CM

*Daily Times, April 10, 2015*

Friday's resolution urged the government to begin work in the UN Security Council and the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation bloc to bring about a ceasefire. On Wednesday Iran's Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif and his Pakistani counterpart Sartaj Aziz pledged to work for a peaceful end to the fighting. Zarif laid out a four-stage plan for talks, calling for an immediate ceasefire followed by humanitarian assistance, dialogue among Yemenis and the formation of an "all-inclusive government". Aziz appeared cool on Iran's idea of an immediate ceasefire, saying it "would consolidate the existing ground position", which currently has Al Houthis in control of large parts of Yemen, including the capital Sana'a. Instead he called for "a more comprehensive resolution on facilitating an intra-Yemeni dialogue to create the possibility of some kind of negotiated solution".

Saudi Arabia is concerned that the violence could spill over the border it shares with Yemen, and is also worried about the influence of Iran, which has denied Saudi allegations it has provided direct military support to Al Houthis. Coalition air strikes hit Yemen for a sixteenth straight day. In Sana'a, they targeted weapons storage sites used by soldiers loyal to former president Ali Abdullah Saleh, a powerful supporter of Al Houthis. The air raids, which hit the Defence Ministry and other facilities, lasted hours, residents told Reuters. "The sky was lit up," said Fadel Mohammad. "We heard big explosions." Saleh is still influential in the military, despite giving up power in 2012 after mass protests against his rule, complicating efforts to stabilise the country. Yemen's 150,000 barrel-per-day Aden refinery has shut as the conflict worsened, industry sources said. The refinery earlier suspended its tender process for importing oil products, due to the crisis and several tankers headed to the country have been diverted away.

Aden residents said electricity and water had been cut in several districts, rubbish had been left uncollected and hospitals were unable to cope with the number of wounded. "The humanitarian situation in Aden is catastrophic and disastrous, both in terms of the rising number of killed and injured as well as in declining capabilities of medics, along with shortages in water and electricity," local health ministry official Al Khadr Lawsar said. "We call on fighters to adhere to international law and respect the work of ambulances and medical staff in the field," he added, citing the fatal shooting of two brothers working for the Red Crescent while evacuating wounded last week. Aden residents reported heavy explosions from coalition air strikes and naval bombardment on Al Houthi positions which shook windows throughout the city.

An Indian ship captain working in Aden was killed in shelling on the city's dockyard overnight, his company announced, and local media reported that Al Houthi and allied army units had fired mortars into the area. An air strike hit a local government compound in the northern suburb of Dar Saad and fires in Aden's outskirts sent plumes of smoke into the air. Two planes carrying emergency medical aid landed in Sana'a on Friday, the first deliveries from international aid groups since the heavy fighting began. They were brought in by the International Committee of the Red Cross and the United Nations Children's Fund, Unicef, which had been trying for days to get aid flights into the country.

**LAHORE:** Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif has said that Pakistan is passing through a critical phase of the history. He said that the unity and consensus needed today is more than ever before. He said that serious steps are being taken for overcoming energy crisis and terrorism. He said that effective implementation on national action plan is continuing in Punjab for eliminating terrorism and besides terrorists, action is also being taken against their facilitators. Shahbaz Sharif said that sentences have been made deterrent through necessary amendments in laws. He said that the entire nation is determined to eliminate terrorism, extremism and sectarianism forever. The CM said that the terrorists and extremists will be made an example with the power of unity of the nation and reiterated that Pakistan will be purged of terrorism and extremism. The Chief Minister said that decisive war is being fought against the menace of terrorism in which victory is the only option. He expressed the hope that the war of survival of the country will be won at every cost by coming up to the expectations of the nation. He said that the entire nation is standing by Pak Army and law enforcement agencies like a rock wall. He further said that Pakistani nation is imbued with new spirit, determination and full force and this moment is of a decisive action against the scourge of terrorism.

Shahbaz Sharif said that extraordinary steps are being taken in the present extraordinary situation for protecting the life and property of the people and these steps are yielding encouraging results. He said that the war against terrorism is for the survival of our coming generations and we are determined to return the lost peace to the country. He vowed that terrorism will be eliminated forever with strong determination of the nation and Pakistan will be made an Islamic welfare state in the real sense. Referring to the steps for eliminating energy crisis, said that work is continuing speedily on various energy projects during the tenure of PML-N government. He said that planning has been made for generating 3600 megawatt electricity through gas. He said that Punjab government will set up 1200 megawatt gas-based projects while federal government will set up 2400 megawatt gas-based projects. He said that our every step is moving towards eliminating energy crisis. He said that all out resources are being utilized for overcoming energy problems. He said that work is continuing expeditiously on the projects of generating electricity through cheap sources. He expressed these views while talking to Assembly Members belonging to various districts who called on him here on Thursday.

Acting Ambassador of Saudi Arabia Jassim Mohammed Al-Khaldi met Punjab Chief Minister Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif in Islamabad, today, in which regional situation, bilateral relations and matters of mutual interest were discussed. Speaking on the occasion, Shahbaz Sharif said that deep brotherly and friendly ties exist between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia and these relations can be further promoted through increasing economic cooperation. He said that Pakistan and Saudi Arabia are tied with everlasting brotherhood. The Chief Minister said that Saudi Arabia is very close, trustworthy and sincere friend of Pakistan. He said that the friendship of both the countries is time tested and Saudi Arabia has supported Pakistan in every hour of trial. Acting Ambassador of



### COAS directs commanders to focus on objective to elimination of terrorism

*Daily Times, April 10, 2015*

### Draft prepared: New policy to document unregistered Afghans on the cards

*The Express Tribune, April 9, 2015*

### KP records 60pc reduction in terror attacks

*Daily Dawn, April 9, 2015*

Saudi Arabia Jassim Mohammed Al-Khaldi said that the people of Saudi Arabia and Pakistan are tied with strong religious, historic and friendly relations. American Ambassador in Pakistan Richard Olson also called on Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif on Thursday. Matters of mutual interest, bilateral relations and promotion of cooperation in different sectors were discussed during the meeting.

**RAWALPINDI:** Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif on Friday directed the commanders to maintain focus on achieving the end objective of total elimination of terrorism from across Pakistan by coordinating with law enforcement and other government agencies. Addressing the participants of the 181st Corps Commander's Conference held here at General Headquarters, he expressed his complete satisfaction over the major gains, recently achieved in ongoing operation Zarb-e-Azb in Khyber Agency. "Intelligence Based Operations must be further intensified to unearth terrorist sleeper cells, and apprehend hiding terrorists and their abettors from urban centres as well," he added. Appreciating the effects of Intelligence Based Operations and improving security situation, the army chief emphasized the need to concentrate on combating extremism from the society by re-energizing the National Action Plan in true letter and spirit and achieving discernible results. He also expressed his satisfaction over initiation of dignified return of the displaced persons to FATA which was reflective of a successful Zarb-e-Azb strategy.

General Sharif directed all concerned to make the return smooth and enduring. "The eventual purpose of the operations is to ensure stability leading to normalcy and prosperity in accordance with the aspirations of the people of FATA," he added. According to ISPR, the participants dwelt on professional matters, operational preparedness of the army and internal and external security situation of Pakistan. With regard to the Yemen/Middle East conflict, the forum deliberated at length on the gravity of the situation and stressed that continuation of the conflict will have serious implications for regional security.

**BANNU / PESHAWAR:** A new policy will soon be formulated by the Ministry of States and Frontier Regions (SAFRON) and Commissionerate of Afghan Refugees in Pakistan for the documentation of unregistered Afghan refugees in the country. This was stated by Additional Commissioner for Afghan Refugees Waqar Maroof on Thursday at a workshop held in Peshawar. Maroof said under the new policy, unregistered refugees will be documented through the National Database and Registration Authority. According to Maroof, the SAFRON ministry has sent a draft proposal to the interior ministry and finance ministry to seek funds. "Once the funds are approved, the modalities of registration would be implemented accordingly," he said. Maroof was addressing the workshop organised by the Commissionerate of Afghan Refugees in collaboration with UNHCR at a local hotel to create awareness for the protection of Afghan refugees living in the country.

In his address, FATA Establishment Secretary Syed Zaheerul Islam Abbasi made assurances that the federal and provincial governments would refrain from unnecessarily harassing refugees. "Both governments are working jointly with international organisations for safe and dignified repatriation of Afghan nationals," said Abbasi. "To avoid disturbance by law-enforcement agencies, every refugee should register themselves with the authorities." Abbasi also highlighted the need for efficient regulation of people's movement at the Pak-Afghan border and development of these areas. UNHCR Peshawar head Jacques Franquin said UNHCR along with the Pakistan and Afghan government is committed to undertaking a joint fundraising initiative to mobilise resources for implementing the voluntary return of refugees.

#### Travel ban lambasted

Afghan refugees settled in various parts of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa's southern districts have termed a ban imposed on them on using the Kohat Tunnel and Khushal Garh Bridge to travel to other parts of the country an injustice. Addressing a news conference at the Bannu Press Club on Thursday, Afghan elders Haji Bacha Khan, Muhammad Nabi, Haji Malang Jan, Waseem Khan and others criticised the government for the prohibition. According to the elders, thousands of Afghans moved to Pakistan over three decades ago to escape the Soviet war in their country. Many of them settled in K-P's southern districts of Karak, Bannu, Kohat, DI Khan, Tank and Lakki Marwat. The Afghan elders said they have refugee cards issued by the UNHCR but despite that the government of Pakistan has barred them from travelling through Kohat Tunnel and Khushal Garh Bridge.

"We have relatives in other parts of the country, but the government's restriction has left us confined to our homes," said an elder. He added people also need to go to hospitals in Peshawar and the commute through Kohat Tunnel is less time-consuming. The Afghan elders said they were thankful for the hospitality the people of Pakistan have shown them in the past three decades, and have respected the country's law, customs and values during their stay. They added they had submitted written complaints to UNHCR as well as Pakistan's government, Afghan consulate, Chief Minister Pervez Khattak, PTI Chairman Imran Khan on the issue and demanded that the restriction be lifted.

**PESHAWAR:** Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has recorded a 60 per cent reduction in terrorist attacks in the first three months of the current year compared to the same period, last year, according to a police report. The report said that during the first three months of 2015, 57 terror incidents occurred compared to 139 in the corresponding period, last year. There has also been a decrease in the casualties in the first quarter of this year as 51 persons were killed during the period compared to 179 killed in the first three months of the previous year. According to the statistics available with the police, only one incident of suicide bombing occurred in the first three months, this year compared to five such incidents, last year. Similarly, a total of nine rocket and hand grenade attacks took place during the first quarter compared to 22 incidents last year. A major decrease was witnessed in the incidents of IED explosions as only 20 IED blasts occurred during the period in focus compared to a huge 74 such incidents last year, the report said.

The lone suicide attack in the first quarter of the current year occurred at a Shia mosque in Peshawar; however, the counterterrorism department succeeded in not only identifying the suicide

### Acts of terror: UN imposes sanctions on TTP chief

*The Express Tribune, April 9, 2015*

### Pakistan urges equal security rights for all nations

*The News, April 9, 2015*

### NAP report presented to PM says 65 convicts executed, 30314 operations conducted

*Dunya News, April 9, 2015*

### Military operation: 263 terrorists killed in Khyber Agency to date, says ISPR

*The Express Tribune, April 8, 2015*

### Aftermath of war: Govt launches Fata refugees return strategy

*The Express Tribune, April 8, 2015*

bomber, but also the group of terrorists involved in the act, the police report maintained. It said that the provincial counterterrorism department led by AIG Salahuddin had, with the support of Intelligence Bureau, worked out 145 cases of terrorism. Presently, all incidents of terrorism have been registered in CTD police stations which exclusively handle these cases. The CTD also succeeded in arresting 121 terrorists and six proclaimed offenders carrying head money, the report concluded.

**NEW YORK:** The United Nations Security Council has added banned Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan chief Mullah Fazlullah to its sanctions list for perpetrating and financing terror acts. Fazlullah will now be subjected to assets freeze, travel ban and arms embargo. The decision was taken during a meeting of the 15-member council's al-Qaeda Sanctions Committee on a proposal by the United States. In January, the US designated Fazlullah as a global terrorist and slapped sanctions against him.

**UNITED NATIONS:** Reaffirming its commitment to the goal of disarmament, Pakistan has called for recognition of the right to equal security for all states, both in the non-conventional and conventional fields and at regional as well as international levels, as part of efforts to build a peaceful world. "This is an essential pre-requisite for progress in areas of non-proliferation, arms control and disarmament," Ambassador Maleeha Lodhi, permanent representative of Pakistan to the UN, told the Disarmament Commission, a subsidiary of the General Assembly, on Tuesday. "The global security landscape is becoming increasingly complex," the Pakistani envoy said. "Even as old disputes remain unresolved in some regions, new conflicts and tensions have emerged from Europe and the Middle East to Asia. The promise of a new century of peace and stability is now giving way to the gloomy advent of new cold wars," she said, pointing out the disarmament regime and architecture were not immune from this trend. Some nuclear-weapons states, Ambassador Lodhi said, were neither willing to give up their large inventories of nuclear weapons nor their modernisation programmes, even as they pursued non-proliferation with messianic zeal.

Many states continued to pursue policies of granting waivers and exemptions from long-held non-proliferation principles, thus contributing to insecurity and imbalances in some regions, such as South Asia, she said. "Military expenditures are rising and conventional weapons inventories expanding, including in South Asia." The Pakistani envoy put forth several ideas to promote greater cooperation in strengthening global security. She called for, among other elements, recognition of the right to equality for all States; addressing the underlying security considerations which drove smaller States to seek weapons to defend themselves; renewed commitment among nuclear-weapon States to achieve nuclear disarmament that reduced and eliminated nuclear warhead delivery systems within a reasonable timeframe; an agreed, criteria-based and non-discriminatory approach to promote peaceful uses of nuclear energy under appropriate international safeguards; and assurances for non-nuclear-weapon States that they would not be threatened with the use or threat of use of nuclear weapon. Ambassador Lodhi also called for curbing the development and use of drones and Lethal Autonomous Robots (LARs), weapons systems that can attack targets without any human input, and subjected to international humanitarian law.

**ISLAMABAD:** The National Action Plan's (NAP) performance report was presented to Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif on Thursday saying as many as 65 convicts have been executed and thirty thousand three hundred and fourteen operations have been conducted throughout the country ever since the strategic plan began. The report said that various law enforcement institutions have arrested as many as 34,517 suspects involved in various crimes. Out of those 34,517; 763 are from Islamabad, 9 thousand from Azad Jammu and Kashmir, 103 from Gilgit Baltistan, 185 from FATA, 2870 from Punjab, 7163 from Sindh, 19898 from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and 3526 from Balochistan. It further said that security institutions conducted 30,314 countrywide operations out of which 406 were in Islamabad, 1491 in AJK, 96 in Gilgit-Baltistan, 97 in FATA, 15370 in Punjab, 6034 in Sindh, 6730 in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and 90 in Balochistan. The report said that as many as 65 criminals convicted of extreme crimes have been executed until now. 51 of those executions took place in Punjab, 11 in Sindh, one in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and two in AJK. This report comprises the statistics and figures from December 24 until April 1st, 2015.

**RAWALPINDI:** At least 263 hardcore terrorists have so far been killed in the ongoing operation in Khyber Agency's Tirah valley, as part of the Operation Zarb-e-Azb, the ISPR said. According to DG ISPR Major General Asim Bajwa, Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif visited frontline troops in Khyber Agency on Wednesday to review the progress so far in eliminating the terrorists. He said strongholds of terrorists were considerably reduced and the fight was now taking place in last few areas close to the Afghan border. "The noose has been tightened and there is no escape for the terrorists," he tweeted. Bajwa said the area was infested with foreign-made IEDs, and over 392 such explosive devices were neutralised by Special Engineers Unit.

Thirty five Pakistan Army soldiers embraced martyrdom since the start of Khyber Operation II, added the DG. The army chief paid rich tribute to the sacrifices of the soldiers, and appreciated their successes. He directed the armed forces to continue with their work till terrorism is completely eliminated and ultimate peace is achieved in the country. General Raheel said the nation stands with the security forces, appreciating tribal brethren for their support in evicting terrorists from their areas.

**ISLAMABAD:** Authorities in Pakistan launched on Monday the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) Sustainable Return and Rehabilitation Strategy amid pledges of financial support. The event was replete with speeches by dignitaries and lists of figures. Only one thing was missing: an actual strategy to sustainably rehabilitate the people of the tribal areas. The 'strategy' the government was launching refers to the Rs75.4 billion that are to be spent on helping people affected by the government's war against the Taliban and other militants to return to their homes in the tribal areas. It was jointly launched by the Federal Ministry for States and Frontier Regions (Safron) and Fata development authority in Islamabad.

## US State Department approves Pakistan's request for arms worth \$1b

*The Express Tribune, April 7, 2015*

## Terrorism: National Action Plan being implemented, says IGP

*The Express Tribune, April 7, 2015*

## KP governor assures repatriation of 6 lac IDPs till July

*Dunya News, April 7, 2015*

## Bearing the brunt: Peshawar worst hit by terror in 2014

*The Express Tribune, April 6, 2015*

The event was attended by Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa Governor Mehtab Abbasi, Safron Minister Abdul Qadir Baloch, as well as the ambassadors of the United States, the European Union, China, Japan, and representatives from the United Nations as well as other countries. The participants insisted that the government had developed a strategy that involved political, constitutional and administrative reforms in Fata to help ensure that the hard-fought peace is sustainable. However, they failed to present any actual strategy that involved such measures. "The state has to figure out a multi-pronged strategy for a sustainable development in the tribal areas," said Governor Abbasi.

**Web Desk:** The US State Department has approved Pakistan's request to purchase US-made attack helicopters, missiles and other equipment valued at almost \$1 billion, aimed at fighting insurgent's in the country. US defence companies are currently involved in a three-way tussle with Russia and China to sell weapons to Pakistan which is further complicated by the need to avoid upsetting India and its even larger arms' import market. The Pentagon on Monday said that Pakistan had requested 15 AH-1Z Viper helicopters made by the Bell arm of Textron Inc alongside 1,000 Hellfire missiles produced by Lockheed Martin Corp and a host of other communications and training equipment with valued at a total of \$952 million, according to a notification to Congress, which approves every sale.

The deal would be structured as a foreign military sale between the two governments. "This proposed sale of helicopters and weapon systems will provide Pakistan with military capabilities in support of its counterterrorism and counterinsurgency operations in South Asia," said the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, which oversees US military exports. The United States, in January of this year handed over serviceable weapons, ammunition and other sophisticated military equipment to Pakistan that was being used by the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) troops in Afghanistan.

**LAHORE:** Police are doing their best to implement the decisions of Apex Committees concerning the National Action Plan against terrorism, IGP Mushtaq Ahmad Sukhera said on Monday. He was reviewing progress on the National Action Plan at the Central Police Office. He was informed that over the last 12 weeks, 3,396 cases had been registered, 3,336 suspects arrested, 3,124 challans submitted and 768 suspects convicted for violating Sound Systems (Regulation) Ordinance, 2015. He was informed that 368 cases had been registered, 344 accused arrested, 252 challans submitted and 113 suspects have been convicted for violating the Prohibition of Expressing Matters on Walls (Amendment) Ordinance, 1995. The IGP was told that 2,420 cases had been registered and 3,351 suspects arrested for violating the Information of Temporary Residents Ordinance, 2015.

**ISLAMABAD:** Governor of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK) Sardar Mehtab Ahmad Khan on Tuesday assured of sending as many as 6 lac Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) to their local areas and also vowed to ensure their better future, Dunya News reported. While talking to the media in Islamabad, Governor KP stated that repatriation of IDPs would continue to July. KP governor showed concerns over providing health and employment opportunities to them and clarified that tribal people possess no relation with terrorism as they are well wishers of Pakistan. Earlier, the process of repatriation of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) on Tuesday is scheduled to kick start with at least 1,300 families moving back to Sapanwam from Banu. The IDPs celebrated their repatriation post Pakistan Army's success against militants in the area.

The IDPs are going back to their local areas after a span of as many as ten months. More than 1,300 families belonging to different villages in Sapanwam area will move back today. The people celebrated their return by singing traditional local songs and dancing. This presented a scene of Eid for the people who spent the last two Eids away from home. The IDPs thanked the Pakistan Army and the government for the facilities provided to them in the temporary residential camps until the operation against banned outfits' operatives was over in the militant hit areas. In the first phase of repatriation, at least 91,601 families are scheduled to return to their homes. The people will be given Rs 10,000 for transport while Rs 25,000 for the initial expenses of settlement.

**PESHAWAR:** Known by old timers as the city of flowers, Peshawar now holds the unenviable position of being the most militancy-hit district of the province. In 2014 there were 401 incidents of terrorism, including suicide attacks, IED blasts and target killings in Peshawar district. It was followed by Hangu and Charsadda, states the confidential police report State of militancy in K-P.

### Peshawar district

About 283 civilians and 73 law-enforcement personnel were killed in various attacks. At the same time, 601 civilians and 87 law-enforcement officials suffered injuries in these brutal strikes. There have been seven suicide bombings, 169 IED attacks, 65 target killings, 79 firing incidents and 19 mortar attacks among others forms of terror strikes. Not only has the district borne the brunt of the war against terror, but Peshawar Division, which also comprises Charsadda and Nowshera, suffered 50% of all militant attacks in the province in 2014.

### Attacks

In 2013, there were 405 militant attacks in Peshawar Division; a number which shot up to 508 the following year. Also, the number of terrorist attacks in Peshawar district jumped from 291 in 2013 to 401 in 2014. The favoured modus operandi of extortionists and militants remained IEDs as 212 of these devices went off in 2014 compared to 202 in 2013. Though suicide attacks decreased from nine in 2013 to seven last year, IED blasts, hand grenade attacks and target killing incidents rose considerably in Peshawar district. Hangu witnessed the second highest number of terror-related incidents with 88 different attacks in 2014. This compares to 63 incidents in 2013, while Charsadda was the third worst affected in 2014 with 86 terrorists attacks. In 2013, Bannu was the second-worst hit district in 2013 followed by Charsadda with 94 attacks.

A police official told The Express Tribune there was an overall decrease in the number of large-



## Daily Situation Report on Return of TDPs of Bara Khyber Agency, South Waziristan Agency and North Waziristan Agency (1st Phase)

FDMA, April 9, 2015

scale bombings in Peshawar district, but IEDs planted by militants and extortionists remained a problem throughout 2014. "Peshawar is the heart of the provincial government and is quite accessible from the Khyber Agency, Mohmand Agency, Darra Adam Khel and FR Peshawar at large," he said. The officer added the ongoing military operation had limited the militants to some extent, but they consequently hit soft targets as was evident from the Army Public School massacre. "I think the threat to Peshawar will continue in future," he said, adding considerable security arrangements were required to counter the danger.

Daily Situation Report on the Return of TDP families of Bara (Aka Khel tribe) of Khyber Agency, South Waziristan Agency and North Waziristan Agency from the embarkation points mentioned against each is given as under:-

### BARA KHYBER AGENCY

<u>Milward Fort Aka Khel Embarkation Point</u>	VRF Issued/ Families Returned	Total Distributed Families	Male Headed	Female Headed
Report upto 08.04.2015	11437	8623	8623	8623
Report as on 09.04.2015	400	537	537	537
<b>Total</b>	<b>11837</b>	<b>9160</b>	<b>9160</b>	<b>9160</b>

### SOUTH WAZIRISTAN AGENCY

Kaur Fort District Tank Embarkation Point	Total Target Total Distributed Families Male Headed			Polio Vaccinat ion Done	SIM Issued	ATM Card Issued
	VRF Issued	Un- Register ed	Total			
Stage-I of Phase-I completed on 31.03.2014	3238	1551	4789	4789	4789	2900
<b>Total</b>	<b>3238</b>	<b>1551</b>	<b>4789</b>	<b>4789</b>	<b>4789</b>	<b>2900</b>

### NORTH WAZIRISTAN AGENCY (\* Return resumed from 9th April 2015)

Mirzail Check Post FR Bannu	VRF issued/ Families returned	Polio Vaccination Done	IPV done	ATM Card Issued
Report upto 01.04.2015	53	103	46	52
Report as on 09.04.2015	43	89	33	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>94</b>

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#### Schools' heads get more powers to improve performance

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#### Acquiring gas connection in Swabi is not so easy

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#### 'Technology helps improve health services'

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#### Gas supply to Karak: SNGPL to move summary to Prime Minister

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### DETAILS

**TIMERGARA:** Provincial finance minister Muzaffar Sayed has said that the government is committed to facilitating educational institutions and their heads in order to improve their performance. He was addressing a function attended by the heads of high and higher secondary schools at Education Complex, Balambat, on Saturday. Mr Sayed said the government would empower the heads of government schools in order to achieve desired results. He said the prime duty of teachers was to build students' character to make them good citizens. "If we are sincere to enhance standard of education we must give due respect to our teachers," he said, adding that more facilities and privileges would be announced for teachers in the next fiscal budget. The minister said that state, society, parents and teachers all had the collective responsibility to bring out-of-school children to schools in order to get 100 per cent literacy rate. Chairman district development advisory committee Saeed Gul, district education officer Dr Hafiz Mohammad Ibrahim, district officer Mohammad Riaz, district president of senior staff association Humayun Khan, assistant district officer Ali Haidar and others also spoke on the occasion. Muzafar Sayed and Saeed Gul also distributed laptops and printers among principals and headmasters of government high and higher secondary schools and motorcycles among 13 ADOs of the district.

Earlier, DEO Hafiz Ibrahim pointed out that the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government had released Rs 90 million for construction of boundary walls of 230 schools, Rs 25 million for purchasing furniture, Rs 16.62 million for purchase of motorcycles for education officers, Rs 9.7 million for computers along with accessories to 100 schools, and Rs 100,000 each for sports' fund for 59 schools. Besides, he said Rs140 million special fund had been provided to schools in Lower Dir. The DEO said that establishment of independent monitoring unit and installation of biometric system at education offices had improved staff attendance. Meanwhile, the provincial finance minister, DDAC chairman and the DEO launched enrolment campaign by admitting several children to schools in the district. The newly admitted students were also provided schoolbags and books. A function in this regard was jointly organised by the National Commission for Human Development and education department at Balambat. Speaking on the occasion, the minister urged teachers and heads of schools to make the campaign a success.

**SWABI:** Acquiring gas connection is an uphill task for the consumers who are made to use all means, legal or illegal, to get one, but to no avail. Consumers told Dawn on Friday that they had applied for the gas connections years back but had yet to get one for unknown reasons. Whenever we visited the regional office of the SNGPL the staff concerned told us that we should wait for our turn and not to visit the offices time and time again, the consumers lamented. Sahibzada of Palodand village said that even the letters of the politicians and incumbent parliamentarians could not have any effect on the SNGPL staff. Rajwali Khan of Maneri Bala said that under the country's constitution every Pakistani had the right to have access to basic facilities of life like gas, electricity, water, but it seemed that such provisions were not for the people of Swabi. "Influential people face no difficulty in getting all the required facilities of life," he lamented. The gas connection seekers said that the normal fee for a gas connection was Rs 3,000, but the incumbent PML-N-led federal government had fixed Rs25,000 for the purpose. This decision has benefited the affluent class to pay money and get early connections, but the poor people have been suffering, they regretted. Meanwhile, ANP leaders, while speaking at a meeting on Friday blasted the coalition partner, Awami Jamhoori Ittehad (AJIP), for failing to provide the people with gas facility. Mr Rehmanullah, ANP district president, said that AJIP had good relations with the ruling PML-N in the centre, but it had failed to provide people with gas facility even in the areas of its influence.

**LAHORE:** Punjab Information Technology Board chairman Dr Umar Saif said 21 projects had been initiated to improve health services in Punjab by using android and internet applications. Briefing participants in a meeting on Saturday, he said the projects included Dengue Tracking System, Disease Surveillance System of 26 communicable diseases, medicine inventory management system, health and hospital watch, polio vaccination system, biometric attendance system in hospitals and automation of all hospitals. Adviser to Chief Minister on Health Khwaja Salman Rafique and Health Secretary Jawad Rafiq were also present. "The technology has brought real-time change in the decades-old governance and public service delivery in our basic health units (BHUs), rural health centres (RHCs), tehsil and district headquarters hospitals across the province," Dr Saif said. He said now it's not possible for the administrative officers to send fake inspection reports because of evidence-based smart devices provided to them by the PITB.

**PESHAWAR:** Chief Minister Pervez Khattak has called upon the Federal Government and the authorities of Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) to expedite work on the provision of gas supply to the people of district Karak so that this long standing problem of the people of that backward area is resolved. He assured that once this is done, the patriotic consumers of that area would pay the bills of the utility. Accompanied by Minister for Education Muhammad Atif Khan, Chief Secretary KP Amjid Ali Khan and Minister for Energy and Power Ali Raza Bhatta besides others, the Chief Minister called on the Federal Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources Shahid Khaqan Abbasi in Islamabad on Friday evening. Advisor to Prime Minister Amir Muqam, Secretary Petroleum Arshad Mirza, DG Gas and other higher authorities of petroleum and natural resources ministry and its allied organizations were also present on the occasion. The participants discussed in detail the installation of a network of 2456-kilometer gas pipeline in district Karak, the cost of which has now been risen to Rs. 6.66 billion.

The Chief Minister regretted that had the Federal Government taken up the project in 2009, it would have been executed at a cost of less than three billion rupees. He regretted that Khyber

## Teacher faces challenges in noble task

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Pakhtunkhwa was quite rich in natural resources but due to the negligence of successive governments no development particularly industrialization has been initiated due to which unemployment is rampant in the province and the labor force has been constantly migrating to other parts of the world. This, he pointed out, has also exposed the people to extremism and militancy. The Chief Minister categorically stated that under the Constitution particularly its 18th Amendment, the people of the Province have the first right over these natural resources and hence the gas of the Province therefore, his government has planned to convert the gas into electricity and supply it to the industrial estates established near the gas fields, thus resolve the problem of unemployment there. After detailed discussion, it was decided that SNGPL will move a summary to the Prime Minister who will be asked to release the required funds for execution of the project and a jirga of both the federal and provincial governments would also be constituted to talk to the local people for ensuring regular payment of the cost of utility.

**FAISALABAD:** Umer Farooq, a subject specialist teacher at the Government Higher Secondary School, Rodo Sultan, has been struggling for five years to provide potable water to government schools and villages of Shorkot Tehsil, Jhang. He managed to arrange several handpumps by donations from a Pakistani-origin doctor settled in Qatar and got them installed for free in various villages and state-run schools. However, he is now finding it difficult to maintain the pumps as people are removing their parts to allegedly trouble rivals. Drug addicts have also been found selling pumping rods to meet their needs. Dr Shah Muhammad, a Pakistani serving in Qatar for years, was providing funds through a trust -- Alvi Trust -- for the handpumps after Farooq requested him. "While visiting Dera Ghazi Khan, Khushab, Bhakkar and other areas, I assessed the problem of shortage of water for daily consumption. I also conducted a study in different areas of Shorkot tehsil and detected that several people had no means to get handpumps installed that were much cheaper than electric pumps," Farooq told Dawn. He said he had contacted the donor requesting him to donate for installation of handpumps. "I sent him a request for the pumps. He sent a team for a survey and took care of the expenses for the installation," he added. The pumps had been installed in Waryyana Wala, Qaim Bharwana, Kot Farid Kathia, Budowana, Mirak Sial, Shah Sadiq Nahang, Jhala Bharwana, Kakowala, Athara Hazari, Waso Astana villages and other areas.

Shabbir Ahmed of Kot Farid Kathia, Shorkot said installation of handpumps at a corner of the road connecting three villages was a blessing. However, the pumping rod had been stolen depriving countless people of free sweet water. He alleged the poor had been struggling for sweet water, while the free handpump had fallen victim to rivalries. "If a villager sees any of his rivals using the handpump, he silently removes one of its parts leaving it nonfunctional," he claimed. He added the pump was unusable and nobody bothered to spend on its maintenance. "A man removed the pumping rod of the pump only to teach a lesson to his sons who were consuming the water, and did not pay a penny for its repair," Farooq lamented. Asad, a paan shop owner near the Government High School, Qaim Bharwana, was happy with the installation of a handpump nearby even though it had hit his business. He said the pump had deprived him of customers who travelled between Faisalabad and Multan. "Passengers used to get bottled water from my shop. But now I personally suggest they get water from the pump," he added. Asad criticised the locals and students who were using the pump water but ignoring cleanliness. Owing to their negligence a small pond had formed under the pump.

## In Punjab: Two suspected polio cases

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**SARGODHA:** Two polio cases have surfaced at Shahpur tehsil's Wadhi village, about 25 kilometres from the city, despite administration of polio drops to suspected victims. Muhammad Akram, a labourer, told reporters that his two sons had contracted polio virus though they were administered drops by the health department and officials issued cards to him. He alleged that health officials had taken back one of the cards to cover up their "malpractice". Akram said doctors were demanding Rs800,000 for treatment of his sons and he had no means to arrange the amount. He further alleged that some officials were asking him to return the other card as well. The EDO health was not available for comments while an official, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, claimed that the polio vaccine had proven efficacy and it was not possible for the children covered under the campaigns to contract virus.

## Advance tariff for AJK power project approved

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**ISLAMABAD:** The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) approved on Friday an average tariff applicable for 30 years of 7.24 cents per unit (Kwh) for the 1,100MW Kohala Hydropower Project, to be set up in Azad Kashmir by a subsidiary of the China Three Gorges Corporation at an estimated cost of \$2.3 billion. The tariff was finalised following negotiations between the National Transmission and Dispatch Company (NTDC) and the China International Water and Electric Corporation (CWE). The project would take six years to become functional and would provide cheap electricity for around 50 years. Its tariff for the first 12 years would be about 8.03 cents per unit, at an exchange rate of Rs98 to a dollar, and would pay off 70 per cent of the debt portion.

## Measles eradication campaign from Monday

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**QUETTA:** A 12-day measles eradication campaign will be launched from April 13 across Balochistan during which 3.5m children between six months and 10 years of age would be vaccinated. "Chief Minister Dr Malik Baloch has provided Rs137 million from his personal funds for launching the anti-measles campaign in 32 districts of Balochistan with the support of GAVI," Health Secretary Noor-ul-Haq Baloch announced at a press conference the other day. The Coordinator Extended Programme for Immunisation (EPI) Balochistan, Dr Shakir Ali Baloch and Deputy Coordinator of EPI Dr Ishaq Panezai and senior officials of Unicef and WHO were present on the occasion.

## Mohtasib for establishing new hospitals in Federal Capital

**ISLAMABAD:** The Federal Capital is in a dire need to have a couple of new hospitals to cater the health-related issues as the burden is solely on two government hospitals in the city. This was observed during a meeting held here at the Wafaqi Mohtasib Secretariat, chaired by Federal Ombudsman Salman M. Faruqi to look into the matter of maladministration in Pakistan Institute of



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## Two days left for biometric verification of mobile SIMs

*Dunya News, April 10, 2015*

## Reaching out to every missed child, a game changer in polio programme

*The Statesman, April 10, 2015*

## Lahore: Load shedding increases as temperature rises

*Dunya News, April 10, 2015*

## Rejuvenating education: Pakistan's first law university opens its doors to students

Medical Sciences (PIMS), according to a press release. The participants of the meeting suggested that it was the need of the hour to establish 2 or 3 new hospitals around Islamabad in order to cater for huge rush of patients at the country's largest hospital. During the course of meeting, the Parliamentarians gave various short and long term proposals relating to enhancement of budget, filling up of vacant posts and provision of new medical equipment, training of doctors and non-medical personnel.

The participants of the meeting also gave their perspective as to how healthcare service delivery had deteriorated at PIMS and how it could be improved. The meeting was informed that initially the PIMS was established for the residents of Islamabad but with the passage of time and population growth, about 80 per cent patients come from KP and Azad Kashmir due to which the PIMS seems not to be fulfilling the requirements of the population. The Wafaqi Mohtasib and the members of the Committee listened to the views and proposals given by the Parliamentarians and other stakeholders in the meeting and assured them to appropriately incorporate these recommendations in the report to be submitted on the subject. - APP

**LAHORE (Web Desk):** Chairman Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) Syed Ismail Shah on Friday said that deadline for biometric verification of subscribers' identity modules (SIMs) will expire on April 12 and it will not be extended further, Dunya News reported. Addressing a ceremony in Lahore, Shah said that 70.7 million SIMs have been verified whereas 15.5 million SIMs have been blocked so far. He warned that all unverified SIMs will be blocked by April 12. Commenting on use of Afghan connections in Pakistan, the PTA chief said the matter has been conveyed to Afghan government and International Telecom Union. To a question, he said that authorities are working on a legislation regarding restoration of Youtube. He hoped that the matter will be resolved soon.

**PESHAWAR:** Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq said to have the verifiable information regarding missed children in the High Risk Union Councils (HRUCs) of Pakistan; the mechanism for collecting information directly from the vaccinator, tally sheets has been put in place. While reviewing the impact of the initiative on recommendations of the National Advisory Group, she observed that a paradigm shift was seen in the Polio Eradication Initiative where chronically missed children were being tracked for vaccination through all possible interventions. The goal of Polio Eradication relies on reaching out 5-6% missed children that remain unapproachable in each campaign. The National Emergency Operations Centre is exploring all means to track these missed children including vaccination at permanent transit points, installation of health camps in high risk areas, and inclusion of female community volunteers in the programme, said a press release.

In order to have reliable information regarding missed children in the high risk UCs of Pakistan, a need of a mechanism was felt to collect information. Therefore, National Emergency Operations Centre has taken an initiative to track all missed children in high risk Union Councils of the country through specialized "Data Support Centre" to facilitate the collection, collation and data entry across the high risk districts. The data collection has been initiated during the recent National Polio campaign, of March 16-18, 2015. During the National Polio Campaign of March, the establishment and operationalization of 11 Data Support Centers (DSC) in 39 districts was formulized across the country, to collect the tally sheets from the 554 HRUCs.

High Risk UCs identified in Balochistan were from district Quetta, Mastung, Nasirabad, Zhob, Killa Abdulla, and Pishin. High Risk UCs of Punjab were identified from Districts of Lahore, Faisalabad, Pakpattan Rawalpindi, Rajanpur, Multan and attack, In Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and FATA, high risk UCs were distributed among Khyber, Peshawar, Charsadda, Bannu, FR Bannu, North Waziristan, Lakki Marwat, Hangu, DI Khan, FR DI Khan, S.Waziristan, Tank, Mardan, Buner, Swabi, and Nowshera while data is being sent to Data Support Centre from entire Sindh. These data centers manned by over 400 data entry clerks serve as the central repository and collection point for recording and data entry of the vaccinator tally sheets on daily basis.

The Data Support Centre record all missed children regardless of reason. Dr. Rana Muhammad Safdar, National EOC Coordinator opined that efficient transmission of specific Missed children data directly from the field will facilitate timely coverage and will thus be instrumental in delivering high quality SIAs across the HRUCs. During the National Polio Campaign of March, tally sheets from front-line workers were computerized and set online by the data operators of the Data Support centre for real time response and follow ups. During last campaign (16th-18th March 2015) as of 29th March 2015, data from 19,694 tally sheets have been entered into the database at the 11 DSCs. Total number of households visited are 717,506 and the number of children recorded are 1,457,287. Of the 1,457,287 children, 1,382,212 were vaccinated and 75,075 not vaccinated. - APP

**LAHORE:** An increase in load shedding has been observed as temperature begins to rise in the city, reported Dunya News on Monday. Due to rising temperatures, electricity shortfall in the city has risen to 1200 Megawatts and the current supply of electricity is 1780 Megawatts against the demand of 3000 Megawatts. According to Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) officials, only scheduled load shedding is take place which is between 6 to 7 hours, adding that if any area is facing increased load shedding then it is due to technical faults. The officials said that LESCO is striving to restrict load shedding to scheduled time table so that people do not have to face any difficulty.

**KARACHI:** "The change begins here!" With this ambitious slogan, the Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto University of Law, the country's first law university, will open its doors to prospective lawyers from July this year. The university is set to begin its first academic session with a full-fledged faculty of law, along with three other teaching departments for business administration, economics and criminology, said the vice-chancellor, Prof Dr Qazi Khalid Ali, at the launching ceremony at Pearl Continental Hotel on Wednesday. The ceremony was presided over by Sindh Governor Dr Ishratul

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Ebad Khan, with the chief justice of the Sindh High Court, Faisal Arab as chief guest. "A competitive admissions process, based solely on merit, will begin from May 3, 2015 subsequent to which, classes for the first batch of students will commence from July 22 at the city campus in Clifton," said the vice-chancellor. "The university will continue to function from the city campus until the completion of construction at its main campus, which is spread over 13.4 acres in Korangi, in 2018."

#### **Much needed**

The vice-chancellor, while justifying the establishment of the law varsity, said that in view of the recommendations of the Supreme Court of Pakistan in the landmark case, titled 'Pakistan Bar Council vs Federation of Pakistan and others (PLD 2007 SC 394)', it had become necessary to develop a law university in Pakistan, which imparted legal education at par with the leading universities across the world.

"It is common knowledge that there has been a mushroom growth of substandard law colleges lacking in infrastructural facilities and quality legal education," said the vice-chancellor, quoting the apex court's judgement. "There are no eligibility criteria for admissions and dropouts from other courses find it easy to join a law course. Moreover, the quality of faculty in most law colleges leaves much to be desired." Dr Ali recalled the apex court had concluded that the poor quality of legal education in the country was taking its toll on the bench, the bar and ultimately the quality of justice.

In his key-note address, Chief Justice Faisal Arab concurred that most graduates from local law schools did not attain the advocacy skills that graduates from renowned law schools in foreign countries possessed. "Until now, legal education in the country has been struggling to reach the level that has been achieved by law schools in South East Asia," said the chief justice. "The [local] law school graduates do not possess legal education of the requisite standards, though Pakistani students are competent enough to get admissions to foreign law schools in the United Kingdom, United States, Australia and Canada."

Criticising the part-time methods of legal education being adopted by the majority of Pakistani universities and colleges, the chief justice said that this approach will take us nowhere even if we established 20 more universities. "Full-time degree programmes being taught by permanent faculty members, who have more time to study themselves and then deliver lectures, are a prerequisite to good legal education." He added that the law schools must take admissions tests before admitting students, instead of considering a graduation degree sufficient for this purpose. Tajikistan ambassador, Sher Ali Jononov, provincial ombudsman Asad Ashraf Malik, Higher Education Commission's executive director Prof Dr Mansoor Akbar Kundi and Board of Intermediate Education chairperson Prof Anwar Ahmed Zai also spoke at the ceremony.

#### **Dubai Cares launches Teachers Without Borders plan for Pakistan today**

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**ISLAMABAD:** The Dubai Cares has announced to launch 'Teachers Without Frontiers' (TWF) a major nationwide programme for Pakistan today (Friday) where the teachers will be imparted training on most sophisticated lines for poor needy students in downtrodden areas. The programme will culminate in December next year. The Dubai Care was initiated by the Ruler of Dubai and Vice President of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Sheikh Muhammad bin Rashid Al-Maktoom in 2007 and has spread to over 38 countries where education and relevant facilities are provided to the neglected segment of society. The TWF will be launched in Karachi today (Friday).

The announcement was made by Tariq Al Gurg Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Dubai Care and UAE Ambassador for Pakistan Eissa Abdulla Al-Basha Al-Noimi here Thursday in a news conference. The Dubai Care has already completed three programmes including one dedicated for the flood affected students/children consisting of three years each while the TWF will be concluded in two years. The Dubai Care has spent eight hundred million dollar on the projects. The monitoring of the projects is being carried out in a scientific manner, the two UAE dignitaries said. They said that Pakistan was one country where Dubai Care was initiated right after its inception by Sheikh Muhammad bin Rashid.

According to the Pakistan School Statistics (2004), 16% of public schools have no physical compound or buildings, more than three quarters have no electricity and almost half have no water and 60% are without latrines or sanitation facilities. As a result of preferential treatment of boys, girls do not enjoy equal access to most of their basic rights, including their right to education. Girls' enrollment ratios at primary level (overall 77% and 68% in rural areas) and female literacy rates (overall 40% and 29% in rural areas) reveal that access to education is limited or in some cases denied.

The number of schools needed to accommodate girls is far less than what is available and well trained teachers are in short supply. Pakistan is crippled by an education emergency that threatens tens of millions of children. Poverty, poor investment in infrastructure, quality of teachers and essential facilities, and ineffective education planning and management are all barriers to the education system. Personal hygiene/well-being, mobility and security issues, social choices and gender inequality are some of the numerous challenges, which incrementally contribute to education emergency for girls.

Ambassador Eissa Abdulla Al-Basha Al-Noaimi and Tariq Al Gurg said that the programme aims to increase access and quality of primary education in flood-affected districts of Dadu and Shahdadt. It will tackle the major barriers to girls' access to quality education, including immediate interventions of school rehabilitation and provision of teaching and learning materials, medium intervention of teacher training and capacity building for all stakeholders to manage schools and lobby governments for more funding for long term impact.

Dubai Cares worked to improve access of girls to quality primary education by supporting schools and communities in five selected districts of South Punjab and Sindh provinces, they said. The programme was being implemented in partnership with local organizations that have previously

## 8 bottled water brands found to be 'unsafe for consumption'

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## LPG prices cut by Rs 10 per kg

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## Parents, students protest

demonstrated a strong track record in gender equity and girls' education. They reminded that Dubai Cares began the implementation of this programme in the wake of the floods that devastated Pakistan in July 2010. As part of this programme, Dubai Cares has reached 70,000 children in 4 districts of South Punjab/Upper Sindh.

It targeted 3,000 children in affected districts of Punjab & Sindh (minimum 20 schools) with essential basic school and educational materials to enable quality learning and built 15 centers for 3,000 children (aged 6 months to 6 years) provided support for health, hygiene, life skills, early childhood development, recreation and nutrition training for mothers and caregivers.

The delegation of Dubai Care under Tariq Al Gurg and Ambassador Eissa Abdulla Al-Basha Al-Noaimi had an important meeting with Minister of State Engineer Balighur Rehman Khan here in the federal capital to brief him about the programme. The minister said that the government would facilitate national and international organizations working for promotion of education in Pakistan. He appreciated the efforts of Dubai Care to Pakistan in the field of education.

**ISLAMABAD:** A government laboratory has declared that eight brands of mineral and bottled water – currently available on the open market – are "completely unsafe" for human consumption due to "chemical and microbiological contaminations". "[A] comparison of analytical findings with the permissible limits set by the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (PSQCA) has revealed that eight brands are unsafe due to chemical or microbiological contamination," says the quarterly report of the Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources (PCRWR) for January-March 2015.

According to PCRWR – which is a part of the Ministry of Science and Technology – bottled water brands that were found to be unsafe for consumption include the brands Al-Haider, Noble, Drop Ice, Al-Sana, Days Pure, Effort, Aqua Safe and Butt. The PCRWR had collected samples of 71 commercially available bottled water brands from local markets in seven cities of the country, including Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Lahore, Sialkot, Karachi, Tando Jam and Quetta. The report says that three of the unsafe brands – Al-Sana, Aqua Safe and Days Pure – have comparatively high arsenic levels, ranging from 11-35 parts per billion (ppb) as opposed to the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority's definition, should be less than 10 ppb.

Excessive arsenic in the water can cause various disorders of the skin, diabetes, kidney problems, hypertension, heart ailments, birth defects, black foot and multiple cancers. Three other brands – Drop Ice, Effort and Butt – were found to be unsafe due to "microbiological contamination which may cause cholera, diarrhoea, dysentery, hepatitis and typhoid etc." Noble, Days Pure, Aqua Safe also contain unusually high quantities of sodium, which the levels of potassium found in the Al-Haider brand are also alarmingly high, according to the report.

The PCRWR has urged national quality control and surveillance authorities to take legal action against the companies that are supplying contaminated bottled water to the public and in doing so are toying with public health. To monitor and improve the quality of bottled water, the federal government has assigned the PCRWR, through the Ministry of Science and Technology, to monitor bottled and mineral water brands and on a quarterly basis and publicise to the results for the information of the general public. The exercise of monitoring the quality of bottled water is carried out on the directives of the federal cabinet.

The samples used in the study were collected by senior staff members of the National Water Quality Laboratory and regional and district water quality laboratories of the PCRWR. "A set of four bottles of each brand was collected and sealed on site. Identification codes were allotted to all the brands according to the PCRWR Bottled Water Classification System," explains the report. According to the report, only 34 brands were consistently present in the market and 42 brands that were previously analysed in the last quarters of 2014 disappeared while 37 new brands or rebranded varieties were available in the market.

Drinking water quality is continuously deteriorating due to biological contamination from human waste, chemical pollutants from industries and agricultural inputs. Citing reasons for the contamination, the report says that piped water also becomes contaminated because the pipes are laid very close to sewage lines or open drains, which are the cause of several water-borne diseases. It was found that 45 per cent of infant deaths in Pakistan could be attributed to diarrhoea and about 60 per cent to overall infectious waterborne diseases.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), 25 to 30 per cent of all diseases are gastrointestinal in nature. The poor quality of drinking water has forced a large cross-section of citizens to buy bottled water. As a consequence of this expanding market, a mushroom growth of bottled water manufacturers has been witnessed in the country over the past few years. However, many of the mineral water companies have been found to be selling contaminated water.

**ISLAMABAD:** The Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) marketing companies have reduced the LPG prices by Rs 10 per kilogram. According to the LPG Distributors Association Pakistan, the decrease means that the domestic cylinder would become cheaper by Rs 115 and the commercial by Rs 460. After reduction in prices by the Government the LPG producing have decreased the price of LPG by Rs 9,400 per ton. The prices would be effective throughout the country from Wednesday, said Chairman LPG Distributors Association Irfan Khokhar in a statement. Giving details, he said that the prices of 80kg domestic cylinders would be available at Rs 895 in Karachi, Hyderabad. A 85 kg domestic cylinder would be available at Rs 955 in Lahore, Kasur, Sheikhupura, Gujranwala, Gujrat, Faisalabad, Sialkot, Sukkur, Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Mirpur, Multan, Bahawalpur, DG Khan, Kohat, Peshawar and Bannu. Likewise 90 kg domestic cylinder would be available at Rs 1015 in Murree, Nathiagali, Muzaffarabad, Bagh, Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) and FATA.

**PESHAWAR:** Students and parents closed the Kohat road for traffic today (Thursday) while staging a protest against the sudden closure of Benevolent Public School and College in



## over sudden closure of school in Peshawar

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## Partners in education: MoU on civilisation studies project inked

*The Express Tribune, April 9, 2015*

## Pakistan nowhere close to reaching 2015 education goals: UN

*Pakistan Today, April 9, 2015*

## Pakistan. Kharif crops: IRSA stores 4.4MAF water in Mangla, Tarbela

*Black Sea Grain, April 9, 2015*

Peshawar, Dunya News reported. According to details, the institution was not opened summer vacations ended as a result of which parents and students protested on Kohat Road disrupting the flow of traffic. The protesters also chanted slogans against Imran Khan and provincial government. The protesters were of the view that the provincial government is running education campaign on one side whereas it is also closing institutions on the contrary.

Moreover, they also said that the government is putting the future of the students at stake by closing the school. As per sources, the institution was closed without any prior notice whereas the parents were also advised to admit their children in any other educational institution. Peshawar High Court (PHC) while taking notice of the incident has directed Secretary Benevolent Public School and College to submit explanation regarding the closure. Protests were also held earlier by the parents on which Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf (PTI) MPA Fazal Elahi reached the scene and assured the parents of not closing the school.

**MULTAN:** Bahauddin Zakariya University and Nanjing University of China on Wednesday signed a memorandum of understanding on a joint project on studies on histories of ancient civilisations in the region. Under the agreement, partner institutes would be set up at both universities with a focus on research on ancient civilisations. Talking to *The Express Tribune*, Dr Yu Wein Ji of the Department of History at Nanjing University said, "This is an exciting project aimed at providing quality education on the history of this region and an opportunity for developing research on the much-ignored subject." He said the project would develop academic and cultural exchanges between students of Pakistan and China. "We would like to share with students of Multan the importance of world civilisations in shaping our present," he said.

He said the two universities would exchange students and faculty members. He said research publications and projects would be jointly undertaken. Bahauddin Zakaria University and Nanjing University, China, signed the agreement under the supervision of Vice Chancellor Syed Khawaja Alqama. BZU Vice Chancellor Syed Khawaja Alqama said a world civilisations study centre would be established and developed in both institutions under the programme. He said the departments of history of both universities would collaborate for commonwealth civilisation studies.

He said a large focus of initial projects would be on the British colonial empire. Muhammad Shafiq of the Department of History at BZU said, "Students will get a chance to study under Chinese teachers and develop an understanding of our shared history." He said the governments of both China and Pakistan were proud of their relations but many people could not relate to the significance of China in Pakistan and vice versa. "This programme will help students understand how colonialism impacted both China and the region that is now Pakistan," he said. "Students will be given a chance to contextualise the friendship between China and Pakistan through a rigorous exchange of research and ideas."

**PARIS:** Pakistan, Yemen and several countries in sub-Saharan Africa were nowhere close to meeting their 2015 education goals, UN said on Thursday in its annual report. The intergovernmental organisation gave a third of the world's countries a passing grade for efforts to provide universal basic education, but said most governments had failed on a pledge made 15 years ago. In 2000, 164 countries agreed at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization's (UNESCO) World Education Forum to ensure basic education for all by 2015. But in its latest annual report, the UN body said that only a minority had passed the test. Several European countries as well as Cuba, Kyrgyzstan and Mongolia are among those who managed to meet the education goal, said the report.

Only around half of the 164 countries have succeeded in providing universal primary education, the report said. In 15 years, "the world has made significant progress," the director general of UNESCO, Irina Bokova, said. "Millions more children are in school than would have been had the trends of the 1990s persisted." But governments need to "prioritise the poorest – especially girls", she added. The world's poorest children are four times less likely to go to school than the richest, the report said. Around 58 million children are still out of school globally and 100 million children fail to complete primary education. Gender parity at the primary and secondary levels has improved but girls' education is often hindered by "early marriages and pregnancies", said the report.

The 2000 Dakar education summit had also hoped to halve the number of illiterate adults. But the rate of global illiteracy has dropped only slightly – from 18 percent in 2000 to an estimated 14 percent in 2015. Of the 781 million illiterate adults worldwide, two thirds are women, says UNESCO. The report comes a month ahead of UNESCO's World Education Forum in Incheon, South Korea which will set new education targets for 2030. The UN agency said funding remained the main obstacle to expanding education and that the international community must find an additional \$22 billion to meet the education-for-all targets by 2030. The report recommended that governments devote 15 to 20 percent of their national budgets to education, and that donors increase their contributions fourfold. UNESCO also wants governments to mandate at least one year of free pre-primary education for all children.

**The Indus River System Authority** has stored 4.4. MAF water in the Mangla dam on river Jhelum and Tarbela dam on river Indus till 8th of April for sowing the strategic Kharif crops including cotton, rice, sugarcane, maize, vegetable, fodder for livestock and fruit orchards. It may be added that Pakistan has total water storage capacity of about 14 MAF that can only meet water needs of the nation for just 30 days. The early 33 percent storage of water is due to un-seasonal rains in the month of April. According to 8th April water report of WAPDA about Reservoirs' Level and Storage the water regulatory body has stored 2.5 MAF water in the Mangla dam, and 1.9 MAF water in the Tarbela dam. It is releasing only 10,000 cusecs water downstream the Mangla dam against the inflow of 67,400 cusecs and 12,000 cusecs off the Tarbela dam retaining about 16,000 cusecs in the reservoir.

The report said that river Chenab was contributing 52,200 cusecs and river Kabul 36,700 cusecs

### Chinese firm in US\$2.09 billion Pakistan power plant deal

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### ECC to decide about Fatima's proposed investment in US

*The Nation, April 9, 2015*

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*Dunya News, April 9, 2015*

water for running the irrigation canal network across the country that is more than current needs of the four provinces. The Sindh Irrigation department was discharging 12,900 cusecs water downstream the Kotri barrage into the Indus Delta. Meanwhile the weather remained dry in most parts of the country. However, rain-thunderstorm occurred at isolated places in Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Lahore, Sahiwal, Malakand, Hazara, D.I Khan, Kohat divisions and Kashmir.

Rainfall: Sargodha 21, Sialkot (AP 13, City 04), Rawalakot 10, Kotli 09, Okara, Lower Dir, Muzafarabad, Gujrat 06, Murree 05, Mangla, Saidu Sharif 04, Sahiwal, Malam Jabba, Balakot 03, Kakul 02.

**Power Construction Corporation of China and Qatari** investment firm Al Mirqab Capital will jointly invest in and build a coal-fired power plant in Pakistan, which will have a total investment of US\$2.09 billion, Power Construction Corp, a Shanghai-listed firm, announced on Wednesday night. The power plant will be located in Port Qasim, Pakistan's second largest port, in Karachi, the country's biggest city. The power plant will have two 660 megawatt units and rely on coal imported on ships. The construction period will be 32 months.

"The Pakistan Port Qasim power project is a large energy project of great political and economic importance between the two countries, as a high-priority project of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor. This project fits the company's development strategy and investment direction," state-owned Power Construction Corp said. The 3,000km China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, advocated by Premier Li Keqiang and supported by President Xi Jinping and Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, is a plan to link the south coast of Pakistan with Xinjiang in northwest China via roads, railways and oil and gas pipelines.

The US\$2.09 billion total investment in the project includes US\$521 million of project capital, of which 51 per cent will be invested by Power Construction Corp and 49 per cent by Al Mirqab Capital. The remaining US\$1.56 billion will be financed by loans. The power plant will be built and operated according to a build-own-operate (BOO) model. Power Construction Corp said the Pakistani government had undertaken to make comprehensive provisions of the security of all projects on the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor.

**ISLAMABAD:** US Ambassador Richard G Olson met Finance Minister Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar here on Wednesday and discussed FBR related matters of US Caterpillar Company besides exchanging views on issues relating to Fatima Fertilizer's proposed investment venture in US and the matter regarding acquiring of Chevron Pakistan Ltd shares by Total-Parco. Regarding FBR issues related to Caterpillar, the minister said that he had already issued instructions to the FBR to look into this issue and the matter would be resolved in due course. Dar on this occasion added that ECC was the forum to decide about Fatima Fertilizer's proposed investment in the US. The US Ambassador also invited finance minister's attention to the issue of extension in the date for tariff by NEPRA for two oil exploration companies financed by OPIC as they needed more time to achieve financial close. The minister said the matter would be accorded due consideration.

The US envoy also exchanged views with the finance minister on the proposed law for registration of INGOs and NGOs saying that views of relevant stakeholders, donor agencies etc. should also be sought before finalization of the draft law. This, he said, would remove the feelings of unease among foreign donors, he added. The minister said that Economic Affairs Division was working on the draft law for registration and was in contact with donor agencies, INGOs, others seeking their views and that all efforts would be made to carry out a balanced legislation. The US Envoy also exchanged views with the Finance Minister regarding his forthcoming visit to the United States hoping it would further strengthen Pak-US economic cooperation. Abbasi, US envoy discuss upcoming energy working group meeting

**INP adds:** A delegation led by US Ambassador Richard G. Olson Wednesday held meeting with Federal Minister for Petroleum, Shahid Khaqan Abbasi focussing on the upcoming US - Pakistan Energy Working Group meeting to be held in Islamabad April 29th - 30th.

U.S. Ambassador Olson apprised the Federal Minister that the US delegation would be led by the US Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs, Amos Hochstein. The focus of the upcoming discussions would be on clean energy sources - gas and renewables. The Energy Working Group last took place in November 2013 in Washington chaired by the previous Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs Ambassador Carlos Pascual, Minister of Petroleum Shahid Khaqan Abbasi and Minister of Water and Power Khawaja Muhammad Asif. The US Ambassador appreciated the progress Pakistan has made in several areas since the last Energy Working Group including the first delivery of liquefied natural gas (LNG) at a new import terminal at Port Qasim.

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**KARACHI:** Unexpected fire in cloth factory located in Site area of Karachi burnt down clothes worth millions of rupees whereas twelve cars of fire brigade are trying to control the fire, Dunya News reported on Thursday. According to details, the sudden fire engulfed the whole factory reducing the goods to ashes. The workers tried to extinguish the fire under self-help but in vain however, fire brigade teams reached the scene and are still engaged in quenching the fire. According to fire brigade staff, the fire has been brought under control to a considerable extent

### KUS-Pakistan Energy Working Group's pre-meeting preparation reviewed

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whereas the reason behind the fire is likely short-circuit. No life loss has been reported yet. On the other hand, fire also erupted in another cloth factory in New Karachi area, gutting down clothes worth millions of rupees however no life was claimed in the incident.

**ISLAMABAD:** Pakistani and the US concerned authorities, Wednesday, reviewed the latest status of preparations for the upcoming meeting of the upcoming meeting of the US-Pakistan Energy Working Group scheduled to be here federal capital on April 29-30. The last meeting of the U.S.-Pakistan Energy Working Group held in November 2013 at the U.S. Institute of Peace in Washington. In the connection a delegation led by U.S. Ambassador Richard G. Olson held a meeting with the Federal Minister for Petroleum, Shahid Khaqan Abbasi. Ambassador Olson apprised the Federal Minister that the U.S. delegation would be led by the U.S. Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs, Amos Hochstein.

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It is pertinent to note here that in the previous Energy Working Group meeting underscored the sustained bilateral partnership in the energy sector, and the critical importance of a stable supply of energy in accelerating Pakistan's economic growth. Minister Abbasi highlighted the need to attract private-sector investment to catalyze domestic gas exploration and production in Pakistan.

The U.S. committed to assist the Government of Pakistan's effort to privatise at least two power distribution companies by 2015. Ambassador Pascual announced technical assistance to help Pakistan increase production and maximize recovery from existing gas fields as well as to identify new areas for conventional gas development in order to help meet the country's increasing energy demand, especially for power generation.

These efforts build on the sustained and substantial efforts the U.S. has undertaken to help Pakistan meet its critical energy needs, including adding 1,000 megawatts since 2009 to Pakistan's national grid—enough electricity for more than 16 million Pakistanis. Additionally, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, the U.S. Government's development finance institution, is in the process of negotiating a \$95 million loan to a prospective 50 MW wind power plant in south-eastern Pakistan's Ghoro-Keti Bandar Wind Corridor.

### Seven-hour long outages in urban, nine-hour in rural areas continue

*Dunya News, April 9, 2015*

**LAHORE:** The electricity outages continue with at least seven-hour long duration in urban whereas nine-hour long in rural areas. According to the National Transmission and Dispatch Company (NTDC) sources, the electricity production stands at 9,560 Megawatt (MW) while the demand maintains at 12,900 MW therefore the shortfall is at least 3,340 MW. The distribution companies are carrying out seven-hour long outages in urban while nine-hour long in rural areas. According to the sources, the outflow of water from major dams is less which is why the production of hydel electricity is 1,600 MW. However, after the harvest season is over the hydel electricity production will increase.

### Govt asked to promote solar energy generation

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**LAHORE:** The government must fully promote solar power to meet the shortage of electricity by adopting an optimal approach to resolve ongoing energy crisis, demanded the Institution of Electrical and Electronics Engineers of Pakistan (IEEEEP) at a press conference on Wednesday. Engr Mohsin S Naqvi, IEEEEP president, addressed the press conference on Pakistan Energy Crisis and its Solution at Flatties Hotel. Mohsin highlighted the history and background of present loadshedding, measures taken by different government to cut short difference between demand and supply of electricity internally through IPPS, rental plants, coal projects and last by installing solar energy systems as well as import of electricity from neighbouring countries.

A detailed multimedia presentation was given by him in support of adoption of system of use of solar energy by installing panels in domestic, agriculture and industrial sector. Its cost is lower as compared to conventional methods of storage and use of electricity through UPS. This UPS may be used as storage head from solar panel during sunlight, which may save 2000MW which is our present shortfall. This will be a public awareness and campaign against loadshedding by all consumers in different sectors of economy. Mohsin advocated and supported the use of solar panels to reduce burden on NTDC/ DISCOs grid, reduced consumption bill and line losses of distribution system. He further disclosed that state bank of Pakistan is planning to sanction loans for installation of solar panels. Consumer may also sale back surplus electricity to national grid, giving relief to present shortfall.

He also declared Neelum Jehlum Hydro Power Project a source of satisfaction to provide 1000mw to national grid by 2017 & 18. If during intervening period solar panels are installed, this may reduce the electricity gap. He replied numerous questions regarding energy crises put by press. The press conference was also addressed by Engr Prof Rana Abdul Jabbar Khan, ex COO



### NEPRA approves Rs4.42 reduction in power tariff

*Dunya News, April 9, 2015*

### China to build US\$2 bln Pakistan section of Iran pipeline

*Ejinsight, April 9, 2015*

### Celebratory fire claims two lives

*Daily Dawn, April 9, 2015*

### Health & nutrition festival begins in Mithi

*Daily Dawn, April 9, 2015*

### SSGC, others issued notices on plea against CNG closure

*Daily Dawn, April 9, 2015*

QUAID-E-AZAM Solar power project Bahawalpur, showing satisfaction that project has been completed in record period and will be inaugurated soon.

He further disclosed that 50 sites have been selected for installation of solar project and declared it as big achievement of Punjab government. The government is working to add considerable power capacity in next 3-5 years but such initiatives will not bridge increasing gap in electricity demand and supply as demand of power will also surge in near future. In order to effectively reduce demand supply gap of electricity, government should focus on solar power, he maintained. To meet the power shortages and other chronic associated problems, IEEEEP would like to propose the solar energy solutions for the residential, agriculture, industrial system, Mohsin said.

Talking about possible solar uses in the agriculture sector, he said, at least 100,000 tube wells should operate on the solar system. This intervention would help remove 1500 to 2000 MW from the system. Such solar tube wells could help in meeting drinking water needs as well as supply water farms for irrigation purposes besides coupled with fulfilling requirements of animals.

As far as installing solar for industrial system, Mohsin Syed said, with installing 100kW to 500kW system at factories we can reduce approximately 2000 MW load from the system. Thus, he added, a total of 5000 to 7000 MW can be removed from the electrical system during day. These solar based projects can be implemented over a period of about 2 years while consumer will also act as producers by selling surplus power to grid with approval of two-way tariff by NEPRA, he said. He also presented idea of installing variable frequency drive motors which would reduce the motor load by about 500 MW. Similarly, he said, inverter base air conditioner should be utilized by residential customers besides installing energy efficient lights. Such initiatives, he said, can reduce up to 500MW of the load.

**ISLAMABAD:** Providing further relief to the masses, the National Power Regulatory Authority on Thursday approved a reduction of Rs4.42 per unit in electricity rates under the monthly fuel adjustment plan. It was reported that distribution companies saved more than Rs25 billion during the month of February. In February, 33% electricity was generated through furnace-oil based plants, 34% hydel power plants and 29% electricity was generated from gas-based plants. The tariff cut will not apply to K-Electric and lifeline consumers using less than 50 units per month.

**China will build the Pakistan section** of a US\$2 billion pipeline that will bring natural gas from Iran. The project is expected to be signed during a visit by Chinese President Xi Jinping to Islamabad this month. "We're building it. The process has started," Pakistani Petroleum Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi told The Wall Street Journal.

The pipeline will bring much-needed gas to Pakistan which suffers from a crippling electricity deficit because of a shortage of fuel for its power-generation plants. Pakistan has been negotiating for months behind the scenes for China to build the Pakistani portion of the pipeline. Tehran said that its 900-kilometer part of the pipeline from an Iranian gas field is complete and pressed Pakistan to build its half of the scheme. Pakistan has not begun construction, however, because of threatened sanctions from the United States for trading with Iran over its nuclear program.

Islamabad has been trying to work around the sanctions by asking the Chinese to build but not connect it to the Iranian section. But last week, Iran, the US and other countries struck a framework agreement on Iran's nuclear program, paving the way for the gradual lifting of restrictions on Tehran. Among the first restrictions to be lifted are those relating to Iranian energy exports? Pakistan is negotiating with China Petroleum Pipeline Bureau, a subsidiary of Chinese energy giant China National Petroleum Corporation, to build 700 kilometers of pipeline from the western Pakistani port of Gwadar to Nawabshah in the southern province of Sindh, where it will connect to Pakistan's existing gas-distribution pipeline network.

**KASUR:** A celebratory fire claimed two lives here on Wednesday at Gatti Kalanger village in Ganda Singh police precincts. Reports said a guest, Bashir, at the wedding ceremony of Sardar Arif Dogar resorted to aerial firing under the influence, killing Shamshad, 9, and Waseem, 8, on the spot. The suspect managed his escape. The bodies have been shifted to the DHQ Hospital for autopsy. Police are looking into the matter.

**UMERKOT:** The three-day Health and Nutrition Festival organised by the provincial health department got under way at the Shaheed Benazir Cultural Complex in Mithi on Wednesday. Sindh Chief Minister Syed Qaim Ali Shah was to inaugurate the festival but he could not make it due to his other engagements. Accordingly, Minister for Health Jam Mehtab Dahar chaired the inaugural session. Health officials, representatives of various donor agencies and members of civil society organisations were present. Speaking on the occasion, Mr Dahar said the aim of holding the festival was to give a boost to efforts by governmental and non-governmental organisations' efforts to ensure required health and nutrition facilities for each and every citizen in the drought-hit Thar region. He said support and assistance of philanthropists, donor agencies and people from all walks of life in this regard. He pledged all out efforts on the part of the provincial government in achieving the goal. More than 30 NGOs have set up their stalls and medical camps at the festival.

**KARACHI:** The petroleum ministry, the Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd and others were on Wednesday directed by the Sindh High Court to file their respective comments on a petition of gas station owners and public transport operators against the three-day weekly closure of CNG stations in the province. As many as 607 petitioners jointly moved the SHC against the closure of CNG stations submitting that their businesses were adversely affected due to the government decision. Headed by Justice Syed Hasan Azhar Rizvi, a two-judge bench put respondents and the federal law officer on notice and put off the hearing to April 17.

The petitioners said that shortage of gas was actually caused by the mismanagement and failure of the relevant authorities in controlling loss of gas through leakages and theft. They contended that the government had absolutely no justification to stop gas supply to CNG stations for three days in



## Tarar reports anti-polio success to Saarc

*Daily Dawn, April 9, 2015*

## Zero doze children to be covered in polio campaigns

*The Statesman, April 9, 2015*

## 'No grain for middleman'

*Daily Dawn, April 8, 2015*

Sindh as the province was producing 70 per cent of gas and consuming only 30 per cent of it. The petitioners said that the closure of CNG stations was a violation of Constitution as according to the Article 158 of it, the province producing natural gas shall have precedence over other parts of Pakistan in meeting its requirements. They asked the court to declare the notice issued by the gas utility to them for closing CNG stations as unlawful and restrain the respondents from implementing it.

The petitioners further asked the court to direct the SSGC to supply gas to CNG stations and issue closure notices in accordance with Constitution as well as the natural gas policy.

Ghous Ali Shah moves against CM again Another bench headed by Justice Munib Akhtar issued notices to the Election Commission of Pakistan, Chief Minister Syed Qaim Ali Shah and the Election Tribunal Hyderabad to file their respective comments on a fresh petition of Syed Ghaus Ali Shah, a leader of the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz, against the ECP decision that dismissed an application against transfer of an election petition challenging the CM's election to a provincial assembly seat to Hyderabad. The SHC on Tuesday dismissed an identical petition of the PML-N leader on technical and legal grounds.

**NEW DELHI:** Pakistan has taken an aggressive posture against the scourge of polio and its growth had gone down in 2014, Minister of State for National Health Services, Regulation and Coordination Saira Afzal Tarar said here on Wednesday. "Pakistan is a firm believer in the effectiveness of the Saarc process and has always championed the cause of regional cooperation in finding solutions to issues that affect the entire region," she told the fifth meeting of Saarc health ministers. "Challenges like poverty and disease continue to afflict our people and remain an impediment to realisation of full potential of those that live in this region that stands out for being the third largest in terms of GDP," Ms Tarar said. India hosted the fifth meeting of the Saarc Health Ministers at New Delhi on Wednesday. The meeting was organised in pursuance of decisions taken by the Saarc Summit held in Kathmandu in November last year.

Referring to Pakistan's region first policy, Ms Tarar reiterated Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's vision of "Peace for development and development for peace". She underscored significance of the meeting as leaders representing over a fifth of humanity were converged to deliberate on common challenges that confront people of the region, share experiences and chart a course for the future. She underlined need of cooperation among regional countries to fight poverty, disease and disability. "She apprised the audience that Pakistan has reduced polio cases in 2014 due to aggressive polio eradication drive," a statement by the Pakistan High Commission said. "While enumerating Government's reforms policies in health sector, she apprised that drug pricing policy was introduced in the country which provided for a transparent system of pricing where discretion was done away with."

Our Reporter adds from Islamabad: Ms Tarar urged members of Saarc to make joint efforts to curb hepatitis which poses a major threat as 20 per cent of the patients affected by the disease worldwide belong to Saarc countries. Speaking at the meeting, she said that 34 million of the 170m estimated patients of hepatitis B and C lived in Saarc countries. "This is an alarming situation to say the least and requires a concerted nationwide effort to arrest the spread of the disease and provide accessible and affordable curative services to the people afflicted by both forms of hepatitis," the minister said. According to a draft of the speech available with Dawn, Ms Tarar said that in Pakistan the estimated mortality from hepatitis B and C was in the vicinity of 140,000 per year. Twenty per cent of those who develop chronic liver disease go into more advanced diseases like cancer. According to estimates, nearly 4m people in Pakistan have been exposed to hepatitis B virus and about 8m to hepatitis C. Ms Tarar underlined the need for cooperation among regional countries to fight poverty, disease and disability.

**ISLAMABAD:** Prime Minister's Focal Person on Polio Eradication, Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq said that zero dose children will be covered during national polio campaigns. In a statement, she said that recent campaign data of National Emergency Operations Centre showed that the polio teams were providing support to cover zero dose children during each polio campaign. She said that National Emergency Operations Centre, based on the concept of synergy between Polio Eradication and Routine Immunization was maintaining a record of vaccinating all zero doses children who had never received vaccination against any of the nine antigens being offered at the government health facilities free of cost. In current year, during three nationwide polio campaigns, an average of 150,000 such children were vaccinated who had never been vaccinated through routine immunization services.

In January, 145,155 children were covered while in February a total of 152,295 and during March over 130,728 zero dose children were vaccinated. She said that the provincial breakdown data shows that 7,520, 8,997 and 7,518 zero dose children were reached in Balochistan in three consecutive campaigns respectively. In Sindh 27,559, 24,850 and 23,788 zero dose children were recorded and vaccinated against polio. In Punjab 91,456, 99,426 and 79,498 such children were given polio vaccine. In Khyber Pakhtunkhwa 10,219, 11,384 and 11,078 zero dose children were identified and vaccinated subsequently, she added. Indicators on monitoring of Routine Immunization along with Polio Eradication has also been included in the National Emergency Action Plan on Polio 2015. Independent Monitoring Board in its report of 2014 had also recommended to the Polio programme of Pakistan to integrate its efforts to strengthen routine immunization to check polio transmission in the country as strengthening routine immunization is already part of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative programme's 2013-18 plan. — APP

**LAYYAH:** Bhakkar District Coordination Officer Muhammad Zaman Wattoo says a strategy has been evolved for the upcoming wheat procurement operation in the district and middle man's interference will not be tolerated at any procurement centre. He warned any food grain inspector, if found involved working for middle men, would face action. He said this at a meeting held to review arrangements for the wheat procurement scheme of 2015-16 in Bhakkar on Tuesday. The meeting

## Healthy Sindh Programme launched to address Thar's issues

*The News International, April 8, 2015*

## PMA, LHCBA to solve issue

*The News International, April 8, 2015*

## Timber Market fire affectees wait for pledge compensation

*The Statesman, April 8, 2015*

## NEPRA approves shutting down of 3 production units of K-Electric

*Dunya News, April 8, 2015*

## One LNG terminal completed other will finish next month: Cabinet Committee

*The News Teller, April 8, 2015*

was attended by the ADC, assistant commissioners (ACs), officers of food, agriculture and revenue and the district president of the Kissan Board. Mr Wattoo directed food officials to finalise arrangements and submit the report on April 12. He also directed ACs to keep close watch on wheat procurement arrangements in their tehsils. Food officials said arrangements were under way at 14 centres to buy 132,000 metric tonnes of wheat.

**Karachi:** The Healthy Sindh Programme aimed to mitigate health issues in the Tharparkar district of Sindh, was launched on Tuesday as part of the World Health Day celebrations. Sindh Health Minister Jam Mehtab Dahar while presiding over the ceremony, held at the Jinnah Sindh Medical University (JSMU), informed that the programme would start off with a three-day Thar Nutrition and Health festival; it would be inaugurated by Sindh Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah. Vowing to control child mortality rate in the district, through health interventions and awareness programmes, Dahar said that child deaths were a common occurrence in third world countries and were not specific to the Thar district. "Nutritional deficiencies and famine alone were not what increased child mortality rate in Thar, lack of awareness among locals often aggravated small health problems to major health disasters." He said the objective of the festival was to create awareness among Tharis regarding prevention of diseases, importance of vaccination and nutrition and preventive measures through senior health and nutrition experts; health camps would be established where patients would be given free consultations and medicines.

Sindh Secretary Health Iftikhar Shallwani while speaking at the event claimed the situation in Thar was brought under control due to the provincial government's efforts. He said that previously posting of doctors in Tharparkar was an uphill task as people from urban centres did not wish to be posted in the area but claimed that this issue was also resolved by posting the local doctors. "All kind of civic facilities are being provided to doctors and paramedics but they have also been warned of serious consequences in case of any slackness on their part." JSMU Vice Chancellor Prof Tariq Rafi and Medical Superintendent of Civil Hospital Karachi (CHK) Dr Saeed Qureshi and several others health experts, doctors and officials also spoke on the occasion.

**LAHORE:** Pakistan Medical Association (PMA) and Lahore High Court Bar Association (LHCBA) have agreed to address the issue of healthcare for the medical and legal fraternity. "It is a prime responsibility of medical and legal associations to redress the situation as civil society can't just be silent spectator in the situation. The PMA and High Court Bar Association will work as a team to achieve the goal of health for all and justice in the society," this was resolved by the leaders of the two associations during a luncheon arranged by the PMA in honour of the newly elected office-bearers of the LHCBA at the PMA House on Tuesday.

**KARACHI:** Traders of Timber Market are expected to get full compensation by 9th April for the loss they bore due to blaze on 28th December 2014, otherwise that part of the city would have to face turbulent protests as some of the traders opined. The total amount estimated for the loss is Rs3 billion, out of which Rs2 billion would be for the reconstruction of the shops and the buildings damaged around and Rs1 billion as a compensation for the loss of the material. It has been learnt that the government has promised them to pay the money within this week according to the claims they have made under oaths. Sources from the Timber Market told PPI that the traders of the biggest and oldest Timber Market of Pakistan (since 1938) were all ready for protest on 28th March with banners etc, however due to the government's assuring for the money it was withheld. General Secretary Karachi Timber Merchants Group Abdul Hameed Bagla said the government has assured reconstruction of all the shops and compensation of the loss as per claim that has been taken from the traders under oath. The money would be disbursed by 9th April as per government's assurance. "Our group has never been in favor of protests, but it wants it to be resolved through negotiations," he said. He said details for the shops had been submitted to the works and services department which includes a road on which a fire tender could pass to the end of the market, water boring for sucking water out of the ground and overhead water tanks to store water for any emergency. - PPI

**KARACHI:** National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) approved to shut down 3 production units of K-Electric on Wednesday. According to NEPRA these production units had maximum life of 30 to 42 years of production which they had reached and the production cost of the units was increasing.

NEPRA made the amendment in the license of K-Electric on the application of the company and it will result in ceasing the production of 175 megawatt of electricity. K-Electric will shut down Unit number 1 and 2 of Korangi station that produce 150 megawatt electricity, while the site unit which makes 25 megawatt electricity, will also be shut down.

**Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif** ordered to complete Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) based projects within the given timeframe. Presiding 12th meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Energy in Islamabad on Wednesday, he directed the projects of combined cycle plants for the production of 3600 megawatt must be finalized on time. The Prime Minister was briefed that one LHG terminal has been established while the next one would be prepared by next month. Both the plants have investment from Pakistan companies worth \$1 billion. The premier was also updated on the planned 1100-km North-South Gas pipeline which is likely to be finalized in the first half of next year.

Nawaz Sharif asked Secretary Water and Power to personally administer all the projects being queued to be worked on under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor on regular basis. The premier directed the Minister to stage meetings with Chief Ministers bearing them out detailed briefing concerning the requirement and urgency of conservation measures, including early closure of shops, marriage halls and restaurants. It was decided during the meeting that marriage functions in the federal capital would be ordered to shut down by 10 pm, shops by 8 pm and restaurants by 11 pm in order to save electricity. The same scheme would be applied in Punjab to bear out an example for other provinces, saving a heap of megawatts of electricity.

## Controlling market: Govt expected to regulate LNG prices, set margins

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**ISLAMABAD:** The government is expected to monitor and set prices of liquefied natural gas (LNG) in line with the model of monthly oil price revision that gives margins to state-owned companies. The regulation of market, if undertaken, will lead to higher prices of LNG, which the country started importing a few days ago. According to normal procedures, gas prices are determined in public hearings after seeking comments of all stakeholders concerned. However, the LNG price has been exempted from public hearings.

Officials familiar with the developments said the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) would determine and notify every month the price of re-gasified LNG supply to different consumers. These include power plants, other bulk consumers, fertiliser producers and compressed natural gas (CNG) filling stations. The price will include margins for Pakistan State Oil (PSO), Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) and Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) and tolling fee for LNG shipment handlers. The consumer price will cover LNG price DES (delivery ex-ship), PSO's margin, technical charges, SSGC's administrative margin, SSGC's cost of service and/or transportation charges, SNGPL's cost of service and/or transportation charges and transportation and distribution losses.

OGRA will determine the re-gasified LNG price on similar terms as those set for petroleum product pricing without going through public hearing. According to officials, re-gasified LNG supply to independent power producers (IPPs) will be on as-and-when-available basis without any take or pay clauses subject to assurance of payments. IPPs will have to provide a minimum 15-day firm schedule for LNG supply. The LNG volume that will not be picked by the IPPs will be offered to other bulk consumers at a price determined by OGRA. Re-gasified LNG may also be provided to fertiliser plants and CNG filling stations at a price set by OGRA.

The LNG price and volume sold to consumers may be fenced and considered separately for unaccounted-for-gas (UFG) benchmarking and disallowance purpose only. The additional LNG volume delivered to the third party to meet the required British thermal unit (BTU) content is currently treated as UFG according to OGRA rules. However, these may be amended under which such additional volumes will not be subjected to UFG penalties. Fifty per cent of transportation charges will be treated as non-operating income for both gas transmission and distribution companies. OGRA's relevant rules will be amended in this regard. Fauji Kabirwala Power Company may also be allocated LNG based on approval of the Economic Coordination Committee on January 23 with an equivalent reduction for Kot Addu Power Company (KAPCO). Separately, the gas sales agreement of Rouch Power is expiring in June.

Therefore, allocation of re-gasified LNG to them is being proposed by replacing 100 million cubic feet per day (mmcf) of LNG allocation to the Nandipur power plant, which is likely to take time to prepare for receiving LNG supply because of technical modifications being made in the plant. To keep the option of commissioning an LNG terminal through PSO, the company may be allowed to import one cargo through the Floating Storage and Re-gasification Unit (FSRU) on free-on-board basis or LNG carrier on delivery ex-ship basis under the LNG sales and purchase agreement.

**ISLAMABAD:** Oil and Gas Development Company (OGDC) and Pakistan State Oil (PSO) have been running without permanent heads for months as the government has failed to fill the top slots despite repeated attempts. The two giant energy companies, which are also state-owned, are being run with the help of stopgap measures despite the government being under pressure to hire competent people and address the country's energy shortages.

OGDC is the country's largest oil and gas exploration company whereas PSO is the biggest oil marketing firm. For the third time, advertisements have been published for appointing managing directors of these companies. Earlier, the OGDC managing director was appointed but he refused to join because of government interference in the company's affairs. According to officials, Adviser to Petroleum Minister Zahid Muzaffar is currently dealing with day-to-day affairs of the company as chairman, which is contrary to recent practice as the chairman comes from the private sector. Two senior company officials Bisharat Mirza and Tahir Shaukat are also looking after the affairs of OGDC.

The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources has sent a summary to the prime minister for selecting one out of three names – Bisharat Mirza, Masood Nabi and Tahir Shaukat – as OGDC managing director. Separately, the government has given advertisements for hiring the PSO managing director for the third time in 16 months. But this time the criteria have been revised apparently to bring a man of government's choice.

At present, Shahid Islam, who heads Government Holdings Private Limited, is running PSO as acting managing director. His extended term is going to end soon but he is likely to be given another extension for three months. Earlier, the Ministry of Petroleum had asked the prime minister to give Islam extension for six months but the premier dismissed the suggestion and approved his hiring for three months as acting in charge of the company. In organisations like Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC), Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL), Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) and OGDC, the selection of chief executive is made on the recommendation of the respective board of directors, but for PSO a different set of criteria was applied.

In the fresh advertisement, the conditions were eased in an attempt to allow aspirants having graduate in economics, a degree in law, engineering or business administration to apply. Sidat Hyder has been picked as consultant to shortlist the candidates. It is surprising that for being appointed general manager, the candidate should hold a masters' degree whereas for the post of managing director the government is content with only a graduate.

Insiders say certain officials of the Ministry of Petroleum had forced PSO to ease the criteria in a bid to favour a retired general manager of the company. That official was terminated from service twice and was reinstated in 2008 by then prime minister Yousaf Raza Gilani. He got tens of millions of rupees as arrears. He retired from PSO as general manager in September 2014 and

## Months gone, OGDC and PSO still without permanent MD

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## Federal cabinet orders closure of wedding halls at 10 pm

*Geo TV, April 8, 2015*

## Telenor launches 3G-enabled handset portfolio in Pakistan

*Telecom Paper, April 8, 2015*

## Warid Brings Exclusive SIM Re-Verification Offers for Valued Customers

*The News, April 7, 2015*

## IMF advises Pakistan to reduce subsidy on electricity

*Dunya News, April 7, 2015*

## Power shutdown announced for Peshawar, Swabi, Haripur

*Business Recorder, April 7, 2015*

## Health centres asked to get registered

*Daily Dawn, April 7, 2015*

## Pollen allergy patients may finally get relief

*Daily Dawn, April 7, 2015*

since then had been lobbying for the post of managing director.

**ISLAMABAD:** In order to conserve electricity in the summer season, the Federal government has issued a timings schedule for closure of markets, wedding halls and restaurants in Islamabad and across the Punjab province. The authorities have been directed to ensure closure of markets at 8pm, marriage halls 10pm and restaurants at 11 pm. The Ministry of Water and Power told the Federal Cabinet meeting chaired by Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif without mincing words that the onset of summer season will see a drop in power generation and increase in the duration of loadshedding. The decision for Punjab province will help save thousands of megawatts and also encourage other provinces to follow the suit, the meeting was told. The Premier directed to launch a vigorous campaign to create awareness and inculcate sense of conserving energy both among people and the industry.

**Telenor Pakistan** has launched a 'Telenor Devices' series of 3G-enabled handsets. The Telenor Devices portfolio includes the Telenor Easy 3G feature phone and the Telenor Smart 3G smartphone. Telenor Easy 3G features front camera functionality and preloaded social media apps (Facebook, Twitter and Whatsapp). The Telenor Smart 3G smartphone comes preloaded with Telenor Music, Telenor Appstore, Viber, Skype and social media apps. With Telenor Devices, Telenor Pakistan aims to bring 3G phones to low and middle income groups.

With the launch of these devices Telenor Pakistan brings 18 months warranty for its customers. Additionally, customers who acquire one of these two devices will receive a balance of PKR 600 and 3GB for data traffic in the first six months following service activation. Starting 15 April, the two handsets will be available at Telenor Sales & Service Centers and franchises as well as in selected mobile shops across Pakistan. Telenor Pakistan has appointed i2 Pakistan as the distribution and warranty partner with over 800 collection points

**LAHORE:** Warid Telecom is now offering its customers 500 free minutes and 500MBs of free internet upon re-verification of their SIMs before the 12th of April 2015. Following the Government of Pakistan's decision to make biometric SIM re-verification mandatory, Warid is giving free allowances to subscribers for SIM re-verification to show their appreciation. This offer will be valid immediately after the first recharge following re-verification, for 3 days.

Overseas Pakistanis can also temporarily verify their SIM's, effective till the 31st of March 2016, by sending the required information, including their CNIC number, on '789'. Customers can also check their number's verification status by dialing the Warid helpline '321'. Biometric verification is a big step taken by the government in collaboration with the telecom industry to improve national security.

**ISLAMABAD:** International Monetary Fund (IMF) has on Tuesday advised Pakistan to reduce subsidy on electricity. In its report on Pakistan's economy, IMF has stated that Pakistan fell short of its tax-collection target in the second three months of the current financial year by 22 billion rupees. It also said that Pakistan faced security issues and threat of political instability. According to IMF report, Pakistan's GDP growth will remain 4.3% this year while inflation will remain at 5%. The report said that reduction in oil prices would bring the inflation and exports down. The report also said that the exports would fall due to reduction in cotton prices as well. IMF suggested Pakistan to improve its tax net and administrative machinery. It also gave new targets for Pakistan economy for the coming year. According to the officials, subsidy on electricity may fall down by 80 billion rupees in the coming fiscal year. Tariff will be revised for minimizing the losses on electricity while tax evaders are also expected to face tougher scrutiny

**PESHAWAR:** Peshawar Electric Supply Company (PESCO) authorities here on Monday announced power shutdown for areas of Peshawar, Swabi and Haripur due to necessary maintenance work. According to statement issued here power supply will remain off from 132KV Peshawar Cantt. Grid Station on April 8 from 08:00 am to 02:00 pm, resultantly consumers of 11KV NCR feeders will face inconvenience. Power supply will remain off from 132KV Jamrud Grid Station on April, 7 and 11 from 09:00am to 03:00pm, resultantly consumers of 11 KV RMI-I & II feeders will face inconvenience. Power supply will remain off from 132KV Swabi Grid Station on April, 9 and 11 from 08:00am to 02:00pm, resultantly consumers of 11KV Old Murghaz, Jalsai, Panjpir, Murghuz Rural, BMC Hospital feeders will face inconvenience. Power supply will remain off from 66KV Haripur Grid Station on April 7, 8 and 9 from 08:00am to 06:00pm, resultantly consumers of 11KV Rehana, Town-1 feeders will face inconvenience.

**PESHAWAR:** The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Healthcare Commission has asked all the unregistered private healthcare providers, including doctors, homoeopaths, hakims and other medical practitioners in the province, to get registered with the commission before April 10 or face action. The facilities not complying with the directives will be closed down, according to a press release issued from the office of the commission's chief inspector on Monday. The owners of all the private healthcare outlets operated by unqualified persons have also been asked to stop the illegal practices, otherwise cases would be lodged against them. Owners of such healthcare establishments were asked to provide a certificate that the facilities being provided in their setups were as per the standards of the Healthcare Commission. The violators of the rules and regulations of the commission would be made accountable as all the offences under the Healthcare Commission Act, 2015, were non-bailable

**ISLAMABAD:** Despite a warning by the Met Office to the allergy patients, there are less chances of an increase in the pollen counts as the spring season is nearing its end. The Met Office had warned that all individuals with any sensitivity to these pollens and molds could experience allergy symptoms these days. However, the pollen count on Monday was only 3,591 particles per cubic metre in the air. Out of the count, a vast majority of 3,563 came from paper mulberry leaving only 23 counts recorded from alternaria fungus. The other main pollen producing species in Islamabad were acacia, eucalyptus, pines, grasses, cannabis and dandelion, all recording zero pollen count



### Anti-dengue campaign in capital soon

*Daily Dawn, April 7, 2015*

### Action sought against two private hospitals

*Daily Dawn, April 7, 2015*

### Workers threaten to boycott polio campaign

*Daily Dawn, April 7, 2015*

### Resolve gas shortage issue first, Sindh tells Centre

*The News International, April 7, 2015*

on Monday. Incidentally, the pollen count is on the decline in the capital this year as it was around 5,000 particles per cubic metres on Sunday. "The main reason for the low pollen counts this year is the frequent rains. Rainwater washes off free floating pollen in the air and also those particles that settle on leaves, trees etc," said an official of the Met Office. Usually, the spring season remained dry after wet and cold winter. Spring sets in the sprouting process in trees and plants and they produce pollen grains in the air that create problems for the people suffering from respiratory diseases. The weather conditions in March usually are relatively drier and sunny but it was comparatively different this year, he added. Last year, the pollen count in these days was around 17,000 particles per cubic metres

**ISLAMABAD:** The Capital Development Authority (CDA) on Monday said it would soon launch an anti-dengue campaign in the city. The civic agency said it had decided to finalise a strategy in collaboration with other relevant organisations against the threats of the dengue virus. The preventive measures include an awareness campaign, spray at possible breeding sites of dengue larva and its growth. "Experts in the CDA believe that there is a higher risk of mosquito growth this year," said Ramzan Sajid, the CDA spokesman. "That is because the frequent rains in the spring will leave fresh water accumulated at many isolated places, including small pots and even bushes." The enforcement directorate has been asked to direct the owners of shops, bakeries, restaurants and tyre shops to take all preventive measures against the virus. All the concerned formations of the CDA have been directed by the top management to take preventive measures to overcome the anticipated threats of the dengue virus. The sanitation directorate, environment and the water management wings would ensure proper cleanliness besides removing shrubs and wild bushes and repairing sewerage and water supply lines. The CDA has already distributed more than 200,000 pamphlets for public awareness while more than 500 banners inscribed with preventive steps against the dengue virus were displayed in prominent locations in the city.

**PESHAWAR:** PTI MPA Arbab Jandad on Monday informed the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly that two leading private hospitals had closed door on the wounded people who were rushed there after the twin suicide blasts at an adjoining Imambargah in Hayatabad in February. Speaking on an adjournment motion, he said that Rehman Medical Institute and North-West Hospital had refused to provide treatment to the victims of the tragic incident occurred on February 13, 2015. "Both hospitals are close to the place of occurrence that is why the volunteers rushed the wounded people there," he told the house. But the administration of both the leading private hospitals refused to provide them treatment, he said. They were later taken to the other public sector hospitals, he added. He demanded of the government to take stern action against the administration of both the hospitals. Parliamentary secretary for law department, MPA Arif Yousuf, said that the health department was aware about the issue. "The recently established Health Commission will take action against both the private hospitals for not providing treatment to the victims of suicide blasts," he said. Mr Yousuf said that the health department had sought explanation from the administration of both the hospitals, but they had yet to give any reply. On the insistence of the mover, the adjournment motion was referred to the house committee on health.

**PESHAWAR:** The Expanded Programme on Immunisation technicians in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Monday warned that they would boycott the upcoming anti-polio campaign if the salary withheld for many months was not paid to them by April 10. The warning was issued during a news conference addressed by All EPI/Gavi Employees Association president Irfanullah Khan at the Peshawar Press Club. Other office-bearers of the association Malik Qamar, Asfandiyar, Sarfraz Durrani and Imran Shah were also in attendance. Irfanullah Khan said salary of more than 272 EPI/Gavi technicians had been pending for seven months but the health department didn't bother about their misery. "We have been protesting and even demonstrated outside the residence of PTI chairman Imran Khan in Islamabad but the salary has not been released despite assurances," he said. The association's president also complained that the health department had yet to regularise the services of EPI/Gavi technicians. He said the EPI/Gavi project would end by the end of June this year but the government was indifferent to the misery of technicians. Irfanullah complained honorarium had not been paid to health workers for four months though they played a key role in the fight against polio in the province. He demanded early payment of pending salary and regularisation of the technicians' services. The association's president said EPI technicians would stage another protest outside the PTI chairman's Islamabad house if dues were not paid by next Friday (April 10).

**Karachi:** The Sindh government on Monday refused to agree to the Centre's new energy policy unless the shortage of oil and gas in the province was resolved. This decision was announced after a high-level meeting held under the leadership of Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah. Sindh Minister for Finance and Energy Syed Murad Ali Shah while briefing the meeting said the federal government had not yet addressed the reservations expressed by provincial government over the shortage of oil and gas. He said the federal petroleum ministry had convened a meeting on April 7 in Islamabad to discuss the issues pertaining to the shortage of oil and gas raised by Sindh in an earlier meeting of the inter-provincial coordination committee.

Taking the policy decision regarding the matter, the chief minister said the Sindh government will not agree to the new energy policy envisaged by the federal government. "We want the issues related to oil and gas shortages to be addressed before we assent to the power generation policy for 2015," he said. The Sindh government, in the inter-provincial meeting, had demanded provision of natural gas to Engro Fertiliser at concessional rates, issuance of policy guidelines for adjustment of gas tariff for Sui gas, dismantling of Gas Price Agreement (GPA) of Mari Petroleum Company Limited, promulgation of updated Gas Infrastructure Development Cess Ordinance, and fair utilisation of imported LNG which would affect energy security of the province. The chief minister also directed the finance and energy minister to boycott the second meeting convened by the federal petroleum ministry and inform the inter-provincial coordination committee to ask its relevant division to call a meeting.

## Fire destroys several flats near National Stadium

*The News International, April 7, 2015*

## Faulty ATM service irks NBP customers in Peshawar

*The Statesman, April 7, 2015*

## 20 medical health centres to be set up for poor patients

*The Statesman, April 7, 2015*

## Secretary Health warns action against medical and dental colleges operating illegally in KP

*The Statesman, April 7, 2015*

## LPG price reduced by Rs10 per kg

*Daily Dawn, April 6, 2015*

**Karachi:** A fire broke out at a residential apartments building near the National Stadium on Sunday night that damaged several flats in the plaza. According to a Fire Brigade official, the blaze erupted in a flat of Noman Arcades and spread to adjoining flats. Firefighters with the help of four fire tenders managed to control the blaze after hours of struggle. There was no report of casualty.

**PESHAWAR:** The faulty ATM (Automated Teller Machines) service of National Bank of Pakistan (NBP) is causing inconvenience to the customers who are also faced with the problem of money transfer despite the fact that the amount is not disbursed from the machine. As the new month starts, the NBP customers who are mostly government servants, rushed to ATM machines for disbursement of requirement amount of money from their accounts. But to their surprise, the ATM machines were found out of order causing inconvenience to the customers and more concerning problem they faced is shifting of amount from their account.

A large number of customers who attempted to withdraw cash, their amount was not disbursed but was shifted from their account to the banks where ATM machine was used. A large number of people at main cantt branch of NBP was gathered on Monday for registration of their complaints about transfer of money from their accounts. A bank official when contacted, said that there are 1280 ATM machines of NBP throughout Pakistan and in the beginning of new month, the problem arises. However, the official continued, the problem will be resolved and money will return to the accounts within a week or two. While the customers also complained that in case of money transfer, the adjustment procedure of NBP is too slow as compared to other banks.

In banks of private sector, the adjustment of amount shifted from ATM takes around a day or two, but in NBP it takes around 20 to 25 days and such a delay is very disturbing and unjust, remarked Waqar Ahmad, a city dweller and customer of NBP. Most of the customers who are government servants have to rely on their salary and cannot wait for twenty days for return of money into their accounts, said Nasir Khan, another customer of NBP whose Rs. 20,000 are stuck awaiting adjustment. The NBP customers have requested the State Bank of Pakistan to take notice of situation and direct officials of National Bank for early rectification of the problem and making the amount adjustment procedure expedient and timely. - APP

**PESHAWAR:** Customs Health Care Society (CHCS) will establish twenty more medical health centres for poor patients across the country. Talking to APP, President CHCS Dr. Asif Mehmood Jah told that these centres will provide free of cost medical facility to the needy people. He said the society had established fifteen medical centres so far in different areas of the country which are serving the deserving patients without any fee. Additionally, he said that CHCS had dug and constructed seventy wells in Tharparkar Sindh which were providing clean drinking water to families in the area. He said that the society had constructed about hundred houses for the rehabilitation of flood stricken people in Atari Jung besides providing relief goods. He said that a mobile clinic was also working in remote areas of Punjab province on weekly basis for medical treatment of the unattended people. - APP

**PESHAWAR:** Secretary Health KP Mushtaq Jadoon has said, that organizing a successful international conference on Medical Education and Research clearly indicates commitment and professionalism of the leadership of Khyber Medical University (KMU) and its entire team to play a vibrant and very visible role in improving overall quality of medical education. The keen interest shown by the participants surely mentions nothing but the zeal to improve quality of human life through medical profession, he was addressing as chief guest the concluding session of the three day International Conference on Medical Education & Research here on Monday.

Secretary Health said, "I hope this event will provide an opportunity to expose the participants to the basic and applied concepts of medical educational research, basic knowledge about teaching and learning, communication skills, the use of information technology in teaching and learning and playing other roles such as a scholarly educator, an informed assessor and effective team player. He announced that a crystal clear policy will be in practice for all medical and dental colleges of the province in respect to implement a uniform curriculum and assessment system. He said that no one is above the law and against those medical & dental colleges who are not affiliated with KMU as per KMU Act will be dealt with prescribed laws in true spirit. Former VC of KMU Prof. Dr. Muhammad Daud Khan while talking to the concluding session as guest of honor has said that knowledge have never been a static phenomenon it is something which grows with time both in terms of content and scope.

Prof. Daud emphasized that the pearls of knowledge, vision and skills gained by the participants from this conference should be practiced in the better interest of the people of this backward region of the country. Prof. Dr. Hafizullah VC KMU while highlighting the achievements of the university said that, KMU had eight constituent and 29 affiliated institutes and it is imparting education in various medical, dental and allied health sciences disciplines like MBBS, BDS, Public Health, Physiotherapy, Basic Medical Sciences, Nursing, Paramedics and Health Profession Education. He hoped that this conference will help to provide a platform for dialogue on issues and challenges being faced by the health professions education system and to disseminate findings of medical educational research undertaken in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Later on the chief guest awarded certificates to the winners of oral & poster presentations and organizers of the event. - APP

**LAHORE:** The government on Sunday reduced the price of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) by Rs10 per kilogram. According to the LPG Distributors Association Pakistan, the decrease will mean that the domestic cylinder will become cheaper by Rs115 and the commercial by Rs460. The price declined after the LPG producing firms decreased the per ton price of LPG by Rs9,400 — from Rs70,500 to Rs61,100, association's chairman Irfan Khokhar said in a statement. Welcoming the decision, Mr Khokhar said it was now the responsibility of Oil & Gas Regulatory Authority to implement the new price with immediate effect. He said since LPG was cheaper than LNG, the government should promote it in the auto sector. He asked the LPG wholesalers and retailers to

### KP doctors reject biometric system for attendance

*Daily Dawn, April 6, 2015*

### PRCS to launch six healthcare projects

*Daily Dawn, April 6, 2015*

### Local food safety problem likely to become international emergency

*The Statesman, April 6, 2015*

### Hydro-diplomacy urged

*The Statesman, April 6, 2015*

sell the commodity on new rates

**ABBOTTABAD:** Five representative bodies of doctors in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa have rejected the biometric system of attendance and vowed to continue their duty according to the previous protocol. This was announced during a joint meeting of the representatives of the Provincial Doctors Association (PDA), Young Doctors Association (YDA), Peoples Doctors Forum (PDF), Pakistan Islamic Medical Association (PIMA) and Malgari Doctors Association here on Sunday. Daud Iqbal, information secretary of PDF, told newsmen after the meeting that that PDA, YDA, PIMA, PDF and Malgari Doctors Association had unanimously rejected the newly introduced biometric system of attendance in hospitals, including Ayub Teaching Hospital, Abbottabad. He said that doctor's duty hours were not defined and they had to be on call 24 hours while the biometric system was limited to only office hours. "The performance of doctors should be evaluated through their output rather than attendance," he added. Dr Iqbal said that PDA's general body meetings at Hayatabad Medical Complex and Lady Reading Hospital in Peshawar had already rejected the biometric system. He said that if the government was really sincere to introduce international standards in the health delivery system, then it should take on board the doctors' community in formulating policies.

**GUJRAT:** The Punjab Red Crescent Society (PRCS) will launch six projects of public healthcare in the Gujrat district at a cost of Rs120 million. The construction of first such hospital has been started with a sum of Rs10 million donated by local philanthropist Yasir Arafat Warraich in remote Khojjanwali village, some 30 kilometers from here. The hospital is being built under the public-private partnership programme on three kanals of state land retrieved from the illegal occupation of a local influential man about four months back. PRCS chairman Mian Haneef and Gujrat DCO Liaquat Ali laid the foundation stone of the hospital where former PML-N MNA Chaudhry Mubashar Hussain, MPAs Moin Nawaz and Imran Zafar and DPO Rai Ijaz Ahmed were also present. Mian Haneef said the Red Crescent Society had planned to build a children hospital, a child and mother care hospital and four dispensaries in rural areas of the district. He said his society would spend funds being collected in Gujrat on local projects so that the people donating the money could properly monitor them. Yasir Warraich said his family had already completed four uplift projects in the village and the hospital project in Khojjanwali village would be completed within six months.

**PESHAWAR:** New data on the harm caused by foodborne illnesses underscore the global threats posed by unsafe foods, and the need for coordinated, cross-border action across the entire food supply chain, according to WHO, which next week is dedicating its annual World Health Day to the issue of food safety. World Health Day will be celebrated on 7 April, with WHO highlighting the challenges and opportunities associated with food safety under the slogan "From farm to plate, make food safe." "Food production has been industrialized and its trade and distribution have been globalized," says WHO Director-General Dr Margaret Chan. "These changes introduce multiple new opportunities for food to become contaminated with harmful bacteria, viruses, parasites, or chemicals." Dr Chan adds: "A local food safety problem can rapidly become an international emergency."

Investigation of an outbreak of foodborne disease is vastly more complicated when a single plate or package of food contains ingredients from multiple countries. Unsafe food can contain harmful bacteria, viruses, parasites or chemical substances, and cause more than 200 diseases - ranging from diarrhoea to cancers. Examples of unsafe food include undercooked foods of animal origin, fruits and vegetables contaminated with faeces, and shellfish containing marine biotoxins. Today, WHO is issuing the first findings from what is a broader ongoing analysis of the global burden of foodborne diseases. The full results of this research, being undertaken by WHO's Foodborne Disease Burden Epidemiology Reference Group (FERG), are expected to be released in October 2015. Efforts to prevent such emergencies can be strengthened, however, through development of robust food safety systems that drive collective government and public action to safeguard against chemical or microbial contamination of food.

Global and national level measures can be taken, including using international platforms, like the joint WHO-FAO International Food Safety Authorities Network (INFOSAN), to ensure effective and rapid communication during food safety emergencies. At the consumer end of the food supply chain, the public plays important roles in promoting food safety, from practising safe food hygiene and learning how to take care when cooking specific foods that may be hazardous (like raw chicken), to reading the labels when buying and preparing food. The WHO Five Keys to Safer Food explain the basic principles that each individual should know all over the world to prevent foodborne diseases. "It often takes a crisis for the collective consciousness on food safety to be stirred and any serious response to be taken," says Dr Kazuaki Miyagishima, Director of WHO's Department of Food Safety and Zoonoses. "The impacts on public health and economies can be great. A sustainable response, therefore, is needed that ensures standards, checks and networks are in place to protect against food safety risks." WHO is working to ensure access to adequate, safe, nutritious food for everyone? - PPI

**PESHAWAR:** The international community must gear up for a new era of hydro-diplomacy as the threat of water scarcity risks plunging the world into a period of geopolitical tension and stunted development, U.N. Deputy Secretary-General Jan Eliasson told delegates. Water is one of the highest priorities for development and lives in dignity, as well as a serious factor in maintaining peace and security, the Deputy Secretary-General said in remarks to open the High-Level Interactive Dialogue on the International Decade for Action Water for Life, 2005-2015. The lack of water causes individual tragedies, he continued. And it also, growingly, constitutes a threat to international peace and security. There is a need for hydro-diplomacy making scarce water a reason for cooperation, rather than a reason for conflict. Eliasson warned that in a period of intensifying disasters, both man-made and natural, social and economic stresses related to water supply would increasingly flare up, spawning tensions between communities and nations.



### Companies refuse to reduce LPG prices

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### Larkana city areas plunged into sewerage and rain water

*Pakistan Christian Post, April 6, 2015*

The dire straits facing the world's water situation was recently amplified in the UN's 2015 World Water Development report, released by the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and in time for World Water Day. According to the report, the planet will face a 40 per cent shortfall in water supply in 2030 unless the international community dramatically improves water supply management. Demand for water is slated to skyrocket 55 per cent by 2050 while 20 per cent of global groundwater is already overexploited. As such, the Deputy Secretary-General called for greater international cooperation based on the growing communal urgency and need for water around the world. Shared water sources have historically brought countries closer together. Instead of seeing water-sharing as a problem, we have to treat it as a potential solution, with the help of innovative and dynamic hydro-diplomacy, he added.

Eliasson's remarks come as Member States prepare to roll out a post-2015 development agenda that will focus on sustainability and which may also touch upon issues of water governance and quality to wastewater management and the prevention of natural disasters. Water consumption, the UN has noted, also directly affects quality of life for millions of people around the world in developing and least developed countries. On average, nearly 1,000 children die every day from diarrhoeal disease linked to unsafe drinking water, poor sanitation, or poor hygiene. In three countries in particular the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mozambique and Papua New Guinea, more than half the population does not have improved drinking water. - APP

**The LPG marketing companies** Monday refused to reduce the LPG prices. The government LPG producers reduced the prices of LPG on Sunday after the reduction of Rs 9,400 per ton by the government. The reduction of Rs 10 per kg, Rs 115 domestic cylinder and Rs 460 commercial is actually aimed at giving relief to the poor consumers by the government. But unfortunately, this relief could reach the poor people.

LPG Distributors Association Pakistan chairman Irfan Khokhar said that OGRA failed to implement the new prices. LPG marketing companies are earning unjustified profit of Rs 12.5 million per day. Irfan Khokhar said the reduction in LPG prices was just because of record import of LPG in last six months. The import of LPG finishes the monopoly of LPG mafia. Khokhar added that LPG was a cheaper fuel than LNG. The govt should cut 50 per cent GST on import then LPG will be more reduced by Rs 10 per kg.

**LARKANA:** A large number of city areas are plunged into sewerage and rain water, contaminated stagnant water posing huge threats of health hazards for citizens. The representatives of civil society and citizens have expressed concern over the unhygienic pathetic conditions of Larkana and demanded of high ups to take steps to remove responsible authorities. North Sindh Urban Services Corporation (NSUSC) and TMA have been failed to drain out stagnant sewerage water in deferent localities of Larkana included the Kausar Mill Muhalla, Hussaini Muhalla, Gajanpur, Allahabad, Airport road, Yaar Muhammad Colony, Sasti Basti and Sachal Colony, Aqil road, Waleed road, Ayoub Colony, new Nazar Muhalla and several other areas are under the heap of garbage, concerned departments are reluctant to address the public issues.

The directives of MNA Faryal Talpur several times to District administration and NSUSC authority to mitigate the problems of citizens, but concerned authorities failed to implement her orders even on 36th death anniversary of Z. A Bhutto at Garhi Khuda Bux, the public gathering place a huge quantity of rain water could not be removed through dewatering machine. Sources disclosed that both the departments TMA and NSUSC were charging huge money of petrol and maintenance of several dewatering machines, but there is no record of such machinery etc. Several areas of Larkana city are inundated by sewerage water and roads with heap of garbage, during her meeting with officials of District administration Larkana regarding the cleanliness of city.

Faryal had directed the concerned officials of NSUSC and TMA to take necessary steps and ensure the cleanliness in city but after passage of reasonable time orders of MNA Faryal Talpur orders were not implemented and concerned authorities turned their deaf ear. TMA Larkana which has huge monthly budget called OZT Rs 25 million and its own assets and other earnings through taxes, TMA is only working on street lights but all were plunged into darkness and making payments to huge number of employees, except that it has no role in development, sanitation, planning and other civic issues. Undertaking task of lighting is in doldrums, Larkana completely plunged in darkness, which the crime increases in streets. It is also pertinent to be mentioned here that a massive corruption was witnessed in Solar light scheme, installed solar lights scheme worth of millions of rupees yielded no results and all lights are out of order.

North Sindh Urban Services Corporation (NSUSC) was assigned the project of sanitation by provincial government with support of Asian Bank since 2008-9 also failed to deliver the required facilities. Director NSUSC Mehmood Shah told that NSUSC has little budget of 60 million annual budget for Larkana city, despite of that striving hard to address the public issues, he said that shortage of sanitation staff and lack of coordination between the stake holders is reason behind the poor service delivery. Several social and political parties among Pakistan Awami Tehreek, Shehri Ittehad, Khaksar Tehreek and others have expressed concern over the poor cleanliness services of NSUSC Larkana and termed it failure for providing cleanliness facilities.

Advocate Sajid Mahessar who has recently filed a constitution petition against the district administration, TMA, NSUSC, Public Health Engineering and others also said that due to unhygienic conditions and stagnant sewerage water in various areas, water born disease have out broken in their areas and several children fell pray of Malaria, diarrhea, stomach diseases and others but local authorities are reluctant to dispose off sewerage water in areas, adding that despite of announcement has not carried out the anti malaria spray in their areas. The representatives of civil society appealed to high ups to take notice of matter, remove the heap of garbage and provide the basic facilities to masses. Whereas, the same situation in Kamber-Shahdadt, Shikarpur, Jacobabad and other parts of division. The citizens of Shikarpur staged a protest demonstration against delay in draining outstanding rain water from roads of Allahabad.

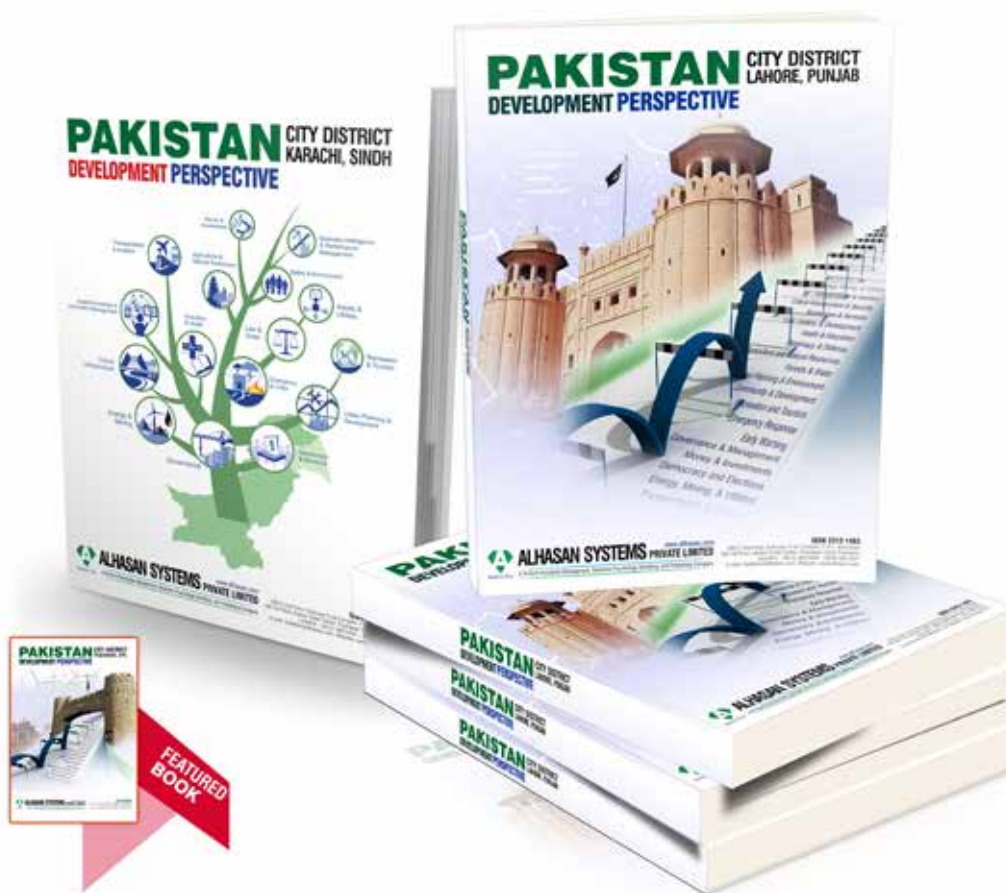


colony, Bhattai colony, Alif Shah Shaheed and other parts of the city here on Sunday.

Talking to media persons Aktar Ali Jhullan, Sardar Khan Kalhoro, Shabir Ahmed Jatoti and others said that different roads and streets of the city were inundated with rain water and drain water affecting their lives and Taluka Municipal Administration (TMA) not ensuring cleanliness in their areas due to negligence of the concerned authorities the sewerage water has inundated the main streets and roads in the city and their areas. Protesters further said that the heaps of garbage has not been removed which has resulted in spread of diseases. The concerned authorities despite their several complain have not taken any notice of the matter, they added. They demanded of the higher authorities, Taluka Municipal Administration Shikarpur and North Sindh Urban Services Corporation (NSUSC) official to take immediate notice of the matter and take necessary measures in the matter to provide relief to the masses otherwise they have threatened to accelerate their protest circle.

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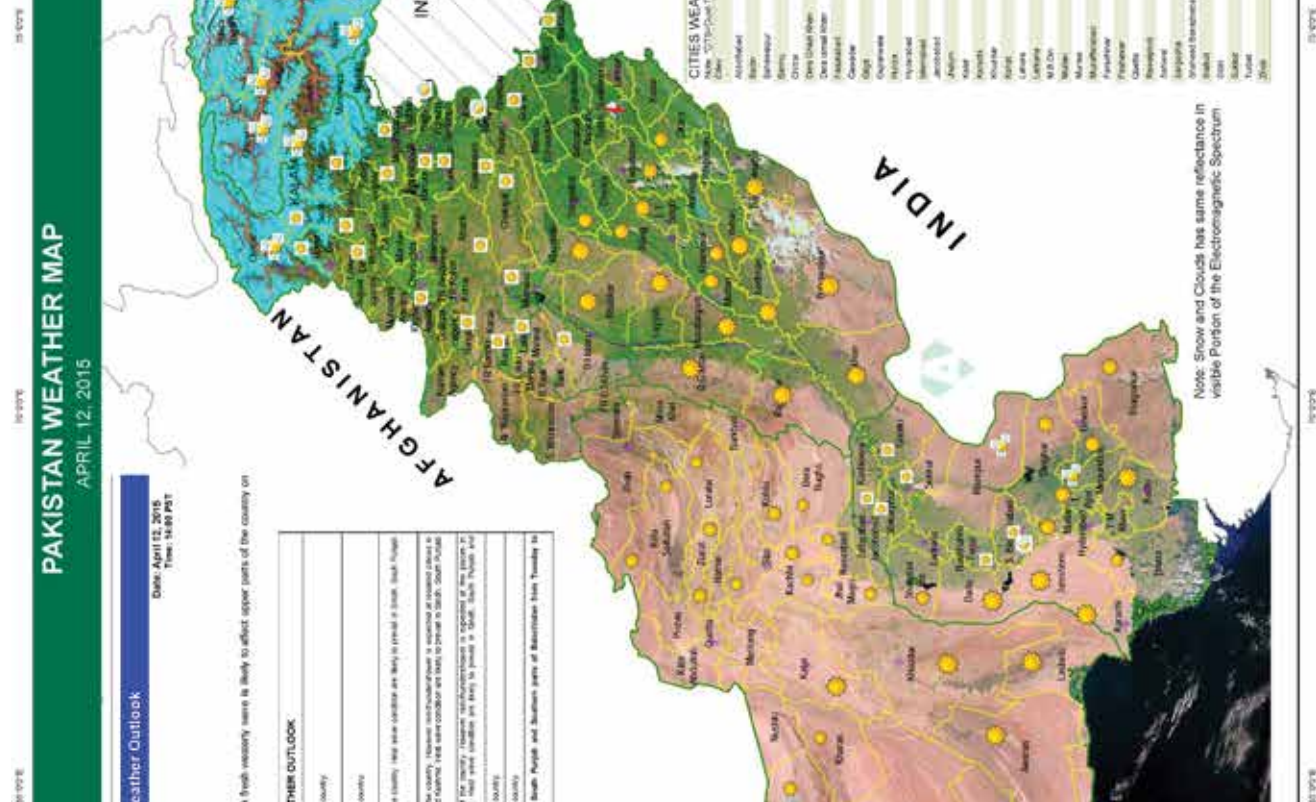
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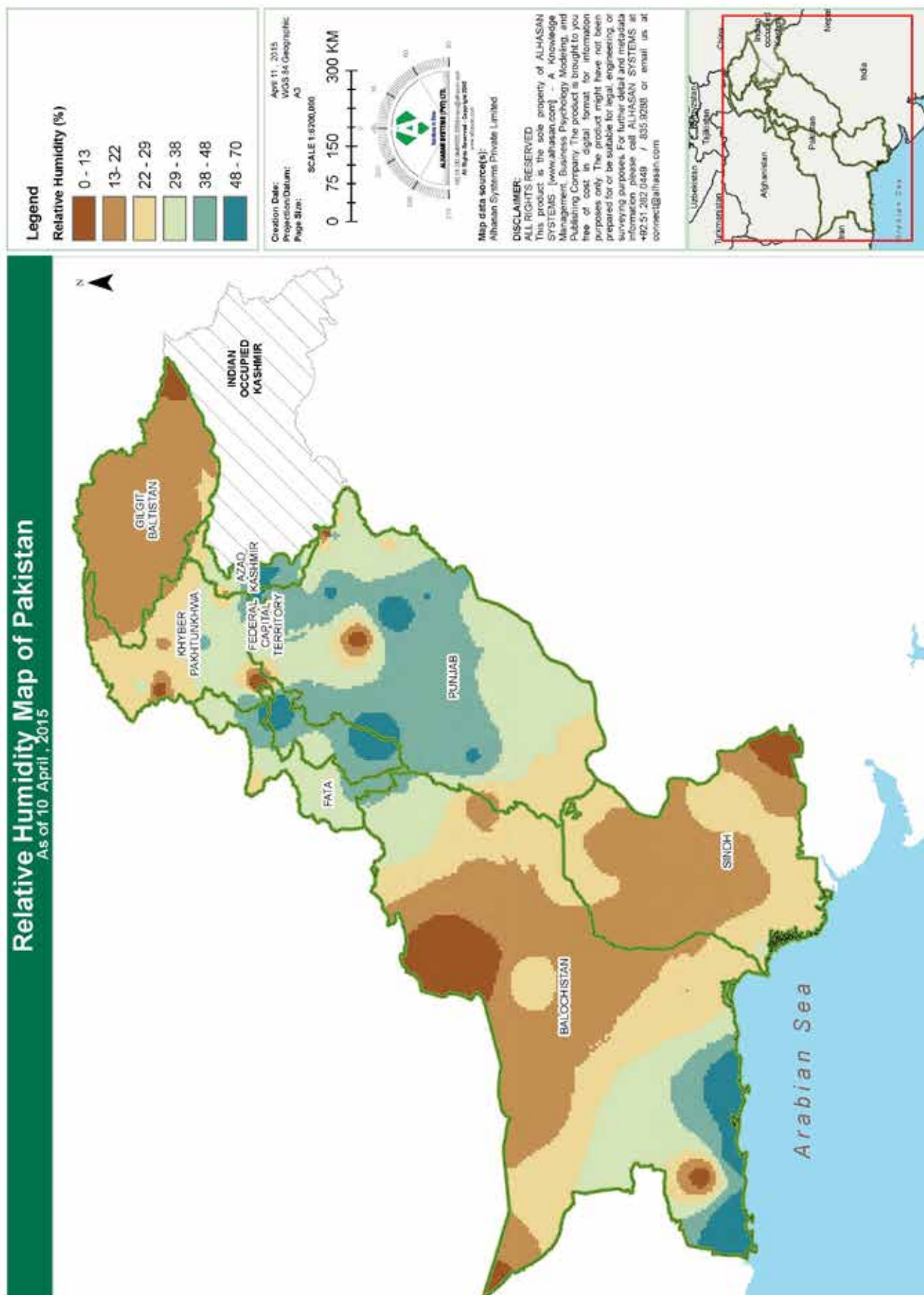
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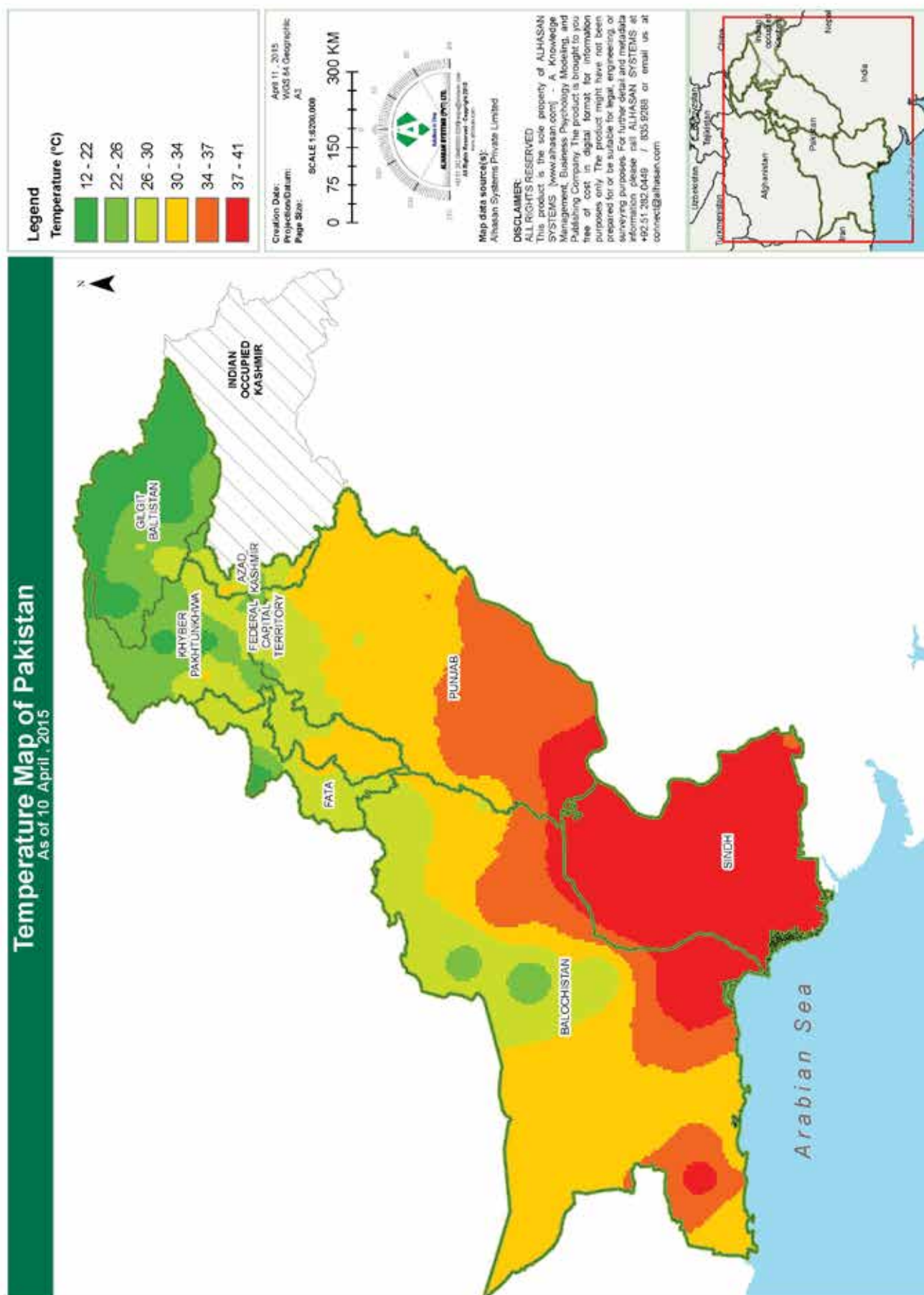


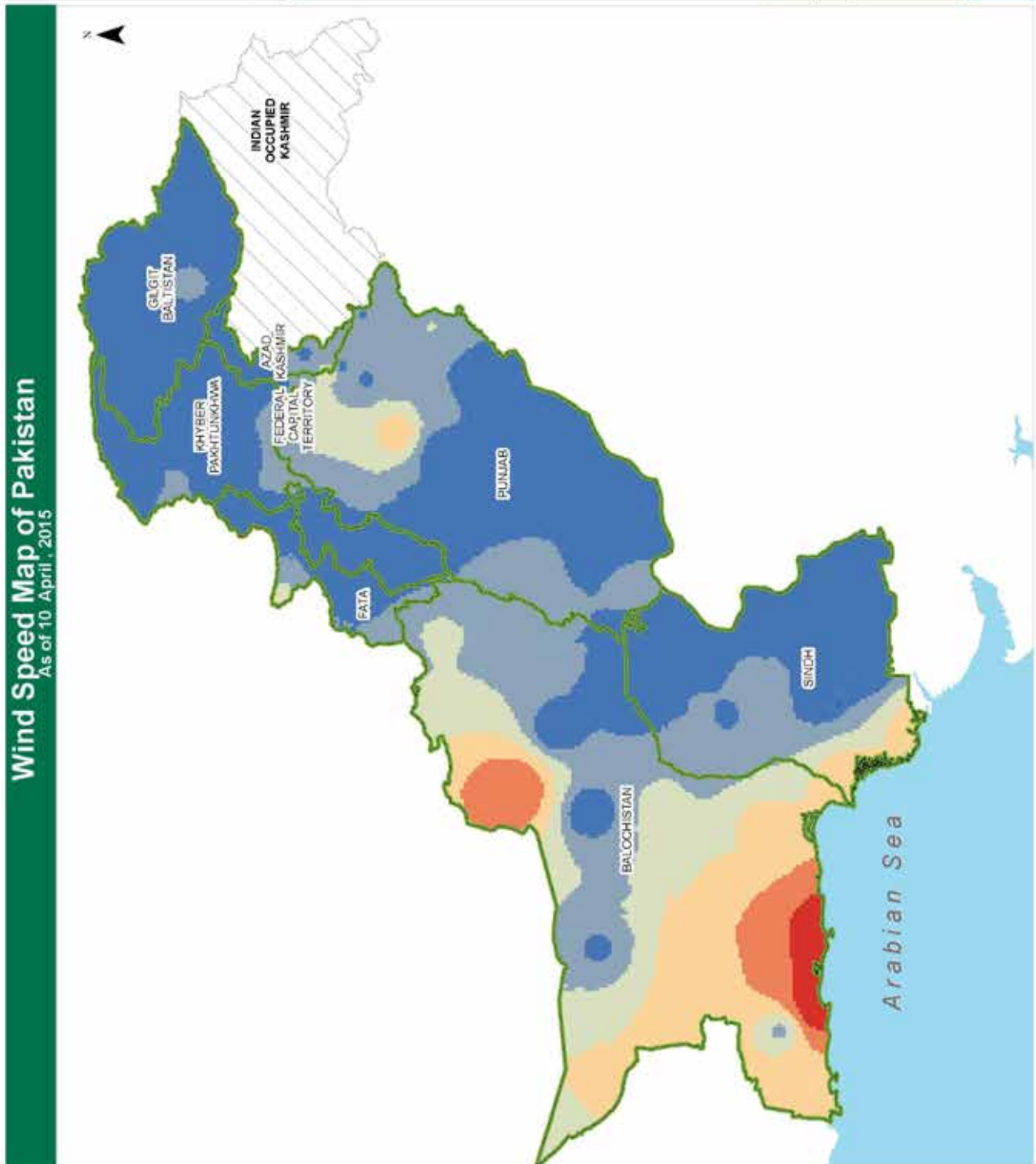














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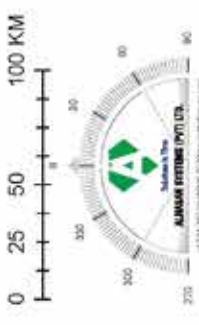
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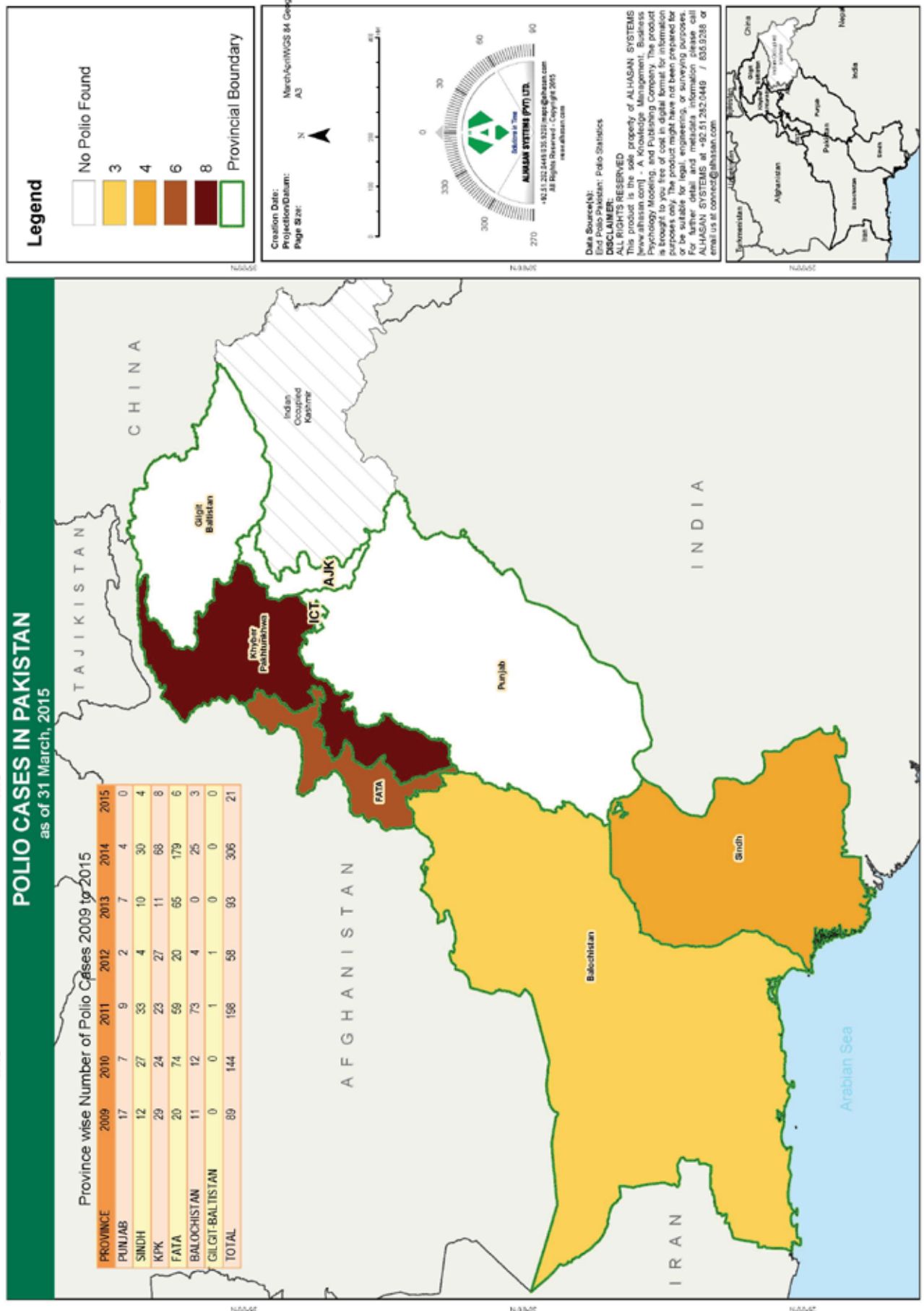


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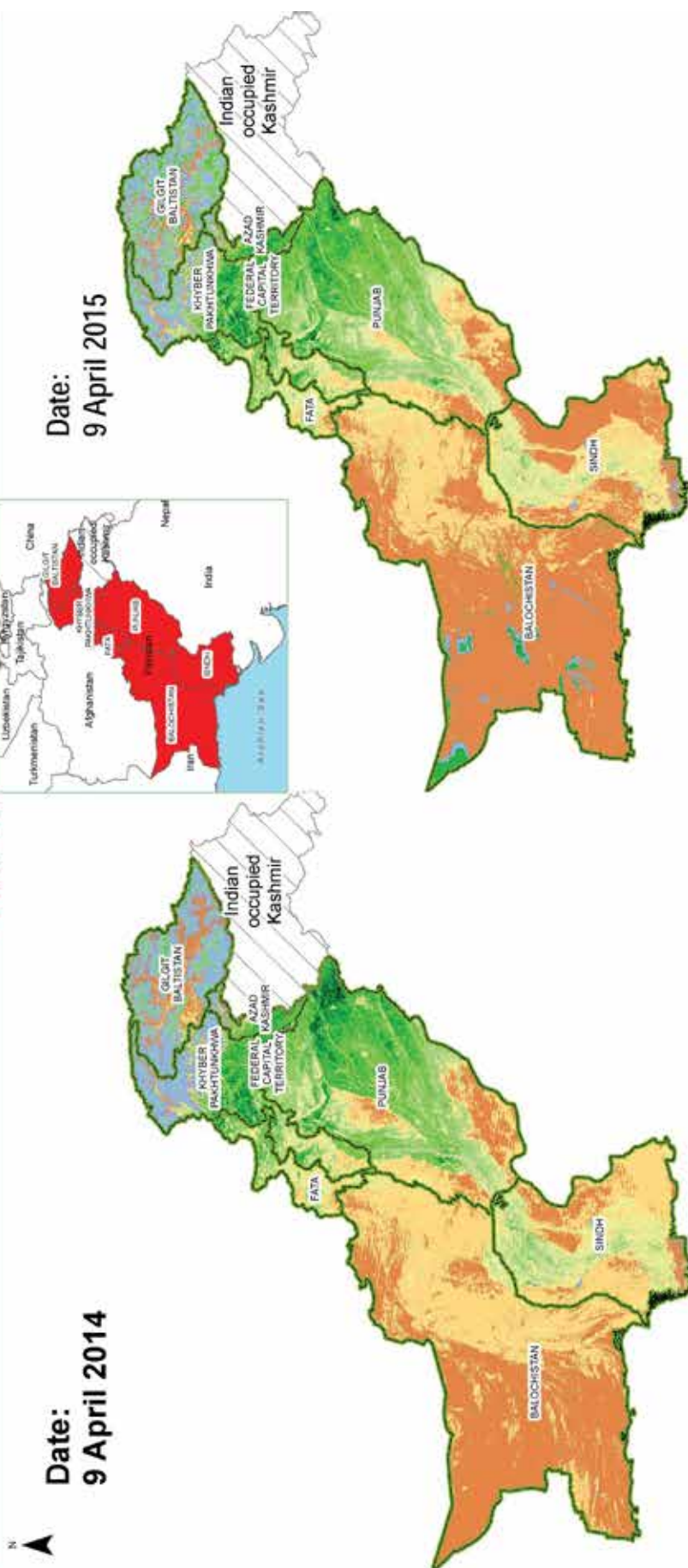






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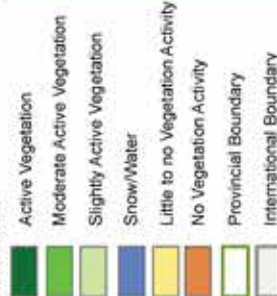
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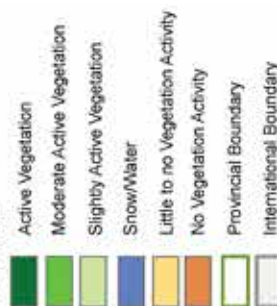
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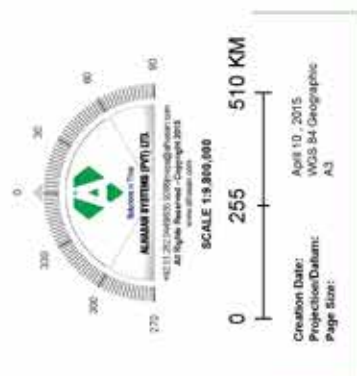


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میں لیبارٹری ٹیسٹ کے دوران کوئی پولیو وائرس نہیں پایا گیا تھا۔ 10 فروری 2015 میں 12 نمونوں میں سے صرف ایک میں پولیو وائرس کی موجودگی کا شبہ ظاہر کیا گیا تھا جو سی ڈی اے کیلئے حیران کن خبر تھی جس کے بعد معیار کے مطابق تازہ نمونے حاصل کرنے کے بعد ان میں وائرس کا پتہ چلانے کیلئے انھیں این آئی ایچ کو بھیجا گیا جہاں سے ان نمونوں کو ٹیسٹ کیلئے امریکہ میں سی ڈی سی اٹلانٹا کو بھیجا گیا۔ 16 مارچ 2015 کو این آئی ایچ کی جاری کی گئی رپورٹ سے ظاہر ہوتا ہے کہ ان نمونوں میں کوئی پولیو وائرس نہیں پایا گیا۔

**ہالا (نامہ نگار)** ہلا سمیت ضلع ٹیاری میں بلدیاتی اداروں کی ناقص کارکردگی نے شہریوں کی زندگی اجیرن کر دی۔ شہروں کی گلیوں، محلوں اور سڑکوں میں گنداپانی جمع رہنے کے باعث مچھروں کی بہتات ہو گئی ہے۔ نشینی علاقوں کے کچے گھروں میں نالیوں کا پانی داخل ہونے لگا ہے۔ تنخواہوں کے بقایا جات اور مراعات نہ ملنے کیخلاف خا کروہوں کے احتجاج کے باعث نکاسی آب کا نظام مفلوج ہو کر رہ گیا ہے اور ہالا، نیو سعید آباد، ٹیاری، اڈیرول، بھٹ شاہ اور دیگر شہروں میں گندگی سے اٹھنے والی بدبو اور آلودگی نے لوگوں کی مشکلات میں اضافہ کر دیا ہے اور شہریوں کو آمدورفت میں سخت پریشانی کا سامنا ہے۔ ضلع ٹیاری کے بلدیاتی ادارے مالی بحران کے باعث شہریوں کیلئے عذاب بن گئے ہیں۔ تین تعلقوں ٹیاری، ہالا اور نیو سعید آباد کی ایک میونسپل کمیٹی، 5 ٹاؤن کمیٹیوں اور 18 یونین کونسلوں میں 7 لاکھ کی آبادی بنیادی سہولتوں سے محروم ہے۔ مہینہ کرپشن اور اضافی بھرتیوں کے نتیجے میں مالی بحران کے باعث بلدیاتی افسران پوسٹنگ کیلئے تیار نہیں۔ سب سے بڑے تعلقہ اور ضلعی ہیڈ کوارٹر ٹیاری کی تین ٹاؤن کمیٹی خیر، ٹیاری اور اڈیرول کے انتظامات صرف ایک ٹاؤن آفیسر چلا رہے ہیں۔ میونسپل کمیٹی ہالا اور ٹاؤن کمیٹی بھٹ شاہ، اسسٹنٹ کمشنر ہالا جبکہ ٹاؤن کمیٹی نیو سعید آباد کو اسسٹنٹ کمشنر سعید آباد چلا رہے ہیں۔ اسسٹنٹ کمشنر ہالا وائڈ منسٹر پیٹر شام اللہ صدر کے مطابق بلدیہ ہالا، بھٹ شاہ میں ٹاؤن آفیسر سمیت اکاؤنٹنٹ اور دیگر افسران کی آسامیاں بھی خالی ہیں۔ مالی بد حالی کے ساتھ ساتھ ملنے والے ماہانہ فنڈز میں کٹوتی سے دفتری امور اور شہری مسائل کے حل میں مشکلات کا سامنا ہے۔ ہالا، بھٹ شاہ کیلئے ملنے والے 93 لاکھ روپے میں سے 85 لاکھ روپے تنخواہوں کی مد میں دیئے جاتے ہیں۔ کرپشن کے خلاف شہری و سماجی تنظیموں نے احتجاج کرتے ہوئے بلدیاتی بے قاعدگیوں کی عدالتی تحقیقات اور ملوث افسران کی گرفتاری کے ساتھ شہریوں کو بنیادی سہولتوں کی فراہمی کا مطالبہ کیا ہے۔

## ضلع ٹیاری میں بلدیاتی اداروں کی ناقص کارکردگی، شہریوں کی زندگی اجیرن

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## دریائے ستلج پانی نہ ہونے سے ریت کا دریا بن گیا، محمد علی درانی

روزنامہ جنگ

06 اپریل 2015

**لاہور (منور حسن)** سابق وزیر اطلاعات اور بہاولپور صوبہ بحالی تحریک کے سربراہ محمد علی درانی نے کہا ہے کہ بہاولپور اور ملحقہ اضلاع، جو بیشتر چولستان صحرا پر مشتمل ہیں، کے باشندوں کو ان کے حصے کے پانی سے محروم کر دیا گیا ہے کیونکہ اس وسیع علاقے کو سیراب کرنے والے دریائے ستلج میں پانی نہ ہونے سے یہ ریت کا دریا بن گیا ہے، انہوں نے بتایا کہ انڈس معاہدے کے ذریعے بھارت نے دریائے ستلج کا تمام پانی چھین لیا ہے جو علاقے کے عوام کے ساتھ بدترین نا انصافی ہے دوسری جانب دریا کے بہاؤ کی متاثرہ فراہمی کو دور کرنے کیلئے لنک کینال کو اصل منصوبے کے مطابق نہیں بنایا گیا ان کا کہنا تھا کہ تریوں اسلام لنک کینال نامی دوسری نہر کی ڈیزائن کیسٹسٹی کو 22000 سے کم کر کے 11000 کیوسک کر دیا گیا، محمد علی درانی کا کہنا تھا کہ کسی زمانے میں لہریں مارتا یہ دریا آج سلیمانی سے پنجاب بیراج تک ریت کے دریا میں تبدیل ہو چکا ہے تقریباً تمام دریا خشک ہے، کوئی بھی شخص اس کے کنارے پر رہنے والوں کے مستقبل کا اندازہ لگا سکتا ہے، سابق وفاقی وزیر نے بتایا کہ دریا کا بہاؤ روکے جانے کے باعث ستلج دریا کے بائیں اور دائیں کناروں پر آباد پنجاب کے اضلاع بہاولپور، ساہیوال، پاکپتن، خانیوال اور لودھراں کو پانی کی قلت اور اس کی بگڑتی کوالٹی جیسے مختلف مسائل کا سامنا ہے، انہوں نے ستلج پر واقع اسلام ہیڈورکس کو دریائے پنجاب تریوں بیراج سے نہروں کو پانی کی فراہمی بڑھانے کا مطالبہ کیا۔

## تھرپارکر، غذائی قلت کا شکار مزید 6 بچے جاں بحق، اپریل میں مرنے والوں کی تعداد 12 ہو گئی

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**مٹھی (نامہ نگار)** تھرپارکر میں غذائی قلت اور مختلف بیماریوں کی وجہ سے بچوں کی اموات کا سلسلہ تیزی سے جاری ہے۔ اتوار کے روز مزید 6 بچے انتقال کر گئے۔ اسپتال ذرائع کے مطابق رواں ماہ جاں بحق ہونے والے بچوں کی تعداد 12 ہو گئی ہے۔ مرنے والوں میں تین بچے اور تین بچیاں شامل ہیں۔ اسپتال ذرائع کے مطابق موت و حیات کی کشمکش میں مبتلا 47 بچے اس وقت بھی سول اسپتال مٹھی میں زیر علاج ہیں۔ قحط سالی اور غذائی قلت کا جانوروں پر بھی شدید اثر پڑا ہے، علاقہ مکین دودھ دینے والے اپنے جانوروں کے ساتھ نہری علاقوں کی جانب نقل مکانی کر گئے ہیں۔ جس کے باعث تھرپارکر میں دودھ اور اس کی ذیلی مصنوعات کی شدید قلت پیدا ہو گئی ہے۔ علاقہ مکینوں نے سندھ اور وفاقی حکومت سے ایبل کی ہے کہ تھر کے باسیوں کو درپیش مشکل ترین صورت حال کا نوٹس لیتے ہوئے انسانوں کے لئے اشیائے خوردنی اور جانوروں کے لئے چارہ فراہم کیا جائے۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق تھرپارکر میں قحط سالی کے باعث غذائی قلت اور مختلف بیماریوں کی وجہ سے اموات کا سلسلہ جاری ہے۔ اتوار کو تھرپارکر کے مختلف علاقوں میں مزید 6 بچے ہلاک ہو گئے۔ مرنے والے بچوں میں تحصیل مٹھی کے گاؤں روہیلو میں تین روز کا نوزائیدہ عبدالرزاق ولد منظور، نھڑی کے گاؤں میھاری ہنگورجہ کا دو ماہ کا کیول ولد ماوجی بھیل، تحصیل ڈیلو کا چار ماہ کا محمد

مطابق شگاف کی وجہ سے فصلوں کو شدید نقصان پہنچا ہے۔

108 اپریل 2015

خیبر پختونخوا ہیلتھ کیئر کمیشن کا کریک ڈاؤن،

250 نجی کلینک سیل

روزنامہ جنگ

108 اپریل 2015

## سپریم کورٹ نے موبائل کمپنیوں کی انعامی

## اسکیموں کو غیر قانونی قرار دے دیا

روزنامه اساس

07 اپریل 2015

ایل پی جی کی قیمت میں 10 روپے کلو کی نمایاں

کمی

روزنامه اساس

07 اپریل 2015

پاکستان میں آلودہ پانی لاکھوں انسانوں کی موت

کی وجہ بن گیا

روزنامہ ایکسپرس

107 اپریل 2015

**پشاور ہیلتھ کیئر کمیشن** خیبر پختونخوا نے صوبے بھر میں غیر قانونی نجی کلینکس کیخلاف کریک ڈاون کے دوران ڈھائی سو نجی کلینکس سیل کر دیئے ہیں۔ چیف ایگزیکٹو ہیلتھ کیئر کمیشن حسین شاہ نے جیونوز کو بتایا کہ مارچ کے دوران صوبہ بھر میں آپریشن کر کے ڈھائی سو سے زیادہ غیر قانونی کلینکس کو بند کر دیا گیا۔ حسین شاہ کے مطابق پشاور میں 85، ضلع مردان میں 25، ڈیہ اسماعیل خان میں 31، سوات میں 26، ایبٹ آباد اور مانسہرہ میں 26 غیر قانونی کلینکس کو سیل کیا گیا۔ حسین شاہ نے بتایا کہ ان غیر قانونی کلینکس میں بیشتر کو بھاری جرمانے بھی عائد کئے گئے۔ ہیلتھ کیئر کمیشن کے چیف ایگزیکٹو عوام سے اپیل کی کہ ایسے غیر قانونی کلینکس چلانے والوں کیخلاف کارروائی میں تعاون کریں۔

سپریم کورٹ کی لاہور رجسٹری نے موبائل کمپنیوں کی انعامی اسکیموں کو غیر قانونی قرار دے دیا۔ موبائل کمپنیوں کی انعامی اسکیموں سے متعلق کیس کی سماعت سپریم کورٹ کی لاہور رجسٹری جسٹس انور ظہیر جمالی کی سربراہی میں سپریم کورٹ کے بیٹچ نے کی، دوران سماعت عدالت نے ریمارکس دیئے کہ موبائل کمپنیاں انعامی اسکیموں کی آڑ میں عوام سے لوٹ مار کر رہی ہیں جو غیر قانونی ہے اور اس کی کسی صورت اجازت نہیں دی جاسکتی لہذا کمپنیاں ایسی اسکیمیں فوری طور پر بند کریں۔

حکومتی اداروں کی جانب سے نرخوں میں کمی کے بعد گھریلو سینڈز کی قیمت میں 115 روپے اور کمرشل سینڈز کی قیمت میں 460 روپے کی کمی ہوگئی ہے۔ حکومتی پروڈیوسرز کی جانب سے ایل پی جی کی قیمتوں میں نمایاں کمی کردی گئی ہے جس کے بعد ایل پی جی کی فی ٹن قیمت میں 9400 روپے کی کمی ہوگئی ہے۔ حکومتی ایل پی جی پیداواری اداروں کی جانب سے ایل پی جی کی فی ٹن قیمت میں 9400 روپے کی کمی کردی ہے جس کے بعد فی ٹن ایل پی جی کی قیمت 70500 روپے گھٹ کر 61100 روپے ہوگئی ہے۔ حکومتی اداروں کی جانب سے نرخوں میں کمی کے بعد ایل پی جی کی فی ٹن قیمت میں 10 روپے، گھریلو سینڈز کی قیمت میں 115 روپے اور کمرشل سینڈز کی قیمت میں 460 روپے کی کمی ہوگئی ہے۔ ایل پی جی ڈسٹری بیوٹرز ایسوسی ایشن کے چیئرمین عرفان کھوکھر نے کہا ہے کہ حکومت نے گیس کی قیمتوں میں نمایاں کمی کر کے عوام کو ریلیف فراہم کر دیا ہے۔

**کراچی:** آج پاکستان سمیت دنیا بھر میں عالمی یوم صحت منایا جا رہا ہے لیکن صورت حال یہ ہے کہ وطن عزیز میں ہر سال لاکھوں افراد صرف آلودہ پانی پینے کی وجہ سے لبتی جان سے ہاتھ دھو بیٹھتے ہیں۔ ہر سال 17 اپریل کو دنیا بھر میں صحت کا دن منایا جا رہا ہے جس کا مقصد لوگوں کو ایسے آسان طریقوں سے آگاہ کرنا ہے جس پر عمل کرتے ہوئے صحت مند غذا تک رسائی ممکن ہو سکے۔ آبادی کے پھیلاؤ اور بنیادی سہولیات کے فقدان نے پاکستان میں انسانی صحت پر سوا الیہ نشان لگا دیا ہے۔ آلودہ پانی کا استعمال اور غیر معیاری خوراک پاکستان میں صحت کے مسائل کو جنم دینے کا ایک بنیادی سبب ہے۔

پاکستان میڈیکل ایسوسی ایشن کے سابق سیکرٹری جنرل ڈاکٹر قیصر شہاد کے مطابق پاکستان میں مضر صحت کھانے اور پانی کے باعث معدے اور جھوٹی آنت کی سوزش کی بیماری سب سے زیادہ پائی جاتی ہے، اس کے علاوہ ڈائریا، پیپٹائٹس اے اور ٹائفائڈ جیسی بیماریوں میں بھی دن بدن اضافہ ہو رہا ہے۔ ملک میں محض آلودہ پانی کی وجہ سے ہر سال 30 لاکھ افراد مختلف بیماریوں میں مبتلا ہوتے ہیں جن میں لاکھوں بروقت علاج نہ ہونے پر موت کے منہ میں چلے جاتے ہیں۔ ضرورت اس بات کی ہے کہ ارباب اختیار اس بات کو یقینی بنائیں کہ وہ عوام تک مضر اثرات سے پاک غذا کی پہنچ کو یقینی بنائے۔

مٹھی (نامہ نگار) تھرمیں قحط سالی کی وجہ سے مزید دو بچے دم توڑ گئے ان میں سول ہسپتال مٹھی میں دوران علاج 40 دنوں کا بچہ شکیل ولد ناتھو ہلاک ہو گیا ہے جبکہ قحطیل چھا چھرو کے گاؤں مالکان کا رہائشی قائم سنگر اسی کا پانچ دنوں کا بچہ چھا چھرو کی نجی ہسپتال میں دم توڑ گیا ہے۔ علاوہ ازیں سول ہسپتال مٹھی میں مزید 40 بچے زیر علاج ہیں اور چار بچوں کا نازک حالت میں مٹھی سے حیدرآباد منتقل کر دیا گیا ہے۔

وفاقی ترقیاتی ادارے (سی ڈی اے) کی طرف سے پولیو وائرس کے ٹیسٹ کیلئے امریکہ بھجوائے گئے نمونوں میں کوئی پولیو وائرس نہیں پایا گیا۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق اسلام آباد کے مختلف علاقوں کے سیوریج کے پانی کے نمونے پولیو وائرس کے ٹیسٹ کیلئے امریکہ بھجوائے گئے تھے جس کی رپورٹ کے مطابق اسلام آباد کے کسی بھی حصے میں پولیو وائرس نہیں پایا گیا۔ اس سے قبل راولپنڈی سے ماحولیاتی نمونہ جات میں پولیو وائرس پایا گیا تھا جس پر اسلام آباد میں سیوریج کے پانی میں پولیو وائرس کی موجودگی کے خدشہ کے باعث نمونے بیرون ملک ٹیسٹ کیلئے بھجوائے گئے تھے۔ جنوری 2014 میں پولیو کے پھیلاؤ کے لئے سب سے زیادہ سازگار علاقے آئی ایون فور سبزی میٹری سے لے گئے نمونوں

غذائی قلت، مزید 2 کسں بچے دم توڑ گئے

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

07 اپریل 2015

امریکہ بھجوائے گئے اسلام آباد کے سیوریج کے پانی کے نمونوں میں کوئی پولیو وائرس نہیں پایا گیا

روزنامه اساس

06 اپریل 2015

کا 12 واں اجلاس منعقد ہوا جو تقریباً تین گھنٹے جاری رہا۔

اپنے پی

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گھر آیا استاد داخلہ مہم

بی بی سی اردو

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پاکستان کے صوبے خیبر پختونخوا کی حکومت نے صوبے بھر میں زیادہ سے زیادہ بچوں کو سرکاری سکولوں میں داخل کروانے کے لیے گھر آیا استاد کے نام سے داخلہ مہم کا آغاز کر دیا ہے جس کے تحت اس سال آٹھ لاکھ بچوں کو سکولوں میں داخل کرانے کا ہدف مقرر کیا گیا ہے۔ وزیر اعلیٰ خیبر پختونخوا پرویز خٹک نے بدھ کو پشاور میں اس مہم کا افتتاح کیا۔ اس سلسلے میں ایک تقریب کا انعقاد کیا گیا جس میں صوبائی وزیر اور محکمہ تعلیم کے اعلیٰ حکام نے کثیر تعداد میں شرکت کی۔ صوبائی وزیر تعلیم عارف خان نے بی بی سی سے گفتگو کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ داخلہ مہم کا بنیادی مقصد زیادہ سے زیادہ بچوں کو سرکاری سکولوں میں داخل کرانا ہے۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ یہ مہم تین ہفتے تک جاری رہے گی اور اس دوران صوبے بھر میں آٹھ لاکھ بچوں کو سرکاری سکولوں میں داخل کروانے کا ہدف مقرر کیا گیا ہے۔ ان کے مطابق اس مہم کا نام گھر آیا استاد اس لیے رکھا گیا ہے کیونکہ اساتذہ کو ذمہ داریاں دی گئی ہیں کہ وہ گھر گھر جا کر والدین اور علاقے کے عمائدین سے ملاقاتیں کریں اور ان کے بچوں کو سکولوں میں داخل کروائیں۔

صوبائی وزیر نے مزید بتایا کہ گذشتہ سال بھی سات لاکھ بچوں کو سکولوں میں داخل کروانے کا ہدف مقرر کیا گیا تھا اور حکومت ساڑھے چھ لاکھ سے زائد بچوں کو داخل کرانے میں کامیاب ہو گئی تھی۔ ایک سوال کے جواب میں عارف خان نے کہا کہ تمام اساتذہ داخلہ مہم میں حصہ نہیں لیں گے بلکہ ہر سکول کی سطح پر ذمہ داریاں تفویض کی گئی ہیں، اور اس بات کا خاص خیال رکھا گیا ہے کہ اس دوران بچوں کا وقت ضائع نہ ہو۔ تعلیم کے شعبہ میں اصلاحات اور ترقی سے متعلق بات کرتے ہوئے صوبائی وزیر نے کہا کہ صوبائی حکومت نے تعلیمی شعبے میں بڑے پیمانے پر اصلاحات کا عمل شروع کر رکھا ہے تاکہ صوبے کا کوئی بھی فرد تعلیم کی بنیادی ضرورت سے محروم نہ ہو۔ انھوں نے دعویٰ کیا کہ خیبر پختونخوا حکومت دوسرے صوبوں کے مقابلے میں تعلیم پر سب سے زیادہ پیسے خرچ کر رہی ہے جو ایک ریکارڈ ہے۔ ان کے مطابق خیبر پختونخوا کا کل سالانہ بجٹ 404 ارب روپے بنتا ہے جس میں ایک ارب روپے سے زائد بجٹ تعلیم کے شعبے میں لگایا جا رہا ہے جو کل بجٹ کا 2.8 فیصد ہے۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ تعلیمی بجٹ کی خیر رقم ترقی کے عمل بھی خرچ کی جا رہی ہے جس میں نئے تعلیمی اداروں کا قیام اور موجودہ سکولوں میں توسیع کرنا جیسے منصوبے شامل ہیں۔ ان کے بقول پرائمری سکول پہلے دو کمروں پر مشتمل ہوا کرتے تھے لیکن اب ہر نیا پرائمری سکول چھ کمروں پر مشتمل ہو گا اور اس میں دیگر سہولیات بھی دستیاب ہوں گی۔ خیال رہے کہ خیبر پختونخوا اور قبائلی علاقوں میں 2007 سے لے کر 2012 کے درمیان شدت پسندوں کی طرف سے تعلیمی اداروں پر حملوں کے باعث اس شعبے کو شدید نقصان پہنچا گیا۔ تعلیمی اداروں میں بدعنوانیوں کے باعث بھی یہ شعبہ زوال کا شکار رہا ہے۔

صوبے میں امن و امان کی وجہ سے 87 اور  
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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) سندھ کے سینئر وزیر برائے تعلیم و خواندگی نثار احمد کھوڑونے کہا ہے کہ امن و امان کی وجہ سے صوبے کے مختلف علاقوں 87 اسکول بند ہیں جبکہ مجموعی طور پر 13729 اسکول بند ہیں۔ ان میں سے 1677 اسکول اساتذہ کی عدم دستیابی کی وجہ سے بند ہیں۔ حکومت سندھ نے 1500 اسکول کھول دیئے ہیں۔ باقی اسکول بھی جلد کھول دیئے جائیں گے۔ یہ باتیں انہوں نے منگل کو سندھ اسمبلی میں وقفہ سوالات کے دوران متعدد ارکان کے تحریری اور ضمنی سوالوں کے جوابات میں بتائیں۔ سینئر وزیر تعلیم نے بتایا کہ صوبے میں لیکچرارز کی 6115 منظور شدہ اسامیاں ہیں جبکہ 30 مارچ 2015ء تک 5300 لیکچرارز کام کر رہے تھے۔ اس طرح 815 اسامیاں خالی ہیں۔ 2014ء میں 1100 سے زیادہ اسامیاں خالی تھیں۔ 300 لیکچرارز کی کمیشن کے ذریعہ بھرتی ہو چکی ہے۔ اب ان کی تقرری ہوتی ہے۔ باقی 815 اسامیاں بھی جلد پر کی جائیں گی۔ وزیر تعلیم نے بتایا کہ صوبے میں کل 13729 اسکول بند ہیں۔ ان میں سے 1677 اسکول اساتذہ کی عدم دستیابی کے باعث بند ہیں۔ 659 اسکول کے لیے آبادی اور انزولمنٹ نہیں ہے۔ 137 اسکول بہت پہلے بند کر دیئے گئے تھے اور انکا کوئی ریکارڈ نہیں ہے۔ 103 اسکول ختم یا منتقل کر دیئے گئے۔ 87 اسکول امن و امان کی وجہ سے بند ہیں جبکہ 1066 اسکول ناقابل عمل ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ ہم نے 1500 اسکول پہلے ہی کھول دیئے ہیں۔ ان میں سے 1300 اسکول میں این ٹی ایس کے ذریعہ بھرتی کردہ اساتذہ کو تعینات کیا گیا۔ باقی اسکول بھی جلد کھول دیئے جائیں گے۔ اساتذہ کی 20700 خالی اسامیوں میں سے 17000 سے زائد اسامیوں پر این ٹی ایس کے ذریعہ بھرتیاں کر لی گئی ہیں۔ 18 اضلاع کے نئے بھرتی ہونے والے اساتذہ کو تنخواہیں جاری کر دی گئی ہیں۔ باقی اضلاع میں بھی جلد جاری کر دی جائیں گی۔

میرپور خاص: منہر میں شگاف پڑنے سے فصلوں

کو شدید نقصان

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میرپور خاص (نامہ نگار) سندھڑی کے قریب شاخ میں شگاف پڑنے سے ایک بڑا علاقہ زیر آب آگیا۔ اطلاعات کے مطابق میرپور خاص ضلع کے تعلقہ سندھڑی میں سامارو نہر گوٹھ مری میں اچانک شگاف پڑ گیا جس کے باعث پانی تیزی سے قریبی کھیتوں میں داخل ہونا شروع ہو گیا، اطلاع کے بعد قریبی دیہات کے رہائشی جمع ہو گئے اور اپنی مدد آپ کے تحت سخت جدوجہد کے بعد شگاف کو بند کر دیا۔ علاقہ مکینوں کے

رکنی شیخ نے بدھ کے روز مقدس کی سماعت کی۔ اس دوران عدالت نے صوبائی سیکرٹریز ماحولیات کو طلب کیا ہے اور انہیں کہا ہے کہ ماحولیات کی تحفظ بارے بنائے گئے منصوبوں کے ورکنگ پلان کے ساتھ چار ہفتوں کے بعد عدالت میں پیش ہوں کیس کی مزید سماعت چار ہفتوں کے بعد ہوگی۔

کراچی (کرائم رپورٹر) آئی جی سندھ غلام حیدر جمالی نے ڈی آئی جی ریپڈ ریسپانس فورس آفتاب پٹھان کو ہدایات جاری کی ہیں کہ شہر میں ایرانی پیٹرول کی غیر قانونی فروخت اور نقل و حرکت کی روک تھام کے لیے انتہائی ٹھوس اقدامات کو یقینی بنایا جائے اور اس فعل میں ملوث عناصر سمیت ان کے سرپرستوں کے خلاف سخت قانونی کارروائیوں کو ممکن بنایا جائے، وہ سینٹرل پولیس آفس میں ایک اجلاس کی صدارت کر رہے تھے اجلاس میں ایڈیشنل آئی جی کراچی، غلام قادر تھیو، ڈی آئی جی ہیڈ کوارٹر سندھ عبدالعلیم جعفری، ڈی آئی جی ایس آر پی ڈاکٹر امین یوسف زئی، سمیت ڈی آئی جی ٹریفک، زونل ڈی آئی جی کراچی ضلعی ایس ایس پیز اور اے آئی جی آپریشنز سندھ عامر فاروقی نے شرکت کی، اس موقع پر آئی جی سندھ نے سربراہ پاکستان تحریک انصاف عمران خان کے دورہ کراچی کے حوالے سے سیکیورٹی اقدامات کا بھی جائزہ لیا اور ضروری ہدایات جاری کیں، انہوں نے ایڈیشنل آئی جی کراچی سے جوئے / منشیات کے اڈوں کے خلاف روزانہ کی بنیاد پر پولیس ایکشن اور اس کے نتیجے میں درج مقدمات و گرفتار ملزمان کے حوالے سے رپورٹ طلب کرتے ہوئے ہدایات دیں کہ دیگر معاشرتی برائیوں کے خلاف تھانوں کی سطح پر منظم اور موثر پولیس کارروائیوں کو مزید غیر معمولی بنایا جائے، انہوں نے کہا کہ تمام مساجد، امام بارگاہوں، مدارس کے علاوہ اقلیتی برادری کے مذہبی مقامات تمام اسکولوں، امتحانی مراکز، کالجوں جامعات، حساس تنصیبات، پبلک مقامات وغیرہ پر سیکیورٹی کے حوالے سے وضع کی گئی حکمت عملی پر عمل درآمد کو یقینی بنایا جائے۔

کراچی ثانوی تعلیمی بورڈ کراچی کے تحت جاری سالانہ امتحانات 2015 کے دوسرے روز صبح کی شفٹ میں انگریزی دوم (سائنس گروپ) جبکہ دوپہر کی شفٹ میں جنرل سائنس (ریگولر و پرائیویٹ) کے پرچوں کا انعقاد ہوا۔ اس موقع پر چیئر مین میٹرک بورڈ فصیح الدین خان اور ناظم امتحانات نعمان احسن نے نیشنل ہائی اسکول گلشن اقبال، مونٹیسوری کمپلیکس ہائی اسکول بلاک 6 گلشن اقبال اور پی پی ہوم ہائی اسکول بلاک D-113، گلشن اقبال کا دورہ کیا۔ چیئر مین میٹرک بورڈ فصیح الدین خان نے طلباء و طالبات سے امتحانی پرچہ جات کے حوالے سے بات چیت کی اور امتحانی مراکز پر سکون ماحول کے انعقاد پر اطمینان کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے سینئر سپرنٹنڈنٹس کی کارکردگی کو تسلی بخش قرار دیا۔ ناظم امتحانات نعمان احسن نے کہا ہے کہ امتحانات کے دوران طلباء و طالبات کو درپیش مسائل کا حل ہماری اولین ترجیح ہے، امتحانی مراکز پر ویجیلنس آفیسرز اور سینئر سپرنٹنڈنٹس اپنی کارکردگی کو بہتر بناتے ہوئے چیکنگ کے طریقہ کار کو فعال بنائیں۔ علاوہ ازیں اسپیشل ویجیلنس ٹیم اور سینئر کنٹرول آفیسرز نے سٹیزن پبلک سینڈری اسکول سول لائن سے 1 طالب علم کو نقل کرتے ہوئے جبکہ فارن ہائی اسکول سیکٹر 14-B، اور گنگی ٹاؤن سے 3 جعلی امیدواروں کو پکڑا گیا۔ ٹیم نے دوپہر کی شفٹ میں بھی کارروائی کرتے ہوئے علیحدہ گورنمنٹ بوائز سینڈری اسکول نار تھ ناظم آباد سے ایک جعلی امیدوار کو اصل امیدوار کی جگہ امتحان دیتے ہوئے پکڑا ہے۔ کیس یو ایف ایم کمیٹی کے سپرد کر دیا گیا ہے۔

آئی ایم ایف نے حکومت پاکستان کو بجلی پر سبسڈی مزید کم کرنے کا مشورہ دے دیا۔ معیشت پر جائزہ رپورٹ میں کہا گیا ہے کہ رواں سال کی دوسری سہ ماہی میں ٹیکس اہداف میں بائیس ارب کے شارٹ فال کا سامنا رہا۔ پاکستان کو غیر یقینی سیاسی صورتحال اور سیکورٹی خدشات بھی درپیش ہیں۔ عالمی مالیاتی ادارے نے پاکستانی معیشت کے حوالے سے جائزہ رپورٹ جاری کر دی ہے جس کے مطابق رواں مالی سال اقتصادی شرح نمو چار اعشاریہ تین فیصد رہے گی۔ مہنگائی کی شرح پانچ اعشاریہ پانچ فیصد رہنے کا امکان ہے۔ آئی ایم ایف کے مطابق تیل کی قیمتوں میں کمی سے مہنگائی اور برآمدات میں کمی ہوگی۔ کپاس کی قیمتوں میں کمی سے برآمدات بھی کم ہوں گی۔ جائزہ رپورٹ میں کہا گیا ہے کہ پاکستان کو غیر یقینی سیاسی صورتحال اور سیکورٹی خدشات کا سامنا ہے۔ دوسری سہ ماہی میں ٹیکس اہداف میں بھی بائیس ارب روپے کا شارٹ فال رہا۔ حکومت پاکستان ٹیکس نیٹ اور انتظامی مشینری میں بہتری لائے۔ بجلی پر سبسڈی بھی مزید کم کی جائے۔ عالمی ادارے نے حکومت کو مزید اقتصادی اہداف بھی دے دیے ہیں۔ حکام کے مطابق آئندہ مالی سال بجلی کی سبسڈی 80 ارب روپے تک کم ہو سکتی ہے۔ بجلی کے نقصانات کم کرنے کیلئے زرخوں میں تہدیلی بھی ہوگی۔ ٹیکس نادہندگان کی جانچ پڑتال کا فیصلہ بھی کیا گیا ہے۔

اسلام آباد وزیر اعظم محمد نواز شریف نے وزارت پانی و بجلی کو ایل این جی پر مبنی منصوبہ جات کو مقررہ مدت کے اندر مکمل کرنے کی ہدایت کی ہے جبکہ بجلی کی بچت کے لئے اسلام آباد میں شادی کی تقریبات رات 10 بجے تک ختم کرنے، دکانیں رات 8 بجے اور ریسٹوران شب 11 بجے تک بند کرنے کا فیصلہ کیا گیا ہے۔ وزیر اعظم محمد نواز شریف کی زیر صدارت بدھ کی صبح وزیر اعظم ہاؤس میں توانائی کے بارے میں کابینہ کمیٹی کے اندر مکمل کرنے کی ہدایت

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## کراچی: چیئر مین میٹرک بورڈ اور ناظم امتحانات کے مختلف اسکولوں کے دورے

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## آئی ایم ایف کا پاکستان کو بجلی پر سبسڈی کم کرنے کا مشورہ

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کیئر کمیشن کے چیف ایگزیکٹو نے عوام سے اپیل کی کہ ایسے غیر قانونی کلیںکس چلانے والوں کیخلاف کارروائی میں تعاون کریں۔

کوئٹہ شمالی بلوچستان میں 3 روزہ انسداد پولیو کی قومی مہم شروع ہو گئی ہے۔ مہم کی سیکوریٹی کیلئے ایف سی کے اہلکار تعینات کئے گئے ہیں۔ محکمہ صحت کے حکام کے مطابق مختلف اضلاع میں پولیو مہم کی نگرانی کیلئے صوبائی سیکرٹریز تعینات کئے گئے ہیں جبکہ پولیو کے حوالے سے حساس ترین علاقہ چمن میں انکاری والدین کے بچوں کو قطرے پلانے کیلئے علماء کرام کے ساتھ صوبائی سیکرٹریز بھی والدین سے ملاقاتیں کر کے انہیں پولیو قطرے پلانے پر آمادہ کیا جا رہا ہے۔ چمن میں مہم کے دوران ایک لاکھ 37 ہزار بچوں کو پولیو سے بچاؤ کے قطرے پلانے کا ہدف مقرر کیا ہے اس دوران ایف سی کی سخت سیکوریٹی فراہم کی گئی ہے۔

اسلام آباد (رپورٹ: خالد مصطفیٰ) نواز شریف حکومت آر ایل این جی کی قیمت کو ریگولیٹ کرنے جاری ہے اس حوالے سے آج (جمعرات) اقتصادی رابطہ کمیٹی کے اجلاس میں وزارت پٹرولیم و قدرتی وسائل کی تجویز پر غور ہوگا۔ قیمتوں کو باقاعدہ کرنے میں آر ایل این جی ٹیرف میں بلاجواز دس اعشاریہ پانچ فیصد یو ایف جی اور سروس چارجز بھی شامل ہیں جس سے قیمتیں دو اعشاریہ پانچ ڈالر زنی ایم ایم بی ٹی یونٹ بڑھ جائیں گی تاہم گیس فراہم کرنے والی کمپنیاں جو دیوالیہ ہونے کے قریب ہیں انہیں ایل این جی قیمت کی ریگولیشن کے نتیجے میں بڑا فائدہ ہوگا۔ وزارت کی سمری کے مطابق حکومت ایل این جی کی قیمتوں کو تیل کے نرخوں پر مابانہ نظر ثانی کی طرز پر مقرر اور مانیٹر کرنا چاہتی ہے۔ معمول کے طریقہ کار کے مطابق گیس کی قیمت متعلقہ تمام اسٹیک ہولڈرز کے کنٹینر کے بعد کھلی سماعت کے ذریعے طے کی جاتی ہے تاہم اب یہ قیمت سماعت کے ذریعہ نہیں بلکہ اوگرا طے کرے گی اور ہر ماہ مختلف صارفین کے لئے اس کا نوٹیفیکیشن جاری ہوگا۔ صنعتی ذرائع کا کہنا ہے کہ موجودہ ایل این جی پالیسی کے تحت آر ایل این جی ڈی ریگولیٹڈ کموڈٹی ہے اور حکومتی تجویز مشترکہ مفادات کو نسل کی منظوری ہی سے ریگولیٹ ہو سکتی ہے۔

اسلام آباد حکومت نے پنجاب کی طرح وفاقی دارالحکومت میں بھی شادی ہائز رات 10 بجے جبکہ ریٹورنٹس اور تجارتی مراکز بھی جلدی بند کرانے کا فیصلہ کیا ہے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق وزیراعظم نواز شریف کی زیر صدارت توانائی کمیٹی کا اجلاس ہوا جس میں انہیں وفاقی دارالحکومت میں توانائی بحران پر قابو پانے کے حوالے سے بریفنگ دی گئی۔ اجلاس میں فیصلہ کیا گیا کہ پنجاب کی طرح اسلام آباد میں بھی شادی ہائز رات 10 بجے بند کرادیئے جائیں گے جبکہ شاپنگ سینٹر ز رات 8 بجے اور ریٹورنٹس رات 11 بجے بند کرادیئے جائیں گے۔ دوسری جانب وزیراعظم نواز شریف کا کہنا ہے کہ اس فیصلے سے توانائی بحران پر قابو پانے میں مدد ملے گی اور توانائی کی بچت بھی ہوگی۔

نیپرانے کے الیکٹرک کے بجلی کے تین پیدوار یونٹ بند کرنے کی منظوری دے دی۔ 175 میگاواٹ بجلی کی پیدوار بند ہو گئی۔ نیپرانے کے الیکٹرک کی درخواست پر لائسنس میں ترمیم کر دی ہے جس سے 175 میگاواٹ بجلی کی پیدوار بند ہو گئی۔ 150 میگاواٹ کے حامل گورنگی اسٹیشن کے یونٹ نمبر 1 اور 3 بند ہو گئے جبکہ 25 میگاواٹ کاسٹ یونٹ بھی بند کرنے کی منظوری دی گئی ہے۔ نیپرا کے مطابق کے الیکٹرک کے بند کئے جانے والے پیدوار یونٹس 30 تا 42 سال کی مدت پوری کر چکے تھے۔ ان یونٹس کی آپرٹنگ لاگت میں اضافہ ہو رہا تھا جس سے مہنگی بجلی پیدا ہوتی تھی۔

گرمیوں میں بجلی کی پیدوار بڑھانے کے لیے تیل کی کھپت میں دس فیصد کا اضافہ ریکارڈ کیا گیا ہے۔ ہر سال کی طرح گرمیوں کی آمد کے ساتھ ہی بجلی کی پیدوار کیلئے تیل کی کھپت میں اضافہ ہو گیا ہے۔ گزشتہ ماہ مارچ کے دوران تیل کی کھپت دس فیصد اضافے سے آٹھ لاکھ ٹن سے بڑھ گئی ہے۔ وزارت پٹرولیم کے مطابق مارچ میں بجلی کی پیدوار میں استعمال ہونے والے فرنس آئل کی فروخت آٹھ لاکھ چھ ہزار ٹن سے زائد رہی جبکہ فروری کے دوران فرنس آئل کی کھپت سات لاکھ چونتیس ہزار ٹن رہی تھی۔ گزشتہ ماہ استعمال ہونے والے آٹھ لاکھ ٹن فرنس آئل میں سے چھ لاکھ ٹن درآمد کیا گیا جبکہ دو لاکھ ٹن مقامی ریفائنریوں سے حاصل ہونے والا فرنس آئل استعمال کیا گیا ہے۔ وزارت خزانہ کے ذرائع کے مطابق گرمیوں کی شدت میں اضافے کے ساتھ ہی فرنس آئل کی کھپت میں مزید اضافے کا امکان ہے۔

اسلام آباد (آن لائن) سپریم کورٹ نے ماحولیاتی آلودگی کے مقدمے میں چاروں صوبائی اور وفاقی سیکرٹری ماحولیات سے اب تک کے ماحولیات کے لئے منصوبوں کے بارے میں رپورٹ طلب کرتے ہوئے انہیں ذاتی طور پر پیش ہونے کا حکم دیا ہے۔ جسٹس انور ظہیر جمالی نے کہا ہے کہ پینے کا صاف پانی عوام کو دستیاب نہیں۔ سب کاغذی کارروائی ہو رہی ہے عملی طور پر کچھ نہیں ہو رہا۔ اداروں میں رابطوں کا بھی فقدان ہے۔ باقاعدگی سے اجلاس کے انعقاد کی ضرورت ہے۔ ماحولیاتی ایجنسی کے پاس فنڈز ہیں نہ فورس، عوام کو ماحولیاتی آلودگی اور حکام کی غفلت پر اکیلا نہیں چھوڑ سکتے۔ ماحولیاتی آلودگی کو ختم کرنے کے لئے اقدامات بہت ضروری ہیں۔ جسٹس انور ظہیر جمالی کی سربراہی میں تین

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آر ایل این جی کی قیمت میں اضافے کے ساتھ ریگولیٹ کرنے کی حکومتی کوشش

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وفاقی دارالحکومت کے شادی ہائز رات 10 بجے

اور ہوٹلز 11 بجے بند کرانے کا فیصلہ

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نیپرانے کے الیکٹرک کے 3 پیدوار یونٹ بند کر تیکنی منظوری دیدی

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بجلی کی پیدوار بڑھانے کیلئے تیل کی کھپت میں

دس فیصد اضافہ

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عوام کو پینے کا صاف پانی دستیاب نہیں، حکام کی غفلت پر انہیں اکیلا کیسے چھوڑ سکتے ہیں: سپریم کورٹ

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ہڑتال کے باعث دکانیں بند ہونے کے باعث لوگوں کو خریداری میں شدید مشکلات کا سامنا رہا۔ ملک بھر میں بجلی کی لوڈ شیڈنگ کا سلسلہ جاری ہے۔ این ٹی ڈی سی ذرائع کے مطابق بجلی کی پیداوار 9560 اور طلب 12900 میگاواٹ ہے جبکہ 3040 میگاواٹ شارٹ فال کا سامنا ہے۔ ذرائع کے مطابق بڑے ڈیموں سے پانی کا اخراج کم ہونے سے پن بجلی کی پیداوار 6 ہزار میگاواٹ کے بجائے صرف 1600 میگاواٹ ہو رہی ہے تاہم گندم کی کٹائی کے بعد زرعی ضروریات کیلئے پانی کا اخراج بڑھنے سے بجلی کی پیداوار میں خاطر خواہ اضافہ ہو جائیگا۔ ادھر نیپرانے 'کے' الیکٹرک کے بجلی کے تین پیداواری یونٹ بند کرنے کی منظوری دیدی۔ 175 میگاواٹ بجلی کی پیداوار بند ہوگئی۔ نیپرانے کے الیکٹرک کی درخواست پر لائسنس میں ترمیم کر دی ہے جس سے 175 میگاواٹ بجلی کی پیداوار بند ہوگئی۔ 150 میگاواٹ کے حامل کورنگی سٹیشن کے یونٹ نمبر 1 اور 3 بند ہو گئے جبکہ 25 میگاواٹ کا سائٹ یونٹ بھی بند کرنے کی منظوری دی گئی ہے۔ نیپرا کے مطابق کے الیکٹرک کے بند کئے جانے والے پیداواری یونٹس 30 تا 42 سال کی مدت پوری کر چکے تھے۔ چک امر و سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق گرمی میں شدت بڑھتے ہی طویل لوڈ شیڈنگ کا سلسلہ شروع ہو گیا ہے اور 18 سے 20 گھنٹے کی لوڈ شیڈنگ کی گئی جس پر لوگ سراپا احتجاج بن گئے۔ ادھر کوئٹہ میں آل پارٹیز اور قبائلیوں کی جانب سے بجلی کی طویل لوڈ شیڈنگ کیخلاف مکمل شٹر ڈاؤن کیا، مختلف سیاسی پارٹیوں کے رہنماؤں اور شہریوں نے کیسکوکے خلاف دھرنا دیتے ہوئے کہا کہ طویل لوڈ شیڈنگ کے باعث بے حال ہو چکے ہیں۔ یہاں گرمی کی شدت 49 سینٹی گریڈ تک پہنچ جاتا ہے۔ 18 گھنٹے تک بجلی کی بحالی کے احکامات جاری نہیں کئے گئے تو 14 اپریل کو کوئٹہ تفتان شاہرہ کو ہر قسم کے ٹریفک کیلئے بند کرینگے۔

کراچی (پ) نار تھ کراچی سیکٹر B11 امام بارگاہ کے قریب گزشتہ ایک ماہ سے پانی کی شدید قلت ہے اور علاقہ مکین منگے داموں ٹینکر ڈالوانے پر مجبور ہیں لہذا متعلقہ حکام سے گزارش ہے کہ وہ اس مسئلے کو جلد از جلد حل کریں۔

نار تھ کراچی سیکٹر B11 میں پانی کی قلت

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اسلام آباد نیپرانے فروری کی فیول ایڈ جسٹمنٹ کے تحت فی یونٹ بجلی 4 روپے 42 پیسے سستی کرنے کی منظوری دے دی ہے۔ نیپرانے اسلام آباد میں سنٹرل پاور پراجیکٹ کی بجلی کی سبستی پر ساعت کی۔ نیپرا کو بتایا گیا کہ فروری کے مہینے میں کل 15 ارب 76 کروڑ یونٹ بجلی تقسیم کار کمپنیوں کو فراہم کی گئی۔ فروری کیلئے فی یونٹ فیول چار جز 8 روپے 99 پیسے مقرر تھے جبکہ یہ 4 روپے 57 پیسے رہے۔ اب فی یونٹ 4 روپے 42 پیسے کاربلیف عوام کو منتقل کیا جائے گا، یہ ریلیف کے الیکٹرک کے سواملک بھر کے صارفین کو ملے گا۔ کے الیکٹرک کی فروری کے لیے فیول ایڈ جسٹمنٹ ہونا بھی باقی ہے۔ چیئرمین نیپرا بریگیڈئیر ریٹائرڈ طارق سدوزئی کا کہنا تھا کہ فروری کی فیول ایڈ جسٹمنٹ سے صارفین کو 25 ارب روپے کاربلیف ملے گا۔

فروری کی فیول ایڈ جسٹمنٹ کے تحت فی یونٹ بجلی

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نیویارک امریکی جریدے وال اسٹریٹ جرنل نے دعویٰ کیا ہے کہ پاک ایران گیس پائپ لائن چین تعمیر کرے گا۔ امریکی جریدے وال اسٹریٹ جرنل کی رپورٹ کے مطابق پاک ایران گیس پائپ لائن منصوبے کی تعمیر چین کرے گا اور اس حوالے سے باقاعدہ معاہدہ رواں ماہ چین کے صدر زئی جنگ پنگ کے دورہ پاکستان کے موقع پر طے پا جائے گا۔ امریکی اخبار کے مطابق ایران کے متنازع جہری پروگرام کے حوالے سے عالمی طاقتوں کے ساتھ معاہدے کے بعد پاک ایران گیس پائپ لائن کی تعمیر میں مدد ملے گی۔ دوسری جانب وال اسٹریٹ جرنل کو انٹرویو دیتے ہوئے وفاقی وزیر پیٹرولیم شاہد خاقان عباسی کا کہنا تھا کہ ہم پاک ایران گیس پائپ لائن بن رہے ہیں اور منصوبے پر کام شروع ہو چکا ہے۔ واضح رہے کہ گزشتہ دور حکومت میں سابق صدر آصف علی زرداری نے ایران کے ساتھ گیس پائپ لائن معاہدے پر دستخط کئے تھے لیکن تھران کے جہری پروگرام پر عالمی پابندیوں کے باعث منصوبے کی تعمیر میں شدید مشکلات درپیش تھیں۔

پاک ایران گیس پائپ لائن چین تعمیر کرے گا،

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کراچی سائیٹ میں کپڑے کی فیکٹری میں آگ لگنے سے لاکھوں روپے مالیت کا سامان جل کر خاکستر ہو گیا۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق کراچی کے علاقے سائٹ میں حبیب چورنگی کے قریب واقع کپڑے کی فیکٹری میں اچانک آگ بھڑک اٹھی جس نے دیکھتے ہی دیکھتے پوری فیکٹری کو اپنی لپیٹ میں لے لیا، ابتدا میں فیکٹری کے ملازمین نے اپنی مدد آپ کے تحت آگ بجھانے کی کوشش کی لیکن شدت زیادہ ہونے پر فائر بریگیڈ کو طلب کیا گیا، اطلاع ملنے ہی فائر بریگیڈ کی ایک اسٹارکل اور 12 گاڑیاں موقع پر پہنچ گئیں۔ فائر بریگیڈ کے عملے نے اندر موجود لوگوں کو اسٹارکل کی مدد سے باہر نکالا اور 2 گھنٹے کی کوششوں سے آگ پر قابو پایا۔

کراچی میں فیکٹری میں آگ لگنے سے لاکھوں کا

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پشاور ہیلیکوپٹر کمیشن خیر پختونخوا نے صوبہ بھر میں غیر قانونی نجی کلینکس کیخلاف کریک ڈاؤن کے دوران ڈھائی سو نجی کلینکس سیل کر دیئے ہیں۔ چیف ایگزیکٹو ہیلیکوپٹر کمیشن حسین شاہ نے جونیئر کو بتایا کہ مارچ کے دوران صوبہ بھر میں آپریشن کر کے ڈھائی سو سے زیادہ غیر قانونی کلینکس کو بند کر دیا گیا۔ حسین شاہ کے مطابق پشاور میں 85، ضلع مردان میں 25، ڈیرہ اسماعیل خان میں 31، سوات میں 26، ایبٹ آباد اور مانسہرہ میں 26 غیر قانونی کلینکس کو سیل کیا گیا۔ حسین شاہ نے بتایا کہ ان غیر قانونی کلینکس میں بیشتر کو بھاری جرمانے بھی عائد کئے گئے۔ ہیلیک

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**مٹھی (نوائے وقت رپورٹ)** تھرپاکر علاقے مٹھی میں گزشتہ روز قحط اور غذائی قلت سے 3 بچے جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ اطلاعات کے مطابق رواں سال غذائی قلت سے 235 بچے جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ مٹھی ہسپتال میں 40 بچے زیر علاج ہیں جن میں 3 بچوں کی حالت تشویشناک ہے۔ تینوں بچوں کو حیدر آباد منتقل کر دیا گیا۔

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**لاہور (نامہ نگاران)** کل اہور سمیت کئی شہروں میں بدترین لوڈ شیڈنگ جاری، شہریوں کو شدید مشکلات کا سامنا۔ نکانہ صاحب سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق نکانہ اور گرد و نواح میں بجلی کی بدترین لوڈ شیڈنگ کا سلسلہ جاری ہے، شدید گرمی اور چھڑوں کے باعث عوام کی راتوں کی نیندیں حرام ہو گئیں۔ نکانہ شہر میں لوڈ شیڈنگ کا دورانیہ 14 جبکہ دیہات میں 16 گھنٹے سے بھی تجاوز کر جانے کے باعث عوام کے کاروبار بری طرح مفلوج ہو کر رہ گئے ہیں۔ ایک گھنٹہ بجلی آنے کے بعد مسلسل تین، تین گھنٹے بجلی بند رہنے سے عوام کی راتوں کی نیندیں حرام ہو گئیں۔ شہریوں نے شدید احتجاج کرتے صحافیوں کو بتایا ابھی تو گرمی ٹھیک طرح سے شروع بھی نہیں ہوئی اور نکانہ صاحب میں لوڈ شیڈنگ کا یہ حال ہے۔ شہریوں نے وزیر اعظم سے مطالبہ کیا ہے وہ نکانہ صاحب میں جاری بجلی کی بدترین لوڈ شیڈنگ کا فی الفور نوٹس لیتے بجلی کی سپلائی کی یقینی بنائیں تاکہ عوام کو درپیش مشکلات کا ازالہ ہو سکے۔ پنڈی بھٹیاں سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ لوگ جمعۃ المبارک کی نماز کی ادائیگی سے بھی رہ گئے یہاں طویل لوڈ شیڈنگ کی وجہ سے گھروں میں پانی دستیاب نہ ہونے کی وجہ سے غسل نہ کر سکے مساجد میں وضو کیلئے پانی بھی نہ مل سکا اس جدید ٹیکنالوجی کے دور میں لوگوں نے تیمم کر کے نماز ادا کی ستم ظریفی ملاحظہ ہو غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ موسم گرما شروع ہونے سے قبل ہی 14 تا 16 گھنٹہ کی جارہی ہے مختلف تنظیموں کی جانب سے لوڈ شیڈنگ شیڈول کے مطابق کرنے کا مطالبہ کیا گیا ہے۔ علاوہ ازیں نمائندہ نوائے وقت کے مطابق حافظ آباد میں بجلی کی غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ کا دورانیہ 15 گھنٹے سے تجاوز، شہری ایک بار پھر حکمرانوں کو کونسنے لگے۔

**لاہور**، ہوٹل میں سلنڈر دھماکہ، متعدد افراد زخمی، چار کی حالت تشویشناک بتائی جاتی ہے۔ سگیاں روڈ پر واقع چائے کے ہوٹل میں اچانک سلنڈر کا دھماکہ ہوا جس کی آواز دور دور تک سنی گئی جبکہ دھماکے کے نتیجے میں چائے پینے کے لیے آنے دس سے زائد فیکٹری مزدوروں سمیت دیگر افراد زخمی ہو گئے۔ اطلاع ملنے پر ریسکیو 1122 کی امداد ایٹمیں جانے وقوع پر پہنچ گئیں اور زخمیوں کو میو ہسپتال منتقل کر دیا، ڈاکٹر ز کے مطابق چار افراد کی حالت تشویشناک ہے۔

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**اسلام آباد (عزت جعفری)** ملک کے تمام ڈسکوز کے ٹیکنیکل لاس سٹڈیز جون تک مکمل کر لی جائیں گی۔ نیپرا مالی سال 2015-6 کے ٹیرف کا تعین نقصانات کے اس مطالعات کی بنیاد پر کرے گی۔ سرکاری دستاویز کے مطابق گیس یونیٹس ایس ایس جی پی ایل، ایس این جی پی ایل کی تشکیل نو اور کمپنیوں کو حصوں میں تقسیم کرنے کے لئے مشیروں کی خدمات حاصل کرنے کا فیصلہ کیا گیا ہے۔ دونوں گیس کمپنیوں کو ہدایت کی گئی ہے کہ وہ ماہ رواں میں گیس نقصانات میں کمی کے لئے منصوبہ تیار کریں اور گیس چوری کی سطح جو اس وقت 11.4 فیصد ہے میں کمی لائی جائے۔ عالمی بینک کے تعاون سے گیس اینی شینسی پراجیکٹ پر کام شروع کیا گیا ہے یہ منصوبہ جون میں تیار کر لیا جائے گا۔ دستاویز میں بتایا گیا ہے کہ ملک کے ذمہ قرضوں کے بوجھ کو 2019ء میں جی ڈی پی کے 60 فیصد کے مساوی لایا جائے گا۔

**کراچی (رفیق ماگٹ)** چینی اخبار ”سائو تھ چین“ کے مطابق چین کراچی میں دو کھرب نو ارب روپے کا پاور پلانٹ لگائے گا۔ پلانٹ 32 ماہ میں تعمیر ہو گا، انحصار انڈونیشیئن کوئلے پر ہو گا۔ دو یونٹس کا حامل 660 میگا واٹ کا پاور پلانٹ چینی اور قطری فرم مشترک طور پر تعمیر کریں گی۔ رپورٹ کے مطابق چین کی پاور کنسٹرکشن کارپوریشن اور قطری سرمایہ کار فرم المرقاب کیپٹل مشترکہ طور پر میں پاکستان میں کوئلے سے چلنے والے پاور پلانٹ تعمیر کریں گے جس میں دونوں مشترکہ طور پر دو عشریہ نو ارب ڈالر کی سرمایہ کاری کریں گے اس کا اعلان شنگھائی کی کمپنی پاور کنسٹرکشن کارپوریشن نے کیا ہے۔ پاور پلانٹ کراچی میں پاکستان کی دوسری سب سے بڑی بندرگاہ پورٹ قاسم پر تعمیر کیا جائے گا۔

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**لاڑکانہ** گاؤں حاکم شاہ کارہائشی جبکہ آباد کے علاقے گڑھی خیر و میں ایک شادی کی تقریب میں شرکت کے بعد اپنی بیوی اور تین بچوں سمیت موٹر سائیکل پر سوار ہو کر واپس اپنے گاؤں جا رہا تھا کہ مخالف سمت سے آنے والی تیز رفتار کار سے ٹکر ہو گئی۔ جس کے نتیجے میں موٹر سائیکل پر سوار پانچوں افراد موقع پر ہی جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ کار ڈرائیور موقع سے فرار ہونے میں کامیاب ہو گیا۔ ریسکیو ٹیموں اور پولیس نے موقع پر پہنچ کر لاشوں کو شہاد کوٹ ہسپتال پہنچایا۔ پولیس نے کار کو تحویل میں لیتے ہوئے ڈرائیور کی تلاش شروع کر دی ہے۔

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**لاہور + اسلام آباد + کوئٹہ (آن لائن + نامہ نگاران)** گرمی کی شدت بڑھتے ہی لوڈ شیڈنگ میں مزید اضافہ ہو گیا ہے اور شہروں اور دیہات میں لوڈ شیڈنگ کا دورانیہ 18 گھنٹے تک پہنچ گیا جس کے باعث لوگ بلبلاتے ہوئے۔ کوئٹہ میں طویل لوڈ شیڈنگ بخلاف شہر میں مکمل شہر ڈاؤن رہا اور

**تھرپاکر پھر رنگ دکھانے لگا 3 بچے غذائی کمی سے جاں بحق**

روزنامہ جنگ

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**کئی شہروں میں بدترین لوڈ شیڈنگ جاری، پانی بھی نایاب شہریوں کو مشکلات**

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

11 اپریل 2015

**لاہور، ہوٹل میں سلنڈر دھماکہ، متعدد افراد زخمی، چار کی حالت تشویشناک**

روزنامہ دنیا

10 اپریل 2015

**تمام ڈسکوز کی ٹیکنیکل لاس سٹڈیز جون تک مکمل کر لی جائیں گی**

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

10 اپریل 2015

**چین کراچی میں 2 کھرب 9 ارب روپے کا پاور پلانٹ لگائے گا، چینی اخبار**

روزنامہ جنگ

10 اپریل 2015

**لاڑکانہ: ٹریفک حادثے میں ایک ہی خاندان کے پانچ افراد جاں بحق روزنامہ دنیا**

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**گرمی بڑھتے ہی لوڈ شیڈنگ میں مزید اضافہ، کوئٹہ میں شہر ڈاؤن**



## پبلک سروسز

### تفصیلات

### سرخیاں

سکھر (ہیورورپورٹ) سکھر اور گدو بیراج پر پانی کی سطح میں غیر متوقع اضافے کے باعث کچے کے متعدد علاقے زیر آب آنے اور گندم سمیت دیگر فصلوں کو نقصان کو خطرہ بڑھ گیا، معمول کے بہاؤ کی اتنی بڑی مقدار 20 سال کے دوران پہلی مرتبہ دیکھی گئی ہے۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) ابراہیم حیدری کے باشندوں نے، جن میں بچے اور خواتین کی بڑی تعداد بھی شامل تھی، ہفتہ کو علاقے میں پانی کی شدید قلت پر مسلم لیگ (ن) کے رکن سندھ اسمبلی حاجی شفیع محمد جاموٹ کے خلاف بڑا احتجاجی مظاہرہ کیا۔ احتجاج کرنے والوں کا کہنا تھا کہ علاقے میں گزشتہ 50 سال سے پانی کا مسئلہ چلا آرہا ہے جسے آج تک کسی منتخب رکن نے حل نہیں کیا۔

لاڑکانہ (ہیورورپورٹ) بورڈ آف انٹرمیڈیٹ اینڈ سینڈری ایجوکیشن لاڑکانہ کے چیئرمین پروفیسر داؤد مبین کے مطابق نویں اور دسویں جماعت کے امتحانات کے دوران نقل کی روک تھام کے لئے سخت اقدامات جاری ہیں اور اس سلسلے میں ہفتے کو اچانک چھاپوں کا سلسلہ جاری رہا۔ ہفتے کو مجموعی طور پر 148 طلباء کو نقل کرتے ہوئے پکڑ لیا گیا اور انہیں کمرہ امتحان سے نکال دیا گیا جبکہ 125 کو اصل امیدواروں کی جگہ امتحان دینے ہوئے پکڑ لیا گیا اور انہیں امتحان دینے سے روک دیا گیا۔ ان تمام افراد کے خلاف بورڈ کے قوانین کے مطابق کارروائی شروع کر دی گئی ہے۔ نقل میں مدد دینے پر ایک ٹیچر کی ڈیوٹی بھی منسوخ کر دی گئی ہے۔ یاد رہے کہ بورڈ کی جانب سے نقل کی روک تھام کے لئے 33 نگراں ٹیمیں تشکیل دی گئی ہیں۔

ڈگری (نامہ نگار) ڈپٹی کمشنر میر پور خاص عبدالرشید زرداری نے میر واہ گورچانی کے دورہ کے موقع پر شہر میں گندگی کا نوٹس لیتے ہوئے اسسٹنٹ کمشنر شجاع آباد کو ہدایات دی تھیں کہ وہ روزانہ 2 بجے سے شام 4 بجے تک ٹاؤن کمیٹی میں بیٹھ کر شہر میں صفائی ستھرائی کا کام اپنی نگرانی میں کریں، لیکن اس کے باوجود شہر کے مختلف علاقوں میں جگہ جگہ گندگی کے ڈھیر اور گھروں کا پانی جمع ہے جس کی وجہ سے پھجوروں کی افزائش میں تیزی سے اضافہ ہو رہا ہے اگر شہر میں گندگی کی یہی صورتحال برقرار رہی تو تیلر یا کی وبا پھیل سکتی ہے۔

لاہور (نامہ نگار) لاہور سمیت کئی شہروں میں لوڈ شیڈنگ جاری، دورانہ 16 گھنٹے سے بھی تجاوز کر گیا صارفین اور محنت کش طبقہ پریشان، رات کو بجلی کی بندش سے شہری ذہنی مریض بن گئے۔ حافظ آباد سے نمائندہ نوائے وقت کے مطابق حافظ آباد میں بجلی کی غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ کا دورانہ 16 گھنٹے سے تجاوز کر گیا۔ پاور لومز لیبر یونین کے صدر محمد زمان انصاری نے بجلی کی طویل بندش پر شدید احتجاج کرتے ہوئے کہا ہے کہ گرمی شروع ہوتے ہی بجلی کی سولہ، سولہ گھنٹے بندش نے مزدوروں کے گھروں کے چولہے گھنٹے کر دیئے ہیں اور حکمران عوام سے کئے وعدے فراموش کر چکے ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا اگر حافظ آباد میں بجلی کی طویل غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ کو فوری ختم نہ کیا گیا تو ہزاروں مزدور حکمرانوں کے خلاف سڑکوں پر نکلنے پر مجبور ہوں گے۔ پاکپتن سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق واپڈا کی غیر اعلانیہ بدترین لوڈ شیڈنگ کا دورانہ 16 گھنٹوں سے تجاوز کرنے پر شہری واپڈا کے خلاف سراپا احتجاج بن گئے۔ شہر میں ہر گھنٹے بعد تین گھنٹے کے لئے جبکہ دیہات میں تیس منٹ بعد چار سے پانچ گھنٹے کے لئے بجلی کی فراہمی بند ہونے سے پانی کی شدید قلت کا شہریوں کو جہاں سامنا کرنا پڑ رہا ہے وہیں کاروباری مراکز میں مندا ہونے کے باعث ہزاروں مزدور بے روزگار ہو گئے ہیں رات کے وقت طویل لوڈ شیڈنگ کی وجہ سے پھجوروں کی بہتات کے باعث شہری رات بھر جاگنے کی وجہ سے شہری ذہنی مریض بن کر رہ گئے۔ پھلوان سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق گرمی کے ساتھ ہی بجلی کی لوڈ شیڈنگ چودہ گھنٹے تک شروع کر دی گئی تین تین گھنٹے لگاتار بجلی بند کرنے پر عوام پریشان ہیں بغیر شیڈول کے کسی بھی وقت بند کر دی جاتی ہے آٹھ گھنٹے لوڈ شیڈنگ کرنے کا اعلان کر کے عوام کو بے وقوف بنایا جا رہا ہے خرابی کے نام پر بجلی بار بار بند کر دی جاتی ہے واپڈا دفتر کا فون مصروف کر کے سننے سے گریز کیا جاتا ہے۔ نارووال میں بجلی کی غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ کا دورانہ 16 گھنٹے تک جا پہنچا رات کو لوڈ شیڈنگ سے پھجوروں کے باعث بچے سو نہیں سکتے طلباء کو امتحان کیلئے تیاری کرنے میں شدید مشکلات کا سامنا ہے ہر گھنٹہ بعد 3 سے 4 گھنٹے بجلی کی بندش معمول بن چکا ہے۔ شہریوں نے حکومت سے بجلی کی غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ ختم کرنا مطالبہ کیا ہے۔

گدو، سکھر بیراج پر پانی کا 20 سال کا ریکارڈ بھاؤ

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پانی کی قلت، ابراہیم حیدری کے باشندوں کا احتجاجی

مظاہرہ

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لاڑکانہ: میٹرک امتحانات کے دوران چھاپے، نقل کرنے والے 148 طلبہ پکڑے گئے

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ڈگری: شہر میں گندگی سے پھجوروں کی افزائش میں اضافہ

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غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ جاری، دورانہ 16 گھنٹے سے تجاوز کر گیا، شہری، مزدور طبقہ پریشان

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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) شہر میں جاری ٹارگٹڈ آپریشن اور دیگر کارروائیوں کے دوران پولیس نے مبینہ طور پر ڈاکو، مفرور دہشت گردی میں ملوث ملزمان سمیت 122 جبکہ جو اٹھیلے ہوئے 5 افراد کو گرفتار کر کے مقدمات درج کر لئے ہیں۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق پولیس نے گزشتہ 24 گھنٹوں کے دوران جرائم پیشہ عناصر کے خلاف 88 چھاپہ مار کارروائیوں میں 4 ڈاکو، 2 دہشت گردوں اور 5 مفرور اور دیگر کو گرفتار کر کے بھاری مقدار میں اسلحہ برآمد کر لیا ہے، علاوہ ازیں پاپوش نگر پولیس نے سرچ آپریشن کے دوران دو ملزمان بلال اور عبداللہ کو گرفتار کر کے انکے قبضے سے ٹی ٹی پستول، تین رائفمز اور ہیروئن برآمد کر لی۔ پولیس کے مطابق گرفتار ملزمان منشیات فروش جبکہ اسٹریٹ کرائم کی وارداتوں میں بھی ملوث ہیں، دریں اثنا بغدادی پولیس نے شاہ ولی اللہ روڈ مچھلی مارکیٹ میں کارروائی کرتے ہوئے 5 جواریوں احمد، محمد عامر، محمد اکبر، عبدالقادر اور مظہر علی کو گرفتار کر کے انکے قبضے سے جوئے میں لگائی گئی اشیاء اور 7 ہزار 640 روپے نقدی برآمد کر لی، پولیس کے مطابق ملزمان کے دو ساتھی عمران اور ذیشان خان فرار ہونے میں کامیاب ہو گئے۔

خیبر ایجنسی (آئی این پی) خیبر ایجنسی کی وادی تیراہ میں سیکورٹی فورسز کی فضائی کارروائی کے دوران 4 دہشت گرد ہلاک اور 5 زخمی ہو گئے، دہشتگردوں کے 3 ٹھکانے تباہ کر دیئے گئے۔ سیکورٹی ذرائع کے مطابق سیکورٹی فورسز نے مصدقہ اطلاعات پر خیبر ایجنسی کی وادی تیراہ میں کارروائی کرتے ہوئے 4 دہشت گردوں کو ہلاک جبکہ 5 کو زخمی کر دیا۔ فضائی کارروائی سے دہشت گردوں کے 3 ٹھکانے بھی تباہ ہوئے۔ سیکورٹی ذرائع نے کہا ہے کہ ہلاک اور زخمی ہونے والے دہشت گردوں کا تعلق کالعدم تحریک طالبان پاکستان اور لشکر اسلام سے ہے۔ واضح رہے کہ سیکورٹی فورسز نے گزشتہ روز بھی گن شپ ہیلی کاپٹروں کی مدد سے دہشت گردوں کو ہلاک کر دیا تھا۔

## ٹارگٹڈ آپریشن اور دیگر کارروائیوں میں 127 ملزمان گرفتار، اسلحہ برآمد

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## خیبر ایجنسی، جیٹ طیاروں کی بمباری، 4 دہشتگرد ہلاک، 5 زخمی

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دم توڑ گیا۔ ہلاک ہونے والے ملزم کی شناخت نہیں ہو سکی۔ ایس ایچ او عرفان آصف نے بتایا کہ پولیس نے بلڈ وزر کی مدد سے ملزمان کے ٹھکانوں کو گرا دیا گیا ہے۔ ناظم آباد نمبر 3 میں نور الایمان مسجد و امام بارگاہ کے قریب دو مسلح موٹر سائیکل سوار ملزمان بیک سے رقلے کر نکلنے والے ایک شہری سے لوٹ مار کر رہے تھے کہ گشت پر مامور پولیس پارٹی موقع پر پہنچ گئی پولیس پارٹی کو دیکھ کر ملزمان نے پولیس پر اندھا دھند فائرنگ کر کے فرار ہونے کی کوشش کی جس کے نتیجے میں راگیر خاتون 48 سالہ صفیہ زخمی ہو گئی تاہم پولیس کی جوابی فائرنگ سے ایک ملزم مارا گیا جبکہ ساتھی ملزم علی اکبر کو زخمی حالت میں گرفتار کر کے اسکے قبضے سے دو ہسپتال برآمد کر لی ہیں، پولیس نے زخمی راگیر خاتون زخمی ڈاکو اور لاش کو عیسی شہید اسپتال منتقل کیا گیا۔

کراچی (سٹاف رپورٹر) نائن زیر سے برآمد اسلحہ کی فرانزک رپورٹ انسداد دہشت گردی کی عدالت میں جمع کرادی گئی۔ پولیس کی جانب سے جمع کرائی گئی رپورٹ میں کہا گیا ہے کہ رائل گریڈ کی برآمدگی نائن زیر سے گرفتار ملزمان محمد آصف اور سید حبیب سے ہوئی تھی۔ رپو رٹ میں مزید کہا گیا ہے کہ برآمد شدہ مواد انتہائی دھماکہ خیز ہے اور یہ بڑے پیمانے پر انسانی جانوں اور املاک کو نقصان پہنچانے کی صلاحیت رکھتا ہے۔ بم ڈسپوزل اسکواڈ نے کیس پر اپرٹی بنانے کیلئے دھماکہ خیز مواد کلکیز کر دیا۔ فرانزک رپورٹ 30 مارچ 2015 کو جاری کی گئی۔

حکومت پاکستان نے اقوام متحدہ کے تعاون سے قبائلی علاقوں میں شدت پسندی سے متاثرہ 20 لاکھ بے گھر افراد کی واپسی کے ایک جامع منصوبے کا اعلان کیا ہے جس کے تحت سنہ 2016 کے اختتام تک سب کو واپس بھیج دیا جائے گا۔ حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ اس منصوبے پر مکمل عمل درآمد کی صورت میں یہ قبائلی علاقوں کو 2001 کی حالت تک واپس لے آئے گا۔ اسلام آباد میں منعقد ہونے والی ایک کانفرنس میں حکومت نے امریکہ، برطانیہ اور یورپی یونین کے سفارت کاروں اور اقوام متحدہ کے اہلکاروں کے سامنے متاثرین کی واپسی کا منصوبہ پیش کیا۔ حکام کے مطابق یہ پہلی مرتبہ ہے کہ تمام قبائلیوں کی پائیدار واپسی اور بحالی کا ایک جامع منصوبہ تیار کیا گیا ہے، جس پر عمل درآمد سولین حکام، فائنا سیکریٹریٹ، وفاقی حکومت اور مسلح افواج مل کر کریں گے۔

حکومت کا کہنا ہے کہ آئندہ دو برسوں میں بحالی کے اس منصوبے کے لیے 20 کروڑ ڈالر خرچ ہوں گے۔ اس منصوبے کے پانچ اہم نکات ہیں۔ ان میں انفراسٹرکچر، قانون کا نفاذ، حکومت کی خدمات میں بہتری، مقامی معیشت کی بحالی اور سماجی ہم آہنگی پیدا کرنا شامل ہے۔ حکام پر امید ہیں کہ آئندہ چند ماہ میں قبائلی علاقوں کے 75 فیصد علاقوں پر حکومتی عمل داری قائم ہو جائے گی۔ وفاقی وزیر برائے شمالی علاقہ جات قادر بلوچ نے اس موقع پر اپنے خطاب میں کہا کہ قبائلی علاقے محض پاکستان کا مسئلہ نہیں بلکہ تمام دنیا کا ہے۔ حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ یہ منصوبہ ایک زندہ دستاویز ہے، جس میں وقت اور حالات کو مد نظر رکھ تبدیل کی جاتی رہیں گی۔ انھوں نے اعتراف کیا کہ یہ علاقے دہشت گردی کا گڑھ بن چکے تھے۔ قادر بلوچ نے کہا کہ 'ان علاقوں میں دھماکہ خیز مواد اور اسلحہ تیار کرنے اور اغوا برائے تان کا کاروبار عروج پر تھا۔ ہمیں معیشت کو بحال کرنے کے لیے ایسے کاروبار ختم کرنا ہوں گے۔'

قادر بلوچ کا کہنا تھا کہ انھیں مقامی قبائلیوں کو ان کے علاقے میں خوشی خوشی واپس بھیجنا ہو گا۔ انھوں نے اس امید کا اظہار کیا کہ اس منصوبے پر مکمل عمل درآمد کی صورت میں یہ علاقے دہشت گردی کی دلدل سے واپس نکل کر اپنی پہلی حالت میں واپس آجائیں گے۔ جس کے بعد پانچ چھ برسوں میں شاید یہاں آئینی اور قانونی اصلاحات متعارف کروائی جاسکیں گی۔ قبائلی علاقوں کے منظم اعلیٰ گورنر خیبر پختونخوا سردار مہتاب احمد خان نے کانفرنس میں موجود مغربی سفارت کاروں اور اہلکاروں کو یقین دلایا کہ بہترین طریقہ کار کے ذریعے وسائل کو بھرپور طریقے سے استعمال کیا جائے گا۔ ان کا بھی کہنا تھا کہ یہ مسئلہ صرف پاکستان نہیں بلکہ پوری دنیا کی غلطیوں کا نتیجہ ہے اور قبائلیوں نے بہت مشکلات برداشت کی ہیں اور اب انھیں بحالی میں مدد کی ضرورت ہے۔ گورنر خیبر پختونخوا نے کانفرنس کے بعد صحافیوں سے گفتگو میں اس امید کا اظہار کیا کہ قبائلیوں کو اب دوبارہ گھر بار چھوڑنے کی ضرورت نہیں پڑے گی۔ دولت اسلامیہ کے قبائلی علاقوں میں موجودگی کے بارے میں ایک سوال کے جواب میں ان کا کہنا تھا کہ نام تبدیل کر کے بھی کام کرنے والوں کو بھی چھوڑا نہیں جائے گا۔ اقوام متحدہ کی ریزولوشن کو آئیٹنبرگ رپورٹ کی بنیاد پر اعلیٰ ادارے کی جانب سے اس منصوبے کے لیے مکمل تعاون اور امداد کی یقین دہانی کروائی۔

لاہور / ساہیوال: پنجاب کی مختلف جیلوں میں مزید 2 قیدیوں کو تختہ دار پر لٹکا دیا گیا۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق سینٹرل جیل ساہیوال میں علی الصبح سزائے موت کے قیدی محمد جعفر کو پھانسی دے دی گئی، مجرم نے 1997 میں 12 افراد کو قتل کر دیا تھا جب کہ کوٹ لکھ پت جیل میں بھی سزائے موت کے قیدی طیب کو تختہ دار پر لٹکا دیا گیا، مجرم طیب نے 2000 میں ٹوبہ ٹیک سنگھ میں ابرار حسین کو قتل کر دیا تھا۔ اس موقع پر جیل اور اطراف میں سیکیورٹی کے انتہائی سخت انتظامات کئے گئے تھے۔ واضح رہے کہ ملک میں سزائے موت پر عمل درآمد شروع ہونے کے بعد سے اب تک 60 سے زائد مجرموں کو تختہ دار پر لٹکایا جا چکا ہے۔

نائن زیر سے برآمد اسلحہ کی فرانزک رپورٹ

عدالت میں جمع

روزنامہ جنگ

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بی بی سی اردو

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امکان ہے۔

کراچی (کرائم رپورٹر + نوائے وقت رپورٹ) کراچی میں گزشتہ روز رینجرز اور پولیس کے ساتھ 2 مقابلوں میں کالعدم تحریک طالبان کے 2 علاقائی کمانڈروں سمیت 9 دہشت گرد مارے گئے۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق گلشن سکندر آباد ٹاپو کیاڑی میں علی الصبح رینجرز کی بھاری نفری نے چھاپہ مارا تو دہشت گردوں نے فائرنگ کر دی۔ رینجرز کی جوابی کارروائی میں کالعدم تحریک طالبان الیاس کشمیری گروپ کے علاقائی کمانڈر محمد عمر عرف فہد مومن، انس عرف ثاقب، عبدالرؤف عرف بلال، جاوید حسن عرف یاسین اور طلحہ قیصر عرف عمران شامل ہیں، دہشت گردوں نے شدید فائرنگ کے علاوہ دستی بموں سے بھی حملہ کیا جس سے 2 رینجرز اہلکار شدید زخمی ہو گئے، دہشت گردوں کے قبضے سے بھاری اسلحہ برآمد کر لیا گیا۔ پانچوں پچھلے برس رینجرز کے سیکٹر کمانڈر اور پولیس کی موبائلوں پر دہشت گرد حملوں میں ملوث تھے اور اب حسن سکواٹر پر واقع ایکسپو سنٹر پر حملے کا منصوبہ بنا رکھا تھا۔ دریں اثناء سہراب گوٹھ میں پولیس کے ساتھ مقابلے میں کالعدم تحریک طالبان کے 4 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے۔ ایس ایس پی ملیر راؤ انور کے مطابق دہشت گردوں سے سب مشین گن اور نائن ایم ایم پتول برآمد ہوئے۔ مرنیوالے دہشت گردوں میں سے ایک کی شناخت زبیر کے نام سے ہوئی جو تحریک طالبان سوات کا کمانڈر اور ملا فضل اللہ کا قریبی ساتھی تھا۔ دہشت گرد زبیر سوات میں فوجیوں کی گردنیں کاٹ کر اپنے گھر کے باہر لٹکانے میں بھی ملوث تھا۔ وہ ایک ڈرون حملے میں زخمی ہونے کے بعد کراچی علاج کرانے آیا پھر صحت یاب ہونے کے بعد کارروائیاں شروع کر دی تھیں۔

پاکستان میں شدت پسندی سے سب سے زیادہ متاثرہ صوبے خیبر پختونخوا کی پولیس کا کہنا ہے کہ صوبے میں دہشت گردی کے واقعات میں 60 فیصد تک کمی واقع ہوئی ہے۔ پشاور میں انسپکٹر جنرل پولیس کے دفتر سے جاری ہونے والے بیان میں کہا گیا ہے کہ گزشتہ سال کے پہلے تین ماہ کی نسبت اس سال ان تین ماہ میں دہشت گردی کے واقعات میں بڑے حد تک کمی رہی۔ اس بیان میں کہا گیا ہے کہ صوبے میں 2015 کے پہلے تین ماہ میں دہشت گردی کے کل 60 واقعات پیش آئے ہیں جبکہ 2014 میں اس عرصے میں ایسے واقعات کی تعداد 140 تک تھی۔ اسی طرح صوبے میں جنوری سے مارچ تک اس سال کل 54 افراد دہشت گردی کے واقعات میں ہلاک ہوئے ہیں جبکہ گزشتہ سال یہ تعداد 179 تھی۔ خیبر پختونخوا میں انسداد دہشت گردی کا محکمہ صوبے میں جاری پولیس اصلاحات کے سلسلے میں قائم کیا گیا تھا اور دہشت گردی کے خلاف ان کارروائیوں میں اس محکمے کو انٹیلیجنس بیورو کی مدد بھی حاصل ہے۔ رپورٹ کے مطابق 2014 کے ابتدائی تین ماہ میں پانچ خود کش حملوں کے مقابلے میں اس سال ایک ہی خود کش حملہ ہوا اور یہ واقعہ جنوری کے مہینے میں پشاور کے رہائشی علاقے حیات آباد میں اہل تشیع کی مسجد میں پیش آیا تھا۔ پولیس حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ حال ہی میں قائم ہونے والی انسداد دہشت گردی کے محکمے نے اس حملے میں ملوث گروہ اور ان کے افراد کی نشاندہی بھی کر لی ہے۔ اس کے علاوہ پولیس کے بیان میں یہ کہا گیا ہے کہ سب سے بڑی کمی دیسی ساختہ بموں یعنی آئی ای ڈیز کے دھماکوں میں ہوئی ہے۔ گزشتہ سال تین ماہ میں ان دھماکوں کی تعداد 74 تھی جبکہ اس سال صرف 22 دھماکے ہوئے ہیں۔ مبصرین کا کہنا ہے کہ دہشت گردی کے خلاف جاری اس جنگ میں ہر سال ان واقعات کی نوعیت میں فرق آتا رہا ہے۔ صوبے میں 2009 میں دہشت گردی کے واقعات سب سے زیادہ پیش آئے اور یہ سلسلہ 2012 تک پونہی جاری رہا لیکن 2013 سے ان میں کمی واقع ہونا شروع ہو گئی تھی۔

کراچی: کیاڑی کے علاقے میں رینجرز سے مقابلے میں 5 دہشت گرد ہلاک جب کہ 2 اہلکار زخمی بھی ہوئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق رینجرز نے مطلوب دہشت گردوں کی موجودگی کی اطلاع پر کیاڑی کے ٹاپو میں ایک مکان پر چھاپہ مارا تو دہشت گردوں کی جانب سے ان پر دستی بموں سے حملہ اور فائرنگ شروع کر دی گئی جس کے نتیجے میں 2 اہلکار شدید زخمی ہو گئے جس پر رینجرز نے مزید نفری طلب کر کے علاقے کا محاصرہ کیا اور جوابی کارروائی میں 5 دہشت گرد ہلاک جب کہ ان کے قبضے سے دستی بم، کلاشنکوف اور بڑی تعداد میں گولیاں برآمد ہوئیں۔ رینجرز ذرائع کا کہنا ہے کہ مارے جانے والے دہشت گردوں کا تعلق کالعدم تحریک طالبان سے ہے اور ان میں ٹی پی کراچی کا کمانڈر الیاس کشمیری بھی شامل ہے۔

کراچی (سٹاف رپورٹر) سگولین میں پولیس اور گینگ وار ملزمان کے درمیان مقابلے میں ایک ملزم حنیف عرف ڈی جے مارا گیا۔ ڈی ایس پی علی انور شاہ کے مطابق ہلاک ہونے والے ملزم کا تعلق عزیز بلوچ گروپ سے اور وہ سگولین میں عزیر گروپ کا کمانڈر تھا۔ ملزم ٹارگٹ کلنگ، اغواء برائے تاوان اور بھتہ خوری کی درجنوں وارداتوں میں پولیس کو مطلوب تھا۔ ملزم کے قبضے سے ایک کلاشنکوف اور دستی بم بھی برآمد کیا گیا ہے۔ دریں اثناء پاک کالونی تھانے کی حدود پر انا گولیمار کے علاقے میں پولیس نے منشیات فروشوں کے ٹھکانوں پر چھاپہ مارا تو وہاں موجود ملزمان نے پولیس پارٹی پر فائرنگ کر دی جس سے ایس ایچ او عرفان آصف معمولی زخمی ہو گئے، پولیس کی جوابی فائرنگ سے ایک ملزم شدید زخمی ہو گیا جبکہ اسکے دو ساتھی زخمی حالت میں فرار ہونے میں کامیاب ہو گئے، زخمی ملزم کو اسپتال منتقل کیا جا رہا تھا تاہم راستے میں ہی وہ

کراچی: رینجرز، پولیس سے مقابلوں میں 2 طالبان کمانڈروں سمیت 9 دہشت گرد ہلاک

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

109 اپریل 2015

دہشت گردی کے واقعات میں 60 فیصد تک کمی

بی بی سی اردو

108 اپریل 2015

کراچی میں رینجرز سے مقابلے میں کالعدم تنظیم کے کمانڈر سمیت 5 دہشت گرد ہلاک

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108 اپریل 2015

پولیس سے مقابلے میں 3 ملزمان ہلاک، اسلحہ

برآمد

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108 اپریل 2015

خیبر ایجنسی (صباح بخیر) وادی تیرہ میں سیکورٹی فورسز کی فضائی کارروائی میں 23 دہشت گرد ہلاک اور متعدد زخمی ہوئے ہیں جبکہ اس کارروائی میں دہشت گردوں کے 7 ٹھکانے بھی تباہ کر دیئے گئے ہیں۔ سیکورٹی ذرائع کے مطابق کارروائی خیبر ایجنسی تیرہ کے علاقے مہران کله اور کندو غریبی میں کی گئی۔ اس کارروائی میں 23 دہشت گرد ہلاک اور کئی زخمی بھی کئے گئے ہیں۔ ہلاک ہونے والے دہشت گردوں کا تعلق کالعدم تحریک طالبان پاکستان سے ہے۔

اسلام آباد (اے پی پی) قومی ایکشن پلان کے آغاز سے اب تک دہشت گردوں سمیت 65 مجرموں کو پھانسی دی جا چکی ہے جبکہ قانون نافذ کرنے والے اداروں نے ملک بھر سے مختلف الزامات میں 34 ہزار 517 افراد کو گرفتار کیا۔ جمہوریت کو وزیراعظم محمد نواز شریف کو پیش کی گئی رپورٹ اور 24 دسمبر 2014ء سے یکم اپریل 2015ء تک اس حوالے سے کی جانے والی کارروائیوں کے بارے میں فراہم کی گئی معلومات کے مطابق جن مجرموں کو پھانسی دی گئی ان میں سے 51 کا تعلق پنجاب، 11 کاسندھ، ایک خیبر پختونخوا اور 2 کا تعلق آزاد کشمیر سے ہے۔ قومی ایکشن پلان پشاور میں آرمی پبلک سکول پر حملے اور ملک کی سیاسی و عسکری قیادت کی طرف سے دہشت گردی و انتہاء پسندی سے نجات پر اتفاق رائے کے بعد مرتب کیا گیا۔ رپورٹ کے مطابق سیکورٹی اداروں نے ملک بھر میں 30 ہزار 314 کارروائیاں کیں، جن میں سے 15370 پنجاب، 6034 سندھ، 6730 خیبر پختونخوا، 90 بلوچستان، 406 اسلام آباد، 1491 آزاد کشمیر، 96 گلگت بلتستان اور 97 فٹا کے علاقوں میں کی گئیں۔ قومی ایکشن پلان کے تحت سیکورٹی اداروں نے 2870 افراد کو پنجاب، 7163 افراد کو سندھ، 19898 کو خیبر پختونخوا، 3526 کو بلوچستان، 763 کو اسلام آباد، 9 کو آزاد کشمیر، 103 افراد کو گلگت بلتستان اور 185 افراد کو فٹا کے علاقوں سے گرفتار کیا گیا۔ لاؤڈ سپیکر کے استعمال کے قانون کی خلاف ورزیوں پر پولیس نے 4068 افراد کو گرفتار کیا، ان میں پنجاب سے 3313، سندھ سے 192، خیبر پختونخوا سے 462، بلوچستان سے 3 اور اسلام آباد سے 98 افراد کو گرفتار کیا گیا۔ نفرت پھیلانے والی تقاریر اور مواد کے حوالے سے 955 مقدمات درج کئے گئے، جن میں سے پنجاب میں 773، سندھ میں 38، خیبر پختونخوا میں 85، بلوچستان میں 11، آزاد کشمیر میں 46، گلگت بلتستان اور اسلام آباد میں ایک ایک مقدمہ درج کیا گیا جبکہ قانون نافذ کرنے والے اداروں نے 979 افراد کو گرفتار کر کے 70 دکانیں سیل کیں۔ دستیاب معلومات کے مطابق 20024 افغان پناہ گزینوں کو ملک بدر کیا گیا، ان میں سے 6323 کا تعلق خیبر پختونخوا، 798 بلوچستان، ایک اسلام آباد، 2 گلگت بلتستان اور 1200 فٹا سے واپس بھجوائے گئے جبکہ 3 لاکھ 58 ہزار 288 پناہ گزینوں کو رجسٹرڈ کیا گیا۔ ایف آئی اے نے حوالہ بندی کے ذریعے رقوم کی منتقلی پر 64 مقدمات درج کر کے 83 افراد کو گرفتار کیا اور ان سے 10 کروڑ 17 لاکھ روپے برآمد کئے جبکہ مشکوک رقوم کی منتقلی کے 9 مقدمات رجسٹرڈ کر کے 17 افراد کو گرفتار کیا گیا۔ قومی ایکشن پلان کے تحت انسداد دہشت گردی ہیلپ لائن 1717 پر 373 کالیں موصول ہوئیں جو قابل عمل تھیں۔

کراچی (اعظم علی / نمائندہ خصوصی) وزیراعظم نواز شریف کی طرف سے قومی ایکشن پلان کے تحت ملک کو 75 ممالک سے تعلق رکھنے والے غیر قانونی تارکین وطن سے پاک کرنے کے احکامات نادرا سمیت قانون نافذ کرنے والے اداروں کو موصول ہو گئے ہیں اور جلد ہی کریک ڈاؤن آپریشن کراچی سے شروع کیا جا رہا ہے جو بعد ازاں پورے ملک پھیلا دیا جائے گا۔ نادرا کے ایک سینئر افسر کے مطابق نادرا اور قانون نافذ کرنے والے ادارے سانحہ پشاور کے بعد سے غیر قانونی تارکین وطن کی رجسٹریشن پر مامور سابقہ ادارے ناراجواب باقاعدہ نادرا میں ضم ہو چکا ہے سے ملک میں مقیم غیر قانونی تارکین وطن کے کوائف جمع کر رہا تھا۔ جمع شدہ کوائف کے مطابق پاکستان میں افغانیوں، بھارتیوں، برمیوں، روسیوں، بنگالیوں، اور افریقی ممالک کے شہریوں سمیت 75 ممالک کے غیر قانونی تارکین وطن ملک میں موجود ہیں۔ ابتدائی طور پر کوائف اور سراغ رساں اداروں سمیت قانون نافذ کرنے والے تمام اداروں میں آپریشن کی حکمت عملی وضع کر لی گئی ہے۔ حکمت عملی میں آپریشن کے دوران بلوچستان اور شمالی علاقہ جات پر خاص نظر رکھی جا رہی ہے۔ افسر کے مطابق آپریشن کے دوران پولیس کو بے خبر رکھا جائے گا، اس کے علاوہ غیر قانونی طور پر پاکستان شہریت کا رڈ کے حامل افراد اور ان کے بک اکاؤنٹس کے کوائف کی بھی چھان بین کی جائے گی۔ قومی ایکشن پلان کے تحت آپریشن کے دوران گرفتار ہونے والے مشکوک افراد کی تفتیش کے لئے علیحدہ سیل بنایا گیا ہے۔

اسلام آباد: ایکشن کمیشن نے قومی اسمبلی کے حلقہ این اے 246 کے ضمنی انتخاب میں رینجرز کی تعیناتی کا فیصلہ کیا ہے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق ایکشن کمیشن نے فیصلہ کیا ہے کہ 23 اپریل کو این اے 246 میں ہونے والے ضمنی انتخاب کے لئے رینجرز تعینات کی جائے گی جب کہ رینجرز اہلکار پولنگ اسٹیشن کے اندر اور باہر تعینات ہوں گے۔ ترجمان ایکشن کمیشن کا کہنا ہے رینجرز انچارج کانسول جیسٹریٹ کا درجہ اول کے اختیارات حاصل ہوں گے۔ واضح رہے کہ متحدہ قومی موومنٹ کے رہنما نبیل گبول کے استعفیے کے بعد خالی ہونے والی نشست پر ایم کیو ایم کے امیدوار کنور نوید جمیل، تحریک انصاف کے عمران اسماعیل اور جماعت اسلامی کے امیدوار راشد نسیم کے درمیان کانٹے کا مقابلہ ہونے کا

وادی تیرہ میں سیکورٹی فورسز کی فضائی کارروائی میں 23 دہشت گرد ہلاک

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10 اپریل 2015

قومی ایکشن پلان، 65 مجرموں کو پھانسی دی گئی، وزیراعظم کو رپورٹ پیش

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75 ممالک کے شہریوں پاکستان میں غیر قانونی قیام، کریک ڈاؤن کا حکم

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10 اپریل 2015

ایکشن کمیشن کا کراچی کے ضمنی انتخاب میں رینجرز کی تعیناتی کا فیصلہ

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09 اپریل 2015

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کوئٹہ، حب (نمائندہ جنگ، ایجنسیاں، نامہ نگار) بلوچستان میں دہشت گردی، تربت کے علاقے گوگدان میں جمعہ اور ہفتہ کی درمیانی شب دہشت گردوں نے شناخت کے بعد سوراہ ڈیم پل تعمیر کرنے والی کمپنی کے 20 مزدوروں کو فائرنگ کر کے قتل اور تین کو زخمی کر دیا، کالعدم بلوچستان لبریشن فرنٹ نے واقعے کی ذمہ داری قبول کر لی ہے، مرنے والے افراد میں رحیم یار خان، صادق آباد کے 13 پنجابی جبکہ تھر اور تلہار کے 7 سندھی شامل ہیں، صدر، وزیراعظم نے سانحے کی شدید الفاظ میں مذمت کرتے ہوئے کہا ہے ایسے واقعات سے ہمارے حوصلے متزلزل نہیں ہو سکتے، دہشت گردوں کے خاتمے کیلئے آپریشن ضرب عضب جاری رہے گا، وزیر اعلیٰ بلوچستان نے کہا ہے کہ ملزمان کو کٹہرے میں لائیں گے، انہوں نے ناقص سیکیورٹی کو سانحے کی وجہ قرار دیتے ہوئے جاں بحق افراد کے لواحقین کیلئے 10،10 لاکھ روپے جبکہ زخمی ہونیوالوں کو 50،50 ہزار روپے امداد دینے کا اعلان کیا ہے، واقعے کی تفتیش کیلئے جوائنٹ انٹر وگیشن ٹیم (جے آئی ٹی) بھی تشکیل دیدی گئی ہے، مقتولین کی اجتماعی نماز جنازہ ایف سی کیپ میں ادا کی گئی، مزدوروں کی سیکیورٹی پر مامور 8 لیویز اہلکاروں کو غفلت برتنے پر نوکری سے برطرف کر کے حراست میں لیکر مقدمہ درج کر لیا گیا۔ وزیراعظم اور وزیر اعلیٰ بلوچستان نے واقعے کی رپورٹ طلب کر لی ہے۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق تربت کے علاقے گوگدان میں سوراہ ڈیم کے قریب پل کی تعمیر کا کام کرنے والی نجی تعمیراتی کمپنی کے 23 مزدور جمعہ کی شب کام ختم کرنے کے بعد اپنے کیپوں میں سو رہے تھے، رات ایک بجکر 40 منٹ پر موٹر سائیکلوں پر سوار درجنوں مسلح افراد نے مزدوروں کے کیپوں پر شدید فائرنگ شروع کر دی، مسلح افراد کی فائرنگ سے 20 مزدور صوبدار مجید، مانجا کالا، محمد ایوب، محمد اسلم، نیلے منٹو، محمد رانا، عبدالرحمان، محمد فاروق، حاجی محمد دین، عاشق حسین، اللہ ڈینہ، ممتاز، بہاول، ارشاد، فقیر، افضل، ساجد، طاہر زمان موقع پر ہی جاں بحق جبکہ تین مزدور محمد اشرف، اللہ ڈنہ، ملک سونا شہید زخمی ہو گئے، مرنے والے 13 کا تعلق پنجاب کے شہروں صادق آباد اور رحیم یار خان جبکہ 7 کاسندھ کے علاقوں تھر پار اور تلہار سے بتایا جاتا ہے، ذرائع کے مطابق کیپ پر تعینات 8 لیویز اہلکار کوئی مزاحمت کے بغیر بھاگ گئے جس کی وجہ سے حملہ آوروں نے باآسانی کارروائی کی، یعنی شاہدین نے تربت پولیس کو بتایا کہ حملہ آور پیدل آئے تھے اور واردات کے بعد گنگور ندی کے راستے فرار ہو گئے، اجتماعی قتل کی واردات کے بعد بلوچستان میں کام کرنے والے دیگر صوبوں کے افراد میں خوف و ہراس اور عدم تحفظ کی لہر دوڑ گئی ہے۔ پولیس اور سیکیورٹی اداروں نے علاقے کو گھیرے میں لے کر سرچ آپریشن شروع کر دیا ہے جب کہ علاقے میں موجود تمام چوکیوں کو بھی ہائی الرٹ کر دیا گیا ہے۔ وزیر اعلیٰ بلوچستان عبدالملک بلوچ اپنا دورہ گوادر مختصر کر کے تربت پہنچ گئے ہیں۔ عمران خان، الطاف حسین، آصف زرداری، چوہدری نثار، شہباز شریف، فضل الرحمن، سراج الحق، بلاول بھٹو، قائم علی شاہ، خورشید شاہ، چوہدری شجاعت و دیگر نے مزدوروں کی ہلاکت پر انتہائی افسوس اور دکھ کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے واقعہ کی شدید الفاظ میں مذمت کی ہے۔ دریں اثناء کوئٹہ میں پریس کانفرنس کرتے ہوئے وزیر اعلیٰ بلوچستان ڈاکٹر مالک نے کہا کہ تربت واقعہ ناقص سیکیورٹی کے باعث ہوا، سانحے کی تحقیقات کیلئے جوائنٹ انٹر وگیشن ٹیم بنادی ہے، ذمہ داروں کو کیفر کردار تک پہنچائیں گے، بلوچستان میں دہشت گردی کی کارروائیوں میں بھارت ملوث ہے۔ بلوچستان لبریشن فرنٹ کے ترجمان گہرام بلوچ نے حملے کی ذمہ داری قبول کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ ایف ڈی او عسکری کنسٹرکشن کمپنی ہے، بلوچ عوام ترقی کے نام پر سامراجی منصوبوں کی کسی کو اجازت نہیں دے سکتے۔

کوہاٹ (نوائے وقت رپورٹ) لاچی کوہاٹ میں پولیس نے سرچ آپریشن میں ایک دہشت گرد سمیت 80 مشتبہ افراد کو گرفتار کر لیا۔

کوہاٹ: سرچ آپریشن، ایک دہشت گرد سمیت

80 مشتبہ افراد گرفتار

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شمالی وزیرستان: دہ خیل میں سیکیورٹی فورسز کی چیک پوسٹ پر حملے میں ایک اہلکار شہید جبکہ جوابی کارروائی میں 5 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق شمالی وزیرستان کی تحصیل دہ خیل میں دہشت گردوں نے سیکیورٹی فورسز کی چیک پوسٹ پر حملہ کیا جس کے نتیجے میں ایک اہلکار شہید ہو گیا، جوابی کارروائی میں 5 دہشت گرد بھی ہلاک ہوئے۔ سیکیورٹی فورسز نے علاقے کا محاصرہ کر کے مزید دہشت گردوں کی گرفتاری کے لئے سرچ آپریشن شروع کر دیا ہے۔



مالیکیو لڑ سے جڑ جاتا ہے جن میں گلائیو بلا سٹوما بھی شامل ہے۔ ماہرین نے پولیو وائرس کو پہلے چینیا کی طور پر تھوڑا تبدیل کر کے اس کا متاثر کرنے والا جینوم نکال دیا اور اس بے ضرر پولیو وائرس کو گلائیو بلا سٹوما میں براہ راست داخل کر دیا، رسولی میں جانے کے بعد پولیو وائرس نے صحت مند خلیات (سیلز) کو تو نقصان نہیں پہنچایا تاہم کینسر کی وجہ بننے والے خلیات کو تباہ کرنا شروع کر دیا جس کے بعد مریض کے جسم میں موجود قدرتی دفاعی نظام سرگرم ہو گیا اور اس نے کینسر کی رسولیوں کو تباہ کرنا شروع کر دیا۔ ڈیوک یونیورسٹی میں مالیکیو لڑ جینیٹکس کے پروفیسر اور سرجری کے ماہر ڈاکٹر میتھیاس گروٹمر نے 15 سال قبل کینسر کی رسولی (ٹیومر) پر پولیو وائرس سے حملہ کر کے اسے ختم کرنے کا خیال پیش کیا تھا جس پر ماہرین نے تنقید کی تھی۔

**مٹھی (نوائے وقت رپورٹ)** تھریپار کر علاقے مٹھی میں گزشتہ روز قحط اور غذائی قلت سے 3 بچے جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ اطلاعات کے مطابق رواں سال غذائی قلت سے 235 بچے جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ مٹھی ہسپتال میں 40 بچے زیر علاج ہیں جن میں 3 بچوں کی حالت تشویشناک ہے۔ تینوں بچوں کو حیدر آباد منتقل کر دیا گیا۔

**لاہور (خبرنگار)** کشر لاہور ڈویژن عبداللہ خان سنبل نے کہا ہے کہ ڈیپ ڈینگی لاہور و ملینس کو بالکل گراس روٹ لیول پر پھیلا دیا جائے اور آٹ ڈور سرگرمیوں میں قبرستانوں، کباڑ خانوں اور ٹائز شاپس میں سو فیصد انسداد ڈینگی تدابیر اختیار کر کے صفائی کرائی جائے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ ان ڈور سرگرمیوں میں کوئی خلا یا کمی نہیں رہنی چاہیے۔

**سکھر (ہیور رپورٹ)** سکھر اور گدو بیراج پر پانی کی سطح میں غیر متوقع اضافے کے باعث کچے کے متعدد علاقے زیر آب آنے اور گندم سمیت دیگر فصلوں کو نقصان کو خطرہ بڑھ گیا، معمول کے بہاؤ کی اتنی بڑی مقدار 20 سال کے دوران پہلی مرتبہ دیکھی گئی ہے۔

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**ڈینگی لاہور و ملینس میں کوئی غفلت نہ برتی جائے: کشر لاہور**

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**لاہور (خبرنگار)** کمنٹر لاهور ڈویژن عبداللہ خان سنبل نے کہا ہے کہ ڈیپ ڈینگی لاروا سروسولینس کو بالکل گراس روٹ لیول پر پھیلا دیا جائے اور آؤٹ ڈور سرگرمیوں میں قبرستانوں، کباڑ خانوں اور ٹائر شاپس میں سو فیصد انسداد ڈینگی تدابیر اختیار کر کے صفائی کرائی جائے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ ان ڈور سرگرمیوں میں کوئی غلایا کی نہیں رہنی چاہیے۔

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**چمن**..... چمن سمیت بلوچستان کے ہائی رسک اضلاع میں انسداد پولیو مہم آج تیسرے روز بھی سخت سیکوریٹی میں جاری ہے۔ پولیو مہم بلوچستان کے پولیو سے متاثرہ ہائی رسک علاقوں چمن پشین ڈوب موسی خیل شیرانی سمیت دیگر اضلاع میں تیسرے روز بھی جاری ہے۔ مہم کے دوران ٹیوں کی سیکورٹی کے لئے انتہائی سخت اقدامات اٹھائے گئے ہیں۔ حکام کا کہنا کہ مہم کے دوران انکاری والدین پر خصوصی توجہ دیا گیا ہے اس سلسلے میں بیشتر علاقوں میں علماء کرام کی مدد سے انکاری والدین اپنے بچوں کو پولیو سے بچاؤ کے قطرے پلانے پر آمادہ ہو گئے ہیں۔

**کوسٹ**..... شمالی بلوچستان میں 3 روزہ انسداد پولیو کی قومی مہم شروع ہو گئی ہے۔ مہم کی سیکوریٹی کیلئے ایف سی کے اہلکار تعینات کئے گئے ہیں۔ محکمہ صحت کے حکام کے مطابق مختلف اضلاع میں پولیو مہم کی نگرانی کیلئے صوبائی سیکرٹریز تعینات کئے گئے ہیں جبکہ پولیو کے حوالے سے حساس ترین علاقہ چمن میں انکاری والدین کے بچوں کو قطرے پلانے کیلئے علماء کرام کے ساتھ صوبائی سیکرٹریز بھی والدین سے ملاقاتیں کر کے انہیں پولیو قطرے پلانے پر آمادہ کیا جا رہا ہے۔ چمن میں مہم کے دوران ایک لاکھ 37 ہزار بچوں کو پولیو سے بچاؤ کے قطرے پلانے کا ہدف مقرر کیا ہے اس دوران ایف سی کی سخت سیکوریٹی فراہم کی گئی ہے۔

**کراچی:** آج پاکستان سمیت دنیا بھر میں عالمی یوم صحت منایا جا رہا ہے لیکن صورت حال یہ ہے کہ وطن عزیز میں ہر سال لاکھوں افراد صرف آلودہ پانی پینے کی وجہ سے اپنی جان سے ہاتھ دھو بیٹھتے ہیں۔ ہر سال 17 اپریل کو دنیا بھر میں صحت کا دن منایا جا رہا ہے جس کا مقصد لوگوں کو ایسے آسان طریقوں سے آگاہ کرنا ہے جس پر عمل کرتے ہوئے صحت مند غذا تک رسائی ممکن ہو سکے۔ آبادی کے پھیلاؤ اور بنیادی سہولیات کے فقدان نے پاکستان میں انسانی صحت پر سولہ نشان لگا دیا ہے۔ آلودہ پانی کا استعمال اور غیر معیاری خوراک پاکستان میں صحت کے مسائل کو جنم دینے کا ایک بنیادی سبب ہے۔ پاکستان میڈیکل ایسوسی ایشن کے سابق سیکرٹری جنرل ڈاکٹر قیصر سجاد کے مطابق پاکستان میں صحت کھانے اور پانی کے باعث معدے اور چھوٹی آنت کی سوزش کی بیماری سب سے زیادہ پائی جاتی ہے، اس کے علاوہ ڈائریا، میپائائٹس اے اور ٹائفائڈ جیسی بیماریوں میں بھی دن بدن اضافہ ہو رہا ہے۔ ملک میں محض آلودہ پانی کی وجہ سے ہر سال 30 لاکھ افراد مختلف بیماریوں میں مبتلا ہوتے ہیں جن میں لاکھوں بروقت علاج نہ ہونے پر موت کے منہ میں چلے جاتے ہیں۔ ضرورت اس بات کی ہے کہ ارباب اختیار اس بات کو یقینی بنائیں کہ وہ عوام تک مضر اثرات سے پاک غذا کی پہنچ کو یقینی بنائے۔

پولیو وائرس کو دنیا میں اس کی تباہ کاریوں کی وجہ سے کسی عذاب سے کم نہیں سمجھا جاتا لیکن اب ماہرین نے اسی وائرس: ناتھ کیرولینا سے جان لیو ادماغی رسولی (گلائیو بلاسٹوما) کا علاج ممکن بنا دیا ہے۔ امریکی میڈیکل کے مطابق دماغی رسولیوں کے 2 مریضوں کا علاج پولیو وائرس کی مدد سے کیا گیا جس کے بعد ڈاکٹروں نے انہیں کینسر سے پاک قرار دیا ہے۔ ماہرین کے مطابق پولیو وائرس ٹھوس سرطانی رسولیوں پر موجود

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