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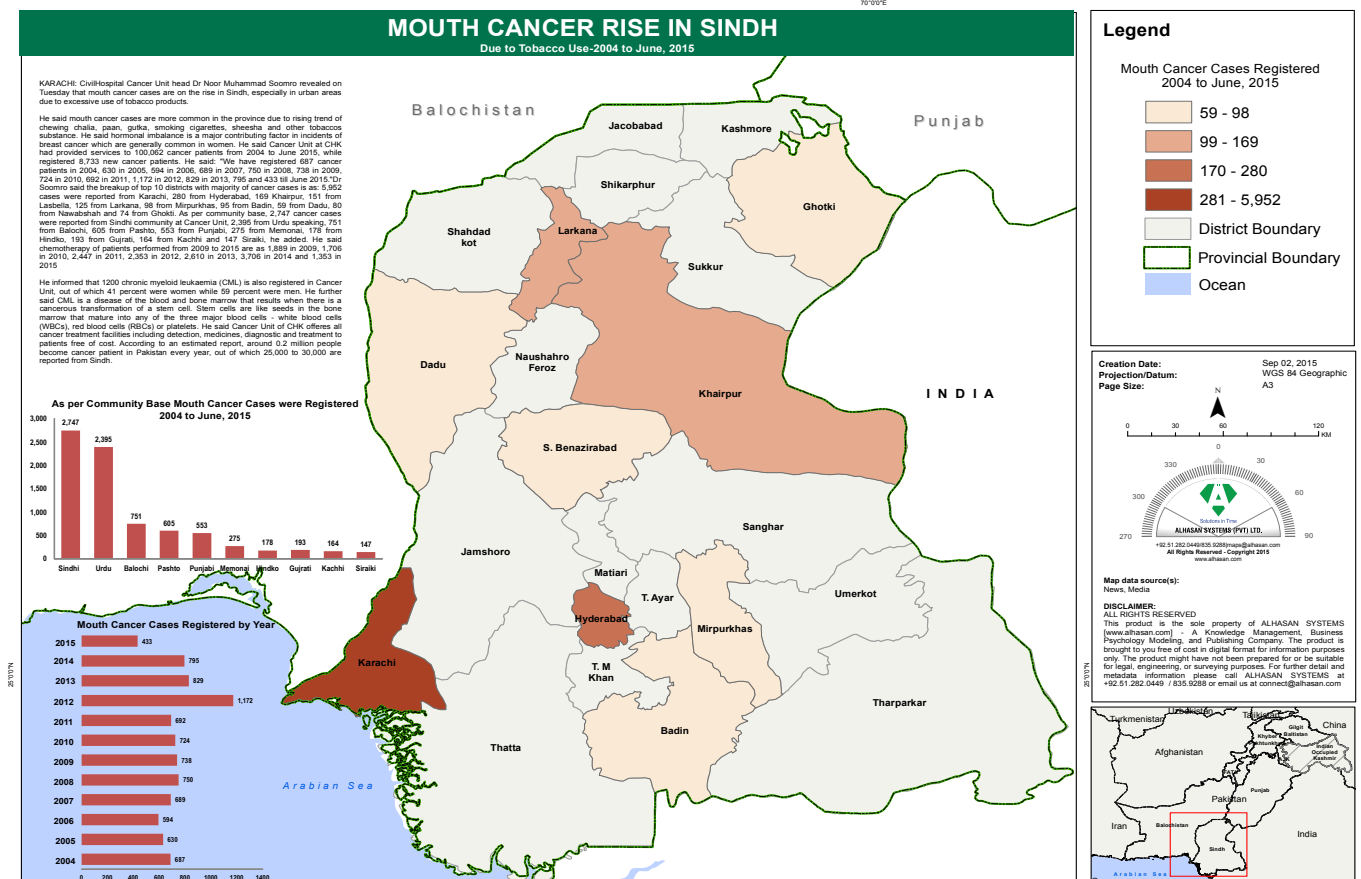
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NATURAL CALAMITIES

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Taking to task: Chitral nazim wants no delays in projects

Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

Anti-dengue drive: All depts directed to put their heads together

Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

Clearing up: CM wants city free of polythene bags

Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

Public works: City's drainage system to have new pipes

Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

DETAILS

CHITRAL: District nazim Haji Maghfirat Shah said delays in completion of development projects and the use of substandard materials would not be tolerated. Speaking at a ceremony in Chitral on Saturday, Shah said, "We are preparing a strategy for timely completion of development schemes." The event was put together in connection with the completion of Chitral Bypass Road. The Chitral nazim said these are the efforts of sitting lawmakers and previous rulers that the residents of the district will no more witness gridlocks. During his address, MPA Mohammad Salim Khan appreciated former chief minister Amir Haider Khan Hoti who had sanctioned the construction of the road. Earlier, Executive Engineer Maqbool Azam briefed the participants over the project. He said the three-and-a-half kilometre road has been constructed in two phases. The first phase has been completed while the second will be done by the next fiscal year, he added. Azam said the government is spending Rs0.78 billion on the megaproject.

RAWALPINDI: Punjab Chief Secretary Khizar Hayyat Gondal has directed all departments and organisations of the city to work in close liaison by mobilising all available resources to contain a possible outbreak of dengue. Chairing a meeting at the Commissioner Office on Saturday, he said stringent measures should be taken to overcome the situation that was increasingly becoming dangerous due to the existence of larva breeding sites.

Gondal asked representatives of various departments to take effective measures to combat the challenge by keeping a constant liaison with each other to evaluate and monitor their performance with regards to dengue control. The meeting was attended by Punjab Minister for Labour and Manpower Raja Ashfaq Sarwar, Parliamentary Secretary Punjab Sarfraz Afzal, Rawalpindi Commissioner Zahid Saeed, DCO Sajjad Zafar Dall, MNAs Malik Ibrar, Raja Muhammad Hanif and other government officials. The chief secretary also directed the officials to remove debris and unused construction material dumped along roadsides which also provide a breeding ground for dengue larvae. Gondal asked the officials to draw a plan to spray graveyards, public places and cattle compounds so that chances of larvae breeding could be minimised. It was also decided to lodge FIRs against the management of commercial properties if the larva was found there. Sarwar told the meeting that a comprehensive and integrated action plan was being implemented with the coordination of the local administration and departments. He said that now it was the need of the hour that "we should increase our efforts to deal with the situation efficiently". Punjab Health Secretary Jawad Rafique Malik said that the health department was fully equipped to fight dengue, and suggested that dengue surveillance count should be increased to cover all localities of the garrison city. A day before, at least 11 more people tested positive for dengue fever in the city taking the total number of reported cases this year to 81. In a high level meeting on Friday, Punjab Health Secretary Jawad Rafique Malik directed all secretaries of allied departments to play their role with full responsibility on a 'war-footing' against the disease. A senior official of the district health department told The Express Tribune that thus far, 45 people had tested positive for dengue fever at Holy Family Hospital, seven at District Headquarters Hospital and the remainder at Benazir Bhutto Hospital.

PESHAWAR: Chief Minister Perviz Khattak said the city should be freed of polythene bags as they pose a serious threat to Peshawar's environment. Chairing a meeting at the CM Secretariat, Khattak formed a committee led by environment secretary, to chalk out a comprehensive plan to prohibit the production, sale and use of non-degradable plastic bags. Flanked by Senator Mohsin Aziz, MNA Sajida Zulfiqar, Minister for Local Government Inayatullah and major manufacturers of shopping bags, Khattak said garbage disposal is the responsibility of the local government. He said keeping the interests of all stakeholders in mind, a solution to the issue should be located so that environmental hazards can be averted. Rejecting the proposal to launch a pilot project in Peshawar to eliminate plastic bags, Khattak said a decision will be taken for all of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa and not just the provincial capital. Expressing dissatisfaction over sanitation and cleanliness in the city, the CM said departments concerned should work together and not pin responsibilities on each other.

PESHAWAR: To control damage during floods and deluge, Water and Sanitation Services Peshawar is planning to replace the old and worn out sewerage lines with a system in which pipes are made with a material that does not easily corrode. A meeting of WSSP Board of Directors was held in which the authority's chairman Khalid Masud said a 50-year plan should be made and projects should be designed in accordance with the changing climate and needs. The spiral piping system that WSSP is planning to install would help overcome sanitation issues and protect locals during harsh climates. The new pipes would be made with unplasticised polyvinyl chloride and hence not corrode easily.

Under the ground

A detailed report was presented during the meeting and WSSP CEO Muhammad Naeem was informed that the spiral piping system is used in many countries, including Iraq, Hungary, Albania and Bulgaria. It is a cost-effective measure in which pipes carry more water than the concrete ones can. It was also decided that the uPVC pipes would be compared with the ones that are present in the system. A report would be prepared on the new system and thereafter a decision would be taken based on the rules laid by Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa Public Procurement Regulatory Authority. Since measures were discussed to improve the sewerage system and drinking water facilities in the city, it was also agreed that relevant departments would consult WSSP before launching any development project. Naeem said a master plan has been prepared for three major

Pakistan - Losses and Damages Flood 2015

(as of September 05, 2015)

Legend

No. of Death & Injured People

Deaths

Injured

No. of House Damages

(for flood affected district)

No Data

1 - 408

409 - 424

425 - 812

813 - 1,176

1,177 - 3,096

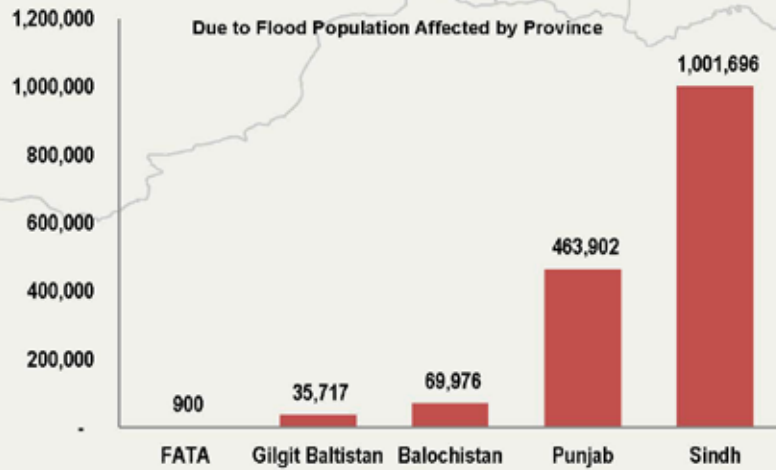
3,097 - 4,799

River

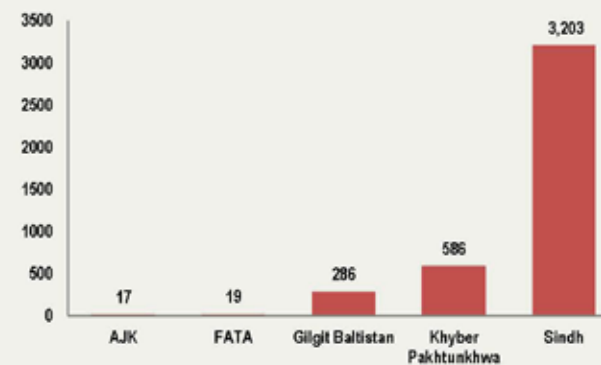
Lakes/Dhand

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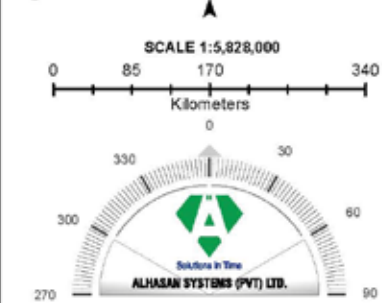
Due to Flood Population Affected by Province



Due to Flood Villages Affected by Province



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Spokesperson says: LRH has not released list of deceased as yet

Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

areas, including drinking water, sanitation and solid waste management. He added that the installation of uPVC would not be rushed as they first need to be evaluated. Earlier, a representative of the manufacturing firm, Aftab Jillani apprised the participants about the production of pipe on-site, its storage, transportation and specifications. He said that the firm has completed three projects in Pakistan. The uPVC pipes were used in drains, culverts, highways and even hydropower projects. A new drainage system is needed more so because the old one was also the reason behind destruction during the Budhni nullah floods; had there been an efficient system under the ground, water would have directly flown into the canals instead.

PESHAWAR: As water from the deadly thunderstorm dries up drop by drop, the families of victims still wait for the district administration to fulfil its promises. Strong winds accompanied by heavy showers claimed five lives in the city on Thursday. The casualties were mainly reported from Urmar, Phandu and Jhagra areas. The administration was quick to announce compensation for the bereaved families. However, the cheques have not been inked as yet. A government official privy to the matter told The Express Tribune that the delay conflicts with Chief Minister Pervez Khattak's directives of releasing money within a day for the families of those who die or are injured due to natural catastrophes. "The CM's orders are very clear on this," said the official. "Money should be paid within a day." The K-P government pays Rs0.3 million to the family of the deceased and Rs0.1 million to the family of every injured in a natural calamity. Similarly, for damaged houses the government pays Rs30,000 for every room without a boundary wall and Rs50,000 for every room with a boundary wall. This was said by Provincial Disaster Management Authority Spokesperson Abdul Latif.

He said PDMA has received the list of the dead and injured from the DC office and that compensation is the latter's job. "We have deposited money in the DC office relief account. It is now their responsibility to ensure the money is dispatched to the relevant people." He said at least Rs8 to 10 million was deposited. Peshawar DC office Spokesperson Feroz Shah said the administration has not received the list of the dead, who were mostly children, from Lady Reading Hospital as yet. He added the list is expected to arrive by Monday. "Once we have the names, money will be paid within two days." He said the injured people received minor injuries and were discharged by the hospital after receiving basic medical assistance. "The damages meanwhile will be assessed by the revenue department officials, including patwaris and tehsildars, with help from a local mosque prayer leader, an elder and a primary schoolteacher who all work as a committee."

Wildlife officials seize 150 desert lizards

Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

KARACHI: A team of the Sindh wildlife department seized around 150 desert lizards on a tip-off near Jamshoro on Friday evening. Six persons, who were caught red-handed, were released after legal formalities under the provincial wildlife act, said the officials. They said that the lizards will be released into the wild in a few days. Wildlife deputy conservator Ghulam Muhammad Gaddani confirmed that the raid was conducted on a tip-off near Jamshoro. "The [lizard] catchers have been involved in the business for years," he said. According to Gaddani, most of such species are sold in Karachi. "We can't allow anyone to catch and sell wild animals, birds or any species," he said. "Strict action is being taken against the people involved in the illegal business." Sources told The Express Tribune that there are certain communities who have been involved in this business for years. "They catch such species from the wild and sell them in markets," said a wildlife official. He said that the demand of the desert lizards is very high in Empress Market, Karachi, and Hyderabad. "The buyers get desert lizards' oil and sell it as medicine," he said, adding there are no scientifically proven benefits of the oil. "It is nothing but a business of cheating simple people."

Wildlife officials say that it is the season when people from certain communities go in the jungle and hilly areas to catch such lizards. According to them, certain communities such as Jogis, Bheels, Ribaris and other indigenous communities of Sindh, who live away from urban areas, are involved in such activities. "It is an illegal act to hunt, sell or purchase wild species," said Gaddani, adding that he has already sent the message to certain communities to stay away from this business. According to wildlife official Wajid Shaikh, when the team carried out the raid, there were numerous people who were busy catching lizards. "But because we were limited in number, we could only catch the six. The others fled." Further talking about the seized lizards, Shaikh explained how the hunters damage the backs of the lizards so that they may not be able to move and escape. "We will let the confiscated lizards out in the wild in a few days as, right now, they cannot move," he said. Interestingly, the wildlife law doesn't protect all wild animals and birds. But the action taken by the Hyderabad team is being appreciated by senior officials, who said that the new law, which is about to be introduced, will protect all species that have never been considered. Many people are said to be involved in hunting leopard geckos in several areas of Sindh, including Jamshoro, Dadu, Thatta and Tharparkar. However, the officials of the wildlife department claim that the illegal business of leopard geckos does not exist on a considerable level. Wildlife experts believe that jobless people in rural areas involve themselves in risky trades such as catching poisonous snakes just for a few thousands rupees. "It is not an easy trade to catch any species from the wild," a senior official commented. "[But] these people risk their lives just to earn some money."

Not implementing guidelines: Govt issues notice to 16 primary schools

Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

RAWALPINDI: The education department has served show-cause notices on 16 primary schools for not observing anti-dengue guidelines. The institutes include seven from Rawalpindi, four from Gujar Khan, three from Taxila and two from Kotli Sattian. Deputy District Education Officer (DEO) Amjad Mehmood said the department would lodge an FIR if any unregistered private school was found violating the guidelines.

EDO (education) Qazi Zahoourul Haq said 81 confirmed dengue cases had been reported in the district so far, the highest in Punjab this year. "Only six or seven cases surfaced in Faisalabad and 30 or so in Lahore. Rawalpindi is at serious risk," he said. Dengue surveillance is being carried out in the district. Haq said the Punjab chief secretary has suspended two grade-19 head teachers of Government High School AOC Morgah and Government Boys High School Elliot Morgah after dengue larvae were found there by surveillance teams. The DEO said teaching staff in all

Dengue claims five victims in Hazara

Express Tribune, September 5, 2015

government schools have been directed to remain at school till 6pm and make sure the premises are free from possible dengue breeding sites. "The Punjab government has directed all schools to conduct a zero period to raise awareness among pupils," Mehmood said, adding schools have been directed to plant trees that curb dengue growth such as lemon grass, mint and marigold.

ABBOTABAD: Five suspected dengue patients, including two women and a minor girl, died at various health care facilities across Hazara Division. At least total of 200 patients suspected of the disease have been admitted so far. "Two out of the five deceased people tested positive for dengue through a local testing kit," Dengue Control Programme head Dr Shahid told The Express Tribune. "However, test reports from the National Institute of Health in Islamabad have yet to arrive and confirm the cause of death." One of the patients succumbed to the virus on August 30, while the other one died on September 3. The five victims belong to Mansehra, Havelian and Haripur. Over the last one-and-a-half months, over 200 patients with symptoms of dengue such as high fever, low platelet count and nausea were reported in Kohistan, Mansehra, Abbottabad, Haripur, Rawalpindi and other cities. Shahid said Ayub Teaching Hospital is the only tertiary care facility in Hazara where 90 dengue suspects have been treated thus far. He added the second phase of fumigation is under way in Abbottabad and 50 bed nets have been distributed among locals of areas where the virus is found.

Conflicting reports

When contacted, dengue programme coordinator in Mansehra Dr Yasir said at least 80 patients suspected with the virus are admitted to various health facilities. Of the total, only 10 are still undergoing treatment at the dengue ward of King Abdullah Teaching Hospital. However, Dr Yasir denied the report of deaths caused by the virus in the district. "Blood samples of all the suspected patients have been dispatched to NIH and the result is awaited." However, he has advised the residents of Mansehra to immediately seek medical attention if they want timely pathological analysis for the fever. Haripur District Health Officer Dr Mushtaq denied the report of deaths and said the district has not received a single patient suspected of dengue for over a month. On the other hand, Dr Ejaz Masood in Haripur said four to five cases of high-grade fever are reported daily in different villages of Haripur, but the kits used to test them show negative results. "It could be some sort of a viral fever, but the symptoms the patients have are similar to those of dengue fever."

Lack of care

"The outbreak of dengue fever indicates that health authorities in Hazara have failed to fumigate the areas despite the fact that Mansehra and Haripur were pointed out as dengue-hit districts," said a local councillor, Rashid. "The provincial government has allocated millions to fight dengue but the health authorities, especially those in Haripur and Mansehra, failed to do their jobs properly."

First dengue death reported in Haripur

The News, September 5, 2015

HARIPUR: The first dengue-related death was reported from Haripur district, official sources said here on Friday. However, the Health Department denied that there was any death or dengue suspect registered with it. Sources at the Ayub Medical Complex (AMC) Abbottabad said that between August 30 and September 3 two patients including a woman carrying dengue symptoms died at the AMC. The sources said the second patient was identified as Toor Khan, son of Rehmat Khan, from Haripur district. The cases indicate the prevalence of viral disease in the district.

Dr Shahid, coordinator dengue programme in Abbottabad, also confirmed the two deaths at the AMC. He said that initial blood tests of Toor Khan from Haripur and Sadaf Bibi hailing from Mansehra were carrying dengue virus but final report from National Institute of Health (NIH) Islamabad had not been received by the health authorities in Abbottabad. When contacted, the head of medical department Haripur Teaching Hospital Dr Ejaz Masood said that unprecedented rise in the high grade fever was witnessed in the district over the last two weeks. However, he claimed that none of them with the symptoms of reducing platelets and high grade fever was diagnosed as dengue positive. He said that he got their blood samples tested locally first and later at the private laboratories but more than 30 of them were found dengue negative. He said that about 10 patients were still under treatment for fever. Commenting on the situation, District Health Officer Dr Mushtaq claimed that not a single dengue suspect had so far been reported throughout the district. He said that if any resident of Haripur living in another district was diagnosed as suspect or positive, it cannot validate the prevalence of dengue in the district.

Dengue resurgence: New cases alarm Punjab govt

Express Tribune, September 5, 2015

ISLAMABAD: The situation in Rawalpindi continues to worsen as at least 11 more people have tested positive for dengue fever in the last 24 hours, taking the total number of reported cases this year to 81. In a high level meeting on Friday, Punjab Health Secretary Jawad Rafique Malik directed all secretaries of allied departments to play their role with full responsibility on a 'war-footing' against the disease. The health secretary has come to Rawalpindi from Lahore on the directions of Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif, who expressed serious reservations over the increasing number of dengue fever cases in the city. Malik is likely to stay for at least a week to closely monitor the situation and galvanise efforts in controlling the disease. A senior official of the district health department told The Express Tribune that thus far, 45 people had tested positive for dengue fever at Holy Family Hospital, seven at District Headquarter Hospital and the remainder at Benazir Bhutto Hospital. The official added that secretaries of all allied departments across Punjab were present at the meeting, including officials from Tehsil municipal administrations, water and sanitation, and the police force. Meanwhile, Aqaf department secretaries were directed to ensure awareness among the public regarding precautionary measures through mosque announcements. Surveillance team heads were asked to focus on areas like Rawal Town, Cantonment and Potohar Town, from where the majority of cases emerge, the official said. Rawal Town remained a hot spot for dengue mosquitoes last year as well. Rawalpindi police departments have been asked to closely monitor their jurisdictions for potential dengue breeding grounds, the official said, adding that dengue larva was found recently from one of the water coolers inside a police station. When contacted, the health secretary said the reason behind resurging cases in

Experts raise alarm over gaps in dengue patient figures

Express Tribune, September 4, 2015

early August was the early onset of the monsoon season. He added that certain areas faced issues of solid waste management and sanitation, and that the relevant environment departments have been directed to work more effectively in tackling the disease. The secretary said that all allied departments had started a campaign against the disease in the hopes of lowering the number of cases within 10 to 15 days.

ISLAMABAD: Serious discrepancies have emerged in the figures of dengue fever sufferers in Punjab after the provincial health department confirmed that 1,261 people to date have contracted the deadly illness, experts said, citing the health department's own analysis of the collated data. This shows the "irresponsible attitude" of the authorities in handling dengue cases, they said. According to documents available with The Express Tribune, from January this year till August 23 there were 832 confirmed cases of dengue fever. But in the last 10 days the total number of reported cases rose dramatically to 1,261. This means as many as 429 dengue cases suddenly emerged. On an average, 40 people across Punjab are being confirmed for dengue fever every day.

Epidemiologists have termed this outbreak of dengue fever both alarming and worrisome. They believe that dengue cases are probably under reported, pointing out that the Punjab government data only relates to the number of patients confirmed for the disease in public sector hospitals. However, it is estimated that 80 per cent of the population frequents private healthcare set-ups. "Considering the current trend of cases being reporting in the Punjab province, it is estimated that by including the data from private hospitals the number of people who have been confirmed for the disease could go up by 4,000," said Dr Anwar Rafay, the assistant professor in epidemiology and biostatistics at Contech School of Public Health, Lahore. He also said that it is a fact that now prevention of dengue fever is not on Punjab government's priority list. Commenting on Punjab health department analysis he said, "It is completely misleading and fails to present true picture of the situation on which planning should be done." In the analysis a patient tested positive for the disease has been mentioned in the list of people tested negative for it. Furthermore the analysis also mentioned that some of the patients' platelet count was recorded at impossibly low rates. Medically speaking, if the platelet count is below 10,000, the patient dies. Dr Saleem Rana, a vector control expert said, "The case response is zero in Punjab which is one of the major reasons behind the spread of the disease." He said since the beginning of the year it was known to everyone in the Punjab health department that there would be an outbreak of the disease this year. However, they did not pay much heed to it. The Express Tribune tried to contact Adviser to Chief Minister Punjab, Khawaja Salman Rafique, but he was unavailable for comment.

Rise in dengue cases set alarm bells ringing

Express Tribune, September 4, 2015

RAWALPINDI: Increase in dengue cases in the twin cities has worried the health officials. Two major hospitals in Rawalpindi have received over 120 suspected patients since January. The data collected from different hospitals including the Holy Family Hospital (HFH) and the Benazir Bhutto Hospital (BBH) contradicted with figures shared by an official in the Rawalpindi health department. According to HFH Medical Superintendent Dr Arshad Ali Sabir, the hospital has received 112 dengue patients so far. According to him, of the total cases, 31 patients were diagnosed positive and 22 were diagnosed negative.

However, a senior official in the health department, wishing not to be named, said that 70 people have so far been tested positive for the dengue fever in Rawalpindi. He said that of these, 65 per cent cases have been reported at the HFH, five per cent at the District Headquarters Hospital and the rest at the Benazir Bhutto Hospital (BBH). "This year so far the Rawalpindi district has reported the highest number of dengue cases in the Punjab province," he said, adding that dengue patients started pouring in hospitals in August against happening of the same in September last year. Similarly, around 12 dengue patients were admitted to the BBH during the past week, of them four were discharged after treatment while the rest were still under treatment. According to Dr Umer Riaz, a postgraduate trainee at the BBH dengue ward, one of the patients was in critical condition. Dr Riaz said that the dengue fever was classified into three stages and the first two stages or symptoms include high fever, joint and bone pain, vomiting and rash etc. He said that critical patients require an ultrasound to determine the thickness of gallbladder and liver. He said such patients were treated by administering four to five litres of intravenous IV fluids for over 48 hours. "Though since January, the health department is making all out efforts to control the spread of the disease, cases continue to emerge," the official said adding that the health department should not be solely blamed as many other departments were also responsible for it. "In Rawalpindi, many places have a water shortage and people store it in buckets, cooking pots, water gallons without covering it and these provided a favourable breeding ground to the dengue," he said. Meanwhile, another health official said that a total of 10 dengue positive patients have been admitted to two major hospitals in Islamabad.

Floods leave Chitral's apple farmers in crisis

Chitral Today, September 4, 2015

CHITRAL: The extended flash floods have caused a colossal loss to apple farmers in Mastuj, Karimabad, Oveer and Terich valleys of Chitral. These valleys are known for producing apple of superb quality and reporting high yields every year. With the construction of roads in remote areas, availability of pesticides and development of marketing facilities, local farmers have switched from cultivating cereal crops over to growing apple trees during the last many decades and derived high dividend. A number of fruit merchants in local market told Dawn that the produce of local apple species was very low during the current year as hundreds of acres of land with fruit trees were washed away by the devastating floods, which lasted a month starting in the middle of July. Apple produce very low as hundreds of acres of farmland washed away in July. Haji Ayaz, a fruit merchant, said the bumper produce of apple from the areas used to flood the market by the end of August every year but this year not a single vehicle carrying the fruit has reached the city as yet. He said his visit to many calamity-devastated villages of Brep, Karimabad, Mastuj and Terich was agonising for him to find that most farmers in the areas had lost homes and land to floods and were living in shelter. "We used to visit villages a month before the fruit ripened to purchase the produce of the trees which we later harvested by our own and transported to the market," he said, adding

Three kids among five killed as rain lashes Peshawar

Khyber News, September 3, 2015

Flood affectees provided water filter taps

Chitral Today, September 3, 2015

Heavy rain spells leave 5 dead, 30 injured in Peshawar

Express Tribune, September 3, 2015

Where's the money going? K-P govt questioned about funds for Chitral flood victims

Express Tribune, September 3, 2015

that this year we did go there only to sympathise with them. Brep village in Yarkhun valley is known as the largest producer of both local and non-local apple species but it is one of the worst affected villages of the district. "This year, not a single number of apple-loaded vehicle will leave the village for market," he said. Sahib Wali, an official of agriculture department, said the devastating flood had washed away intake points of the irrigation channels throughout the valley disrupting the supply of water which resulted in the withering away of trees and cereal crops and apple trees were also affected which were on the verge of ripening. He said in some areas, including Brep village, the apple produce was at its highest this year but all that was spoiled by floods, while the only apple producing village spared was that of Booni.

The official said no flood hit the Booni village, the headquarters of Mastuj tehsil, and that it was the only village supplying apple to the local market but the quantity was too low to feed the national market this year. Wali said thousands of apple trees had been either washed away by floods in the affected areas or they had withered away in the absence of water, which was essential for its nourishment and survival. "We will have to wait for five to 10 years to get back our apples," he said. Alim Jan, another fruit merchant in Atalique Bazaar, said a good number of fruit merchants had purchased the produce of apple fruit trees in the calamity-affected areas well two months before the season but the trees were washed away by floods. "This is a common practice to make payment in advance as prices spiral during the season," he said, adding the people couldn't demand their money back from the calamity-hit farmers.

PESHAWAR: At least five persons, including three children and a woman, were killed in roof collapse incidents after heavy rain and strong winds lashed Peshawar on early Thursday morning. Ten people were also injured in the rain related incidents. Strong winds uprooted several trees in the city, causing difficulties in rescue operations. Emergency was declared in all hospitals of Peshawar while rescue teams were busy in rescue operations in different parts of the city.

BOONI: Funded by the Ministry of Science and Information Technology KPK, the Pakistan Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (PCSIR), introduced water filter taps for flood affected people. The distribution of the taps among 150 flood affectees from Reshun was held in Booni on Thursday. Assistant Director Science and Information Technology KPK Mr Muhammad Younis was the chief guest on the occasion. Speaking on the occasion, MPA Sardar Hussain appreciate the efforts of PCSIR and thanked the Ministry for funding the project. He also requested the ministry for the provision of more than 2,000 similar water taps in the flood-affected Upper Chitral where severe shortage of drinking water has hit the people.

PESHAWAR: Heavy rains in Peshawar killed five people while 30 others were injured after a storm continued into the early hours of Thursday across the province. "The effects of climate change are more than evident and worrisome," a senior government official told The Express Tribune. "However we have no mechanism in place to combat changes in the weather system or issue exact timely warnings," he added. Although a radar system was to be installed in two places for which allocations were also made in the budget, the entire project has been delayed. "We are losing lives," the official stated while revealing that at least 102 people lost their lives and over 800 had been injured last month due to heavy rain and floods. Further, a multitude of families have been left homeless as the floods destroyed over 3000 houses.

"The fact that the only weather radar in Dera Ismail Khan is non-functional, means that Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Fata are out of range of any form of weather forecast mechanism," the source disclosed while adding that majority of weather alerts are issued by relying on search engines like Google and Yahoo. In the most recent incident of torrential rainfalls and a storm where wind speeds between 35 -40 nautical miles per hour were recorded, the Pakistan Meteorological Department said about 47 millimetres of rain was recorded. The harsh weather conditions disrupted the power supply in Peshawar leaving the district plunged into darkness once again. An official for the Peshawar Electric Supply Cooperation (Pesco) admitted that "the organisation does not have the ability to deal with such extreme weather conditions." Meanwhile the director of the meteorology department Peshawar, Mushtaq Ahmad Khan, believed that since heavy rainfall was expected during the monsoon season, the unexpected spells caused more destruction than expected as he confirmed that "it was predicted that this year would be rather dry." While the final reports of the total number of casualties is still being gathered from various parts of the district, a spokesperson for PDMA told The Express Tribune that damages are being assessed. Though for now the city awaits its next rainstorm, without much cover.

PESHAWAR: Jamaat-e-Islami leader Abdul Akbar Chitrali has asked the provincial government to clarify how it plans to financially assist families affected by floods in Chitral. Speaking at a news conference at Peshawar Press Club on Wednesday, he said the federal government had decided to give Rs0.4 million to each family. However, the provincial government has distributed Rs0.1 million among the flood-affected families. "I want the government to clarify whether the affected families are going to get the rest of the money or not," Chitrali said. "Furthermore, I urge the government to immediately allot residential plots to residents of Morr Kaho village and install a clean drinking water system in the area." According to Chitrali, the government should constitute an enquiry committee to ensure only the affected population receives relief funds. "I want the government to take action against the timber mafia and impose a ban on cutting trees for commercial purposes," he said. "Moreover, a separate area should be set aside for shepherds to graze their cattle."

Payment of arrears

Separately, a resident of Parachinar has demanded the payment of arrears from the FATA Secretariat for construction work that was completed a few months ago. Speaking at PPC, Haidar Zaman told the media he had been asked to complete construction work by June 30. "I did as I was told," he said. "I worked day and night and completed the project within the stipulated period. However, the secretariats has yet to release the funds." According to Zaman, traders from whom he

Punjab CM displeased with rise in dengue cases in Pindi

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Govt departments told to counter dengue on war footing

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bought material used for construction have repeatedly asked him to fork up the money. "However, I cannot pay them," he said. "I urge the government to immediately release the funds."

RAWALPINDI: Taking notice of the increasing number of dengue patients in the three government-run hospitals, Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif on Wednesday expressed displeasure over the performance of the local administration and health department. The number of patients that have arrived in the hospitals has risen to 57. The chief minister directed the Cabinet Committee on Anti-Dengue to visit Rawalpindi to review the situation and take immediate steps to curb this menace. Following the directive, the chief minister's adviser on health, Khawaja Salman Rafique, visited the garrison city on Wednesday and inspected work carried out by the departments to eliminate dengue virus. The adviser directed spraying of anti-dengue medicines in localities from where cases had been reported. He said due to heavy monsoon rains, the dengue virus spread beyond expectation which was why high number of patients were reported in August instead of September. He also directed the Rawalpindi Municipal Waste Company and Water and Sanitation Agency (Wasa) to ensure cleanliness in the city and check water leakages in supply lines. Mr Rafique said on the directives of Punjab chief minister, the secretaries of different departments in Punjab would visit the garrison city in the coming days to monitor work of their respective subordinate departments.

"Why have cases been reported in August when dengue season has not even started," he inquired. He asked the government departments to coordinate with the ruling party MNAs, MPAs and members to achieve the 100 per cent results. He also asked private hospitals to allocate beds so that proper standards were ensured. However, the provincial government failed to share data of dengue patients brought to private hospitals. At present, there is no official data available with the government with regard to private hospitals and clinics to ascertain the number of patients there. It may be mentioned here that the health department failed to carry out proper fogging in areas especially near Leh Nullah after heavy rains. There seems to be no coordination between the town municipal administrations, environment and health departments. Those officials who got training from Thailand in 2011 on government expenditures were sidelined and inexperienced officials have been appointed to run the campaign. Capital Development Authority (CDA) Chairman Maroof Afzal said the CDA was working to avoid spread of dengue virus in the federal capital and it was ensuring cleanliness of the areas adjacent to Rawalpindi especially I.J. Principle Road. Punjab Secretary Local Government Khalid Masood directed the town municipal administrations to immediately start work on cleaning graveyards and open plots and destroy abandoned tyres in junkyards. He said special teams had been formed to monitor work of town municipal administrations and no negligence of the government officials would be tolerated.

RAWALPINDI: Adviser to Punjab Chief Minister on Health Kh Salman Rafique has said that measures should be taken on war footings for complete eradication of dengue in Rawalpindi. While addressing a special meeting of Sub-committee of Punjab Cabinet regarding dengue situation in commissioner's office, Rawalpindi, he said that teams of departments concerned should work round the clock for elimination of dengue larva and fogging spray should be conducted consistently in those areas where dengue cases were reported, whereas emergent measures should be taken by WASA for checking leakage of pipes, de-silting of the nullahs and disposal of rainwater. He said that no dereliction or laxity of officers and department would be tolerated in this regard. Health Secretary Jawad Rafique Malik, Housing Secretary Dr Muhammad Arshad, Local Government Secretary Khalid Masood, Capital Development Authority Chairman Maroof Afzal, Rawalpindi Division Commissioner Zahid Saeed, Environment director general, General Fisheries director, district coordination officers (DCOs) of Jhelum, Attock, Chakwal, Rawalpindi Regional Police Officer (RPO) Fakhar Sultan Raja, Rawalpindi Medical College Principal Dr Muhammad Umer, besides senior officials of government departments attended the meeting. Kh. Salman Rafique said that it is a matter of great concern that 57 cases of dengue have been reported in the hospitals of Rawalpindi. He said that secretaries of concerned departments and he himself would monitor anti-dengue activities in Rawalpindi. He said that dengue cases have been reported in the month of August.

He suggested that the experts of the Health Department should review the causes in this respect. Kh Salman Rafique said that the departments concerned should keep close liaison with elected representatives to implement anti-dengue activities. He said that anti-dengue activities of would be reviewed on daily basis. He directed the officers of the executive level of the cantonment board to monitor anti-dengue activities and participate in the meeting personally regarding these activities. He said that beds should be reserved in private as well as government hospitals for the treatment of dengue patients in Rawalpindi. Government departments should ensure mutual coordination for regularly monitoring of anti-dengue activities, he advised. All necessary resources are being provided to the departments concerned for eradication of dengue, he highlighted. He said that fogging and anti-mosquito spray should be ensured regularly. He said that TMAs should ensure disposal of old tyres with the coordination of the Environment Department. He said that all departments should activate their teams and machinery and necessary equipments be made operational. The departments which have not purchased android phones should send photographic record of their activities to monitoring officials on daily basis, he maintained. Meanwhile, CDA Chairman Maroof Afzal told the meeting that immediate steps would be taken for removing solid waste on IJ Principal Road. He said that steps are being taken for eradicating dengue in Islamabad. Rawalpindi Division Commissioner Zahid Saeed said that government departments should utilise all available resources for eliminating dengue. He said that anti-dengue activities would be monitored on daily basis. He said that all departments should ensure implementation on SOPs and pay special attention to practical steps for complete eradication of dengue. Local Government Secretary Khalid Masood said that the teams of local government department would be constituted for monitoring anti-dengue steps and cleanliness at graveyards, open plots and places.

Bridging the gaps: Flood-affected roads reopen temporarily

Express Tribune, September 2, 2015

CM orders effective steps to control dengue

The News, September 2, 2015

Pakistan suspects US may be illegally cutting down trees in capital

Express Tribune, September 2, 2015

Red flag: Coordination between disaster management, Met depts stressed

Express Tribune, September 1, 2015

CHITRAL: The communication and works department has temporarily reopened roads and bridges in Chitral, which were ravaged by the recent floods. The decision came following repeated demands made to the government to permanently reopen the roads. This has provided some relief for locals as commuting had become a nightmare. Among the many temporarily reopened bridges are Boni, Shaghoor and Shogham whereas the reopened roads included Chitral West, Sangor and Shaghoor-Garam Chashma. PM Nawaz Sharif and CM Pervez Khattak announced Rs1 billion in aid for renovation of the district's infrastructure. If remedial steps are not taken soon, locals will have to migrate to other places before winter.

LAHORE: Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif has directed that effective measures should be taken for controlling dengue and the plan evolved for this purpose should be implemented at any cost. He warned that no negligence would be tolerated in this regard and all departments and administrations concerned should perform their duties efficiently for controlling dengue and best treatment facilities be provided to the affected persons. He directed the Cabinet Committee on Anti-Dengue to visit Rawalpindi to review the situation and take immediate steps to curb this menace.

The federal capital's municipal body tasked with protecting the city's beauty, Capital Development Authority (CDA), is investigating whether the US Embassy in Islamabad has been cutting down trees in the capital in a clear violation of the law. "There is an active investigation into the matter, Ramazan Sajid, spokesperson for the CDA told The Washington Post. According to Sajid, the US Embassy recently requested permission to cut down 94 trees to make way for the next phase of an ongoing \$1 billion expansion, for which permission was not granted. "Before a [no-objection certificate] was issued, a contractor hired by the embassy started cutting the trees. Those trees were loaded onto a truck and being carried away when the truck was stopped by police. The police took the truck and the contractor to the police station," Sajid said. Confirming the incident, an assistant police inspector, Muhammad Irshad, said, "Police intercepted the truck when it came out of the diplomatic enclave loaded with trees, and he [the driver] was brought to the police station." However, the driver was released after someone showed up at the station with a receipt indicating that he had paid a \$300 fine to the CDA, Irshad confirmed. Although Islamabad police consider the case to be closed, the ongoing CDA investigation is likely to prompt fresh questions about why the embassy needs to cut down 94 trees to expand what is already a heavily fortified, 38-acre compound. Sajid further said that Islamabad police confiscated 13 trees from the truck while authorities tried to determine the number of trees that had been cut down and whether the law was deliberately violated by the embassy. "We have sent a letter to the embassy seeking more details," Sajid said. "I can't say whether anyone from the embassy was involved, but it's a fact that trees were cut without [permission], which is illegal," he added. Further, speaking on the condition of anonymity, a US official offered to discuss the matter and said the incident was limited to one truckload of trees. The official further stressed that US Embassy personnel were not involved in the incident. "We understand that a contractor associated with the construction of a new embassy compound in Islamabad attempted to remove one truckload of felled trees from the construction without the required No Objection Certificate, and the CDA has since fined the contractor," the official said in a statement.

"The US Embassy has not removed any trees from the construction site without a permit," he further claimed. For many years, the planned expansion of the US Embassy has been controversial in Islamabad with the federal capital coming to be known as one of the world's greenest cities. Critics of the expansion in 2009 spread rumours that the United States was preparing to quietly station American troops or CIA agents on the property. More recently, an ongoing case in the Supreme Court is seeking to block the embassy from acquiring an additional 18 acres for its expansion. It is unclear whether those plans are related to the tree-cutting controversy. "Only trees that fall within the footprint of new construction have been felled during the project, and a significant number of trees from the old embassy grounds have been relocated to the new compound," said the US official, adding that "extraordinary effort has been taken to preserve plants and trees where possible." In order to maintain its beauty and protect its greenery, anyone wanting to cut down a tree must first seek approval from the CDA, which often denies the requests. Two years ago, USAID Pakistan co-hosted a "tree planting" campaign in Pakistan on World Environment Day. Despite Islamabad's greenery, Pakistan overall has retained just 2 per cent to 5 per cent of its tree canopy because of deforestation, according to estimates by private and public organisations. That rapid rate of tree loss has been blamed for Pakistan's struggle to combat lethal floods, disruptive landslides, poor water quality and air pollution. The US Agency for International Development, which operates locally from the US Embassy, has partnered with several Pakistani organisations over the years to try to combat this problem.

Experts have warned of detrimental effects from the serious disconnect between the District Disaster Management Authorities (DDMAs) and the Pakistan Meteorological Department.

They asked the authorities to play a proactive role to avoid wide scale loss of life during natural calamities. They were addressing a conference on "Consultation on Disaster Management" organised by the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCP) at a local hotel on Saturday. The experts said Pakistan was now capable enough to forecast natural disasters, particularly heavy rains that perturb flash floods 24 to 48 hours before the event. Authorities responsible for disaster management are unable to respond on timely weather forecast, they added.

Punjab Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) Deputy Director Operation and Implementation Dr Ali Imam Syed said that the state of emergency services in the country including pre-hospital emergency management of accidents and disasters had long been neglected. He said that pre-hospital emergency services such as fire, rescue and ambulance services were virtually non-existent before Rescue 1122. Syed said that the role of the PDMA was to implement disaster management policies, adding that every disaster was an opportunity for development. There were people in some flood-affected areas including DG Khan, Rajanpur and

Alkhidmat Foundation Arranges Ration Packages Distribution For Hindu Community In Jacobabad

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In rural areas: Anti-dengue drive concludes

Express Tribune, September1, 2015

Project launched to prepare strategy for protection of vultures

Daily Times, September1, 2015

Over 250,000 patients medicated in flood-hit areas so far: minister

Daily Times, August 31, 2015

Rojhan who had encroached over river beds and built multiple schools there, he said, explaining that they wait for floods to destroy those structures so as to acquire compensation from the government. He suggested that the government should take action against these people and not allow them to go back in these areas to encroach on the river beds again. National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) official Muhammad Razi said the NDMA was shifting focus from response to risk reduction. He shared that after mega the disasters — 2005 earthquake and 2010 floods — the country had to face cumulative losses in the last four years of over \$16 billion. Ministry of Climate Change Deputy Director Communication Saleem Sheikh said that disaster risk-management plans lacked community-based disaster management approaches. "No disaster risk-management plan can succeed unless they are community-centric," he said. Sheikh stressed that disaster planning was the best way for a community to move towards disaster resilience.

JACOBABAD: Alkhidmat Foundation Pakistan arranged a ration distribution ceremony in Jacobabad's Maharaja Shev and Bhaghut Ranjhan temples. The ration packages were distributed as gifts among 150 deserving members of Hindu community on the occasion important Hindu festival, Thudri. Mr. Imdad Ullah Bijarani, Mr. Fateh Chund, and Mr. Ghulam Haider Peerzada (President Alkhidmat Foundation Jacobabad), Mr. Khair Muhammad Tunio (Director Disaster Management), Haji Deedar Lashari, Hafiz Abdul Ghani, and other locals participated in the ceremony. Note that Alkhidmat Foundation Pakistan serves humanity without any religious, sectarian, or religious biases.

ISLAMABAD: A 10-day campaign to curb dengue in the rural areas of Islamabad concluded on Sunday, said a press release. District Dengue Control and Surveillance In-charge Dr Muhammad Najeeb Durrani informed that six anti-mosquito teams headed by doctors, sanitary inspectors and lady health workers visited 395 sites and carried out fumigation and anti-mosquito spraying. They also visited 104 schools and delivered lectures on preventive measures against dengue.

Besides, lady health workers distributed 5,466 pamphlets about preventive measures against dengue during the door-to-door campaign. The health teams also visited 148 tyre shops, solid waste dumps, restaurants, hotels, parks and educated the community about importance of sanitation, cleanliness and preventive measures against the disease. Durrani said the main focus of the campaign was on public health education. The sanitary staff of union councils has been directed to ensure timely cleanliness and proper solid waste disposal in rural areas, he added.

KARACHI/ NANGARPARKER: At the Baanhn Beli office in Nagarparkar, Tharparkar, Sindh, close to the Pakistan-India border, a new project was launched with a simple yet colourful, well-attended event to prepare a comprehensive national strategy to protect and conserve vultures. These birds have become a highly endangered species in Pakistan in recent years. Serving as a unique scavenger bird for the past 50 million years, which cleans the landscape of dead or rotting carcasses and is a vital link in the web of nature and ecosystems, the numbers of vultures in Pakistan has declined steeply over the past two decades.

Nagarparkar Taluka is one of only two or three areas in the whole country where small colonies of vultures are still present. A total of 224 residents of villages in Nagarparkar Taluka consisting of 131 men and 93 women participated in the project's launch ceremony. Volunteer-leaders of Baanhn Beli, a representative of IUCN, officials of the departments of Wildlife and Forests, leaders of NGOs working in Tharparkar and village leaders addressed the gathering and gave relevant details. Speakers highlighted the fact that the principal reason for the rapid and alarming reduction in the number of vultures is that a pain-killing drug known as 'diclofenac' — normally administered to livestock to kill pain and increase weight and milk production — proved to be catastrophically fatal for the internal organs of vultures. Similar rapid declines have been seen in India, Nepal and several countries in Africa. In 2006, the government of Pakistan banned the production and use of veterinary medicines containing 'diclofenac' to save the rapidly declining vulture population. But unauthorised use of the medicine continues and poses an abiding threat to this remarkable creature. Following the constitution of an Asia Regional Steering Committee on Vultures by IUCN in 2012, the Ministry of Climate Change notified the 'National Vulture Recovery Committee' in 2012 to improve the coordination for conservation of vultures at the national level. Several negative effects of the decline in the vulture population are already evident. These include contamination of the soil and water, infection of other species and human beings, increase in the number of feral dogs which feed on the dead or rotting carcasses and become dangerous animals for human settlements. Concerted efforts on local, provincial, national and regional levels will be required to prepare and implement an effective strategy for the protection and conservation of vultures. With this goal, the volunteer-led, community-based development organisation known as Baanhn Beli (a friend forever), now in its 31st year of public service in the Tharparkar arid region, in collaboration with IUCN-The International Union for Conservation of Nature, the world's largest environment organisation, has launched the project for the formulation of the national vulture conservation strategy. USAID is providing funding support to the project. Over the next 10 months, a series of coordinated actions are planned to be implemented with the active participation of village communities, local resource persons, relevant officials, technical international and national experts to identify specific measures at multiple levels that will conserve existing numbers and promote their safe breeding. Consultations will also be held with the national and international experts on similar initiatives taken in South Asia and Africa. The launch in Nagarparkar is being followed up with an inception ceremony in Karachi on September 7.

KARACHI: Sindh Minister for Health Jam Mehtab Hussain Dahar has said that the Health Department had provided essential medicines to more than 250,000 flood-stricken patients in the affected areas of Sindh and no extra budget was allocated for the purpose.

The Health Department did all this through its own resources, he said while talking to a delegation of the Sindh Medical Support Programme with the support of Poverty Eradication Initiative at his office. Programme Executive Director Shahid Yousuf and PPP Senator Taj Haider were also

To cope with natural disasters: engineers of irrigation department to get modern training

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Rain-harvesting ponds – a solution to water woes in Tharparkar

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Health dept treated over 250,000 people during floods

Express Tribune, August 31, 2015

present in the meeting. The health minister appreciated that through the programme 4,500 LHVs/CMVs would be provided training while 300 standardised birthing centres, especially in rural areas of Sindh, would be developed. Executive Director Shahid Yousuf informed the meeting that the three-year project costs Rs 5 billion and with this money multiple task, including capacity building of doctors, nurses, health technicians, child health initiative involving 600,000 students/families through health hygiene programme in govt schools and quality gifts to poor students of govt schools would be performed.

Dahar hoped that the programme would enable two million rural populations to get cost-effective standardised health services for lifetime and that would also reduce budgetary burden on the government by providing supplies to all hospitals. In another meeting, Dr Masood Solangi, the in-charge of dengue control programme, told the health minister that so far 100,000 pamphlets had been distributed during the ongoing awareness campaign against dengue in various parts of Karachi. Jam Mehtab Dahar said that an effective awareness campaign and preventive measures could save the people from this fatal disease.

Provincial Minister for Irrigation and Chairman PIDA, Mian Yawar Zaman, has said that modern training of disaster management will be imparted to Irrigation Engineers so that along with protection of canal structure during flood situation, this staff could also get the ability of coping with other natural calamities. He expressed these views while presiding over a meeting to review the post-flood situation at his office.

Senior engineers of Irrigation Department and other officers attended the meeting. A representative delegation of farmers of flood-affected areas was also present on the occasion. The minister said that officers and field staff of Irrigation Department ensured protection of canal structure by working round-the-clock during recent floods and continued process of patrolling on water courses for complete protection of canal installations. He said that Irrigation staff maintained liaison with other departments concerned due to which administration timely started relief activities in flood-hit districts.

KARACHI/MITHI: Tharparkar's drinking water issues may remain long but there are solutions as well to decrease the sufferings of the locals. Like the one that residents of Dedh Sar of Diplo tehsil and Haryar village of Mithi tehsil have found in the form of building huge-size concrete ponds as part of rain water harvesting.

Built by United Kingdom-based international charity WaterAid in collaboration with a local non-governmental organisation Sukaar Foundation, these ponds were filled with fresh water during recent rains. These ponds have low seepage and massive storage capacity, making them an acceptable and durable solution to the water problems. The estimated cost of a 90-foot-diameter and 15-foot-deep pond comes around Rs 1 million. Once completed, the ponds were handed over to local villagers through water management committees and the citizens were guided on how to store and utilise that rainwater, which is a precious commodity in the region. The vast scattered Thar Desert witnessed the recent history's severe drought that started in the year 2012, during which shortage of food caused malnutrition that killed hundreds of children. Due to drought, the groundwater, which is a major source of drinking for rain-dependent Tharis, dropped down drastically and the volume of mineral in the groundwater increased alarmingly. After waiting for four consecutive years, it rained – bringing happiness and hopes for the people of Tharparkar. But the residents of remote villages like Dedh Sar and Haryar had one more reason to be happy, as they could see huge-size ponds of their village filling with fresh water. "It is a visible change in our lives. We stored rainwater and it seems to be sufficient for six to seven months," said Muhammad Charo, a local from Dedh Sar. Earlier, locals used to buy drinking water, which was very expensive for the people, especially in the dry period when the communities did not have earning opportunities. One tanker of water could range somewhere between Rs 4,000 and Rs 5,000. "It (pond) saves money, which I can use for food and health for my family. Besides that, the children and women had to travel to two to three kilometres to fetch drinking water everyday," Rattan Singh from Haryar village.

For experts, this experiment could be very useful if Tharparkar is to see long-term solution to the problem of drinking water. "Through Water Security Planning Tharparkar Project we are suggesting different ideas to the government and the development sector so that the issue of water scarcity in Thar Desert can be resolved for good," said Abid Channa, CEO of Sukaar Foundation, while briefing the touring journalists from Karachi.

Over 250,000 people have been treated in the flood-affected areas by the provincial health department's medical teams, said Sindh health minister Jam Mehtab Hussain Dahar. The minister said that his department had provided the medicine without taking any extra budgetary allocations from the federal government. The health department did all of this using its own resources, he claimed. During his meeting with a delegation of the Sindh Medical Support Programme (SMSP), with the support of the Poverty Eradication Initiative, at his office he discussed the issues that arose during the flood. The SMSP's executive director of the programme, Shahid Yousuf, and Pakistan Peoples Party senator Taj Haider were also present at the meeting. The meeting decided that 4,500 lady health visitors and community midwives would be given training, while 300 standardised birthing stations would be established in far-flung areas through the SMSP. Yousuf informed the participants of the meeting that the three-year project costs Rs5 billion, explaining that the amount would be used in multiple tasks, including capacity building of doctors, nurses, health technicians, a child health initiative involving 600,000 students through a health hygiene programme in government schools and quality gifts to poor students. Dahar said that the programme would enable the two million people living in the province's rural areas to get cost-effective standardised health services, which would also reduce the budgetary burden on the government by providing supplies to all hospitals.

Dengue awareness campaign

Passing the buck? CDA releasing 70pc untreated waste in Nullah Leh: WASA

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Dr Masood Solangi, provincial chief of the Sindh Dengue Control Programme, told the minister in a separate meeting, that so far 100,000 pamphlets have been distributed during the ongoing awareness campaign against dengue in various parts of the city. Dr Solangi said that due to dengue, 10-year-old Hamas died on May 23, 30-year-old Hina died on June 7 and 26-year-old Yawar died on June 11 in the provincial capital.

Civic officials of Rawalpindi blame their counterparts of Islamabad for worsening the sewage situation in the main stream that carries sewerage and flood and not sharing the cost to tackle it.

The Capital Development Authority (CDA) has a significant role in worsening the flood and sewerage situation in the Nullah Leh that meanders through the middle of the city due to frequent release of untreated sewage in upstream areas, an official at the Water and Sewerage Authority (Wasa) said. While speaking to The Express Tribune on Sunday, Wasa Managing Director Raja Shaukat Mehmood said that around 70 per cent of untreated sewage was thrown into Leh by the Islamabad civic agency. "They do not take responsibility in terms of cost sharing or in tackling the sewage issue," he said. The official also claimed that the CDA's sewage treatment plants in Sector I-9 were not operational. Muhammad Umer Farooq, focal person for the Wasa, said that 70 per cent of the rainwater in Nullah Leh arrived from Bajnial, Golra, I-9 and Saidpur tributaries located in Islamabad. "Once water reaches Katarian in Rawalpindi, it suddenly swells up during monsoon thereby flooding the nullah," he said.

The Wasa official claimed that reluctance on behalf of the CDA in making any serious effort to treat flood and sewage water upstream was burdening the already limited resources of the water management authority. "Rawalpindi contributes towards Islamabad, most significantly by sending workforce to the capital on a daily basis, but when it comes to contributing towards issues such as sewage and appropriate flood water management, the CDA continues to ignore [playing] its part," said Farooq. Officials at the CDA Water Management Wing declined to comment on the subject. However, CDA spokesperson Ramzan Sajid rejected the Wasa allegations, saying that currently sewage treatment capacity in the capital was more than its net sewage output. Data compiled by the Global Water Partnership (GWP)'s Associated Programme on Flood Management and World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) suggest that present water supply capacity in Leh basin area was about 785 million litres per day. Of this, service catchment area of the CDA shared 507.33 million litres per day. The data suggests that the service catchment area shared by the Wasa and the cantonment authority is 122.74 and 155.48 litres a day, respectively. The research highlights that the main Rawalpindi city falls within the lower plain of the stream. It points out that at present flood water from the four major upper tributaries of Leh is not being used in any of the urban irrigation projects. Rather, the flood water generated is released as waste, which is responsible for inundating the low-lying areas.

Treatment plant

As for the Wasa's efforts in treating sewage, he said the authority was sanctioned to acquire 6,000-kanal in villages near Adiala in 2009 for building treatment plants. However, the land bought at that time remained out of use, since the project was shelved with change in government.

LAHORE: The Punjab government has provided 6,500 ton relief goods of one billion rupees through 900 trucks to flood affectees. PDMA has constructed 12 warehouses with the cooperation of European Union at different cities including Muzaffargarh and Lahore where edible and necessary items can be restored. There is capacity of storing 7500 metric ton goods at warehouses of Lahore and Muzaffargarh.

PDMA Director General Jawad Akram said that survey reports of losses caused to the houses and crops in flood affected areas are being received and a third party audit will be conducted after completion of survey and process of provision of financial assistance will be started from second week of September. He said 75 percent work of survey has been completed in Mianwali, 100 percent each in Khushab and Bhakkar, 60 percent in Layyah, 70 percent each in Muzaffargarh and Dera Ghazi Khan while 65 percent each in Rajanpur and Rahimyar Khan has been completed. He said all district administrations have been directed to complete the survey till August 31 (today). He said on the instructions of the government, work of strengthening spurs is continuing.

ISLAMABAD: "There is a lack of coordination among government departments to cope with natural disasters," said Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCP) on Saturday in a seminar 'Disaster Management in Pakistan'. Representatives from the national and provincials disaster managements, senior experts, social activists and Rescue 1112 divisional in charge shared their experiences in round table discussions during the seminar. Tahira Adullah, a human rights activist said that National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and government never dared to reveal truth to the public about telling the facts and figures regarding the destructions after natural disasters. While expressing dissatisfaction over the NDMA and rescue 1112, Tahira said that neither Rescue 1112 nor the NDMA have devised any strategy through which the offensive incidents could be prohibited. The NDMA used to take action after the incidents. She said that the Rescue 1112 should keep check and balance on the construction work made by the laymen. The masse used to construct home or buildings on the dangerous points, which cause their collapse during floods. Besides, the electricity polls also should be not allowed to install on unapproved places.

Talking about the recent terrorist attack in Attock, another speaker of the seminar said, "Rescue 1112 showed delay of half an hour to reach the place of attack. Similarly, the service was not provided on time in the Air Blue crash occurred in the Margallah Hills," he claimed. However, in respond of the statements regarding Rescue 1112, Rawalpindi Division In charge Dr Abdul Rehman admitted the delay made by the rescue teams to reach on the former home minister's targeted place, but he said that the site was situated far away from Attock, that was why the teams took time to reach there. As for as the illegal construction is concerned, he said, "To keep an eye on this is not the responsibility of Rescue Department, but it was the duty of perspective district

Relief goods dispatched for flood affectees

The News, August 31, 2015

'Govt departments lack coordination to cope with natural disasters'

Daily Times, August 30, 2015

Marvi Memon calls for every step for rehabilitation of flood affectees

Brecorder, August 30, 2015

Marvi calls for rehabilitation of flood victims

Daily Times, August 30, 2015

Monsoon Tree Planting Campaign To Be Made A Success

Pak observer, August 30, 2015

administrations. HRCP Secretary General I A Rehman said, "Unfortunately our government negotiate impacts of the projects after their completion. Regarding the HRCP, Rehman said that the commission is working to promote research and studies in the field of human rights.

KARACHI: The Minister of State and Chairperson of the Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP), MNA Marvi Memon, has called for every possible measures for rehabilitation of the flood affectees. She assured that the federal government would also extend any required assistance in this regard. Ms. Marvi Memon said this during a visit to the flood affectees at Ketu Bandar (District Thatta) and Baghan Relief Camp on Sunday. On arrival at the Baghan Relief Camp, Ms. Marvi Memon was warmly received and flower petals were showered on her vehicle. On the occasion, she also ascertained the problems of the flood affectees. The Deputy Commissioner Thatta, Nadeem ur Rehman Memon, and the Assistant Commissioner, Usman Tanvir, gave a detailed briefing regarding the relief efforts. They said that the flood affectees have been provided with the required items. After the necessary verification, the flood affectees are being given eatables as well on daily basis. Ms. Marvi Memon directed on the occasion that every possible resources be utilized for providing assistance to the flood affectees. Apart from the Baghan Relief Camp, Ms. Marvi Memon also visited the flood affected areas of Ketu Bandar which included Haji Hashim Memon Babio Goth and Siddiq Memon Goth and also met with the flood affectees. She assured the people that in the hour of need the government under the leadership of the Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif is standing with them for resolution of their problems and their rehabilitation. The flood affectees thanked Ms. Marvi Memon for her visit, listening to their problems and assurance of the resolution of these.

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LAHORE: Provincial Minister for Forests Malik Muhammad Asif Bha Awan has said that all possible resources and energies are being utilized for making monsoon tree plantation campaign a success, but, vigorous public participation is essential to overcome increasing environmental pollution. He said that we have to make planning from now onward for providing clean environment to our coming generations. He said that every citizen will have to come forward to discharge his responsibility by planting a sapling. He said this while presiding over a meeting with regard to monsoon tree plantation campaign in his office.

All senior officers of Forests Department were also present on the occasion. The Provincial Minister stressed upon the officers to utilize all their energies for making monsoon tree plantation campaign successful and achieve the target of planting 90 lakh saplings by December 31 at all cost. Malik Muhammad Asif Bha Awan said that saplings are available in abundance in 191 nurseries of Forests Department set up under monsoon tree plantation campaign throughout the province from where saplings can be obtained at cheaper rates. He said that more than six lakh, 50 thousand saplings have been planted so far in the province and saplings are being provided to education, health and defense institutions free of cost. He said that 37 lakh, 50 thousand saplings will be planted on government forests, six lakh saplings on other government land, four lakh saplings on the land of defense institutions while 42 lakh 50 thousand saplings on private land and all institutions are making efforts to achieve the fixed target.

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Pakistan observes 50th Defence Day

The Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

'Wake-up' call: Law enforcers to go after sleeper cells in the city

The Express Tribune, September 6, 2015

DETAILS

WEB DESK: Pakistan on Sunday marked the 50th anniversary of its second war with arch-rival India and paid tributes to the heroes of the 1965 war. The major fighting of the war took place between August and September 1965, with both sides claiming victory after it ended in stalemate following the intervention of the United States and the Soviet Union. Every year Pakistan celebrates September 6 as "Defence Day". Sunday's commemoration began with a 31-gun salute at dawn in the capital Islamabad and similar displays in other cities. A minute's silence was observed across the country to pay tribute to the almost 4,000 troops killed in the fighting, with Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif laying a wreath at the monument of war hero, Major Raja Aziz Bhatti, in Lahore. Air Force fighter jets carried out aerobatics displays across the country. Further, sirens were sounded at 9:29am to herald a nation-wide one-minute silence to pay homage to soldiers who lost their lives in 1965-war. Following this the national anthem will be aired on all broadcasting networks in the country. The central event was held at General Headquarters (GHQ) Rawalpindi while Pakistan Air Force (PAF) presented a special air-show over F-9 Park in Islamabad. The show, which began at 11:00am, featured fighter jets of the PAF, including JF-17 Thunder, F-16, Mirage and renowned aerobatic team of PAF, the Sher Dils. Besides this, Pakistan Army's helicopters also participated in the event.

In Karachi, the day started with the change of guard ceremony at Quaid-e-Azam's mausoleum where contingents of cadets of PAF assumed charge. Pillion riding has already been banned for Saturday and Sunday in the city due to security reasons. The major event in Peshawar is an exhibition of aviation paintings and aircraft models arranged by the PAF at Nishtar Hall. The theme of the exhibition is "Pakistan Air Force – a saga of courage and sacrifice". In Multan, a two-day exhibition of Pakistan Army war weapons has been arranged for the general public at Ayub Stadium Garrison, while a major event will be held at Yadgar-e-Shuhada in Multan Cantt on Sunday evening to pay tribute to the martyrs of Pakistan Army. The main function of Defence Day in Gilgit-Baltistan will be held at Corps Headquarters Force Command Northern Areas while a ceremony will also be held at the tomb of Lalik Jan Shaheed (Nishan-e-Haider) at Hundur village in Ghizer district. The day in Azad Jammu and Kashmir started with 21 gun salute. AJK President Sardar Muhammad Yaqoob Khan will be chief guest of the Defence Day function to be held at Neelum Stadium on Sunday. Security is already on high alert in the country and mobile phone services will remain suspended in the twin cities of Rawalpindi-Islamabad.

KARACHI: As the law enforcers evaluate the progress made two years into the Karachi operation, they realised the presence of 'sleeper cells' as the biggest threat to its success. Sleeper cells is a term used to define those criminals who are fully assimilated in the society, hold regular jobs and attend university, but act only in specific terrorist attacks. At a press conference at Karachi Police Office on Saturday, AIG Mushtaq Mahar recalled the success of the law enforcers in the past two years. He claimed that kidnappings, extortion, target killings and acts of terrorism have gone down by at least 70 per cent, adding that the operation will continue until the remaining 30 per cent are also nabbed. "There is 70 per cent decrease in overall crime in Karachi now if we compare it to the Karachi of about two years ago, and its credit goes to the police, Rangers and other law enforcement agencies," said Mahar. "We are now also introducing e-technology in the police department to make the department more efficient while we are also computerising the records of all the criminals and linking it with the jail." On investigations into high-profile cases, Mahar said the number of military courts in Karachi is likely to increase and they will oversee all such cases. "Accountability among the ranks and file of the police department has already begun and 1,000 policemen have been blacklisted," he pointed out. "These policemen will never be posted as SHO, SIO, SO or head muharirs."

Several policemen have laid down their lives protecting the city, said Mahar. "So far, 232 officials and personnel of the police have sacrificed their lives in the two years of Karachi operation," he said, admitting that incidents of street crimes are still a challenge for the police. Mahar pointed out 34 spots in the city where streets crimes are rampant. He assured, however, that the police are trying to establish Rapid Response Centres in these areas with the help of the civil society. One such centre in Clifton will be functional by September 20, he added. "A special cell has already been established to deal with mobile phone snatchings," said Mahar. He quoted a Gallup survey to share that 70 per cent of the people are in favour of the operation and that other surveys suggested a significant decline in crime rate. "Property value in Old City areas has increased by 80 to 90 per cent due to peace," he said, quoting traders. Mahar promised to improve the community policing system after collaborating with all the industrial associations. The records of all private security guards will be verified through biometric systems while the records of arms shops will also be computerised within six months, he added.

A Rangers official also added that the Karachi operation was necessary due to the worsening law and order situation. "The good thing is that there are very positive results of the Karachi operation. Even everyone is happy and want it to continue," said Colonel Amjad of the paramilitary. According to him, 27 Rangers jawans have lost their lives in the last two years of the operation. "We are determined [to fight] despite the martyrdom of our jawans," he added. The traders' community also appreciated the ongoing operation. "The business community feels much secure due to the rapid response by law enforcers, particularly in cases related to extortion and kidnappings, as compared to the past," said industrialist Siraj Qasim Teli. "We are ready to bear the expense, particularly related to the education of martyred police and Rangers jawans," he announced.

Statistics: Gauging success in last two years:

Defence Day terror attack foiled in Quetta: ISPR

The Express Tribune, September 5, 2015

Pakistan takes issue of ceasefire violations to UN Security Council

Daily Dawn, September 5, 2015

IED blast kills ANP district councillor in Hangu

The Express Tribune, September 5, 2015

Pakistan spent \$1.9bn on Zarb-i-Azb, TDPs' return from own resources: FO

Daily Dawn, September 4, 2015

Operations conducted by police 3,500

Operations conducted by Rangers 6,081

QUETTA: Security forces on Saturday, in an intelligence based operation, foiled a terror bid which was set to be executed on Defence Day, *Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR)* reported. "The terrorist was arrested during the operation who confessed his links with RAW, he also confessed having planted IEDs in Quetta on two separate occasions which took numerous lives," officials stated. Further, the suspected militant was arrested with various explosives in his possession, including an improvised explosive device (IED) weighing over 6 kilogrammes, a mortar bomb and nut bolts. A five-member committee headed by Defence Minister Khawaja Asif on Friday decided that the entire nation will observe one-minute of silence from 9:29 am to 9:30 am on September 6 to pay homage to the martyrs of 1965 War. The committee was formed by the Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to oversee celebration of 50th anniversary of the war. Later, all media outlets – including radio and television channels – will play the national anthem from 9:30 am to 9:32 am. This will be observed to reaffirm nation's resolve to defend the motherland in the similar manner in case of such threat in the future.

UNITED NATIONS: Pakistan has urged the UN Security Council (UNSC) to "take notice" of the escalating incidents of firing by Indian troops across the Line of Control (LoC) in the disputed Kashmir region and along the Working Boundary in which a large number of civilians have been killed and injured, it was officially stated Friday. In a letter to the President of the UNSC, Ambassador Vitaly Churkin of Russia, who holds the rotational presidency of the 15-member body for the month of September, Pakistan's Ambassador to the UN Maleeha Lodhi emphasised that India should be asked to abide by the 2003 ceasefire agreement. In doing so, Ambassador Lodhi has taken the issue of India's "provocative" actions to the highest levels of the United Nations. In her letter, the Pakistani envoy gave details of breaches of the ceasefire, and pointed out that there had been a spike in such violence in the last couple of months. These violations have involved the use of small arms as well as heavy mortar fire, and had targeted innocent civilians, including women and children, the letter said. She requested the UNSC president to circulate the letter as an official document of the Security Council.

In July 2015, a Pakistan Mission press release said Indian security forces committed 36 violations of the ceasefire, resulting in five civilians being killed and six injured. In August 2015, it said, the number increased significantly, with ceasefire violations reaching 90, leading to 20 civilians being killed and 97 injured. Over the past several weeks, Pakistan has been raising the issue of violations by India along the LoC in Kashmir and the Working Boundary at the UN with top officials in the Department of Political Affairs and Peacekeeping Operations, the handout said. In this connection, Ambassador Lodhi briefed the senior UN leadership, including Deputy Secretary General Jan Eliasson, about Indian violations which "deliberately targeted the civilian population" and called for the UN Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP) to investigate these violations. In her meeting with Jan Eliasson, Lodhi had informed him of India's rejection of dialogue by setting pre-conditions for the first-ever official talks between the National Security Advisers of the two countries, which led to the cancellation of the meeting, the press release said. Earlier, India had also cancelled the Foreign Secretary level talks last year, it said. Pakistan remains committed to peaceful resolution of all outstanding issues, including Jammu and Kashmir, the release said.

HANGU: A newly elected district councillor of the Awami National Party (ANP), Malik Mumtaz, was killed Saturday as an improvised explosive device (IED) exploded in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa's Hangu district. "Mumtaz succumbed to injuries after an IED planted on the side of the road went off, injuring three others travelling with him in the car," deputy superintendent of police (DSP) Subhan confirmed. Further, the official added that the injured were immediately shifted to a nearby hospital, where two of them have been declared critical. The ANP currently has three elected members in the district, however the demise of Mumtaz has left the seat vacant. The party has been targeted previously for its stance against terrorism as party members claim over 800 of its workers have been killed in recent years by suspected militants in various parts of the country.

Earlier, armed men killed a veteran ANP leader in Charsadda after a general council was killed in the same area within a month. Dost Muhammad Khan alias Dosti Khan, 90, belonging to the Bacha Khan family was on his way to the party's office located in Utmanzai when armed assailants riding a motorcycle opened fire on him. He was rushed for medical treatment but succumbed to his injuries on way to hospital.

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has so far spent \$1.9billion from its own resources on operation Zarb-i-Azb and return of Temporary Displaced Persons (TDPs), according to a statement issued by Foreign office spokesperson Syed Qazi Khalilullah on Friday. Elaborating on the expenses incurred during the fight against terrorism, the FO spokesperson said that Coalition Support Fund (CSF) is reimbursement of the expenditures Pakistan incurred before the start of Operation Zarb-i-Azb, according to a report published on the Radio Pakistan website. Qazi Khalilullah further said talks with the US authorities for the release of CSF are underway. He also laid stress upon the fact that Operation Zarb-i-Azb, Pakistan's anti-terror offensive has been successful, indiscriminate and effective against terrorists of all kind. Meanwhile the Foreign Office spokesperson also confirmed that the meeting between top commanders of Pakistan Rangers and Indian Border Security Force this month will take place as per schedule. Responding to a question, Khalilullah said that matters relating to trade, energy, defence, security and counter-terrorism strategy were discussed during the US National Security Advisor Susan Rice's visit to Pakistan.

Pakistan committed to promote peace in Afghanistan

Addressing the Foreign Office's weekly news briefing held in Islamabad, Qazi Khalilullah reaffirmed Pakistan's commitment and will for facilitating peace process in Afghanistan led and

Army to remain in tribal areas till 2019, NA body told

Daily Dawn, September 3, 2015

Splinter group of militants responsible for attacking Shuja Khanzada: Rana Sanaullah

The Express Tribune, September 3, 2015

Will inflict heavy losses on India if war hysteria overcomes its leadership:

owned by the Afghan leadership. The FO spokesperson said that Pakistan is ready to facilitate, in whatever way possible, an Afghan-led and Afghan-owned peace process. "Adviser on National Security and Foreign Affairs Sartaj Aziz who is in Kabul to attend the 6th Regional Economic Cooperation Conference on Afghanistan will also meet Afghan leadership to reassure them regarding Pakistan's commitment to peace process while discussing matters of bilateral interest," said the spokesman. Khalilullah maintained that Aziz will also raise Pakistan's concerns over Afghan leadership's recent anti-Pakistan statements and the resulting security threat Pakistan embassy staff faces in Afghanistan. Adviser on Foreign Affairs and National Security Sartaj Aziz traveled to Kabul on Friday for attending a regional conference, he will try on the sidelines to explore if the Afghan leadership is interested in reviving the peace dialogue with Taliban that was suspended weeks ago following the revelation about Mullah Omar's death. During his day-long visit, Mr Aziz will attend the ministerial meeting of sixth edition of Regional Economic Conference on Afghanistan and meet Afghan President Ashraf Ghani and other leaders.

Pakistan will take a decision on its future line of action regarding ties with Afghanistan and the reconciliation process after Mr Aziz's return. According to a senior official, Pakistan is fully convinced that the way forward lay in an 'intra-Afghan dialogue', but would ask the Afghan leaders to make a choice between the reconciliation route and fighting the insurgents. Pakistan had hosted a meeting was hosted between the Afghan Government and Afghan Taliban representatives in Murree on 7 July 2015 along with the representatives from China and USA. The participants were duly mandated by their respective leadership and expressed their collective desire to bring peace to Afghanistan and the region. The second round of the talks, which was scheduled to be held in Pakistan on 31 July 2015 was postponed in view of the reports regarding the death of Mulla Omar and the leadership crisis among Taliban.

ISLAMABAD: Talking to media personnel after being briefed by military officials on the progress of operation Zarb-i-Azb Thursday, NA Standing Committee on Defence Chairman Rohail Asghar said Pakistan Army will remain in the country's tribal areas till 2019. The PML-N MNA went on to say that several abettors of terrorists had also been held or eliminated during operations, adding that it won't be a "big deal" if politicians are arrested as a result of operations. "Nothing is more important than Pakistan," said Asghar. Asghar said around 64,000 internally displaced people had returned to their native towns in the tribal region so far. He said some Taliban militants had fled to Afghanistan, while others had joined the self-styled Islamic State for material gains. Asghar said despite the tough terrain in Shawal, forces were fearlessly making advances and making Zarb-i-Azb a success. Earlier during the briefing, military officials told the NA body that since the start of operation Zarb-i-Azb in June 2014, forces have killed more than 3,500 terrorists.

More than 300 military men and officers have also lost their lives during the operation, said military officials. Briefing the NA committee about progress on the operation, military officials said the army was conducting the final phase of operation Zarb-i-Azb in Shawal Valley of North Waziristan. They added that forces had control over strategic heights in Shawal Valley, and now ground and air forces were targeting terrorists in their hideouts. The committee was told that over 1,000 intelligence-based operations conducted throughout the country have eliminated major terrorist networks. Officials said no area had been left unguarded by forces after it was cleared.

LAHORE: Provincial Law Minister Rana Sanaullah said on Thursday investigation into the Attock suicide attack, which killed Punjab Home Minister Colonel (retd) Shuja Khanzada, had revealed that a splinter group of the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) was involved. Addressing the Punjab Assembly session in Lahore on Thursday, Sanaullah said that investigations in to the attack were still active, and that identification of the attackers had led to substantial progress in the case. Noting the sensitivity of the case, the law minister said he was unable to provide further details to the public, beyond that the attackers belonged to the TTP's Aftab group. This is second time in the current week that the law minister has apprised the house about progress into the Attock attack. Khanzada was among at least 16 people killed in a suicide blast at his political office near Attock, about 80km west of Islamabad last month Punjab Assembly Deputy Opposition Leader Sibtain Khan had submitted a call to attention notice, seeking information regarding the attack. He urged deputy speaker Sardar Sher Ali Gorchani that the call to attention be kept in pending until investigations are completed. However, the law minister assured the house that the government was dedicated to pursue the case. "There is no question that we will lose focus. We will apprehend those responsible," said Sanaullah.

No development funds for opposition

Meanwhile, criticism by the opposition benches over the government's failure to grant development funds for their constituencies marred the question hour related to the local government and community development department. PTI lawmakers quizzed the parliamentary secretary alleging false answers were provided. While MPA Dr Nosheen Hamid criticised the department for failing to release funds for development work in constituencies of opposition lawmakers, parliamentary secretary Ramzan Siddique Bhatti claimed no such discrimination existed. Questions pertaining to absence of water filtration plants in Faisalabad, gender insensitivity of district reconciliation committees and illegal occupation of land at the Miani Sahib graveyard were also taken up by lawmakers. While session was scheduled to include general discussion on annual reports of the Punjab Public Service Commission and Technical Education and Vocational Training Authority, the lack of quorum prevented the debate. The opposition benches protested for not being handed reports in order to take part in the debate eventually leading to MPA Siddique Khan pointing the quorum. The session was adjourned for Friday morning with less than 50 members present in the house.

Defence Minister Khawaja Asif said on Thursday Pakistan believes in peace but knows how to respond to any aggression. "We want peace but will inflict heavy losses on India if war hysteria overcame its leadership," Asif said, while speaking at a Radio Pakistan programme. Commenting

Defence minister

The Express Tribune, September 3, 2015

on Indian Army Chief Dalbir Singh's statement that his forces should be ready for a short war, the defence minister said, "Pakistan is fully prepared to give a befitting response if India imposes a short or a prolonged war." Further, the defence minister pointed out that Pakistan Army foiled designs of Indian forces in 1965 and now they are more experienced and professional. "Our forces are engaged in the war against terror for several years and they know how to respond to any challenge," he said.

Khawaja Asif said Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif believes in peace but when it comes to survival of the country we would not hesitate in offering any sacrifice. Amid talk of a 'limited war' by the Indian army chief, Pakistan said on Tuesday that its armed forces are capable of defending the sovereignty and territorial integrity of their country against any foreign aggression. Tensions are running high between the two nuclear-armed hostile neighbours as their troops have frequently exchanged fire along the Line of Control and working boundary for the past few weeks. Both sides blame the other for provoking hostilities. Last week Defence Minister Khawaja Asif also ruled out the possibility of a 'limited war' between Pakistan and India. "There is no space for a limited war ... Any attack on us will depend on Pakistan's choice of response and timing," Asif said during his visit to villages along the working boundary near Sialkot. Relations between Pakistan and India are at the lowest ebb as a result of current clashes between the two forces along the Line of Control and working boundary.

Large cache of explosives, suicide vests recovered from bomb-making factory in Balochistan

The Express Tribune, September 2, 2015

QUETTA: Security Forces on Wednesday conducted an intelligence based operation in Killa Abdullah on Wednesday evening, razing a bomb making factory and recovering a large cache of weapons and explosives. A spokesperson for the Frontier Constabulary said that they had raided a bomb making factory in Rehman Khol area of Chaman, with assistance from the Balochistan Levies and intelligence agency officials. During the raid they recovered explosives, suicide vests, anti-aircraft guns, IEDs, and rocket propelled grenades (RPG) along with equipment used to create bombs. Weapons recovered during the raid include 21 rockets, one submachine gun, one light machine gun with 250 rounds, 120 anti-personnel mines, four radios, 100 receivers, 20 remote controls, five bombs (primed), seven rolls of primer cord, four binoculars, five compasses, 120 bombs, three grenades, ball bearings, 20 timed-device, and three motorcycles. "No arrest was made during the search operation," the FC official said.

Meanwhile, FC also recovered the weapons and explosives which had been buried in Murgha Kibzai area of Zhob. FC spokesman said in statement that the militants dumped the explosive materials and weapons under the floor in a compopund in Murgha kibzai. "The arms were being used in terror activity in Balochistan," the FC spokesperson added. The guns included 12 MM gun, eight IEDs, six mortars, a suicide jacket, four RPGs, seven fuses, six mortar fuses, bag of detonators, remotes and batteries. The Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) added that the operation was based on intelligence they had gathered.

Fifteen 'terrorists' killed in Tirah airstrikes

Daily Dawn, September 2, 2015

PESHAWAR: At least fifteen suspected terrorists were killed and eight others injured in Khyber Agency airstrikes on Wednesday. Security sources say Pakistan Air Force (PAF) jets targeted the suspected hideouts of 'militants' in the Tirah Valley area of Khyber Tribal Agency. Two 'militant hideouts' were destroyed in the aerial operation. The details could not be independently verified as the access of media personnel is severely restricted in the region. Earlier this week, an attempted suicide attack on the Political Agent office in Khyber Agency's Jamrud area left four people — including two Khasadar Levies men — dead and 56 others injured. Tirah Valley lies astride the Pak-Afghan border sandwiched between the famous Tora Bora mountains and the plains of Bara which connects with the provincial capital, thus giving it a unique strategic position. Militant strongholds in Tirah Valley were targeted by Operation Khyber-II which concluded earlier in June. However, officials have said questions remained whether the military gains in the plains of Bara and upper reaches of Tirah valley could be sustained over a long period in the absence of administrative and auxiliary support systems.

Youhanabad church attackers killed in escape bid: police

The Express Tribune, September 2, 2015

LAHORE: Police said on Wednesday that three militants suspected of involvement in suicide attacks on two churches had been killed during a failed escape attempt. Police had taken the suspects to a village in the suburbs of Lahore to retrieve suicide vests and weapons, and came under attack as they returned. "The attackers opened fire on police to try to release the terrorists. Police returned fire and the three militants were killed during the exchange of fire," Haider Ashraf, a senior police official in Lahore, told AFP. The trio were arrested along with two others on August 4 over the twin Taliban suicide attacks on two churches in Lahore's Youhanabad district in March that killed 17 people and wounded more than 70. Police said two officers were wounded in the clash with the attackers, who fled. Punjab police spokeswoman Nabeela Ghazanfar confirmed details of the incident.

In late July the detained leader of Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ) was killed in a similar shootout. Malik Ishaq was shot dead along with fellow LeJ militants, including senior commanders, in Punjab as his cadres tried to free him from custody, police said. The bombings occurred in March during prayers at two churches located around half a kilometre apart in Youhanabad, which is home to more than 100,000 Christians, officials said. The attacks sparked two days of rioting by Christians who clashed with police, blocked roads and forced a partial shutdown of the city's public bus system. At the time of the arrest, officials said the detainees belonged to a splinter group of the main Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan faction.

Army chief approves death sentences of five terrorists

Daily Dawn, September 2, 2015

RAWALPINDI: Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif on Wednesday approved death sentences of five "hardcore terrorists", according to a statement issued by Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR). The condemned terrorists include persons involved in the attack and subsequent breakout from Bannu Jail, attacking police officials in Gadap town near Karachi, destroying a girls school in Khyber agency and an attack on a polio vaccination team, said a statement released by the ISPR. This is the second approval of death sentences by the army chief following Supreme Court's recent judgment giving legal cover to the establishment of military courts in the country.

Out of the six terrorists sentenced today, five were awarded the death sentence and one was awarded life imprisonment, according to the ISPR. Political parties had unanimously agreed over the issue of setting up military courts to tackle terrorism cases in the country following the gruesome attack on the Army Public School in Peshawar in December 2014, following which the Parliament passed the 21st constitutional amendment to set up the said courts.

President Mamnoon Hussain had also promulgated an ordinance further revising the recently amended Army Act to ostensibly aid the functioning of military courts by allowing for trials in camera, i.e without the presence of the public or the media, and over video link if necessary. The Supreme Court in a majority ruling upheld the establishment of military courts in Pakistan. Petitions challenging the 21st amendment were dismissed in a majority 11-6 vote of the 17-member SC bench. Chief Justice Nasirul Mulk and Justice Dost Muhammad announced the verdict. In a 14-3 majority vote, petitions challenging the 18th amendment were also dismissed by the bench. Judges provided seven opinions and two additional notes on the ruling.

Details of ruling

The ISPR statement also issued details of the convicts and the crimes for which they were sentenced.

Civilian Muhammad Sabir Shah alias Ikram Ullah s/o Sher Hazrat: The convict was an active member of proscribed organisation. He was found involved in abetting the murder of Advocate Syed Arshad Ali in Lahore. He admitted his offence before the magistrate and the trial court. He was tried on solitary charge and awarded the death sentence.

Civilian Hafiz Muhammad Usman alias Abbas alias Asad s/o Ali Dost: The convict was an active member of proscribed organisation. He was found involved in sectarian killings in Quetta and an attack on police officials. He was convicted for killing of Hassan Ali Yousafi, advocate Waliat Hussain and other civilians. He also abetted in the murder of two industrialists namely Syed Talib Agha and Syed Jawad Agha belonging to a particular sect. He was also convicted for attacking and killing four police officials, including DSP Hassan Ali, Constables Nasrullah, Sifatullah and Muhammad Taqi. He admitted his offence before the magistrate and the trial court. He was tried on eleven charges and awarded the death sentence.

Civilian Asad Ali alias Bhai Jan: The convict was an active member of Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP). He was found involved in possessions of arms and explosives and attacking officials of the Sindh Police, in the Quaidabad area of Karachi which resulted in the death of three individuals including DSP Kamal Mangon and ASI Akbar Hussain and injuries to nine other individuals including three head constables. He admitted his offences before the magistrate and the trial court. He was tried on five charges and awarded the death sentence.

Civilian Tahir s/o Mir Shah Jahan: The convict was an active member of Tehrik-e- Taliban Pakistan. He was involved in attacking /breaking of Bannu Jail owing to which number of terrorists managed to escape from the jail. He was also found involved in attacks on Law Enforcement Agencies which resulted in death of one soldier and injuries to another soldier. He admitted his offence before the magistrate and the trial court. He was tried on three charges and awarded death sentence.

Civilian Fateh Khan s/o Mukaram Khan: The convict was an active member of proscribed organisation. He was found involved in the murder of a civilian, attacking polio workers, individuals of law enforcement agencies and armed forces personnel which resulted in the death of a child, eleven Khasadars, two army officers, twenty two soldiers and injuries to one civilian, nine Khasadars and twenty five soldiers. He admitted his offences before the magistrate and the trial court. He was tried on eight charges and awarded the death sentence.

Civilian Qari Ameen Shah alias Ameen s/o Minar Shah: The convict was an active member of TTP. He was found involved in an attack on a Girls Primary School in Khyber Agency, providing funds for terrorists activities, exploding an improvised explosive device (IED) and possessing explosives. He admitted his offences before the magistrate and the trial court. He was tried on four charges and awarded imprisonment for life.

WEB DESK: Army action near the border with Afghanistan in Khyber Agency and North Waziristan on Wednesday killed as many as 31 terrorists, while their hideouts were also destroyed. According to the Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR), airstrikes in Khyber agency targeting hideouts and compounds of militants in Tirah Valley left 14 terrorists dead. Five militants were injured while five hideouts were destroyed. At least 17 terrorists were killed in Shawal area of North Waziristan, while four terror dens were destroyed. On Tuesday, a drone had targeted a compound in Karwanda area of Shawal, killing at least five suspected militants. The army had on August 20 announced that it was launching a ground operation in Shawal, having pounded it for days through aerial strikes. Seven days later, when Army Chief General Raheel Sharif visited troops on the front lines, the military said that as many as 203 terrorists had been killed in the operation so far. The army chief had "directed troops to comprehensively cleanse terrorists from their hideouts, reduce isolated terrorists to their size and sever their link with their abettors anywhere." "We will not allow anyone to kill our people, children in the country and will expose all faces involved," Bajwa quoted the army chief as saying in one of his tweets.

KARACHI: Pakistan Rangers, Sindh, have installed a surveillance system at the entrance and exit points of Karachi to control the influx of weapons and narcotics in the city. "The system will scan the vehicles entering the city," said a Rangers spokesperson while talking to The Express Tribune. "The system is installed because of the increasing incidents of terrorism." The system will scan the presence of arms, narcotics and illegal goods, said the official. All types of trucks and containers will be scanned, he added. The system will be operated by at least four officers, said a Rangers official. Initially three scanning and surveillance systems have been imported from China, he claimed, adding that more are expected to arrive soon. Biometric systems and cameras will also

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2015*

**Watchful eye: Rangers'
surveillance system to
combat illegal activities**
*The Express Tribune, September 2,
2015*

400 displaced families return to S Waziristan

Daily Dawn, September 1, 2015

Punjab Rangers have begun covert operations against banned organisations, army chief tells PM

The Express Tribune, September 1, 2015

At least six killed, 56 injured in Khyber suicide attack

Daily Dawn, September 1, 2015

Govt chalks out comprehensive plan for rehabilitation of TDPs

The Express Tribune, August 31, 2015

20 suspects arrested from Gwadar over alleged involvement in Jiwani airport attack

The Express Tribune, August 31, 2015

be installed at all the entry and exit points, he said. Patrolling in the katcha areas has been made more stringent as the smugglers and criminals are likely to use the alternative routes to avoid arrests.

TANK: About 400 displaced families returned to their native town in South Waziristan from Khargi transit camp in the second phase of repatriation after security forces cleared these areas of militants. Under the repatriation plan, the displaced families will get free transpiration, Rs25000 cash amount and ration for six months. South Waziristan Political Agent Zaffarul Islam, Assistant Political Officer Nawab Safi, APA Abdul Nasir, FDMA coordinator Syed Umar and army officers and tribal elder saw off the caravan of IDPs to different areas including Tiyarza, Sarwakai and Sara Rogha. Talking to journalists, Zaffarul Islam said that it was a matter of satisfaction for the tribal people to return to their native towns with respect and dignity. He assured the returning displaced people of provision of clean drinking water, health and education facilities. The official said that arrangements were made at Khargi transit camp to provide all facilities to the returning IDPs. He said that anti-polio vaccine and free food were provided to tribal people. The official said that government would not leave tribal people alone after their return and all possible assistance would be provided to them. He said that 10,000 IDPs registered themselves for going back to their areas in the second phase, which would be completed in one month.

WEB DESK: As the military ups the ante against terror outfits, Army chief General Raheel Sharif informed Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif on Tuesday that the Punjab Rangers have started covert operations against banned organisations in Punjab. "As part of internal security measures, the ongoing phase of Karachi operation, 'Pur Amn Balochistan' and law and order situation in Punjab following the killing of provincial home minister Shuja Khanzada came under discussion between the two," sources told The Express Tribune. While the premier and army chief agreed that the modus operandi of sectarian outfits operating in Punjab is different from Taliban, the army chief said Punjab Rangers have started under-cover operations in Punjab against terrorists under NAP, the source added. Vowing to continue the critical phase of the ongoing Karachi operation to curb terror financing in the country, the civil-military leadership agreed that only courts will decide the fate of those arrested during the operation regardless of their political affiliation.


The army chief also apprised the prime minister about his recent meetings with foreign dignitaries including US National Security Adviser Susan Rice and US Special Assistant to President Obama for South Asian Affairs Dr Peter Lavoy. Although Rice met both PM and the army chief, the delegation led by Dr Lavoy held a meeting with only General Raheel. "During the meeting, the Afghan reconciliation process was discussed comprehensively," the source said. "General Raheel informed PM Nawaz about the road map for the resumption of reconciliation process which was agreed at the meeting between army chief and US delegation," the source further said. The second round peace talks between Afghan Taliban and the government in Kabul were suspended following the news of Taliban supreme leader Mullah Omar's death and a recent wave of terrorist attacks in Kabul.

PESHAWAR: At least six people, including a Khasadar Levy man, were killed and 56 others were injured in a suicide attack in Khyber Agency's Jamrud area on Tuesday. The casualties were shifted to Peshawar's Hayatabad Medical Complex. Security sources say six of those injured were in critical condition. Political Agent (PA) Shahab Ali Shah told DawnNews that the suicide bomber was aiming to enter his office but the plot was foiled because of the strict security measures in place at the complex. Therefore, the bomber could not enter the premises and blew himself up at the entrance gate, Shah said. The PA said six people, including a Khasadar Levy man were killed in the blast, while 56 other people were injured. At least 16 Khasadar Levy personnel were among the injured. Khyber Agency is one of Pakistan's seven semi-autonomous regions governed by tribal laws and lies near the Afghan border. The Taliban and other Al Qaeda-linked groups who stage attacks in both Pakistan and Afghanistan are also known to have strongholds in the zone. Pakistan has been suffering from frequent bomb and suicide attacks blamed on extremist militant groups and the country's troops have for years been fighting homegrown armed groups in the tribal belt.

WEB DESK: The federal government has devised a comprehensive development programme for the rehabilitation of temporarily displaced persons (TDPs) and reconstruction of damaged infrastructure in the Federally Administered Tribal Agencies (FATA), Radio Pakistan reported. Under the programme, work on a development package worth Rs3.5 billion is being implemented for uplift of far-flung areas of Tirah Valley in Khyber Agency. While the government would provide Rs. 400,000 as financial assistance to those whose houses have been completely damaged, Rs.160,000 will be given to each owner of partially damaged houses for reconstruction.

A survey has also been launched in Khyber, North Waziristan and South Waziristan to ascertain the damages. Meanwhile, the return of TDPs of Sararogha, Sarwakai and Tiarza tehsils of South Waziristan Agency to their homes began on Monday. According to the Fata Disaster Management Authority, over 9,000 displaced families would be rehabilitated in their native areas during this phase. The federal government is also providing Rs. 35,000 and six months of ration to every returning displaced family. Earlier on Sunday, the government released Rs5 billion for the rehabilitation of TDPs.

QUETTA: Twenty suspects were arrested from Gwadar on Monday for their alleged involvement in the Jiwani airport attack near Balochistan's Gwadar district and adjacent areas. "Following the attack security forces launched a search operation in Jiwani and adjacent areas and arrested 20 suspects in connection with the attack," police sources said. The suspects have been shifted to undisclosed location for interrogation. Sources said security had already been beefed up at major airports of the province including Quetta International Airport and Gwadar Airport after the attack on Sunday. Jiwani airport was not functional from past two decades. According to the family sources of the late Airport Manager, Mehmood Khan Niazi was laid to rest at a local graveyard in



Karachi. Niazi, a resident of Sher Shah Street number three in Karachi, had been serving the CAA for the last 25 years. He had spent most of his service posted in in Pasni, Gwadar and Jiwani. Baloch insurgents armed with heavy weapons mounted a brazen assault on a small airport in Gwadar district before dawn on Sunday, killing two officers and destroying the navigation system. The outlawed Baloch Liberation Army (BLA) claimed responsibility for the attack on the Jiwani Airport close to the border with Iran.

"Around a dozen armed men riding six motorcycles attacked the airport around 4:30am, killing an engineer of the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA), Khalil Ahmed, on the spot," Abdul Hameed Abro, the deputy commissioner of Gwadar, told The Express Tribune by phone. "They also kidnapped Airport Manager Mahmood Niazi," Abro said, adding that Niazi's body was later found dumped in the Mol area of Duran, a hilly track along the Mekran coast. "The airport's radar system was also destroyed in the attack," he said. "The attackers forced their entry into the airport and took the staff hostage at gunpoint. Then they set fire to the VOR Radar system," he added. "The attackers, however, spared the lives of four locals who also worked at the airport." "The attack came three days after the government issued a high security alert for all major airports of the country and asked smaller airports to remain vigilant," an official told The Express Tribune. He added that all airports in Balochistan have been put on high alert after the attack. Chief Minister Dr Abdul Malik Baloch condemned the attack and sought a detailed report from Mekran Division's commissioner. "Those responsible for the attack will be traced and punished," he added.

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RAWALPINDI: Punjab Chief Secretary Khizar Hayyat Gondal has directed all departments and organisations of the city to work in close liaison by mobilising all available resources to contain a possible outbreak of dengue. Chairing a meeting at the Commissioner Office on Saturday, he said stringent measures should be taken to overcome the situation that was increasingly becoming dangerous due to the existence of larva breeding sites. Gondal asked representatives of various departments to take effective measures to combat the challenge by keeping a constant liaison with each other to evaluate and monitor their performance with regards to dengue control. The meeting was attended by Punjab Minister for Labour and Manpower Raja Ashfaq Sarwar, Parliamentary Secretary Punjab Sarfraz Afzal, Rawalpindi Commissioner Zahid Saeed, DCO Sajjad Zafar Dall, MNAs Malik Ibrar, Raja Muhammad Hanif and other government officials. The chief secretary also directed the officials to remove debris and un-used construction material dumped along roadsides which also provide a breeding ground for dengue larvae. Gondal asked the officials to draw a plan to spray graveyards, public places and cattle compounds so that chances of larvae breeding could be minimised. It was also decided to lodge FIRs against the management of commercial properties if the larva was found there. Sarwar told the meeting that a comprehensive and integrated action plan was being implemented with the coordination of the local administration and departments. He said that now it was the need of the hour that "we should increase our efforts to deal with the situation efficiently". Punjab Health Secretary Jawad Rafique Malik said that the health department was fully equipped to fight dengue, and suggested that dengue surveillance count should be increased to cover all localities of the garrison city. A day before, at least 11 more people tested positive for dengue fever in the city taking the total number of reported cases this year to 81. In a high level meeting on Friday, Punjab Health Secretary Jawad Rafique Malik directed all secretaries of allied departments to play their role with full responsibility on a 'war-footing' against the disease. A senior official of the district health department told *The Express Tribune* that thus far, 45 people had tested positive for dengue fever at Holy Family Hospital, seven at District Headquarters Hospital and the remainder at Benazir Bhutto Hospital.

PESHAWAR: The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly has ordered an investigation into allegedly awarding of fake degrees by the Hazara University Mansehra. The PAC, which met with Shaukat Yousafzai at KP House Abbottabad, took up the issue on media reports about misappropriations in awarding degrees, including sale of fake ones, to students, besides irregularities in appointment of employees in the Hazara University. The meeting, which was attended by members of KP Assembly Qurban Ali, Arbab Akbar Hayat and Mufti Syed Janan, also decided to take action against the accusers if the allegations against the varsity were not proved. Auditor General Report of Finance Department 2012-13 was also discussed in detail in the meeting. The committee also referred to the sub-committee to conduct detailed investigation into construction of Havalia- Hazara road at a cost of Rs 35 million. The matter was taken up in the last meeting of the committee. - APP

LAKKI MARWAT: Hundreds of lady health workers (LHWs) and lady health supervisors (LHSs) staged protest demonstrations in parts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Friday demanding release of their salaries, withheld for the last few months. The protesters threatened to boycott the anti-polio drive scheduled to be launched in the current month of September. They said that they had not been paid salaries for the last three months. "We cannot think about to educate our children in standard educational institutions nor we have a single penny to run our houses," the protesters said. LHWs hold rallies in different districts to demand regularisation, release of salaries. A lady health worker said that the government was using delaying tactics to implement the judgment of Supreme Court of Pakistan according to which the LHWs and LHSs had been given their due rights. "Despite legislation in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly, the provincial government has not yet given the status of regular employee to the female health workers," said the protesters. They demanded payment of pay scale-based salaries through accountant general office and asked the relevant quarters to prepare and complete service books of LHWs and LHSs. In Lakki Marwat, over 100 lady health workers and lady health supervisors blocked the Lakki-Bannu road to press the government for acceptance of their demands. The transporters and commuters faced hardships owing to closure of the busy road. However, traffic wardens rushed to the area and diverted traffic to alternate routes. Later, district nazim Ishfaq Ahmad Khan Meenakhel and district health officer Dr Abdul Ghaffar Wazir held talks with the protesters and assured them that they would be paid salaries within the next couple of days. In Karak, the LHSs and LHWs took to streets and set the deadline of September 9 for releasing their withheld salaries. The protesters said that their salaries were stopped by the government for the last four months. They said that the case of regularising their service was pending since July 2012 but the government was making lame excuses to regularise them. They said that they should be given the status of civil servants. They criticised the government for its indifferent attitude with the lady health staff. In Mardan, scores of LHWs and LHSs, office staff and drivers held a protest demonstration and blocked the busy Shamsi road to traffic for several hours. The protesters demanded implementation of the order of their regularisation, payment of arrears and release of their salaries. They set 48 hours ultimatum for fulfillment of their demands and threatened to boycott the anti-polio campaign if their demands were not met. In Bannu, LHWs and LHSs also staged a protest demonstration to seek regularisation and release of their salaries. The protesters after passing through various roads gathered outside Women and Children Hospital where they blocked the road.

PESHAWAR: Students of the Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University (SBBU), Sheringal, Upper Dir, are seeking an order from the Peshawar High Court to get the pharmacy department registered with

SBBU students seek registration of pharmacy department

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Technology: Mobile app launched to trace out-of-school kids

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September 5, 2015*

Balochistan's education: Experts call for revamping examination system

*The Express Tribune ,
September 5, 2015*

Kp Govt Brings Energy Security Wonders For Country

Pakistan Observer , September 5, 2015

the Pharmacy Council of Pakistan. Their attorney, Abdul Latif Afridi, told the court students are concerned over potential problems they encounter while looking for jobs with unverified degrees. The university was established in 2009 and offers degrees in various disciplines, including pharmacy. The current batch will be the first to graduate with a doctor in pharmacy. "Final exams for the last semester will start from September 7. However, the department is yet to be registered with the PCP," Afridi said. He contended if the students get degrees from the department without registration, they will not be able to get a job in the field. "The reason is clear. The degree would not be considered valid sans registration," he added. He requested the court to direct the university to register the department with the PCP. He also requested the examination be delayed until this issue is resolved. A single-member bench of Justice Irshad Qaiser issued a notice to the vice chancellor and registrar of the university to respond to the petition in writing before the next hearing. PCP is responsible for registering and regulating pharmacists and all other pharmaceutical affairs as well as promote pharmacy education in the country.

LAHORE: The Punjab Education Foundation (PEF) has launched an android-based mobile phone application to identify out-of-school children. The app Mujhay School Bhaijain is available free of charge on Google Play Store and on the PEF's website. A ceremony to launch the app was held at PEF head office on Friday. PEF Chairman Qamarul Islam Raja said the foundation was helping the deserving children receive education at its partner schools. "A modern system has been designed to ensure that no child is deprived of education." He urged citizens to install the application and upload data of the children unable to afford school fees.

ISLAMABAD: Legislators, education experts and campaigners highlighted the importance of education and called for reforms in the examination system. They called for sharing of data on examination to analyse the overall situation. "Unless the federal government ensures that a Population Census is conducted, how we will know how many children are in and out of school," Balochistan Assembly Member Dr Shama Ishaq Baloch said on Thursday during a panel discussion on matriculation examination results of the province and their repercussions for the future. A recently published report by AlifAilaan, a British-funded education campaign, on the respective theme was also discussed. "It doesn't matter how much I am attacked, what matters is that we are focusing on the cause of education in Balochistan, and that's why I will continue my support," said Reham Khan, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa's ambassador for street children and the wife of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf chief Imran Khan. According to the report, only 20 per cent of secondary school-age students in the province appear in the matric exams. About 80 per cent students either drop out during earlier years or never enroll. AlifAilaan representative Abdus Sami Khan said a student's confidence is shattered if he scores anything below grade B and 50 per cent students score grade C or less, which is a matter of concern for educational system of the country. "The matric exams are not just a reflection of students' academic performance but also of the education system," he said. The Balochistan Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education deserves applause for taking the bold step of sharing the data. We hope that they will analyse the results for effective policymaking," said Sami, who is the lead author of the report. He also stressed that examinations need to test cognitive abilities instead of rote learning abilities.

The report revealed that girls outshine their male counterparts in a number of areas including some aspects of academic performance, and overall rate of increase in participation as the number of students appearing in matric exams increased 193 per cent in 2015, compared to 54 per cent increase in the number of male students. He also highlighted that private schools were only slightly ahead in aggregate as well as subject scores. "The low scores of government and private schools point towards generally poor quality of education," he said. "This is the first time in Pakistan when the secondary school certificate exam results of 37,000 students have been analysed," he shared further. "Examination results can be used as a tool to determine the state of education," said Society for Community Support for Primary Education in Balochistan Managing Director and co-author of the report Irfan Ahmed Awan. Every year, over 90 per cent of students, male and female combined, pass the board exams. More than half of these students score at the 'C' grade level or below. According to the report, 71 per cent of participants of the board exams come from government schools, 26 per cent from private schools and three per cent from other schools managed by the armed forces or the department of labour.

PESHAWAR—In just two years, the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has done much more in Exploration and Production sector by establishing a public sector oil and gas Exploration & Production company to exploit the underground hidden black gold for the energy security of Pakistan. According to a press release issued here on Friday, the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is investing bullishly in oil and gas and bring more and more indigenous oil, gas and LPG not only to fuel its once fragile economy but also that of fuel Punjab. A 24 inch gas pipeline is being built from Kohat to Rai Jagir in the heartland of Punjab to carry newly successful wellheads. Some 50,000 barrels per day (bpd) of crude oil daily worth Rs 30 crore is also being transported from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to Punjab for refining every day. Two years ago crude oil production was less than 30,000 bpd thus a whopping 66% increase in 2 years. The annual foreign exchange saving increased by Rs 45 Billion under depressed oil prices scenario. Had oil prices been around \$100/barrel the saving would have been doubled.

Gas production has increased to 400 million cubic feet per day. It seems to be untrue, but due to Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa catalyst chemistry the LPG (cylinder gas &€" the most costly fraction of a barrel of oil) production has gone up from meagre 10 tons per day to 470 tons per day thus easing pressure on balance of payment and keeping prices low. LPG is mostly used by the poor who don't have the luxury of gas. It is evident as day light that there is no gas shedding in the province, and credit goes to provincial government. CNG stations are open 24/7 and gas is supplied to commercial and industrial sectors 24/7 a good reason to set up industries in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa allowed transportation of more than 100 million cubic feet of gas per day to Punjab, a generous gesture enough to fuel the main industrial hubs of

Investor Education Portal: SECP conducts online survey

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PAC directs health ministry for providing hepatitis medicine at low rates

The Statesman, September 5, 2015

CNG-fitted school vans: SHC issues notices to DIG traffic

The Statesman, September 5, 2015

Petrol, diesel consumption surge

*The News International,
September 4, 2015*

Punjab. Had not the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa under the Chief Minister Pervez Khattak taken deep pains to ensure that production of oil and gas is on ever increasing trend the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa developed systems to attract international and national investors, including Exploration & Production and service companies to work on fast track basis on oil, gas and LPG production and work over.

ISLAMABAD: To evaluate the services and features of its investor education web portal JamaPunji the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan (SECP) is conducting an online survey. The feedback from the survey will help improve the quality and services of the portal so that the objective of developing a digital learning platform for investor awareness could be achieved. JamaPunji was launched on June 9 with a vision that the portal would play a key role in the SECP's overall investor education programme. A very good response from the public has been seen so far and a large number of them have signed up as registered users. The portal's exclusive features include risk profiler, scam meter, investment check lists, quizzes, games, calculator, stock-trading simulator and information about various financial products.

ISLAMABAD: Sub Committee of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Thursday directed the Secretary Health to ensure the availability of Hepatitis medicine on less rates all over the country. The PAC met here under the chairperson, Ms Shahida Akhtar Ali with all members and discussed Audit Paras of the Ministry of National Health Services Regulation and Coordination for the year 1998-99. The committee settled audit paras of the ministry and asked the officials of Health ministry to ensure the provision of Hepatitis medicine at cheap rates as now it cost is too high. The Secretary Health told the committee that Sovaldi is a prescription medicine used with other antiviral medicines to treat chronic (lasting a long time) hepatitis C infection in adults. Its cost in USA is 28,000 US Dollars and in Pakistan it is available at the rate of 323 US Dollars, he added. He further said that medicine companies have prepared a formula that only one packet of medicine will be provided to the patient and after returning packet other one will be given to them, to stop its misuse. He said that efforts are being made to stop its black marketing while a list of 1100 doctors has been prepared all over the country for prescription and it would be available at twenty medical stores of different cities. He said that after preparing its generic three percent cost of medicine would also be reduced. - APP

KARACHI: The Sindh High Court (SHC) has issued notices to Additional Advocate General (AAG) Sindh, traffic police and others respondents on a petition seeking crackdown only on substandard kits installed in school vans. The petition was filed by Muhammad Asif, one of school van owners in which he sought operation only against the substandard kits installed in school vans instead of all CNG kits. The petitioner's counsel stated that DIG Traffic had issued warning published in Daily Jang in August 2015 according to which all CNG kits from school vans will be removed. The petitioner does not challenge the DIG traffic's order but sought that only substandard kits installed in school vans should be removed. The petitioner stated that according to impugned DIG traffic's publication, the deadline of removing CNG kits is 4th September; otherwise, violators' source of income will be stopped. "If it happens it will directly affect parents of students." He stated in his petition that CNG cylinders never explode, adding all of reported explosion are caused by LPG and oxygen cylinders. Citing Singh government, DIG traffic, Secretary Transport & Mass Transit as respondents, the plaintiff requested the court to direct the respondents to give, vans having standard CNG kit, an exception from this crackdown. - PPI

KARACHI: Lower prices are driving demand for petrol and diesel, as car owners take advantage of cheaper oil after its sales posted a five percent increase in August to 1.81 million tons against 1.71 million tons in July 2015, official data suggested on Thursday. However, these numbers only depict sales by oil marketing companies and not the actual consumption, as a significant amount of petroleum products are smuggled into country from Iran. "Around 8-10 tons of smuggled petroleum products mostly diesel find their way into the country every day," an official of the anti-smuggling enforcement agency said. The official said unscrupulous elements in connivance with the staff of some oil marketing companies distributed the smuggled commodity. "Mostly, these products are sold at unregistered fuel stations and roadside stalls in a highly unsafe manner." Declining prices and limited availability of compressed natural gas (CNG), particularly in the Northern regions, has increased the demand for petrol, as depicted by a massive 41 percent MoM jump in sales to 0.46 million tons in August. "This was mainly led by a healthy eight percent and six percent increase in motor spirit and high-speed diesel (HSD) demand, respectively," Shahbaz Ashraf at Arif Habib Limited said. "We expect this strong demand momentum to continue ahead, as declining prices are expected to take petrol demand up in FY16," Ashraf added. Furnace oil consumption exhibited a two percent rise during August to 0.27 million tons. However, on YoY basis, the industry sales were down three percent. For July, August of FY16, petrol sales grew by a massive 35 percent. But, this was largely diluted by a 12 percent and 23 percent fall in diesel and furnace oil volumes, respectively.

An official of the oil marketing companies said that there was a preference for petrol cars, as the price difference between the two fuels, petrol and CNG, had come down to nominal. "The population of car and bike users is growing, which is evident from the rising sales of cars and motorbikes. Hence, the demand for fuel, particularly petrol is rising," the official said. Declining prices along with a ban on the usage of CNG in public transportation across the country inched up diesel sales by six percent MoM, and one percent YoY to 0.55 million tons in August. In addition, transportation activity also increased in August after floods. "Going forward, we expect diesel demand in FY16 to record around six percent increase." Despite lower furnace oil prices, the consumption remains subdued as the oil marketing companies are reluctant to supply fuel on credit to the power sector due to continued liquidity constraints and delayed cash flows. FO volumes recorded a drop of 20 percent YoY in August on the back of higher electricity generation on hydel. One of the emerging players, Hascol has managed to increase its market share to seven percent during 2MFY16 as compared to five percent in the same period last year, while all other OMCs lost their market share by

Balochistan power houses to get fuel to resolve crisis: Abid

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bits. Meanwhile, the International Energy Agency (IEA) on Thursday raised its forecast for global oil demand growth in 2015, attributing the boost to the lower prices, economic recovery and a relatively cold winter.

QUETTA: Minister of State for Water and Power Abid Sher Ali said on Thursday that the federal government would provide fuel for nine power plants of Balochistan. The assurance came during a meeting presided over by Balochistan Chief Minister Dr Malik Baloch. Addressing the meeting, the chief minister regretted that the federal government was not providing fuel for five power houses despite commitments to do so and now these units had been closed for some time, causing difficulties to people living in areas not linked to the national grid. Also read: Qesco stops power supply to hundreds of defaulters. The provincial government, he said, had arranged fuel for power houses located in Ormara, Awaran, Washuk, Jewani, Nokundi and Dureji and some other areas to continue electricity supply to people of these areas. However, he said, the power supply had been reduced in these areas from diesel-based power houses. The chief minister urged the federal ministry of water and power to fulfil its commitment and provide fuel for full functioning of these power stations. The Managing Director of Pakistan Electric Power Company (Pepco), Omar Rasool, BOD Chairman Mir Abdul Khaliq Baloch, Qesco Chief Executive Rehmat Baloch and other senior officials attended the meeting. The chief minister said that subsidy was being given to 28,000 agriculture tube-wells from Balochistan's development funds. "All consumers enjoying this facility will be required to pay their bills," he said. The CM said the government had released funds to Qesco for building power projects. He urged the federal government to recruit local people in the Quetta Electric Supply Company to help address the employment issue in the province. Minister of State for Water and Power Abid Sher Ali said the federal government would fulfil its commitments and provide funds to supply fuel for power plants in Balochistan. "These areas will soon get power supply from diesel-based power houses," he said. Referring to power projects in Balochistan, he said development schemes pertaining to Qesco would be completed on time. He lamented that agriculture consumers were using 60-horse power motors in some areas while it had been decided by the federal and Balochistan governments that consumers would use only 30hp power motors. The meeting decided to form a steering committee to review complaints lodged by the farmer community and other issues pertaining to Qesco.

Status of education in Lahore 'declining'

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LAHORE: Learning outcome of public schools' students in Lahore is declining fast, while of those in an otherwise "backward" district of Rajanpur is rising for the past two years. Lahore students' performance has dipped from 42 points in 2012 to 40 in 2013 and 2014, while that of Rajanpur students improved from 46 to 52 points in 2014. This was revealed in Institute of Social and Policy Sciences (I-SAPS) study, based on data compiled by the Punjab Monitoring and Implementation Unit (PMIU) and Punjab Examination Commission (PEC) at the second stock take meeting on the ranking of Lahore provincial constituencies in terms of educational performance. The meeting was attended by PML-N women MPAs, PPP and MQM political workers, business community members and media persons. Giving a presentation about the status of education in Lahore, I-SAPS senior research fellow Ahmad Ali said there were 127 schools operating in dangerous buildings, including 107 functioning in partially-dangerous buildings. According to estimates, he said there were 2.649 million children in 5-16 year age group in 2012, while this number would rise to 3.698 million in 2018. At present, he said, some 290,000 children in 5-16 year age group in Lahore were out of school that constituted 33 percent of the school-age children. In order to accommodate this school-age cohort, he said, the government needed to construct 4,782 rooms and 38 new schools in Lahore. He stressed the teachers' rationalisation was very important as the data showed that in some schools one teacher was available for 14 or less number of students, while in many others the ratio was up to 1-100.

Revealing the ranking of provincial constituencies in terms of education, Mr Ali said the Punjab Assembly constituency, PP-154, represented by PML-N's Syed Zaem Husain Qadri stood at the top with 67.34 education score. The score was calculated on the basis of teachers and students' attendance, Class-V, Class-VIII and matriculation results, as well as cleanliness of students and the schools. The constituency, PP-153, represented by PML-N's Ramzan Siddique Bhatti, stood second with 66.82 score, while PP-155, represented by PML-N's Mian Naseer Ahmad, third with 66.07 score. PP-150, represented by PML-N's Mian Marghoob Ahmad, is at the lowest amongst all provincial constituencies with 59.81 educational score. Interestingly, Punjab education minister Rana Mashhood Ahmed Khan's PP-149 ranked 16th out of 25 constituencies in Lahore with 62.34 score. Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif, who has launched educational emergency in the whole province, could earn 65.40 educational score and stood sixth in the ranking, while former education minister Mujtaba Shujaat Rehman's PP-141 stood fifth with 65.70. Different political parties' representatives, intellectuals and media persons agreed that the society as a whole should come forward to persuade the government to make education a priority and improve indicators that were showing poor performance. They stressed that the teachers' capacity building should be ensured for imparting quality education in the public schools so that people's confidence in state-run schools could be restored.

12-day anti-measles drive ends peacefully in Bajaur

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KHAR: The 12-day anti-measles drive ended peacefully in Bajaur Agency achieving its goal of vaccinating maximum number of children against lethal disease across the tribal region. "Although the anti-measles campaign under the uncertain situation in the region was a tough and challenging job for us but we succeeded in our mission because of our strong commitment and proper strategy," agency surgeon Dr Zakir Hussain told reporters during a press briefing here on Thursday. He claimed that all the 422,000 children aged between six months and 10 years, who had been targeted for the drive, were vaccinated against the deadly disease during the massive activities launched from August 20. The agency surgeon said that no untoward incident happened nor any reaction cases were reported in any parts of the agency during the 12 days long drive due to appropriate management and strategy adopted by the local health department. He said the staff for the campaign was skilled and professional and they had also been given proper training and guidance before the drive. However, the official said, some challenges and problems were faced by

Minister admits loopholes in educational system

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the locals during the drive including refusal cases, but they were overcome due to timely intervention of the local administration.

ISLAMABAD: "The education system of the country has many shortcomings and how these could be resolved is beyond my understanding. The report has worrying results, but it is the step in the right direction," said State Minister for Education Balighur Rehman. He was addressing a seminar held to launch a report National Achievement Test (NAT)-2014 by National Education Assessment (NEA). The minister congratulated the team of NEAS, UNICEF and official of the ministry for launching the report. The minister said, "We have seen disappointing figures in this report along with the improved ones, but we should not be too happy to ignore that there is always a room for improvement in everything we do." "This eye opening report came at a right time and we should start focusing our energies on the areas which were neglected in the past. The sample data was for this report was around 11,000 plus students from 450 plus schools across Pakistan, but we have guided them to increase their sample size to at least 30,000 in order to get comprehensive overview," he emphasised. This time the assessment was done for grade 4th and grade 8th and that also for three subjects only Mathematics, English and Urdu. It would be published in every two years and new report would be assessing on three different subjects, but after four years the same subject (English, Urdu, and Mathematics) will be assessed again in order to check the performance. Baligh stated, "The NEAS and AEPAM (Academy of Education Planning and Management) were not working to their full potential when we took over about two years ago. We not only facilitated these institutes but worked on the capacity building of their employees as well; funds and required trainings were provided at the right time by our government. We are committed to the education and we would never back out on spending on this sector ever. He articulated that even education has been devolved to the provinces; it is still the responsibility of the federal government to facilitate all the units in this regard. "When we talk about minimum national curriculum that does not mean we want to have one curriculum in the country, what we mean is to establish a minimum standard of curriculum which will be followed throughout the country with the consensus of all the provinces," he elaborated. "It is our collective responsibility to work for the betterment of the education instead of pointing fingers at each other's work," stressed the minister. He also talked about the recently held 6th inter Provincial Education Ministers' Conference (IPEMC) and told the audience that a committee has already been formed on the Sustainable development goals (SDGs) before its formal launching this month, that shows 'our seriousness towards education'.

Sindh education corruption: Over 4500 employees hired without merit

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KARACHI: (Dunya News) – In yet another mega corruption scandal from Sindh, this time from the education department, over 4500 employees have been hired without observing any merit whatsoever. Besides, though the hiring has been declared as fake, all the employees are still working on their posts, reported Dunya News. According to the list obtained by Dunya News, 4553 employees were hired during 2012 and 2013 in the education department in Sindh. The department has already declared this hiring as fake yet all the employees are still working on their posts and also getting their salaries. The summary sent to Accountant General Sindh for discontinuing these salaries was also not acted upon.

Govt hospitals' staff go on strike against freezing of allowance

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ISLAMABAD: Doctors and paramedic staff of five government-run hospitals in the federal capital have announced a two-hour strike daily from today (Thursday) to press their demand for unfreezing of their health risk allowance. Dr Sartaj Ali Khan, Chairman of their Joint Action Committee (JAC), told reporters at Polyclinic on Wednesday that they also plan a rally and a sit-in outside the Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of Finance because they had been protesting for over a month but nobody listened to their grievance. "From Thursday, out patient departments of all five hospitals will remain closed from 11am to 1pm, though the emergency and intensive care units will remain open," he said. "On September 8 we will go to the PM Office and the Ministry of Finance to record our protest." Member JAC Dr Sharif Astori said that the medical staff did not wish to resort to strike but the denial of the risk health allowance had created severe financial problems for them. "The government should consider the problem of the staff and unfreeze their rightful allowance, which involves an additional amount of only Rs30 million. But the government is taking our misery lightly," he said. "We don't wish to go on strike and street protests but disdainful officials have left us with no other option," he added. Dr Sartaj recalled to Dawn that Additional Secretary Finance Naseem Khokhar had sought one week to address the issue when the JAC members met him on August 20. "When we met again on August 26, Mr Khokhar requested two more days and on the 28th he told us that he had forwarded a summary to the finance secretary and the next time we should contact the secretary. But Secretary finance Dr Waqar Masood refused to meet us," he said. That made the JAC team seek out Finance Minister Ishaq Dar. "He was present in his office, but had no time for us. His staff promised to call us later but never did."

Since Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs Sheikh Aftab Ahmed had told it during a meeting on August 21 that he had written a letter to the Secretary Finance, the Joint Action Committee team again turned to him. "Although Mr Aftab called and suggested to the secretary finance to solve our problem, it seems the officialdom is not bothered by our right to the allowance nor our misery," said Dr Sartaj. "This leaves us no option but to observe strike in the hospitals and agitate in the streets," he said. They blocked the road in front of the Polyclinic on August 6 and staged a protest rally outside the National Press Club on July 11 to register their anger. The health risk allowance was approved by the last PPP government in 2011 in the wake of a 35-day continuous protest by the medical staff outside the Parliament building. According to the agreement reached then the health risk allowance was to be increased every year equal to the increase in the basic salary. But the current year's federal budget froze the allowance. Since the announcement of the budget in June, the affected health workers of Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (Pims), Polyclinic, Capital Hospital, Federal General Hospital and National Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine, have been protesting and demanding the unfreezing of health risk allowance. The health care allowance is given to the healthcare personnel who are exposed to different types of blood-borne and radiation-related diseases, for example Hepatitis B and C, Cancer, Needle or Sharp instrument stick injuries, Tuberculosis etc, while providing care to

Unhygienic food items goes unchecked in federal capital

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Action against quack doctors in Larkana

The Statesman, September 3, 2015

Education Promotion Prerequisite For Prosperity, Progress: Saira

Pak Observer, September 3, 2015

Govt not fulfilling duty regarding education: Reham Khan

The Nation, September 3, 2015

PAC panel to probe purchase of unnecessary medicines

The Statesman, September 2, 2015

infectious patients.

ISLAMABAD: The residents of the federal capital has complaint the sale of unhygienic food items going unchecked in the federal capital and its suburban areas while the meagre efforts of the concerned authorities are proving to be insufficient to control it. The residents complaint that the owners of restaurants, Chhappar hotels and bakeries were selling different food items cooked and baked in unhygienic atmosphere, while the restaurants are serving food in filthy utensils. They complaint that hotels and restaurants were not following cleanliness and safety standards. Muhammad Talal, a senior citizen told APP that substandard food was being sold openly at different markets of the city due to lack of appropriate action against the vendors and hotel owners. The sale of substandard fried items were also seen at shops and roadside stalls while there was no check and balance in this regard, he added. Another citizen Mashhood Abbasi said that the stallholders and shopkeepers were not following the hygiene rules, causing abdominal diseases among the residents, especially children. It has also been witnessed that the shopkeepers prepare these traditional food like samosas, pakoras, halwa poori in substandard cooking oil, he said. Abdul Rauf, a student said that hotel owners are required to keep the kitchens and utensils clean, but certain outlets are not following the directions. The citizens have demanded that the authorities concerned should take strict action against those playing with the health of the innocent people, he further added. District Food Controller, Raja Ashraf, when contacted told APP that they were working day and night to check the quality and price of food being provided to Isloos and shopkeepers were being fined selling substandard food items. - APP

Larkana: The Deputy Commissioner Javed Ali Jagirani has ordered conducting raids over the clinics of quacks operating illegally in entire Larkana district for which committees on taluka level be also constituted. He said concerned THOs and DSPs must be included in such committees along with officials of other departments so that proper legal action could be taken to wipe out menace of quackery from Larkana district. He said due to these unlawful quacks precious human lives are lost which will never be tolerated anymore. Jagirani said that courts can also be approached in this connection so that this bad job is eliminated for which we need to evolve a clear cut policy. DC said he will talk to higher police officers in this connection to help so that strict action could be taken against this evil. He was presiding over a meeting in his office on Wednesday in which ADHO Dr. Fattah Bughio, Assistant Commissioner Masood Bhutto and others also took part. The meeting also discussed at length the Polio campaign which is to kick off on 14-16 September, 2015. It was decided to form teams who will be provided proper security for administering anti-polio drops to under 5 five years children in all the areas of the district for which a micro plan will be prepared. - PPI

HAFIZABAD: Minister of State for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, Saira Afzal Tarar has said that present government is committed to eliminate terrorism, extremism, corruption, poverty, energy crisis and unemployment from the country. She was addressing a ceremony after inaugurating newly constructed six classrooms in government girls higher secondary school Sukheki, completed at a cost of Rs.10 million. MNA Mian Shahid Hussain Bhatti, DCO Hafizabad Muhammad Usman, EDO Education Iftikhar Nawaz and Principal of the school, Musarrat Kousar also addressed the ceremony. The Minister of State said that promotion of education was prerequisite for prosperity and progress of the country that is why the present government is focusing on promotion of quality education and all possible facilities are being provided in the educational institutions while incentive is being given to teachers for improving standard of education in the country. She said that Pakistan Muslim League-N did not believed in politic of revenge and there is no word of revenge was in the dictionary of the Prime Minister Mian Muhammad Nawaz Sharif. She said that operation Zarb-e-Azb against terrorists was successfully underway to maintain peace in the country while law and order situation was improving day by day in Karachi. Addressing the gathering, MNA Mian Shahid Hussain Bhatti said that provision of all basic needs of life to the people is top priority of the government of Pakistan Muslim League-N and billions of rupees are being spent for completing different development projects for this purpose. He said that construction work on the scheme of Degree College for women Sukheki was near its completion with the cost of Rs.100 million and classes would be launched in this college from next educational session. He said that federal and provincial governments were spending more than three billion of rupees in the Hafizabad district for providing educational, healthcare, Sui gas, electricity, potable water and other facilities to the people of the district. He said that government was taking result-oriented steps to eliminate corruption, terrorism, poverty and unemployment from the country and action was being taken against corrupt elements without any discrimination. He said that government was executing different projects to generate cheap electricity with the cost of billion of rupees across the country.

LAHORE: While addressing a seminar in Lahore, Reham Khan emphasized the importance of education in the country. "It is the responsibility of the government to educate the children, which is not being fulfilled," she said. She commended CM Balochistan on taking steps to ensure that the ghost teachers in the province are fired. Reham Khan expressed concerns over the fact that Charsadda, Swabi and Abbotabad don't have middle schools.

PESHAWAR: The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly referred a matter of the purchase of unnecessary medicines for Naseerullah Khan Babar Memorial Hospital, Peshawar to a sub-committee of the panel. The sub-committee would be comprised of Shaukat Ali Yousafzai, Arbab Akbar Hayat, Mufti Said Janan, Qurban Ali and Idrees Khattak. The meeting was held in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa House, Abbottabad with MPA Shaukat Ali Yousafzai in the chair. MPAs Idrees Khattak, Mufti Said Janan, Qurban Ali Khan and Arbab Akbar Hayat attended the meeting. The PAC discussed in detail different audit objections in light of audit reports of the years 2010-11 and 2012-13 for financial years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 regarding Khyber Medical University (KMU), Khyber Girls Medical College (KGMC), Khyber Teaching Hospital (KTH) Peshawar, Gomal Medical College (GMC) D.I. Khan, Ayub Teaching Hospital (ATC) Abbottabad

CNG dealers oppose increase in gas tariff

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Tankers strike, price cut fuel petrol shortage

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Petrol supply to fuel stations resumed after daylong suspension

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Petroleum Ministry warned over its absence during debate in Senate

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and Ayub Medical College (AMC) Abbottabad. The PAC was told that during the flood of 2010-11, Naseerullah Khan Memorial Hospital, Peshawar purchased emergency medicines worth Rs.12.5 million for the flood affectees of Charsadda and Nowshera. However, the committee expressed surprise that why a specific hospital was allowed for the purchase of flood emergency medicines. After detailed discussion the chair Shaukat Ali Yousafzai said that in case of the failure of sub-committee in reaching on conclusion in this regard then the case should be refer to National Accountability Bureau (NAB). The meeting also expressed anguish over forgery and cuttings in the stock register of the hospital and for comprehensive investigation referred the matter to a sub-committee. Similarly, the matter of the recovery of fees by Khyber Medical University was handed over to a special PAC, whose meeting is expected on September 8. The committee expressed its deep concern that some private universities are looting the students and their parents in the name of donations and overseas seats and is collecting millions of rupees in this regard. The committee observed that when the aspirant students approach these colleges they were told of the closure of the admissions. However, they could be given admission on seats reserved for the overseas Pakistanis and they are given admission after the depositing of minimum fee of Rs.5 million and a donation of Rs.1 million to Rs.1.5 million. The committee also expressed anguish over the ruthless deforestation and urged the Forest Department to play full role for the protection of the forests and also take effective steps for the arresting of deforestation. — APP

RAWALPINDI: The All Pakistan CNG Association (APCNGA) on Tuesday said unilateral hike in gas tariff and cut in the fuel (CNG) prices by the government would render their business unfeasible. The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) recently reduced the CNG price by 53 paise for region 1 — Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Balochistan and Potohar Region— and Rs4 in region 2 —inner Punjab and Sindh— from September. Besides, the government on Monday increased the gas tariff by up to 67 per cent. However, many CNG filling stations in Potohar region are selling Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) for which the price has not been changed. In a statement on Tuesday, Shuja Anwar, Central Chairman of APCNGA, termed the recent increase in the tariff illegal as for CNG sector the Ogra could announce the prices twice a year on January 1 and July 1. He said the gas prices are linked to the international oil prices which have been retreating for long. He said the ministry of petroleum had repeatedly been asked to cut Re-gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) prices but to no avail. "Gas utilities and the PSO are importing the LNG and supplying it to other cities at unreasonable high rates which must be brought down for the survival of the CNG sector and the benefit of the consumers," he said.

LAHORE: Shortage of petrol owing to a strike by oil tankers and cut in price disrupted city's routine, forcing motorists to throng a number of filling stations on Tuesday. Long queues of motorists were witnessed at various pumps situated at Gulberg, Johar Town, Ferozepur Road and other localities. However, Lahore DCO Muhammad Usman dispelled the impression of petrol shortage in city owing to strike. "Around 10 million litres of petrol is available in the city and there is no shortage of it at a majority of pumps," he claimed while talking to Dawn. On the other hand, this reporter witnessed various filling stations full of motorists and motorcyclists. "First I visited a pump at Ferozepur Road that was closed due to non-availability of petrol. Then I arrived here and found this station selling fuel and now I am waiting for my turn," Salman, a motorist, told Dawn at a pump located at Guru Mangat Road in Gulberg. The same situation was witnessed at some petrol pumps near Wapda Town, Main Boulevard (Johar Town) and some other areas. The DCO said of total 317 pumps, 17 to 18 were closed in routine due to certain reasons. In Lahore, a majority of people didn't buy petrol on Monday, deciding to purchase it on Tuesday at reduced rate. "That is why there was a rush of motorists at pumps. But that was not sort of panic buying," he said. The DCO said of 317 pumps, around 34 are owned by the Parco (Total). Of these 34, 17 were closed due to company's own management issue and not because of the strike or reduction in prices. Besides these, some other pumps owned by various companies were closed in routine and not due to strike. And a majority of pumps (PSO, Shell, Caltex) were opened and selling petrol, he added. He said the CDGL teams on various public complaints had also sealed seven pumps for not selling fuel despite its availability.

KARACHI: The crisis-like situation caused by the suspension of petrol supply since Monday evening started improving by Tuesday night after successful talks between protesting oil tanker owners and the authorities, as the former withdrew the strike call and resumed the supply, said officials and dealers. The oil tanker owners had suspended the supply to protest against the recently levied services tax by the provinces. Most of the petrol pumps were seen closed on Tuesday after they had sold out their stock. The situation improved only after the All Pakistan Oil Tankers Owners Association and the petroleum secretary reached an understanding that the federal government would take up their grievance with the provinces and other relevant authorities. "The supply has resumed but definitely you won't see all the Karachi pumps start operating at once," said Abdul Sami Khan of the Pakistan Petroleum Dealers Association. "It would gradually improve the situation and we hope we would be able to call it normal by Wednesday afternoon. Actually majority of the pumps remained out of supply and those which had the stock to cater today's need fell short to meet the requirement due to a higher demand." To reduce the impact of the suspension of oil supply on motorists and public transport, the dealers had convinced the Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) not to discontinue the gas supply to CNG stations until Wednesday afternoon under the weekly gas load management plan, he said. Mr Khan said the move would help to bring relief to public transport and other modes of transport which were used for people's transportation. "CNG stations are scheduled to remain closed from Wednesday 8am for 24 hours under the SSGC's gas load-management plan. But they would remain open till 2pm now so that the gap due to petrol shortage can be filled," he said.

ISLAMABAD: Senate Standing Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges Monday accepted apology from Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources on its absence from the Upper House during debate on gas load shedding issue. The body that met under the chairmanship of Senator Jehanzeb Jamaldini, urged the officials of ministry to respect the Parliament. The matter of breach of privilege was referred to the committee due to absence of senior officers of the ministry in the official

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CMCH feds 16 ghost doctors

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Transporters warned to cut down fares

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Charged-parking system at hospitals irks patients

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Gastro on the rise in Dadu

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Fire hits Dadu DC office

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'Herbal' drug manufacturing unit sealed

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Ghee mill, three ice cream factories sealed

gallery of the House on August 03 during debate on gas load shedding in the country. Secretary ministry of petroleum and natural resources rendered its apology to the body. The committee accepted the apology but also instructed the ministry to take this as the last warning and said the supremacy of the Parliament should be upheld. Chairman Committee said decisions taken in the Parliament cannot be implemented without the presence of department concerned. Secretary petroleum assured the committee that in future, this mistake will not be made. The committee deferred discussion on misbehavior with Senator Saifullah Khan Bangash during the arrest of his son in Lahore by officials of National Accountability Bureau (NAB) in absence of Chairman NAB. The committee asked DG NAB Punjab to intimate the Chairman who is on foreign visit that the Senate body requires a briefing on the matter by the Chairman himself. The body observed that Senate does not want to interfere in the affairs of NAB but manhandling of a sitting Senator is not a small issue. Later the committee also discussed draft proposals regarding formation of an ethics committee in Senate and the codification of parliamentary privileges in its in-camera meeting. - APP

LARKANA: As many as 16 doctors have been found absconding from their government duties since long out of 260 doctors posted in Chandka Medical College Hospital, Larkana. This was revealed after verification of personal files of all the doctors from BPS-17 to 19 by the current CMCH administration. A plan of installing biometric system is also underway on the pattern of Education Department to detect ghost employees which will be introduced within a month to detect ghost employees. This was disclosed by Dr. Ghulam Murteza Soomro, Director, Health Services, Larkana Division, who is also looking after the charge of CMCH Medical Superintendent, in addition to his own duties and Dr. Adeeb Chandio, Additional Medical Superintendent, while talking to Reporters here on Tuesday. They said that all pathological & radiological tests of those patients who are admitted in the Hospital have been allowed free of cost. They said that after verification of record they have found 16 ghost doctors which is astonishing adding stern disciplinary action is underway against them. They further said that over 150 vacancies of doctors and over 80 posts of Staff Nurses are lying vacant in the Hospital since very long which should be filled immediately through Sindh Public Service Commission. They further revealed that out of 300 sanitation staff, 120 are non-Muslims and 180 are Muslims who are not working on their posts due to which cleanliness badly suffers in this largest Teaching Hospital of upper Sindh. They added that most of these Muslim sanitation staff members remain absent from their duties. They added that they have hired 30 sanitary workers on daily wages basis to maintain cleanliness & hygienic conditions on the wards. - PPI

LAHORE: Minister for Food and Chairman Cabinet Price Control Committee Bilal Yasin said on Tuesday that strict action would be taken against those who would not sell petrol and diesel at reduced rates. Talking to APP, he said that PML-N government believed in serving masses and Nation would get some relief as prices of the petroleum products were decreased. "Our policies are people-friendly benefitting common man and no one will be allowed to exploit the poor or flout government directions," he added. The Minister said, transporters had already been asked to immediately cut down fares. All DCOs had also been directed to visit transport "addas" and petrol pumps to ensure that people get relief or not. - APP

KARACHI: Charged-parking system introduced by Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (KMC) and Traffic Police in the peripheries of the city's major public sector hospitals has become a matter great inconvenience for patients and their attendants. Charged-parking sites have been established at Civil Hospital Karachi (CHK), Karachi Institute of Heart Diseases (KIHD) and Sindh Government Hospital, Laiquatabad. The KMC officials have fixed Rs10 parking fee for a motorcycle and Rs20 for a car. Moreover, Traffic Police has introduced unlawful charged-parking system outside the gate of the CHK's main emergency department where youngsters could be seen collecting parking fee from those visiting the health facility. Terming the act of charging parking fee from poor patients and their attendants 'unfair', the city's director health Dr Zafar Ejaz said that the charged-parking system introduced outside public sector hospitals should be abolished forthwith in the interest of general public.

DADU: Women and children with symptoms of gastroenteritis are being brought to the Dadu Civil Hospital in large numbers as temperatures across the district have been rising lately. Two children, 11-month-old Hakeem Lashari, and a 20-day-baby, died at the hospital on Monday taking the gastro toll to 21 within the month of August, a doctor at the hospital said. Dr Insaaf Mangsi said the hospital's children ward was running short of beds due to an unusual increase in the number of such patients coming from different parts of the district. He said despite the accommodation problem, patients were being provided prompt treatment and due attention by doctors and paramedics.

DADU: The fixtures and furniture in the office of the Dadu deputy commissioner were destroyed in a fire said to have been caused by an electrical short circuit on Monday. Employees present in the office managed to extinguish the fire, district administration officials said. DC Sardar Jamali has ordered an inquiry into the incident.

LAHORE: A special team comprising city district administration officials on Monday sealed a drug manufacturing factory on Chohan Road, Islampura, for being operated unlawfully. According to officials, the production of allopathic medicines was going on under the garb of "herbal medicines" at the factory. There were also inadequate cleanliness and drug handling arrangements in the factory, they added. The team also got arrested the factory manager on the spot, whereas a case has been registered by the area police against the owner Sheikh Mateen. The Officials said the factory had also been sealed earlier after samples taken from there were found substandard in laboratory tests, but its owner continued drug production despite the action. Meanwhile, various price control magistrates on Monday got arrested 68 shopkeepers, besides imposing over Rs68,000 fine on others for overcharging.

TAXILA: A ghee mill, three ice cream factories and two hotels were sealed in various parts of Hassanabdal for poor hygiene as district health authorities have launched a crackdown on violators of Food Act. A team led by district sanitary in-charge Rana Abdullah along with assistant

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Tribesmen concerned over water leakage

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commissioner Syeda Rimla Ali during raids found a ghee mill located on G.T. Road for producing hazardous ghee. During a visit to the manufacturing plant, dead insects including lizards were found from main water tank. The termed the hygienic condition around the plant very poor. Moreover, three local ice cream manufacturing units located in different parts of the city were sealed on a similar ground while kitchens of the two hotels were found very dirty giving a foul smell. Talking to newsmen, assistant commissioner Syeda Rimla Ali said that the drive against the violators of the Food Act would continue.

GHALANAI: The residents of Prang Ghar tehsil in Mohmand Agency expressed concern over leakage from Moto Shah small dam, which was filled to its capacity after heavy rain last week. The dam was completed in September 2014 at a cost of Rs191.60 million. Mohammad Gul, a tribal elder, told Dawn that the reservoir was leaking from nine points, which posed danger to the dam. A water channel to irrigate 627 acres land was also taken out from the dam but the recent flood badly damaged it at different places, he added. Mr Gul said that sub-standard material was used in the construction of the dam. The flood swept away the spillways while the water channel dried up, he said. The local people demanded of Governor Sardar Mahtab Ahmad Khan and Mohmand Agency political agent to conduct an inquiry into the matter. FDA Agency coordination officer Tariq Khan said that engineers already inspected the dam. They were of the view that the leakage would stop, he added.

Dysfunctional streetlights irk citizens

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ISLAMABAD: Dysfunctional streetlight of sector G-8, G-9 and G-6 of the federal capital have become security risk for the residents. Residents of Sector G-8 of Islamabad said while talking to APP, that streetlight of the area have gone out of order for the last few months but despite repeated reminders, the Capital Development Authority (CDA) has paid no heed to repair the streetlight due to which a sense of insecurity and uncertainty prevails in the area. They claimed that movement of suspicious persons and criminals have increased who often taking advantage of darkness commit robberies besides snatching mobile phones and valuables from the people. The residents of the sector said that they fear to go out or send their children out after night prayers due to darkness in the streets and presence of criminals in the area who were looking for an 'opportunity'. Residents demanded of the chairman Capital Development Authority Maroof Afzal for taking notice of the situation and direct for replacing or repairing the faulty streetlight as soon as possible. - APP

Health department initiates standardised programme for rural population

The Statesman, September 1, 2015

KARACHI: Sindh health department has embarked on a cost effective and standardized healthcare programme for rural population of the province, said the provincial health minister Jam Mehtab Hussain Dahar. Chairing a meeting Monday, he said the programme is expected to benefit two million rural population with the support of reputable NGO under Sindh Medical Support and Poverty Eradication Initiative. He on the occasion also mentioned that essential medicines worth Rs 5 billion were provided to more than 250,000 patients belonging to areas affected by recent floods in the province. No additional allocation was provided to the department in meeting the medical needs of the flood victims, said the minister. "The Sindh health department did all this through its own resources," he said. On the occasion Executive Director, Sindh Medical Support Programme Shahid Yousuf, briefed the meeting about the details of a 3-year project under which around 4,500 lady health visitors and community based midwives would be provided with updated training in delivery skills. He also mentioned that standardized delivery stations, particularly in rural areas will be developed under the programme for efficient mother and new born care. - PPI

Govt reduces petrol prices by Rs3 per litre

The Statesman, September 1, 2015

ISLAMABAD: Minister of Petroleum Shahid Khaqan Abbasi announced on Monday the federal government's decision to reduce the prices of petrol by as much as Rs3 per litre. The decision comes following a decrease in international prices of petroleum products. Petrol will now be sold at Rs73.67 per litre. Earlier on July 31, the government decided to allow petrol prices to decline by 1.3%, in what appears to be an attempt at striking a balance between the need to keep government tax revenues steady and keeping the electorate happy by passing on the effects of lower global oil prices to consumers. In its recommendations sent to the Petroleum Ministry on Thursday, the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) had proposed sharper cuts in the prices of petrol, diesel, and kerosene. However, that proposal ran into opposition from the Finance Ministry, which has committed to the International Monetary Fund that it will raise tax revenues.

Petrol crisis temporary, says Petroleum Minister

Dunya News, September 1, 2015

ISLAMABAD (Dunya News) – Minister of Petroleum Shahid Khaqan Abbasi said on Tuesday that the petroleum shortage crisis is temporary. He said that government is endeavouring to provide masses with relief although it is facing a deficit of Rs 60 billion, reported Dunya News. Citizens are facing acute petrol shortage as soon as prices of the petrol were lowered earlier in the day. Talking to Kamran Khan on Dunya News, Minister of Petroleum said that the current shortage crisis is only temporary and talks of min-budget are totally baseless. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi said that price of petroleum in the local market is dependent on global market. He said that government is still facing a deficit of revenue of Rs 60 billion. Government has not added any additional strain on home consumers with gas prices, said the Petroleum Minister.

On PM's directive: City infrastructure being revamped

The Express Tribune, September 1, 2015

ISLAMABAD: The Capital Development Authority (CDA) plans to completely revamp the existing infrastructure of the city. A CDA official said that the civic agency acting on the directives of the prime minister planned to change the landscape of the city in the next three years. CDA Member Environment Syed Mustafain Kazmi said on Monday that the prime minister had recently announced a package of Rs5 billion for rehabilitation and revamping of existing infrastructure of the federal capital. "The government has put Pakistan on a fast track to development," he claimed. Kazmi said on the direction of the prime minister, the landscape of Islamabad would be changed during the next three years. While briefing on the Islamabad Highway signal-free corridor project, he said latest technology was being used in the construction of the corridor, which was part of the expansion project. Kazmi said traffic control centres equipped with modern technology would be established. He said that the civic body was making all-out efforts to plant trees at alternative sites to make up for those being cut during the execution of the highway expansion project. After completion of work on the Islamabad Highway expansion project, linking Rawat with the motorway would be next, to

Education: 'Renovate old school buildings in a month'

The Express Tribune, September 1, 2015

Unhygienic meat seized

Daily Dawn, August 31, 2015

Farmers block road against sagging agriculture

Daily Dawn, August 31, 2015

With health in shambles, hospitals become part of problem rather than solution

The Statesman, August 31, 2015

facilitate those entering the city, he shared.

LAHORE: Chief Secretary Khizar Hayat Gondal directed district coordination officers on Monday to complete within a month the renovation of government school buildings that were in bad condition. He told a meeting that funds for the purpose had been released. He ordered that all possible measures be taken for achieving enrolment targets. The chief secretary also ordered that the crackdown on the sale of unwholesome meat be intensified. Those involved in the unlawful practice deserved strict punishment, he said. Earlier, secretaries of Schools Education and Food Departments briefed the meeting. The Board of Revenue senior member, the Punjab Food Authority director general, the Lahore division commissioner and the DCO attended the meeting. The Punjab Education Foundation (PEF) will benefit from the expertise of the Punjab Information Technology Board (PITB) to improve its organisational efficiency. This was decided at a meeting between the PEF and the PITB officials. PEF Managing Director Aneela Salman chaired the meeting. The meeting reviewed the PEF's public-private partnership initiative of providing free education to the needy. Salman said various ICT-based interventions had helped the foundation operate more efficiently. She said an electronic attendance register had been launched for schools. The GIS mapping of partner schools has been carried out to identify school-deficient areas. She said teachers' data had also been obtained from partner schools.

LAHORE: A special team of the City District Government of Lahore's livestock wing carried out three raids in different localities of Lahore on Sunday, seized 1,600kg of unhygienic and unapproved meat and had nine butchers arrested.

GUJRANWALA: Paddy growers from across the division blocked on Sunday Lohianwala Bypass in protest against what they said government's apathy to their just demands. Reports said paddy farmers from Gujranwala, Gujrat, Sialkot, Mandi Bahauddin, Hafizabad and Narowal gathered at Lohianwala Bypass and blocked all surrounding roads. Carrying banners and placards the protesters set ablaze tyres and staged a sit-in at 11.30am which was continued till the filing of the report at 8pm. The protest paralysed life while passengers especially women and children were in panic due to non-availability of drinking water and milk. The protesters did not allow access to even ambulances. Newly-appointed DCO Amir Jan, CPO Waqas Nazir, SP Civil Lines Nadeem Khokar, Motorway SP Munir Marth and other senior police officers attempted to restore traffic but the protesters did not allow them to do so. Farmer leaders Dr. Abdul Jabbar Khan, Malik Ramzan and Farooq Othi demanded that the price of basmati and non-basmati should be fixed at Rs2,500 and Rs1,200 per 40-kg, respectively. They said the government had promised to give Rs5,000 subsidy per acre but no step was taken for the purpose. They also demanded Rs250 per 40-kg price for sugarcane.

ISLAMABAD: Over-crowding of patients, rude behavior of staff and unhygienic conditions are still the norms in government-run hospitals as hundreds of mostly impoverished patients and their attendants step into these premises. A cursory visit to these hospitals would reveal weary looks in patient's eyes, visible agony on their attendants' faces as if they were forlorn and helpless in the whole wide world. Some of these emotions may arise due to the severity of the afflictions but a lot may be because of the pathetic conditions at the hospitals and behavior of the doctors and para-medical staff, that add up to the patients' woes. "The arrangements for patients here are pathetic as there is no one to look after them," said Maryum, an attendant of a patient admitted in Gynecological ward of Holy family Hospital, Rawalpindi. She said about 10 hours had passed since her sister had given birth to a baby boy, but no doctor had visited to inquire the health of both mother and the newly-born. "When I went to the medical officer's room and asked her why the doctor was not coming on round in the ward, she said in a curt way that all the doctors are busy right now, Maryum added. She said two patients were forced to share a single bed in the ward while the washrooms there were full of filth. This is not the only story; rather there are hundreds of others who experience similar circumstances each day in government hospitals.

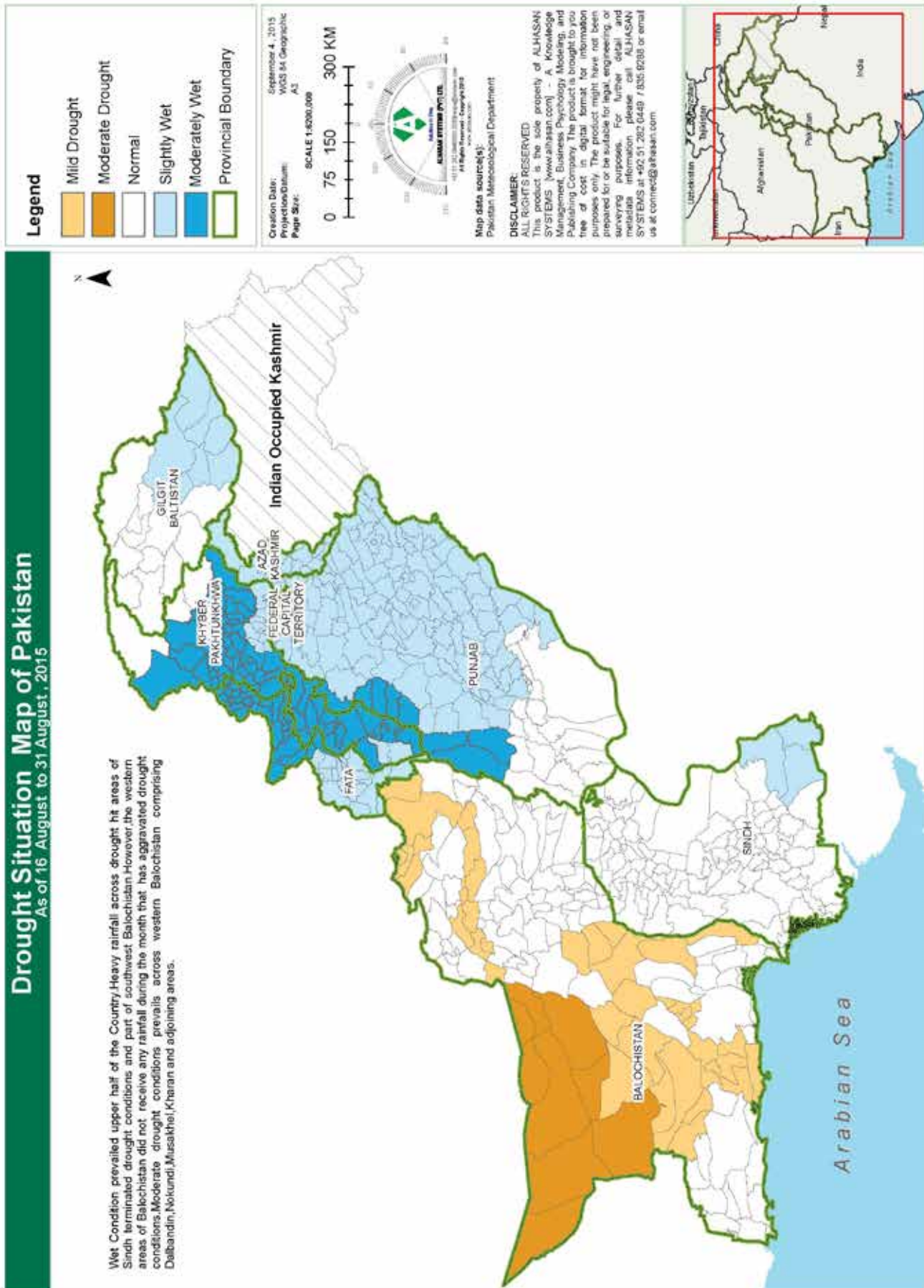
Medical Superintendent Holy Family Hospital Dr. Arshad Ali Sabir admitted the fact that the hospital was dealing more patients than its capacity. "We cannot deny (admission) to any patient, but it is also a fact that we do not have enough beds to accommodate such a large number of patients." "Sometime we have to adjust even two patients on a single bed especially in Pediatric and Gynecological departments," he mentioned while talking to APP. In Pakistan, health sector has been neglected as according to Pakistan Economic Survey 2014-15 report, currently there are only 1,142 hospitals, 5,499 dispensaries, 5,438 basic health units, 671 maternity and child health centres with only 175,223 doctors, 90,276 nurses and 118,041 hospital beds for a population of around 190 million. Dr. Arshad said the provincial government had announced to establish a Child Healthcare hospital in Rawalpindi which would hopefully reduce load over pediatric departments of government hospitals. The MS said the hospital had asked the provincial government to allow it to fill vacant seats of doctors and other staff, and hopefully new recruitments would be made soon. He informed that an MRI centre was being established at Radiology department of the hospital and in this regard grant of Rs. 19 crore had also been allocated by the government. According to reports, Punjab government has devised a comprehensive programme to make rural and basic health centers active besides improving health facilities in ten districts of the province.

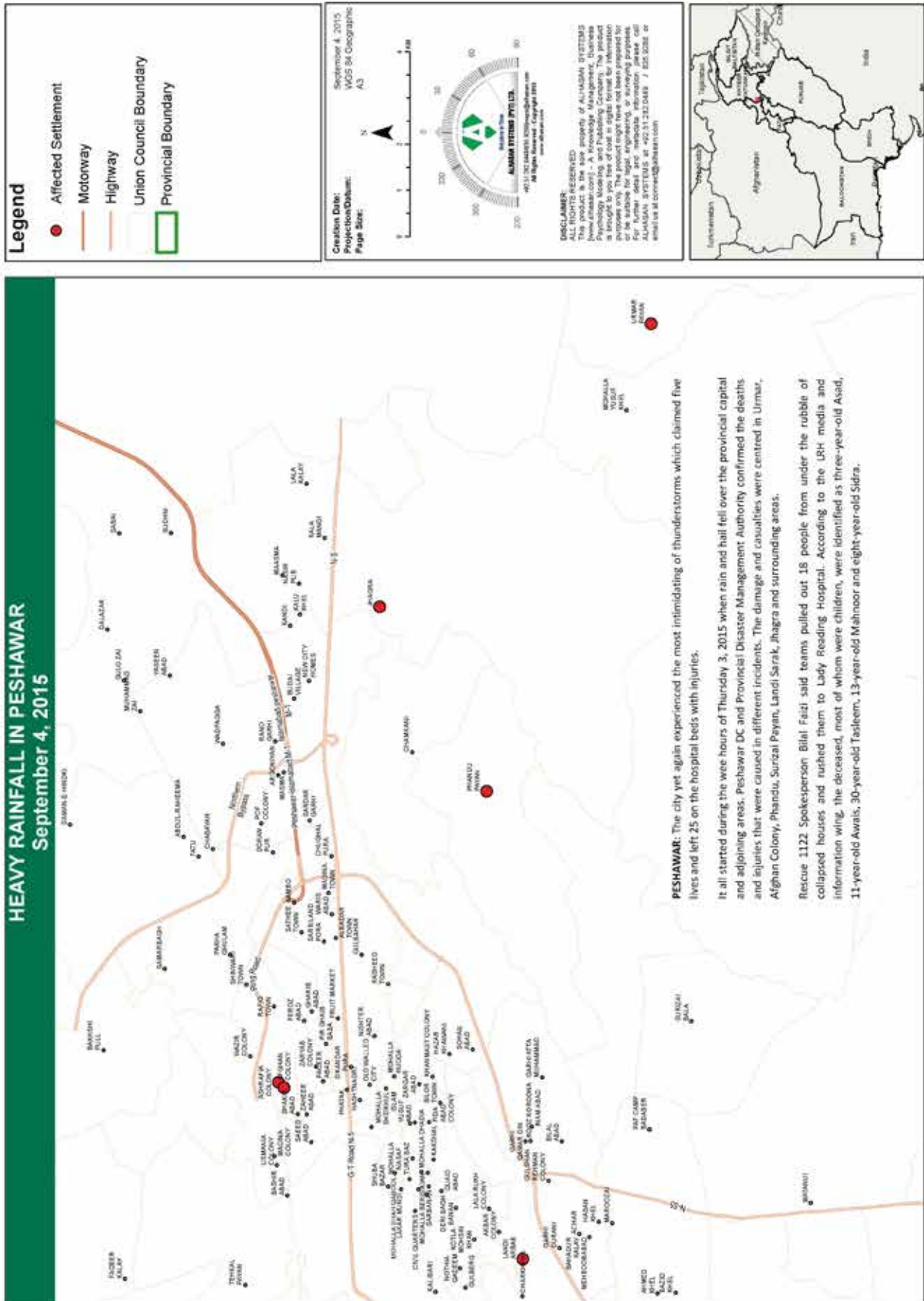
Adviser to Chief Minister on Health Khawaja Salman Rafique said nine centres of excellence will be set up in various cities during the year to improve healthcare. "The government has enhanced health budget from Rs. 121 billion to 166 billion which is a historic step," he said during a press conference. The condition of two major government hospitals of the federal capital is not that much different and patients here also suffer the same plight. "It is really a harsh experience to stay in a government hospital due to inadequate facilities and behavior of staff," said Amjad Hussain who was recently discharged from Medical Ward of Polyclinic hospital. A doctor on the condition of anonymity told APP that the hospital was a hub of problems including inadequate health facilities and medical staff, worthless emergency service, poor security and low standard pediatric and gynecological wards. Meanwhile, State Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division Usman Ibrahim had informed the Upper House of the parliament during a question hour that government was

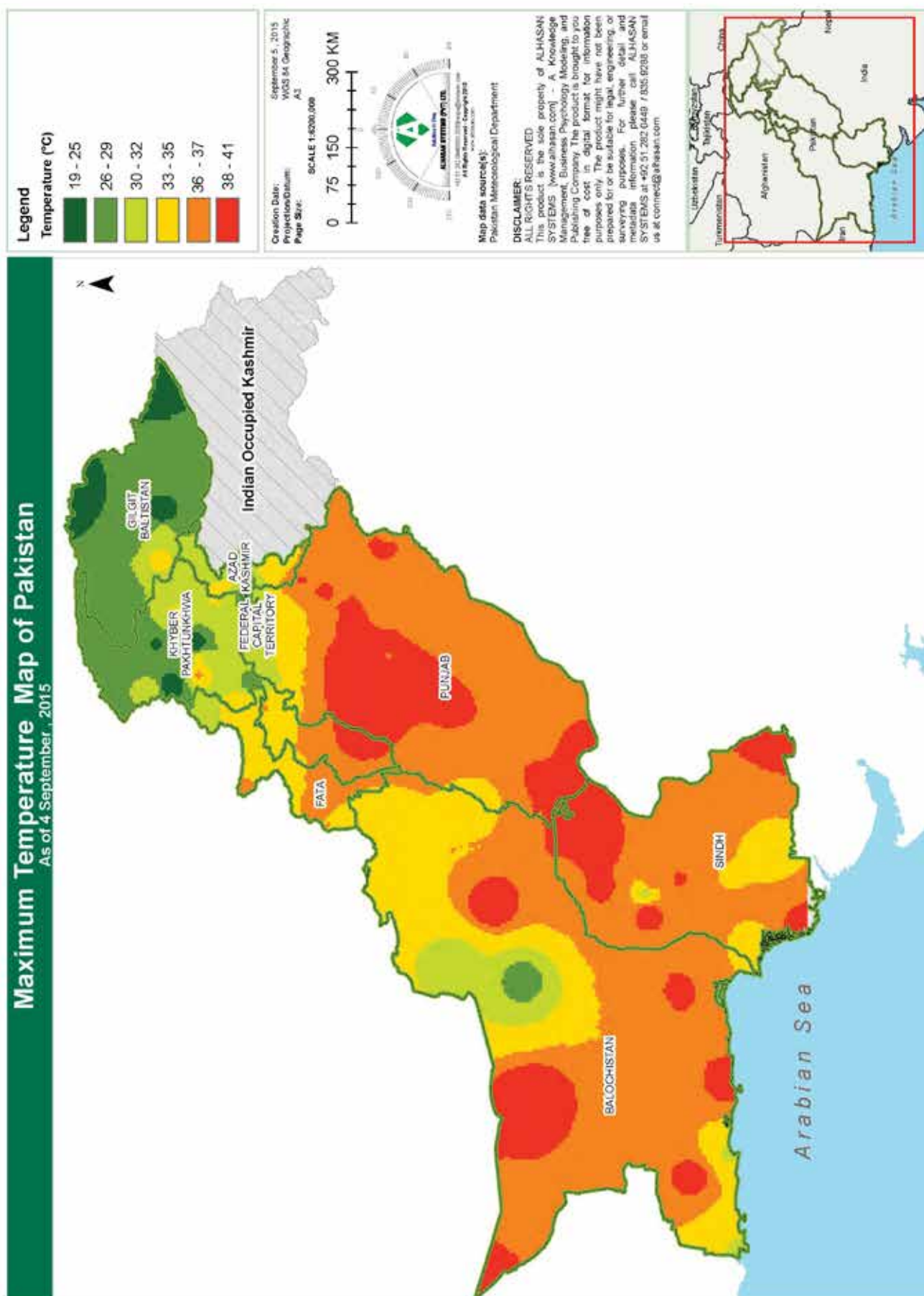


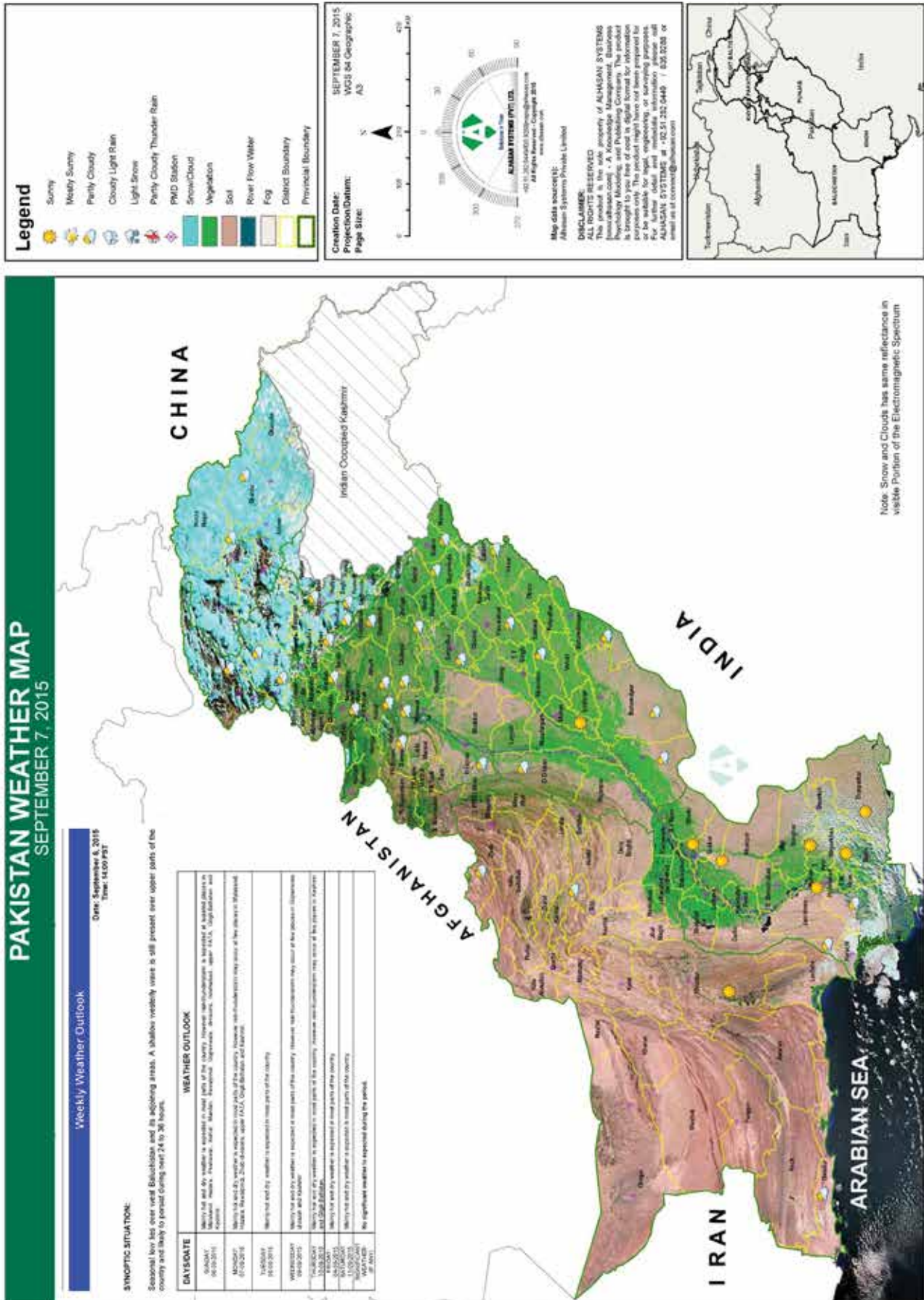
taking various steps to provide better health facilities to the patients in PIMS and FGPC hospital. Extension and reconstruction of Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital has also been planned and additional 2.54 acres of land has been allocated in the adjacent Argentine Park for this purpose, he said. The minister said the government had lifted ban over the purchase of physical assets including machinery, equipment and allocated Rs. 32 million for this purpose, adding, ban on fresh recruitment of medical staff had also been lifted. Though the current government is trying to improve the health and nutrition status of the country through promotional, preventive and rural services, but a lot more was needed to provide quality health services to masses which perhaps need some revolutionary steps.

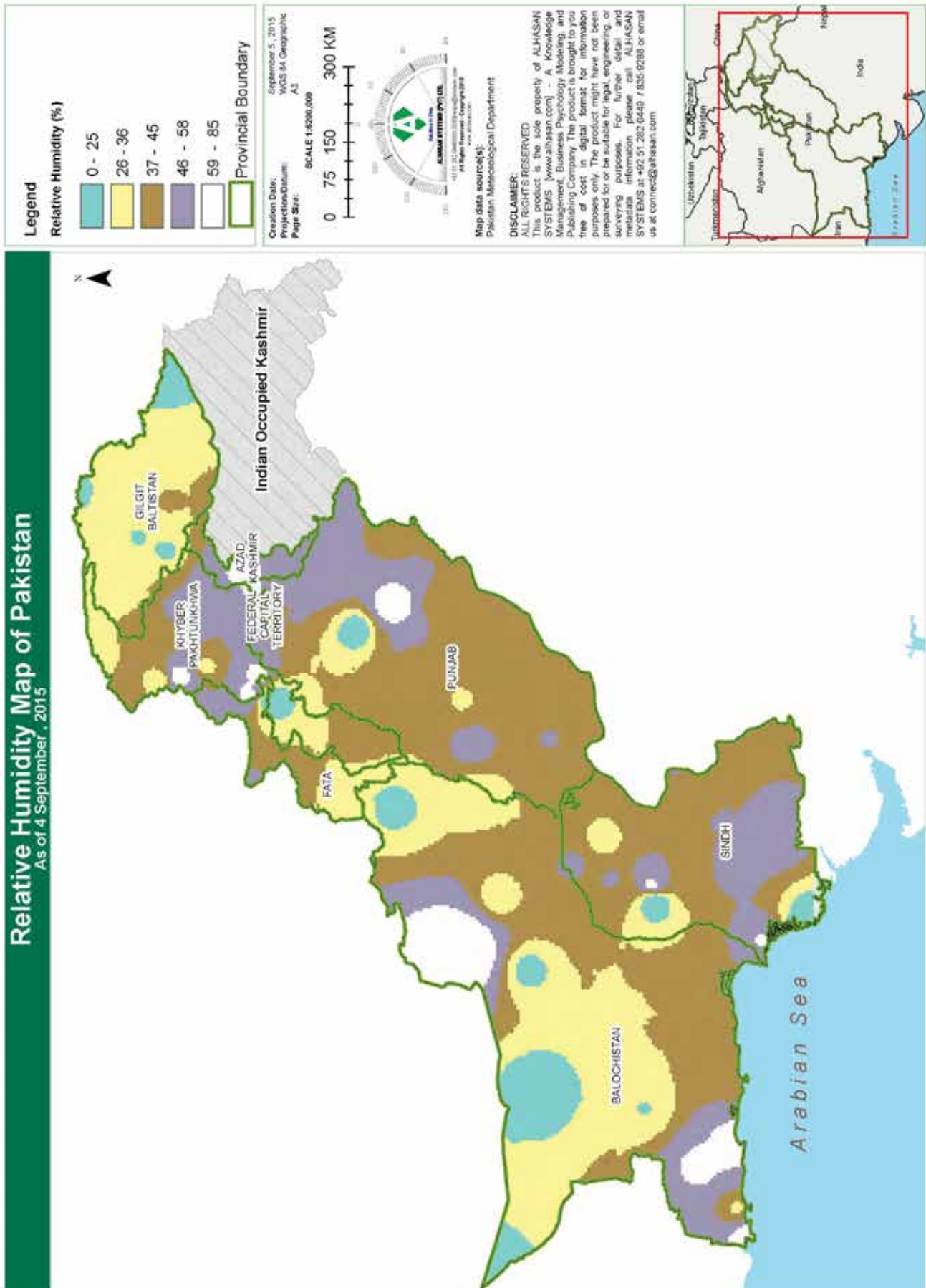








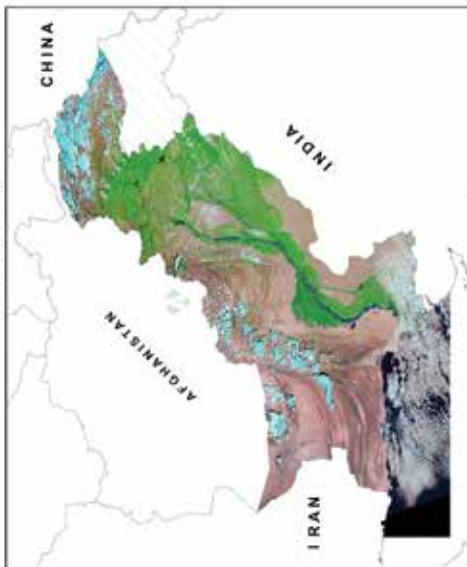




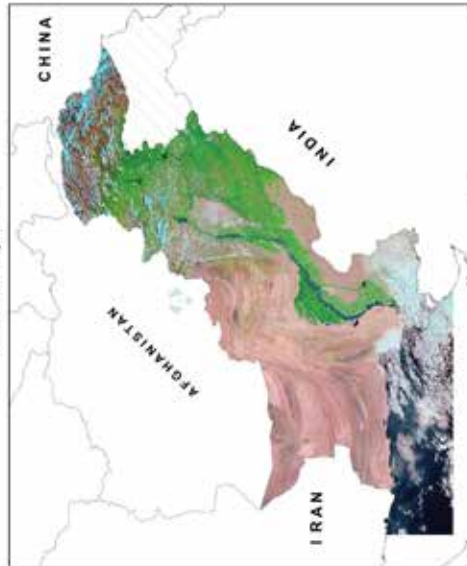


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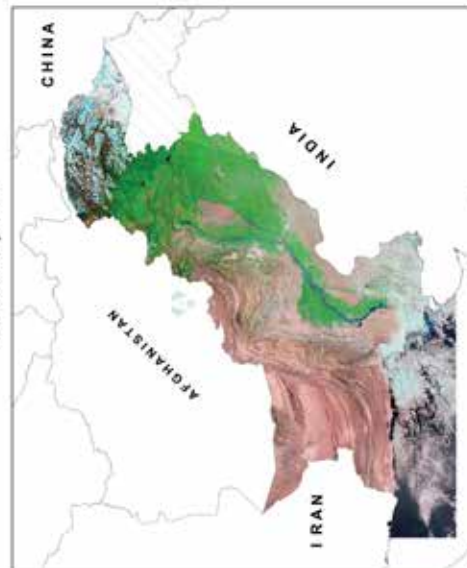
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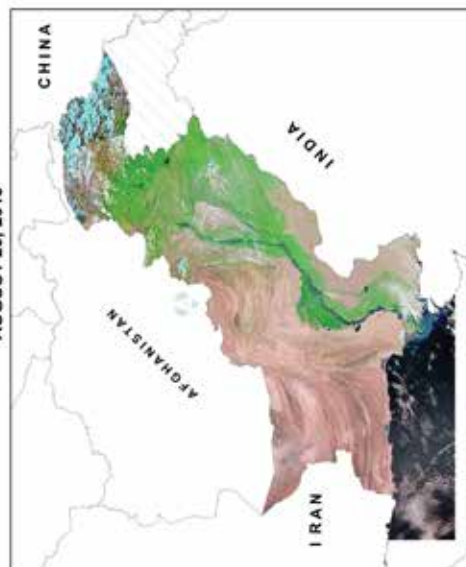
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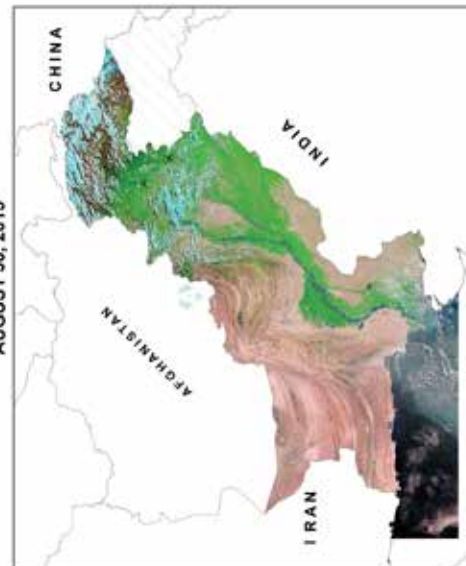
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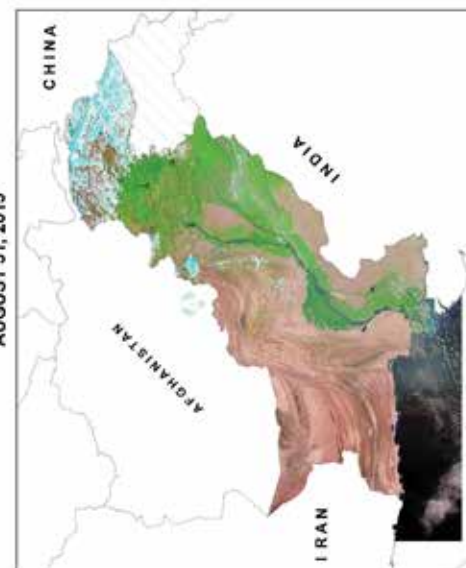
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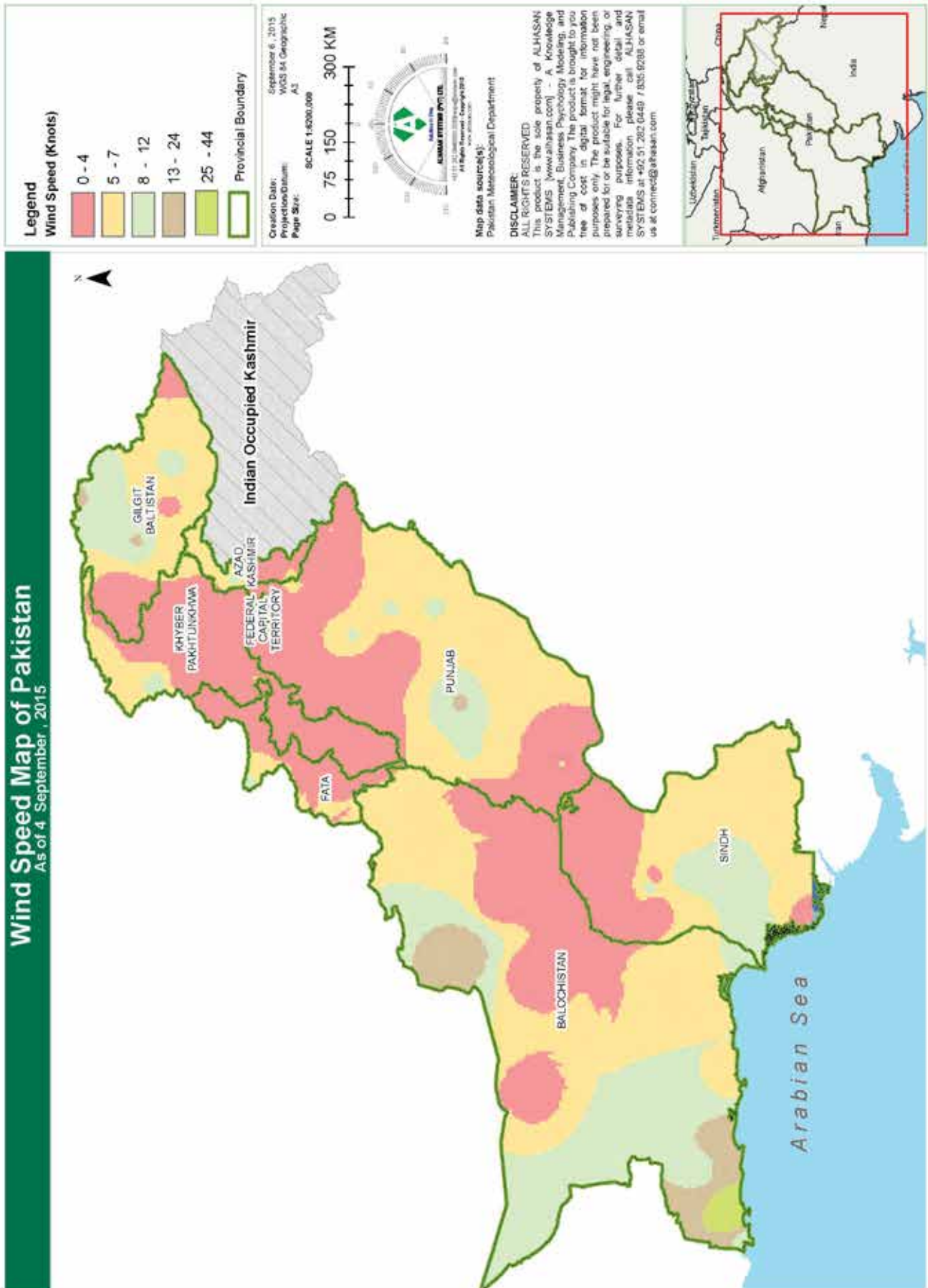
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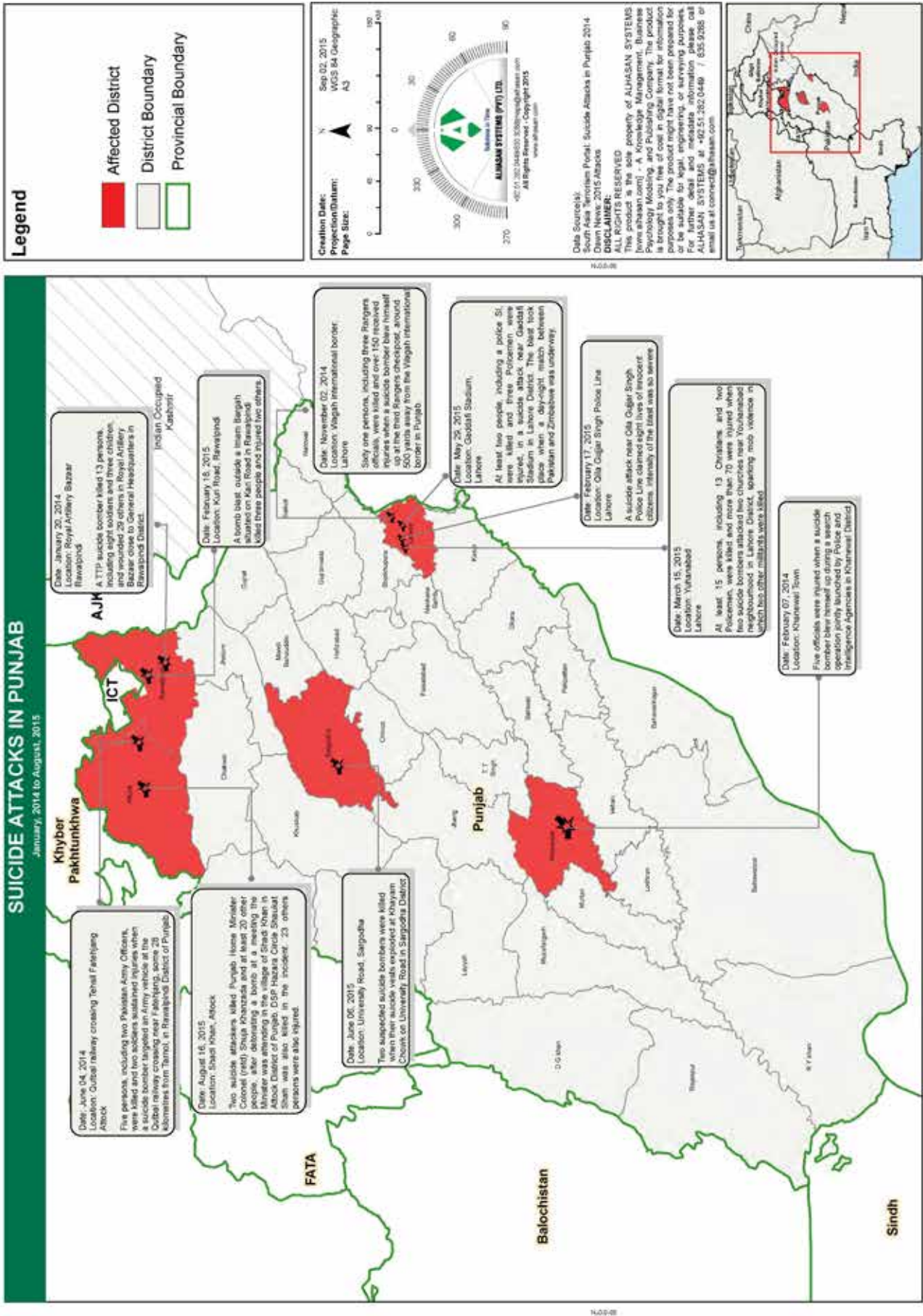
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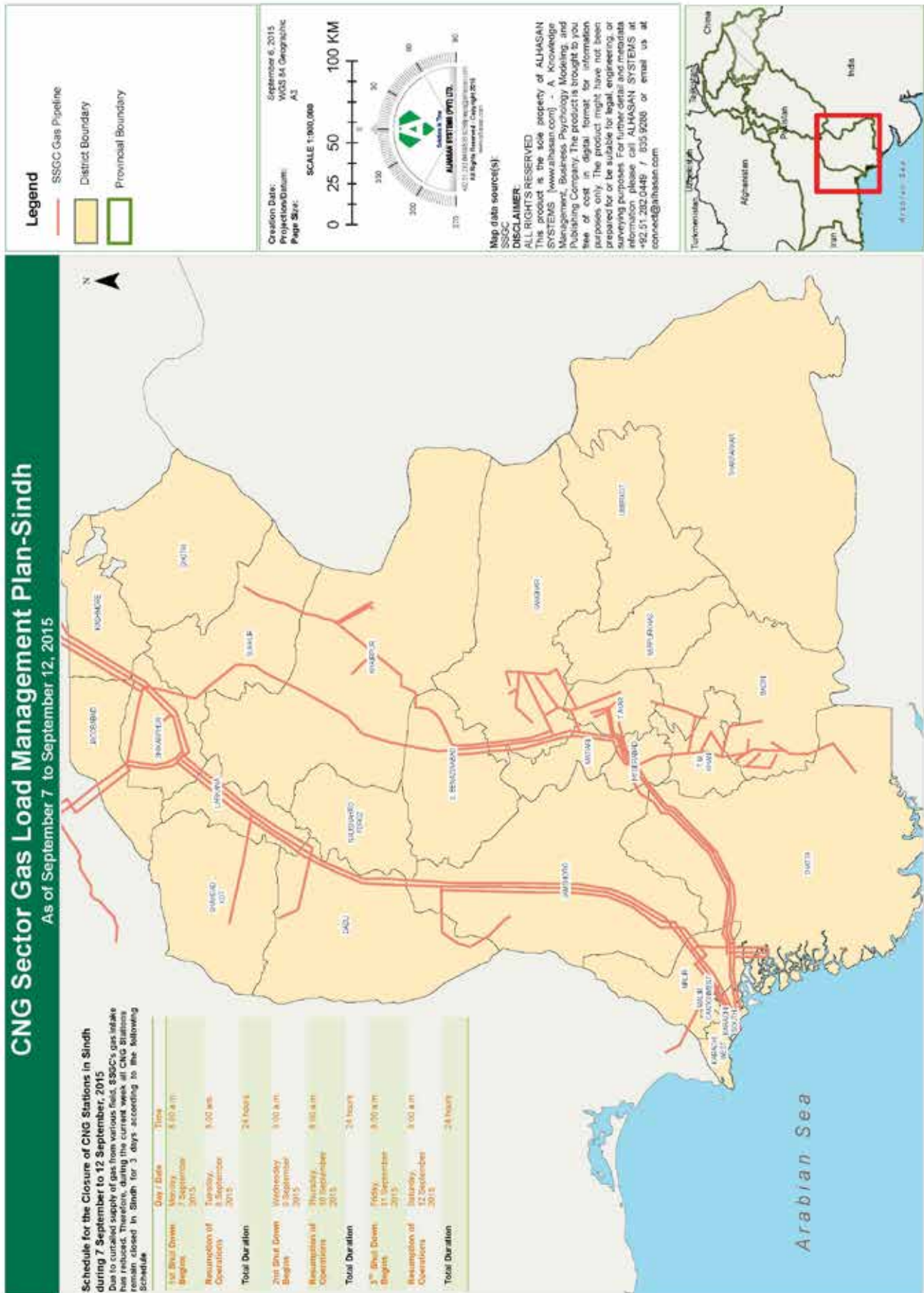
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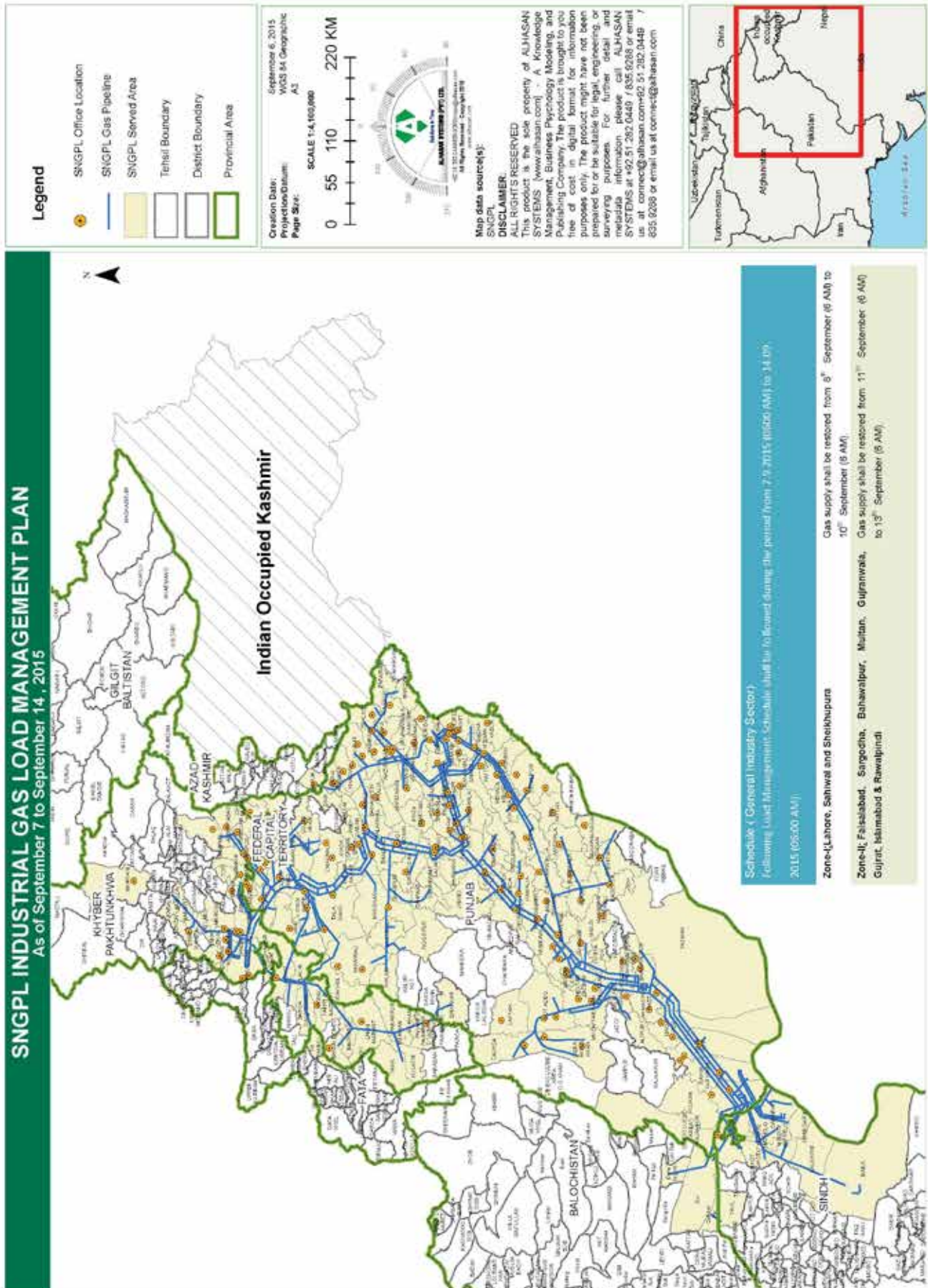








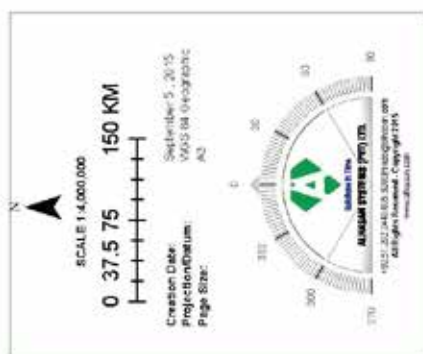
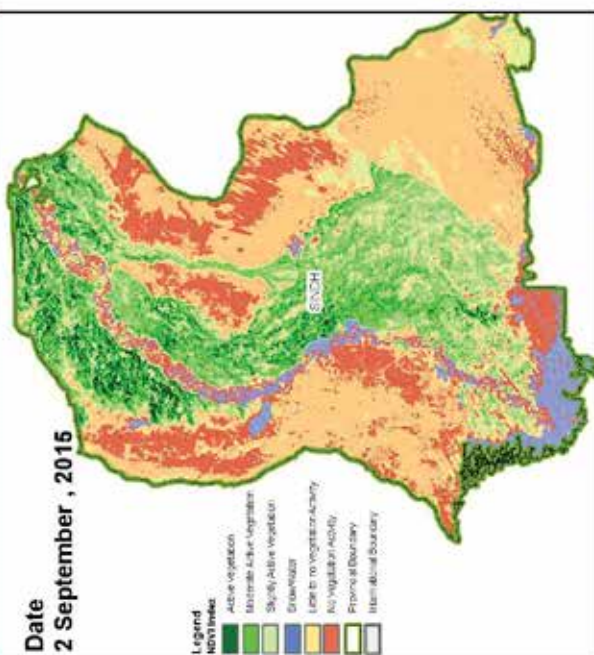




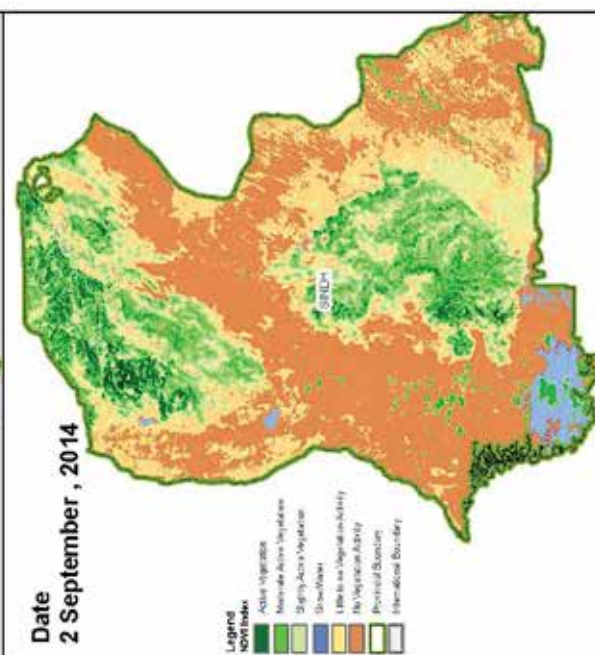
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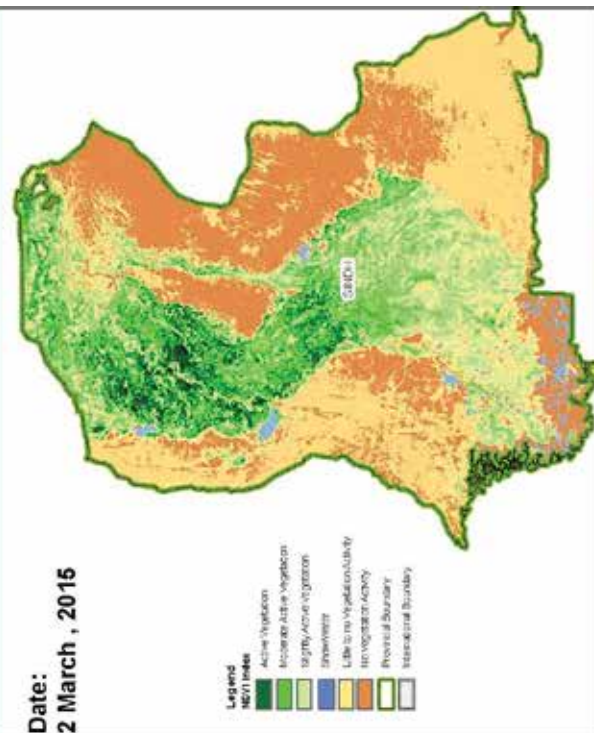


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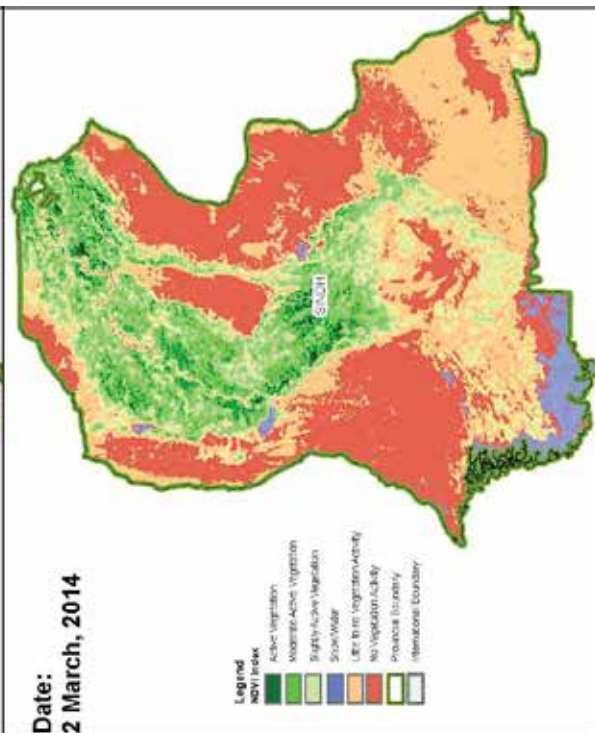
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جانب سے یونیورسٹی کی بہتری کے سلسلے میں اٹھائے گئے تمام اقدامات کی بھرپور حمایت کی جائے گی۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) گورنر ہاؤس نے جامعہ کراچی کے ایکٹ میں تبدیلی کے بغیر ایچ ای جے انسٹی ٹیوٹ آف کیمسٹری، ڈاکٹر جنیو انی سینئر آف مائیکرو ل میڈیسن اینڈ ڈرگ ریسرچ اور انٹرنیشنل سینئر فارمیسیکل اینڈ بیالوجیکل سائنسز کو نیم خود مختاری دے دی ہے اسی طرح آئی بی اے کراچی کے بعد ان تینوں اداروں نے بھی مکمل آزاد ہونے کی طرف اپنا پہلا قدم رکھ دیا ہے گورنر ہاؤس کے پرنسپل سیکریٹری محمد حسین سید جو اس سے قبل ڈاکو یونیورسٹی کے پرووائس چانسلر کی مدت کو وزیر اعلیٰ سندھ کی مرضی کے خلاف از خود تبدیل کر چکے ہیں جامعہ کی ان تینوں اداروں کی نیم خود مختاری کے خط بھی انہوں نے جاری کیا وائس چانسلر ڈاکٹر محمد قیصر کو لکھے گئے خط میں انہوں نے کہا ہے کہ ان تینوں اداروں کے معمولات پر صرف ایگزیکٹو بورڈز اجلاس میں بات ہوگی اور ایگزیکٹو بورڈ میں پوری طرح مسائل اور معمولات پر بحث اور فیصلہ کرنے کا مجاز ہوگا اور جامعہ کے کسی اور ادارے میں ان پر بات نہیں ہوگی واضح رہے کہ ایچ ای جے کے سربراہ گزشتہ 10 سال سے ڈاکٹر اقبال چوہدری ہیں اور جامعہ کراچی کے ایکٹ کے مطابق شعبہ جات، انسٹی ٹیوٹس اور سینٹرز کے سربراہ کی مدت 3 سال مقرر ہے ایچ ای جے کی ایگزیکٹو بورڈ کے اجلاس میں یہ معاملہ سینڈیکٹ کے رکن حارث شعیب نے بھی اٹھایا لچسپ امر یہ بھی ہے کہ ایچ ای جے کے سابق سربراہ اور سابق چیئرمین ڈاکٹر عطا الرحمن ایکٹ میں تبدیلی کے بغیر ہی تاحیات بیٹرن انچیف کا عہدہ سنبھال چکے ہیں جس کی مثال نہیں ملتی کسی اور یونیورسٹی میں اس عہدے کا وجود نہیں وہ عہدے کی بنا پر نہ صرف ایگزیکٹو بورڈ کے اجلاس میں شریک ہوئے بلکہ سلیکشن بورڈ میں بھی شامل رہے ذرائع کے مطابق تیم کوڈ مختاری کا سبب ایچ ای جے کے سربراہ ڈاکٹر اقبال چوہدری کی مدت پہ اعتراض اور ایچ ای جے میں ملازمین کے ساتھ ہونے والی نا انصافیوں کی شکایات کا جائزہ لینے کے سہ رکنی کمیٹی کا قائم ہونا تھا جس کے کنوینیر خود محمد حسین سید تھے جب کہ اراکین میں پروفیسر ڈاکٹر نوشاد اے شیخ اور ڈاکٹر حارث شعیب تھے تاہم دو ماہ گزرنے کے باوجود محمد حسین سعید نے اجلاس بلانا تو درکنار ان تینوں اداروں کی خود مختاری کا نوٹیفکیشن جاری کر دیا۔

کراچی (بابر علی اعوان / اسٹاف رپورٹر) ماں اور نوزائیدہ بچوں کی صحت کے پروگرام (نیشنل ایم این سی ایچ پروگرام سندھ) کا تیسرا مرحلہ آئندہ چند دنوں میں شروع ہو جائے گا۔ پروگرام کے تحت سندھ کے مختلف اضلاع میں اب تک 1836 کمیونٹی مڈوائوز تیار کی گئی ہیں۔ جنہوں نے 2012 سے جون 2015 تک 7 لاکھ 34 ہزار 687 حاملہ خواتین کا معائنہ کیا اور 76 ہزار 888 بچوں کی پیدائش کے کیسز کیے۔ جس کے باعث سندھ کے پسماندہ علاقوں میں ماؤں کی اموات میں کمی ہوئی ہے۔ اس سلسلے میں گفتگو کرتے ہوئے نیشنل ایم این سی ایچ پروگرام سندھ کی مینیجر ڈاکٹر صاحب جان بدر نے جنگ کو بتایا کہ اس پروگرام کے تحت صوبے میں سالانہ 500 کمیونٹی مڈوائوز تیار کی جاتی ہیں۔ سندھ کے ہر ضلع سے میٹرک پاس لڑکیوں کا انتخاب کیا جاتا ہے جنہیں 18 ماہ کا کورس کرایا جاتا ہے دوران تعلیم انہیں 3500 ماہانہ وظیفہ دیا جاتا ہے۔ تعلیم مکمل ہونے پر انہیں ان کے اضلاع میں ایک برتھنگ اسٹیشن قائم کر کے دیا جاتا ہے جو ایک چھوٹا لیبر روم ہوتا ہے یہ برتھنگ اسٹیشن تمام اوزاروں سے لیس ہوتا ہے اور یہاں کمیونٹی مڈوائوز اپنے لوگوں کو خدمات فراہم کرتی ہیں۔ ایک حاملہ خاتون کو چیک کرنے کی فیس 50 روپے جبکہ ڈیلیوری فیس 500 سے 1000 روپے وصول کی جاتی ہے اس کے علاوہ انہیں پروگرام کے تحت 2 ہزار روپے ماہانہ تنخواہ بھی دی جاتی ہے۔ انہوں نے بتایا کہ ایک کمیونٹی مڈوائوز کو تیار کرنے میں 5 سے 6 لاکھ روپے کا خرچہ آتا ہے۔ ان کی تعلیم کے لئے سندھ کے مختلف اضلاع کشور، گھوٹکی، شہدادپور، نوشہرہ فیروز، بالا، ٹنڈو محمد خان، ٹنڈو الہ یار، ٹھٹھہ، دادو، سہون، جیکب آباد، عمرکوٹ، تھرپارکر، بدین اور خیرپور میں کمیونٹی مڈوائوز کے لئے 15 نئے اسکول بھی قائم کیے گئے ہیں۔ جس کے بعد کمیونٹی مڈوائوز کے اسکولوں کی تعداد 25 ہوگئی ہے ان اسکولوں میں اب بھی 1156 لڑکیاں تعلیم حاصل کر رہی ہیں۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) بلدیہ عظمیٰ کراچی نے باقاعدہ مرحلہ وار کراچی کے چھ ڈسٹرکٹس میونسپل کارپوریشنز کے 18 زونز میں محکمہ میونسپل سروسز کے ایم سی کے تحت گلشن اقبال زون کے تمام علاقوں خصوصاً ندی، نالوں اور نشیبی علاقوں پر جراثیم کش ادویہ کا اسپرے کیا گیا۔ فیو میگیشن ہیلتھ کے اعلامیہ کے تحت کہا گیا ہے کہ کراچی کی چھ ڈی ایم سیز کے ہر زون میں 30 گاڑیوں سے اسپرے کیا جا رہا ہے اور ہر زون کی تمام یونین کونسلوں میں لگاتار گاڑیاں روانہ کی جا رہی ہیں۔

گورنر ہاؤس نے جامعہ کراچی کے تین اداروں کو نیم خود مختاری دیدی

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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) ایڈمنسٹریٹر بلدیہ ملیر طارق حسین مغل نے کہا کہ پیپائٹس سی جگر کی سب سے زیادہ مہلک بیماری ہے۔ عالمی ادارہ صحت نے کہا ہے کہ یہ ایک وبائی مرض ہے اسے خاموش وبائی مرض بھی کہا جاتا ہے کیونکہ اس کی دریافت سے پہلے ہی یہ ہزاروں لوگوں کو متاثر کر چکی تھی۔ پیپائٹس سی وائرس 1988 میں جدید سائنسی طریقوں سے دریافت کیا گیا تھا۔ سروے کے مطابق پوری دنیا میں پایا جانے والا یہ وائرس کروڑوں افراد کے جسم کے اندر موجود ہے۔ ان خیالات کا اظہار ایڈمنسٹریٹر بلدیہ ملیر طارق حسین مغل و میونسپل کمشنر منظور عباسی نے بلدیہ ملیر کے مرکزی دفتر بلدیہ ملیر میں پیپائٹس کے حوالے سے فری میڈیکل کیمپ کا افتتاح کرتے ہوئے کیا۔ اس موقع پر فوکل پرسن پیپائٹس پروگرام سندھ گورنمنٹ اسپتال سعود آباد ڈاکٹر ندیم احمد، چیئر مین خدمت عوام و پبلیسیئر آرگنائزیشن زاہر جم، ایکس ای این الیکٹریکل بلدیہ ملیر محمد طاہر شیخ اور دیگر بھی موجود تھے۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) اسلامی نظامت تعلیم سندھ کے ڈائریکٹر پروفیسر محمد اسحاق منصور، کراچی کے ڈائریکٹر انصار احمد خان غوری، ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر سعید احمد صدیقی نے امیر جماعت اسلامی پاکستان سراج الحق کی جانب سے 2 ستمبر 2015 کو ”یوم اردو“ منانے کا خیر مقدم کیا ہے اور کہا ہے کہ ”یوم اردو“ منانے کا فیصلہ قومی خواہشات کی ترجمانی ہے ضرورت اس بات کی ہے کہ پوری قوم علاقائی، سیاسی اور تمام اختلافات کو بالائے طاق رکھتے ہوئے اردو کے نفاذ کی جدوجہد میں شریک ہو جائے کیوں کہ ”اسلام اور اردو“ ہی دو بنیادیں ہیں جو پاکستان کو مستحکم اور یکجا رکھ سکتی ہیں۔ انگریزوں کے جانے کے بعد ان کے شاگرد کالے انگریزوں نے اردو کو نافذ نہیں ہونے دیا اور انگریزی کا تسلط برقرار رکھا اور وہ اب تک غلامانہ ذہنیت سے آزاد نہیں ہو سکے ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ دنیا میں صرف وہی قومیں ترقی کر سکتی ہیں جنہوں نے اپنی زبان کو اختیار کیا اور دفتری و تعلیمی زبان بھی قومی زبان کو بنایا۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) جامعہ این ای ڈی کے تحت اتوار کو داخلہ ٹیسٹ ہوا جس میں 2568 نشستوں کے لیے 10 ہزار سے زائد طلبہ نے شرکت کی داخلہ ٹیسٹ کے سربراہ ڈاکٹر طفیل کے مطابق ٹیسٹ معمول کے مطابق ہوا اور رات 9 بجے نتائج ویب سائٹ پر جاری کر دیئے تھے جبکہ ٹیسٹ کے بعد جو ابلی کاپی بھی امیدواروں کو فراہم کر دی گئی تھی۔ انہوں نے بتایا کہ جیر 31 اگست کو اوپن ڈے رکھا گیا ہے جس میں ٹیسٹ میں پاس ہونے والے تمام امیدواروں اور ان کے والدین کو شرکت کے لیے کہا گیا ہے۔ ٹیسٹ میں شریک طلب کے والدین نے ٹیسٹ کے انتظامات کو سراہا اور کہا کہ والدین کے بیٹے کے لیے اچھے انتظامات کئے گئے تھے۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) انجمن اساتذہ جامعہ کراچی کے صدر اور کن سیٹیکٹ ڈاکٹر جمیل کاظمی نے کہا ہے کہ جامعہ کراچی نے اندر ایک اور جامعہ بنانے کی کوشش برداشت نہیں کی جائے گی ایچ ای جے اور دیگر اداروں کی نیم خود مختاری ہرگز قبول نہیں، لوگ اداروں سے جانے جاتے ہیں ناکہ ادارے لوگوں سے۔ جنگ سے گفتگو کرتے ہوئے انہوں نے کہا کہ جامعہ کراچی کی زمین پر جو بھی ادارہ قائم ہے وہ جامعہ کراچی کا ہے اور سیٹیکٹ کے دائرے میں آتا ہے انھوں نے کہا کہ خود ایچ ای جے کے اسٹیجوز اسمبلی سے منظور شدہ ہیں جن میں تبدیلی بھی اسمبلی ہی کر سکتی ہے فرد واحد کو تبدیلی کے اجازت نہیں دی جاسکتی انہوں نے کہا کہ اب وقت آگیا ہے کہ ایچ ای جے میں ڈائریکٹر میرٹ کے مطابق تین سال کے لیے مقرر کیا جائے وہاں کے ملازمین اور استاذ بھی صورتحال سے تنگ ہیں خود ڈائریکٹر جب رخصت پر تو 7 سالہ ریٹائرڈ پروفیسر ڈاکٹر و قار الدین کو قائم مقام چارج دیا جاتا ہے انہوں نے کہا کہ سیٹیکٹ سے منظوری کے بغیر ہی ایک اعلیٰ شخصیت کے بیٹے کے نام تغیرات کی جاری ہیں۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) وفاقی اردو یونیورسٹی کے قائم مقام وائس چانسلر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر سلیمان ڈی محمد نے عبدالحق کیمپس کے انقلابی جمہوری گروپ کی جانب سے دیئے جانے والے استقبالیہ سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے کہا ہے کہ، تدریسی و تحقیقی نظام کو جدید خطوط پر استوار کیا جا رہا ہے اور اس سلسلے میں متحرک اساتذہ پر مشتمل مختلف کمیٹیاں بھی تشکیل دی گئی ہیں جو تدریسی سے اپنے کام سرانجام دے رہی ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ گزشتہ 13 برسوں میں پہلی مرتبہ ”وفاقیین“ کے نام سے ریسرچ جرنل آف سوشل سائنسز کا اجراء کیا جا رہا ہے اور جلد ہی دیگر شعبوں سے بھی جریڈوں کے اجراء کا آغاز ہو جائے گا۔ اس کے علاوہ سابقہ دور کے غلط اقدامات کی وجہ سے یونیورسٹی کو جو مالی مسائل کا سامنا ہے انہیں بھی دن رات کام کر کے دور کیا جا رہا ہے۔ تقریب سے انقلابی جمہوری گروپ کے کنوینیئر ڈاکٹر اصغر دشتی، بین الاقوامی تعلقات کے صدر ڈاکٹر وسیم الدین نے بھی خطاب کیا۔ صدر شعبہ تعلیمات ڈاکٹر کمال حیدر نے وائس چانسلر کو اجرک جبکہ شعبہ بین الاقوامی تعلقات کے استاد ڈاکٹر ممنون احمد خان نے گلدستہ پیش کیا جبکہ تقریب کی نظامت کے فرائض انچارج ایم فل / پی ایچ ڈی پروگرام شعبہ اردو ڈاکٹر یاسمین سلطانہ نے انجام دیئے۔ تقریب میں صدر شعبہ سندھی ڈاکٹر کمال جامڑو، صدر شعبہ بزنس ایڈمنسٹریشن عبدالصمد اور استاد خرم شاہ نواز، شعبہ بین الاقوامی تعلقات کے اساتذہ ڈاکٹر فیصل جاوید، رضوانہ جبین، افشاں بروہی اور انچارج ڈیٹا بینس خرم مشتاق نے بھی شرکت کی۔ اس موقع پر انقلابی جمہوری گروپ نے ڈاکٹر پروفیسر سلیمان ڈی محمد کے وائس چانسلر بننے کو یونیورسٹی کے لیے خوش آئند قرار دیا اور اس بات کی یقین دہانی کرائی کہ وائس چانسلر کی

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این ای ڈی، داخلہ ٹیسٹ میں 2568 نشستوں کیلئے 10 ہزار سے زائد طلبہ کی شرکت

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گاردو یونیورسٹی میں تدریسی نظام کو جدید خطوط پر استوار کیا جا رہا ہے

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کے سالانہ امتحانات برائے 2016ء میں حصہ لینے کے خواہشمند ایسے امیدوار جن کے پاس تمام مواقع ختم ہو چکے ہیں اپنے رجسٹریشن فارمز 1750 روپے فیس کے ساتھ یکم ستمبر سے 2 نومبر 2015ء تک متعلقہ سیکشن سے ضروری تصدیق کے بعد بورڈ آفس میں واقع بینک برانچ اور بورڈ کی جانب سے نامزد یو بی ایل کی بینک برانچوں میں جمع کروا سکتے ہیں جو امیدوار مقررہ تاریخ تک اپنے امتحانی فارم جمع نہیں کر سکیں وہ 3 نومبر سے 2 دسمبر تک 200 روپے لیٹ فیس کے ساتھ، 3 ستمبر سے 30 دسمبر 2015ء تک 400 روپے لیٹ فیس کے ساتھ اور یکم جنوری 2016ء سے اگلے احکامات تک 600 روپے لیٹ فیس کے ساتھ جمع کروا سکتے ہیں۔

لاہور: لاہور میں واقع میوہسپتال سے متصل لیڈی ایچی سن گائنی اسپتال کے آپریشن تھیٹر ز جراثیم کش اسپرے کرانے کیلئے بند کر دیئے گئے۔ مریضوں اور ان کے ورثا نے اسپتال انتظامیہ کے خلاف احتجاج کیا۔ لیڈی ایچی سن اسپتال میں آئیو الے مریضوں کے ورثا کا کہنا ہے کہ اسپتال انتظامیہ نے بغیر کسی نوٹس اور متبادل انتظامات کے جراثیم کش اسپرے کرنے کے نام پر آپریشن تھیٹر بند کر دیے۔ زہنگی کی حالت میں آئیو الے خواتین کو دوسرے اسپتالوں میں منتقل کیا جا رہا ہے۔ دوسری جانب اسپتال انتظامیہ کا کہنا ہے کہ آپریشن تھیٹر ز جراثیموں سے پاک کرنے کیلئے بند کیے گئے ہیں تاہم ایمر جنسی کی صورت میں 2 آپریشن تھیٹر ز کام کر رہے ہیں۔

لاہور: لیڈی ایچی سن گائنی اسپتال کے آپریشن تھیٹر ز بند کر دیئے گئے

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گوداور (نامہ نگار) جیونی کے سرکاری اسکولوں میں تدریسی کتب قلیل تعداد میں فراہم کی گئی ہے۔ درس و تدریس میں رکاوٹ کا سامنا ہے۔ محکمہ تعلیم درسی کتب کی فراہمی میں اضافہ کرے۔ ان خیالات کا اظہار نیشنل پارٹی جیونی کے پریس سیکریٹری حاجی اختر بلوچ نے اپنے جاری کردہ بیان میں کیا انہوں نے کہا کہ نئے تعلیمی سال کے اجراء کے بعد محکمہ تعلیم کی جانب سے جیونی کے سرکاری اسکولوں کو صرف 25 فیصد درسی کتب جاری کئے گئے ہیں جو ناکافی ہے اکثر سرکاری اسکولوں میں درس و تدریس میں رکاوٹ پیدا ہو گئی ہے۔

جیونی کے سرکاری اسکولوں میں کتابوں کی قلیل تعداد میں فراہمی سے مشکلات

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حیدرآباد (ہیورورپورٹ) ریجنل ڈائریکٹر علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی ریجنل کیمپس حیدرآباد کے ایک اعلامیہ کے مطابق ستمبر خزاں 2015ء کے میٹرک سے پی ایچ ڈی سطح تک کے مختلف پروگراموں میں داخلے یکم ستمبر سے شروع ہو گئے ہیں۔ داخلہ فارم جمع کرانے کی آخری تاریخ بغیر لیٹ فیس کے 4 ستمبر مقرر کی گئی ہے۔ داخلے کے خواہشمند طلباء و طالبات داخلہ فارم ریجنل کیمپس علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی بنگلہ نمبر 26/2 سول لائن بالمقابل پی ٹی سی ایل ٹاور حیدرآباد کے علاوہ قائم کیے گئے سیل پوائنٹس سے حاصل کر سکتے ہیں۔

علامہ اقبال یونیورسٹی میں داخلے کل سے ہو گئے

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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) کراچی پریس کلب میں ہفتے کو ارکان پریس کلب اور ان کے اہل خانہ کیلئے ناک، کان اور گلے کے امراض کے لئے فری کیمپ کا انعقاد تاج ویلفیئر ٹرسٹ کے تحت کیا گیا، جس میں ای این ٹی سرجن ڈاکٹر شانملہ نے مریضوں کا معائنہ کیا۔ اس موقع پر ٹرسٹ کے چیئرمین شاہد اختر اچوت نے کانوں کی بیماریوں اور آلات سماعت کے حوالے سے صحافیوں اور ان کے اہلخانہ کو مفید مشورے دیئے۔

کراچی پریس کلب میں ناک، کان اور گلے کے امراض کے لئے فری کیمپ

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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) بلدیہ عظمیٰ کراچی نے کالگو وائرس سے بچاؤ کے لئے مویشی منڈی سے متعلق ہدایات جاری کر دی ہیں۔ یہ ہدایات بلدیہ عظمیٰ کراچی کے شعبہ میڈیکل اینڈ ہیلتھ سروسز کی ڈائریکٹر ڈاکٹر سلمیٰ کوثر کی جانب سے جاری کی گئی ہیں۔ جس میں کہا گیا ہے کہ مویشیوں میں کالگو وائرس جانچنے کے لیے شہر سے باہر پوائنٹس بنائے جائیں۔ جانوروں کی منڈیوں کے لئے جگہیں مختص کی جائیں۔ ٹول پلازہ پر تمام جانوروں کا معائنہ کیا جائے۔ کے ایم سی، ڈی ایم سیز اور ڈے ایچ اے جانوروں کی جگہوں پر حفظان صحت کے اصول کو مد نظر رکھیں۔ تمام منڈیوں میں ویٹرنری کیمپس قائم کیے جائیں۔ ڈاکٹر زاور ویکسینیشن جانوروں کے معائنہ کے وقت گلوڑ استعمال کریں۔ جانوروں کی منڈیوں میں فوئیو میگیٹیشن کی جائے۔ منڈیوں میں جانے والے شہری پورے اور ہلکے رنگ کے کپڑے پہنیں۔ بچوں کو جانوروں سے دور رکھا جائے۔

کالگو وائرس سے بچاؤ کے لئے مویشی منڈی سے متعلق ہدایات جاری

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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) امیر جماعت اسلامی کراچی حافظ نعیم الرحمن نے کراچی میڈیکل اینڈ ڈینٹل کالج اور عباسی شہید ہسپتال میں پروفیسروں، فیکلٹی ممبران، زیر تربیت پوسٹ گریجویٹ اور ہائوس جاب کرنے والے ڈاکٹروں اور دیگر ملازمین کی تنخواہوں اور واجبات نہ ملنے پر گہری تشویش کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے شدید مذمت کی ہے اور صوبائی حکومت اور بلدیہ عظمیٰ کراچی سے مطالبہ کیا ہے کہ پروفیسروں، ڈاکٹروں اور دیگر ملازمین کی تنخواہوں کی فی الفور ادائیگی کو یقینی بنایا جائے اور کے ایم ڈی سی اور عباسی شہید ہسپتال کے معاملات اور حالات کو بہتر بنانے کے لیے موثر اور ٹھوس اقدامات کیے جائیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ سینئر اساتذہ پروفیسر صاحبان اور ڈاکٹروں کو کئی مہینے سے تنخواہیں نہ ملنے سے ان کے اندر شدید بے چینی اور اضطراب پایا جاتا ہے، صوبائی حکومت اور بلدیہ عظمیٰ کا یہ رویہ ان کے ساتھ سراسر ظلم و زیادتی ہے۔ اس سنگین صورتحال کے باعث ان کی کارکردگی متاثر ہو سکتی ہے لیکن اس کے باوجود یہ اپنی ذمہ داریاں اور تدریسی عمل جاری رکھے ہوئے ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ صورتحال یہ ہے کہ عباسی شہید ہسپتال میں طویل عرصے سے داخل مریضوں کے لیے کھانا تک میسر نہیں ہے۔

ڈاکٹروں اور دیگر ملازمین کی تنخواہوں کی ادائیگی کی جائے، حافظ نعیم الرحمن

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میں بطور سیاسی رشوت بائٹنے پر پرویز مشرف سے کچھ نہیں پوچھا جاتا۔ 2005ء کے اسٹاک ایکسچینج میں ہیرا پھیری کے اسکینڈل سے لے کر پاکستان اسٹیل ملز کی نجکاری تک، 2006ء کے چینی بحران سے لے کر اربوں روپے کے پینے کے شفاف پانی کی فراہمی کے پروجیکٹ میں ہیرا پھیری تک، دفاعی ساز و سامان کی خریداری میں مبینہ ہیرا پھیری، پاک فضائیہ کیلئے گمرانی کے طیاروں کی ڈیل، 2005ء کے زلزلے کے فنڈز میں خورد برد، فوجی زمین جمعیت علمائے اسلام (ف) اور اپنے نجی اسٹاف میں بائٹنے، پنشن اسکینڈل، جکارا میں پاکستان کے اثاثوں کی فروخت، اپنے چیف آف اسٹاف کے فائدے کیلئے اسلام آباد کے ماسٹر پلان میں تبدیلی اور ایسے کئی دیگر اسکینڈلز اور غیر آئینی تقرریاں ہیں جو فوجی حکمران نے کیں؛ لیکن نیب نے ان میں سے ایک پر بھی نظر نہیں ڈالی۔ پرویز مشرف اپنے دور حکومت میں ارب پتی بنے، ملک کے اندر اور باہر جائیدادیں بنائیں، لیکن ان سے ایک بھی سوال نہیں پوچھا گیا جبکہ نیب سیاسی رہنماؤں کے اثاثوں کے ریفرنسز بنانے میں مصروف ہے۔

کوئٹہ کوئٹہ میں پولیو کے خطرے کی گھنٹی بج گئی، شہر کے نواحی علاقوں میں دو سیوریج ٹانگوں کے نمونوں میں پولیو وائرس پایا گیا ہے۔ انسداد پولیو سینٹر کوئٹہ کے مطابق کوئٹہ کے نواحی علاقوں جبکہ تختانی بائی پاس اور سرپل خروٹ آباد کے سیوریج ٹانگوں میں پولیو وائرس پایا گیا ہے، جس کے بعد خطرہ ہے کہ اس نالے کے آس پاس رہنے والے بچے اس سے متاثر ہو سکتے ہیں۔ یاد رہے کہ رواں سال بلوچستان میں کوئٹہ سے پولیو کے دو کیسز پہلے ہی رپورٹ ہو چکے ہیں۔

کراچی پاکستان میں دوا ساز کمپنیوں کی نمائندہ تنظیم نے ملک میں جعلی ادویہ سے متعلق امریکی نشریاتی ادارے کی خبر کو حقائق کے برعکس قرار دے دیا ہے۔ امریکی نشریاتی ادارے کی خبر پر گفتگو کرتے ہوئے پاکستان فارما مینوفیکچر ایسوسی ایشن کے لیگل ہیڈ زاہد سعید کا کہنا ہے کہ ملک میں 550 سے زائد ادویات ساز کمپنیاں ہیں جو ملک میں ادویات کی 90 فیصد ضرورت کو پورا کرتی ہیں۔ تاہم پی پی ایم اے نے ملک میں جعلی ادویات بننے کا اعتراف بھی کیا ہے۔ دوسری جانب ملک میں ادویات کی رجسٹریشن اور اس کی جانچ پڑتال کے لیے سنہ 2012 میں ڈرگ ریگولیٹری اتھارٹی سمیت صوبائی سطح پر ڈرگ ٹیسٹنگ لیبارٹریز کا قیام عمل میں لایا گیا لیکن ان کی حالت انتہائی ناقص ہے۔ حکومتی سفید گئی کا اندازہ اس بات سے لگایا جاسکتا ہے کہ پورے سندھ میں ادویہ کی جانچ پڑتال کے لیے صرف 25 ڈرگ انسپیکٹرز تعینات ہیں۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) جامعہ کراچی کے وائس چانسلر ڈاکٹر محمد قیصر کی طبیعت پیر کو دوران اجلاس خراب ہو گئی جس کے بعد انہیں نجی اسپتال منتقل کر دیا گیا۔ اسپتال ذرائع کے مطابق انہیں تیز بخار ہے اور ملیریا کے آثار ہیں۔ جبکہ وائس چانسلر کے خون کے نمونے ٹیسٹ کیلئے لیبارٹری بھیج دیے گئے ہیں۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) صوبائی وزیر صحت جام مہتاب حسین ڈہرنے کہا ہے کہ شہر میں ڈینگی کے خلاف جاری مہم میں 5 لاکھ آگئی پمفلٹ تقسیم کئے جائیں گے اس مہم کا مقصد عوام میں ڈینگی سے متعلق بھرپور آگہی فراہم کرنا ہے اپنے جاری ایک بیان میں انہوں نے کہا کہ رواں ہفتے کے دوران شہر کے بیشتر سڑکیں نجی اسکولز میں آگئی پمفلٹ تقسیم کئے جائیں گے اور ڈائریکٹر پرائیویٹ اسکولز کو اس سلسلے میں تحریری طور پر آگاہ کر دیا گیا ہے انہوں نے کہا کہ آگئی مہم کی کامیابی میں سوشل موبلائزنگ کا کردار بہت اہم ہے۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) اعلیٰ ثانوی تعلیمی بورڈ کراچی کے ناظم امتحانات محمد عمران خان چشتی نے انٹر آرٹس اور کامرس گروپس کے پرائیویٹ امیدواروں کیلئے رجسٹریشن فارمز جمع کرانے کی تاریخوں کا اعلان کر دیا ہے۔ تفصیلات بتاتے ہوئے محمد عمران خان چشتی نے کہا کہ انٹر میڈیٹ کے سالانہ امتحانات برائے 2016ء میں حصہ لینے کے خواہشمند ایسے امیدوار جن کے پاس تمام مواقع ختم ہو چکے ہیں اپنے رجسٹریشن فارمز 1750 روپے فیس کے ساتھ یکم ستمبر سے 2 نومبر 2015ء تک متعلقہ سیکشن سے ضروری تصدیق کے بعد بورڈ آفس میں واقع بینک برانچ اور بورڈ کی جانب سے نامزد دیوبی ایل کی بینک برانچوں میں جمع کروا سکتے ہیں جو امیدوار مقررہ تاریخ تک اپنے امتحانی فارم جمع نہیں کر سکیں وہ 3 نومبر سے 2 دسمبر تک 200 روپے لیٹ فیس کے ساتھ، 3 دسمبر سے 30 دسمبر 2015ء تک 400 روپے لیٹ فیس کے ساتھ اور یکم جنوری 2016ء سے اگلے احکامات تک 600 روپے لیٹ فیس کے ساتھ جمع کروا سکتے ہیں۔

لاہور لاہور میں واقع میو اسپتال سے متصل لیڈی ایچی سن گائے اسپتال کے آپریشن تھیٹر ز جراثیم کش اسپرے کرانے کیلئے بند کر دیئے گئے۔ مریضوں اور ان کے ورثا نے اسپتال انتظامیہ کے خلاف احتجاج کیا۔ لیڈی ایچی سن اسپتال میں آنیوالے مریضوں کے ورثا کا کہنا ہے کہ اسپتال انتظامیہ نے بغیر کسی نوٹس اور متبادل انتظامات کے جراثیم کش اسپرے کرنے کے نام پر آپریشن تھیٹر بند کر دیے۔ زچگی کی حالت میں آنیوالی خواتین کو دوسرے اسپتالوں میں منتقل کیا جا رہا ہے۔ دوسری جانب اسپتال انتظامیہ کا کہنا ہے کہ آپریشن تھیٹر ز جراثیموں سے پاک کرنے کیلئے بند

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بلوئی شاہ کریم (نامہ نگار) سندھ ہائی کورٹ کے حکم پر چنگچی رکشوں کے شہر میں داخل ہونے پر پابندی عائد ہے جس کے باعث مختلف شہروں میں چنگچی رکشوں کے خلاف کارروائی کا آغاز کیا گیا ہے تاہم تحصیل میرپور بھورو میں ابھی تک پولیس یا متعلقہ اداروں کی جانب سے چنگچی رکشوں کے خلاف کوئی کارروائی عمل میں نہیں لائی گئی اور چنگچی رکشہ مالکان کی من مانیوں جاری ہیں اور چنگچی رکشے چلانے والوں نے مین پروو نشل ہائی وے اور شہر کی مرکزی شاہراہ کویر غمال بنارکھا ہے شہریوں نے ڈی آئی جی پولیس (حیدر آباد ریجن) اور ایس ایس پی ضلع سجاول سے چنگچی رکشوں کے خلاف کارروائی کا مطالبہ کیا ہے۔

میرپور ماٹیلو (نامہ نگار) انٹرنیٹ سروس کے سگنلز گزشتہ 3 ہفتوں سے مسلسل ڈراپ ہونے سے صحافیوں اور کاروباری حلقوں کے افراد کے ساتھ دیگر صارفین بھی پریشانی کا شکار ہیں، متعدد بار متعلقہ حکام سے شکایات کے باوجود کوئی حل نہیں ہوا صارفین نے اس سلسلے میں پی ٹی سی ایل کے اعلیٰ حکام سے فوری طور پر خرابی دور کرنے کا مطالبہ کیا ہے۔

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انٹرنیٹ سگنلز ڈراپ ہونے سے صارفین کو پریشانی

کندھ کوٹ (نامہ نگار) کندھ کوٹ اور کشمور میں بجلی کی غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ کیخلاف غلام ربانی منگی، عبدالرحیم منگی، حاجی بلیدی، آغا نعیم کی قیادت میں احتجاجی مظاہرہ کیا گیا انکا کہنا تھا روزانہ 16 سے 17 گھنٹے غیر قانونی لوڈ شیڈنگ کی جارہی ہے اور بجلی کے زائد بل بھی بھیجے جارہے ہیں مظاہرین سخت نعرے بازی کر رہے تھے۔

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کندھ کوٹ: غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ کے خلاف احتجاجی مظاہرہ

اسلام آباد (انصار عباسی) جزل پرویز مشرف اور ان کی حکومت کے خلاف کرپشن کا ایک بھی مقدمہ درج نہیں کیا گیا حالانکہ برلن میں قائم بین الاقوامی نگران ادارے ٹرانس پیر نی انٹرنیشنل نے گزشتہ 15 برس کے اعداد و شمار کے تحت سابق فوجی حکمران کے دور کو کرپٹ ترین دور قرار دیا ہے۔ کرپشن کے حوالے سے سالانہ بنیادوں پر رپورٹ (گلوبل کرپشن بیرومیٹر اور کرپشن پریوینشن انڈیکس) جاری کرنے والے ادارے ٹرانس پیر نی انٹرنیشنل نے اپنی رپورٹ میں دنیا کے مختلف ملکوں کا تقابلی جائزہ پیش کیا ہے، جسے دیکھ کر معلوم ہوتا ہے کہ پرویز مشرف کا دور پینلز پارٹی کی گزشتہ حکومت (جس میں یوسف رضا گیلانی اور راجہ پرویز اشرف وزیر اعظم تھے) کے مقابلے میں کہیں زیادہ کرپٹ دور تھا۔ لیکن، یہ مسلم لیگ (ن) کی موجودہ حکومت ہے جس نے 2013ء اور 2014ء کے دوران ملک کیلئے بہتر اقدامات کیے اور 1996ء میں ٹرانس پیر نی کی جانب سے پہلی مرتبہ عالمی کرپشن رپورٹ جاری کیے جانے سے اب تک یہ بہتر دور ثابت ہوا ہے۔ رپورٹ میں بتایا گیا ہے کہ 1996ء میں اس وقت بینظیر بھٹو کی حکومت تھی اور اس وقت کے جائزے کے مطابق پاکستان کو 100 میں سے 10 نمبر (یعنی 10/1) اسکور ملا تھا۔ لیکن بعد میں 2004ء اور 2005ء کے دوران جب جزل پرویز مشرف حکمران تھے اس وقت عالمی ادارے کی رپورٹ کے مطابق پاکستان کا اسکور 100 میں سے 21 (یعنی 21/10) رہا۔ اگرچہ پینلز پارٹی کی گزشتہ حکومت کو عمومی طور پر ملکی تاریخ کی کرپٹ ترین حکومت سمجھا جاتا ہے لیکن ٹرانس پیر نی انٹرنیشنل کی رپورٹ دیکھ کر معلوم ہوتا ہے کہ پینلز پارٹی کے دور حکومت یعنی 2009ء میں کرپشن کے حوالے سے پاکستان کا اسکور 100 میں سے 24 رہا جس کا مطلب یہ ہوا کہ فوجی حکمران کی حکومت کے مقابلے میں پینلز پارٹی کی حکومت کا اسکور تین نمبر بہتر تھا۔ ٹرانس پیر نی انٹرنیشنل کی گزشتہ 19 سال کی رپورٹ دیکھنے سے معلوم ہو گا کہ 1996ء میں پاکستان کا اسکور 100/10، 1997ء میں 100/25، 1998ء میں 100/27، 1999ء میں 100/22 تھا۔ 2000ء میں ادارے کی جانب سے رپورٹ جاری نہیں کی گئی تھی۔ اس کے بعد 2001ء میں اسکور 100/23، 2002ء میں 100/26، 2003ء میں 100/25، 2004ء میں 100/21، 2005ء میں 100/21، 2006ء میں 100/22، 2007ء میں 100/24، 2008ء میں 100/25، 2009ء میں 100/24، 2010ء میں 100/23، 2011ء میں 100/25، 2012ء میں 100/27، 2013ء میں 100/28 اور 2014ء میں 100/29 رہا۔ یہ بہت ہی دلچسپ بات ہے کہ کرپٹ افراد کے خلاف نیب، ایف آئی اے حتیٰ کہ ریجنل کے آپریشن میں سولین حکومتوں پر توجہ مرکوز رکھی گئی ہے لیکن بڑی ہی آسانی کے ساتھ جزل پرویز مشرف کے 9 برس کے دور حکومت میں ہونے والی کرپشن اور بڑے اسکینڈلز پر آنکھیں بند ہیں۔ نیب کی جانب سے حال ہی میں سپریم کورٹ میں جمع کرائی جانے والی رپورٹ میں جزل پرویز مشرف کے دور حکومت میں سامنے آنے والے اربوں روپے کے میگا اسکینڈلز اور کرپشن کیسز میں کوئی ذکر نہیں ہے۔ تقریباً ہر بڑے سیاسی رہنما بشمول وزیر اعظم نواز شریف، سابق صدر آصف علی زرداری، سابق وزراء اعظم وغیرہ کو دہائیوں پرانے مختلف مقدمات میں ملزم قرار دیا جا چکا ہے لیکن پرویز مشرف اور ان کے ساتھیوں اور وزیروں کا کوئی ذکر ہی نہیں۔ سولین عہدیداروں سے سرکاری زمینیں اپنے من پسند افراد میں بانٹنے پر سوالات پوچھے جاتے ہیں لیکن شہداء کے اہل خانہ کیلئے مختص 10 ہزار کنال فوجی زمین اپنے من پسند افراد

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پہلے مرحلے میں انتہائی حساس علاقے، جبکہ دوسرے مرحلے میں حساس علاقے اور آخری مرحلے میں عام علاقوں میں معمول کے مطابق پولیو مہم کی جائے گی۔ محکمہ صحت کے مطابق 7 ستمبر سے جاری پولیو مہم کے دوران 22 لاکھ بچوں کو پولیو سے بچانے کے لئے قطرے پلائے جائیں گے، جبکہ انجکشن کے ذریعے بھی ویکسینیشن کی جائے گی۔

کوئٹہ کوئٹہ میں پولیو کا ایک نیا کیس سامنے آگیا، رواں سال کے دوران ملک بھر میں پولیو کیسز کی تعداد 30 ہو گئی ہے۔ محکمہ صحت حکام کے مطابق کوئٹہ میں پولیو کا جو نیا کیس سامنے آیا ہے اس میں بچے میں پولیو کا پی وی ون وائرس پایا گیا ہے جو ایک سے دوسرے بچے میں باآسانی منتقل ہوتا ہے۔ رواں سال کے دوران ملک بھر میں پولیو کے 30 کیسز رپورٹ کیے گئے ہیں جس کے مطابق خیبر پختونخوا میں 13، سندھ 4، بلوچستان 5 اور فنانا میں آٹھ کیسز رپورٹ ہوئے۔

کوئٹہ میں پولیو کا ایک نیا کیس سامنے آگیا

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کراچی (سٹاف رپورٹر) اینگرو ایل این جی ٹریڈنگ کمپنی (ای ای ٹی ٹی ایل) نے پاکستان کے پہلے مائع قدرتی گیس (ایل این جی) درآمدی ٹرمینل کے لئے انٹر نیشنل فنانس کارپوریشن کی جانب سے ایٹوئیٹ لمیٹڈ (ای ای ٹی ٹی ایل) سے ایٹوئیٹ انسٹالمنٹ اور قرضہ کی مدد میں 2 کروڑ ڈالر وصول کر لیے ہیں۔ یہ منصوبہ ملک میں جاری توانائی بحران پر قابو پانے میں معاون ثابت ہو گا۔ آئی ایف سی کی 2 کروڑ ڈالر کی سرمایہ کاری پورٹ قاسم پر 125 ملین ڈالر کی خطیر لاگت سے قائم ہونے والے ایل این جی ٹرمینل کے ڈیزائن، کنسٹرکشن اور آپریشن پر خرچ کی جائے گی۔ ٹرمینل فلوئنگ اسٹوریج اینڈری گیسٹیکیشن یونٹ کو استعمال کرتا ہے جسے امریکا کی اسکیلریٹ انرجی کمپنی نے فراہم کیا ہے۔ ٹرمینل 4.5 ملین ٹن ایل این جی کی مینڈلنگ کرنے کی صلاحیت رکھتا ہے جس کی بدولت ملک میں بجلی کی قلت کو کم کرنے اور مینڈل ڈیزل اور تیل کی بھاری درآمدات کو کم کرنے میں مدد ملے گی۔ اینگرو کارپوریشن کے سی ای او خالد سبحانی نے کہا کہ بجلی کی پیداوار کے لئے قدرتی گیس کی درآمد ایک سستا اور موزوں ذریعہ ہے خاص طور پر جب پاکستان کے ذخائر تیزی سے کم ہو رہے ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا یہ منصوبہ پاکستان کے بجلی پیدا کرنے کے ذرائع کو متنوع کرنے اور پاکستان کے لیے بین الاقوامی ایل این جی مارکیٹ کھولنے میں معاون ثابت ہو گا۔ 135 ملین ڈالر کی لاگت سے قائم کیا گیا ایل این جی ٹرمینل اپنی طرز کا واحد ٹرمینل ہے جسے محض 179 دنوں کی قلیل مدد میں تعمیر کیا گیا جبکہ معاہدے کے تحت منصوبے کو 335 دنوں میں تعمیر ہونا تھا۔ فلوئنگ اسٹوریج اینڈری گیسٹیکیشن یونٹ ویسل کے لیے اینگرو سے 300 ملین ڈالر کے لیے پندرہ سالہ معاہدہ کیا گیا ہے۔ ٹرمینل کو پہلی پشٹ 26 مارچ 2015 کو موصول ہوئی اور اب تک 9 کارگو کو پینڈل کیا گیا ہے۔ ایک اندازے کے مطابق اس منصوبے کی بدولت ملک کے درآمدی بل میں سالانہ ایک ارب ملین ڈالر کی متوقع بچہ پاکستان کے خام تیل کا درآمدی بل تقریباً 15 ارب ڈالر ہے۔

اینگرو ایل این جی ٹرمینل میں انٹر نیشنل

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کراچی (سٹاف رپورٹر) سول ایوی ایشن اتھارٹی میں 12 فلائٹ انسپکٹر پائلٹس بھرتی کئے جارہے ہیں اس سلسلے میں مشترکہ گنی اسمبلیوں میں عمر کی حد 63 سال مقرر کی گئی ہے پاکستان ایئر لائن پائلٹ ایسوسی ایشن پالپا کے صدر کیپٹن عامر ہاشمی کا کہنا تھا کہ فلائٹ انسپکٹروں کی بھرتی کے لئے عمر کی حد 63 سال مقرر کرنا سپریم کورٹ کے فیصلے اور فیڈرل گورنمنٹ ای ایس ٹی اے کوڈ کے خلاف ہے۔ انہوں نے مزید کہا کہ یہ بھرتی دزیر اعظم کی منظوری کے بغیر ہے اس لیے یہ قواعد کے بھی خلاف ہے۔ تاہم سی اے اے ترجمان کا کہنا ہے کہ سی اے اے نے عمر کی حد کے حوالے سے وزیراعظم سے اجازت حاصل کر رکھی ہے اسی لئے اسمبلیوں میں عمر کی حد 63 سال مقرر کی گئی ہے عمر کی حد میں نرمی کرنے کا وزیراعظم کو اختیار ہے۔ پالپا صدر کا کہنا تھا کہ دنیا بھر میں 2 لاکھ سے زائد پائلٹ ایئر لائن انڈسٹری میں کام کر رہے ہیں اور ان میں سے ایک فیصد بھی بی ایس سی کی ڈگری کے حامل نہیں ہیں۔ پائلٹ کا پیشہ انجینئر اور ڈاکٹر کی طرح ایک خاص صلاحیت کا پیشہ ہے جس کے لیے بنیادی تعلیم صرف ایف ایس سی ہے تاہم زیادہ تر ممالک میں پائلٹ لائسنس (ایئر لائن ٹرانسپورٹ پائلٹ لائسنس)، اے ٹی پی ایل کو ماسٹر کی ڈگری کے برابر تسلیم کیا جاتا ہے۔ اس کے برعکس اتھارٹی کے اشتہار میں جان بوجھ کر تعلیمی قابلیت کی شرط بی ایس سی رکھی گئی ہے تاکہ کوئی بھی عام شہری پائلٹ اس مخصوص ملازمت کے لیے درخواست نہ دے سکے جو کہ عالمی ایئر لائن انڈسٹری کے مروجہ اصول اور طریقہ کار کے خلاف ہے۔ اس سے یہ بھی ظاہر ہوتا ہے کہ یہ شرط مخصوص پائلٹوں کو نوازنے کیلئے رکھی گئی ہے۔ سیکریٹری ایوی ایشن اور وزیراعظم کے مشیر خاص برائے ایوی ایشن کو ایئر لائن اور اس کے دیگر ریگولیٹری معاملات کو چلانے کا کوئی سابقہ تجربہ نہیں ہے۔ حکومت کو چاہیے کہ ان کی معاونت کے لیے تجربہ کار افراد کو تعینات کیا جائے تاکہ ایوی ایشن کے معاملات کو بہتر بنایا جاسکے۔ سی اے اے کا فلائٹ اسٹینڈرڈز انٹریکٹوریٹ بڑی اہمیت کا حامل ہے اس کے باوجود اب تک گزشتہ 15 سال سے کوئی بھی مستقل ڈائریکٹر تعینات نہیں کیا گیا ہے۔ عارضی بنیادوں پر معاملات چلانے اور ڈائریکٹوریٹ کو اہمیت نہ دینے جانے کی وجہ سے مستقل پالیسی کی عدم موجودگی اور دیگر خامیاں پیدا ہو گئی ہیں۔

سی اے اے میں 12 فلائٹ انسپکٹر پائلٹس

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ماٹلی (نامہ نگار) ماتلی کے گنجان آبادی والے علاقے کشمیری حملہ، فتح پور حملہ، پھانک کالونی، سریوال کالونی اور اسٹیشن روڈ پر گند پانی سڑکوں پر جمع ہو گیا ہے اور شہر میں گندگی کے ڈھیر لگ گئے ہیں۔ انتظامیہ غائب اور شہری سراپا احتجاج بن گئے۔

گندگی کے خلاف شہریوں کا احتجاجی مظاہرہ

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بلاک

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جانب سے موصول ہونے والے اعداد و شمار کے مطابق ایک لاکھ افراد کے شناختی کارڈوں کو مشکوک قرار دیتے ہوئے بلاک کیا گیا ہے، جبکہ 29 ہزار 1393 افراد کو 'ایلیٹین' کا درجہ دیتے ہوئے ان کے کارڈ منسوخ کر دیے گئے ہیں۔ حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ اس کے علاوہ 65 سے 70 ہزار افراد کے شناختی کارڈوں کی چھان بین جاری ہے۔ دسمبر 2014 میں سکول حملے کے بعد نافذ العمل قومی ایکشن پلان کے تحت وزارت داخلہ نے نادرا کو شناختی کارڈوں کی تصدیق کی ہدایت کی تھی، جس کے بعد اس عمل میں تیزی آگئی ہے۔ اس سلسلے میں نادرا کے ڈائریکٹر جنرل سید مظفر علی نے بی بی سی کو بتایا کہ کسی کی پاکستانی شہریت منسوخ کرنے کا اختیار نادرا کے پاس نہیں ہے۔ ان کے بقول 'یہ اختیار نادرا کے پاس نہیں بلکہ صرف مشترکہ تحقیقاتی سیل کے پاس ہے جو آئی ایس آئی، آئی بی اور سپیشل برانچ کے اہلکاروں پر مشتمل ہے۔ نادرا کے ڈائریکٹر جنرل نے کہا: 'نادرا ان کی تفتیشی رپورٹ کو حتمی مانتا ہے۔ اگر وہ کسی کو پاکستانی قرار دیتے ہیں تو وہ ہمارے لیے انتہائی معتبر شہری ہے لیکن اگر وہ کسی کو مشکوک قرار دیتے ہیں تو پھر اس کی شناختی کارڈ کی درخواست ہمیشہ کے لیے رد کر دی جاتی ہے۔ وزارت داخلہ کی ہدایت پر صوبائی سطح پر جو انٹ ویئر فیکشن سیز کا قیام کیا گیا ہے۔ شناختی کارڈوں کی چھان بین کے لیے یہ سیز چاروں صوبوں میں قائم ہیں۔ نادرا کا کہنا ہے کہ شہریوں کی شناخت کی تصدیق اس لیے بھی کی جا رہی ہے کہ افغان شہریوں کو پاکستانی شناخت حاصل کرنے سے روکا جائے، مگر اس کی زد میں بیشتر ایسے پشتون خاندان بھی آ رہے ہیں جنہوں نے بی بی سی کو ایسے مطلوبہ دستاویزات دکھائی ہیں جو 1952 کے پاکستانی ایکٹ کے تحت انہیں پاکستانی قرار دینے کے لیے بظاہر کافی ہیں۔

خفیہ سکیورٹی اداروں کی جانب سے مشکوک قرار دیے جانے والے بیشتر افراد نے اپنے پاکستانی نہ ہونے کے درجے کو عدالت میں چیلنج کر دیا ہے۔ ان مقدمات کی پیروی کرنے والے وکیل ریٹائرڈ کرمل انعام الرحیم نے بی بی سی سے بات کرتے ہوئے کہا: 'یہ مسئلہ اس لیے متنازع بن گیا کیونکہ عدالت میں یہ ثابت ہوا ہے کہ ناکافی معلومات پر بعض شہریوں کی پاکستانی شہریت منسوخ کی گئی۔ عدالت کے حکم پر نادرا نے جب دوبارہ تفتیش کرنے کے لیے قبائلی علاقے کی پولیٹیکل انتظامیہ سے رابطہ کیا تو ثابت ہوا کہ مکمل پاکستانی ہی ہے،' غیر معمولی سکیورٹی کی صورت حال کے پیش نظر وہ مشترکہ تحقیقاتی سیل قائم کرنے کو اہم سمجھتے ہیں مگر یہ بھی کہتے ہیں کہ 'اس نظام کی شفافیت برقرار رکھنے کے لیے ایسی قانون سازی بھی ضروری ہے جس کے تحت خفیہ ایجنسیوں یا نادرا کے اہلکاروں کے خلاف کارروائی کی جائے جنہوں نے کسی معصوم شہری کی حب الوطنی پر بلا جواز شک کیا۔' ریٹائرڈ کرمل انعام الرحیم کے مطابق 'خفیہ ایجنسیوں کے پاس کسی کو بھی پاکستانی ثابت کرنے کا اختیار نہیں بلکہ یہ اختیار صرف عدالتوں کے پاس ہے۔ انہوں نے مزید کہا: 'ہم چیف جسٹس سے مطالبہ کرتے ہیں کہ شناختی کارڈوں کی تصدیق عدالتی نگرانی میں کی جائے اور اس کے لیے عدالتوں کا نظام بھی وضع کیا جائے۔ ان کے بقول: 'اگر ایسے مقدمات کو نمٹانے میں عدالت نے تاخیر کی تو اس سے متاثرہ شہریوں میں غم و غصہ پیدا ہو گا اور اگر جیل کاٹنے کے بعد وہ پاکستانی ثابت ہو بھی گئے تو ان کی دل جوئی ہو گی۔ تو پھر ایسے میں ان کی حب الوطنی کس کام کی؟'

کوٹری (نامہ نگار) عید قربان قریب ہونے کے باوجود نمینٹل ہائی وے پر لگنے والی مویشی منڈی میں تاحال جانور نہیں لائے گئے اور خریداروں کا دور دور تک پتہ نہیں۔ دوسری جانب گلیوں اور بازاروں اور ممنوعہ جگہوں پر جانوروں کی چھوٹی چھوٹی منڈیاں لگی ہوئی ہیں وہاں لوگوں کی اکثریت محض اپنے بچوں کو تفریح کی غرض سے یہاں لا کر دام پوچھنے ہی پر اکتفا کر رہے ہیں۔ سروے کے مطابق ان غیر قانونی منڈیوں میں بھی جانوروں کی قیمتیں آسمان سے باتیں کر رہی ہیں اور عام متوسط طبقے کی دسترس سے باہر ہیں۔ دوسری جانب بلدیہ کوٹری نے تاحال مویشی منڈی کی بنیادی نہیں کی ہے شہری حلقوں کا کہنا ہے کہ ہر سال کی طرح اس سال بھی بلدیہ کوٹری خفیہ طریقے سے مویشی منڈی کا ٹھیکہ اپنے منظور نظر ٹھیکیدار کو نیلام کرے گی۔ واضح رہے کہ مویشی منڈی کا ہر سال ٹھیکہ منظور نظر ٹھیکیدار کو دیا جاتا ہے جو کہ فقط کال ڈپازٹ جمع کرانے کے بعد غائب ہو جاتا ہے۔

یہ بہت حیرانی کی بات ہے کہ پاکستان میں محکمہ پولیس کے پاس اپنے لئے کوئی اسپتال نہیں ہے جبکہ ملک میں کئی حکموں نے اپنے ملازمین کے لئے علیحدہ اسپتال قائم کر رکھے ہیں۔ حالانکہ پولیس ملازمین کے لئے اسپتال کی سب سے زیادہ ضرورت ہوتی ہے کیونکہ دیگر ملازمین کی نسبت پولیس ملازمین حادثات سے زیادہ دوچار ہوتے ہیں۔ کبھی دوران گشت کوئی حادثہ پیش آ جاتا ہے تو کبھی جراثیم پیشہ افراد سے پولیس مقابلہ ہو جاتا ہے۔ حادثہ کے وقت گورنمنٹ سول اسپتال میں زخمی پولیس ملازم کو اس کی ضرورت کے مطابق توجہ نہیں دی جاسکتی۔ اسی طرح پولیس ملازم کا اگر فیملی میں کوئی بیمار ہو جائے تو پولیس مین ذہنی پریشانی کا شکار ہو جاتا ہے جس سے اس کی کارکردگی متاثر ہوتی ہے۔ حکومت کو چاہیے کہ وہ پولیس ملازمین کے لئے بھی ملک کے ہر ضلع میں ایک پولیس اسپتال قائم کرے تاکہ دوسرے محکمہ جات کی طرح پاکستان پولیس کو بھی فائدہ ہو۔

کراچی این این آئی کراچی میں جاری آپریشن اور سکیورٹی خدشات کے باعث انسداد پولیو مہم کو 3 حصوں میں تقسیم کر دیا گیا ہے۔ پولیو مہم اب 7 ستمبر سے شروع ہوگی۔ محکمہ صحت کے مطابق شہر میں سکیورٹی خدشات کے باعث انسداد پولیو مہم کو 3 حصوں میں تقسیم کر دیا گیا، جس کے تحت

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نوابشاہ، این ٹی ایس ٹیسٹ پاس اساتذہ کا تنخواہیں نہ ملنے کیخلاف احتجاجی مظاہرہ

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بورڈ کے دفاتر ہفتہ اور اتوار کو بھی کھلے رہیں گے

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گرین ٹائون، گرلز اسکول میں دو مشتبہ افراد کے داخلے پر خوف و ہراس

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پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی کی ممبر سنگھ

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ریگولر کنٹریکٹ کے تمام مسلمان ملازمین کو عید الاضحیٰ کے موقع پر پوری بنیادی تنخواہ اور کنٹریکٹ ملازمین کو کم سے کم 7000 ہزار روپے جبکہ گریڈ 17 سے 22 تک کے ایسے افسران جو لیون کیش منٹ کے لیے اہل نہیں ہیں انہیں آدھی بنیادی تنخواہ بطور عید ایڈوانس جاری کی جائے گی۔

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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) صوبائی وزیر صحت جام مہتاب حسین ڈہر کی ہدایت پر ڈینگی وائرس کیخلاف آگہی مہم کے دوسرے مرحلے میں اسکولز اور اسپتالوں میں آگہی پمفلٹ تقسیم کئے گئے۔ مہم کے سلسلے میں گورنمنٹ بوائز سیکنڈری اسکول، بہار کالونی، غازی محمد بن قاسم سیکنڈری اسکول، آغا تاج کالونی، لیاری جرنل اسپتال اور لی مارکیٹ چوک میں ہزاروں آگہی پمفلٹ تقسیم کئے گئے۔ صوبائی وزیر صحت جام مہتاب حسین ڈہر نے کہا کہ ڈینگی وائرس سے متعلق آگہی وقت کی اہم ضرورت ہے معاشرے کے تمام اسٹیک ہولڈرز مروجہ انداز میں اس آگہی مہم کو کامیاب کریں۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) ثانوی تعلیمی بورڈ کے ناظم امتحانات نعمان احسن کے مطابق طلبہ کی سہولت کو مد نظر رکھتے ہوئے بورڈ کے دفاتر ہفتہ 5 ستمبر اور اتوار 6 ستمبر کو بھی کھلے رہیں گے۔ انہوں نے بتایا کہ طلبہ اپنے سپلینٹری امتحانی فارم، انٹرولمنٹ فارم اور اسکروٹنی فارم ہفتہ کے دن بھی دفتری اوقات میں جمع کروا سکتے ہیں۔ انہوں نے مزید بتایا کہ دیگر امتحانی سیکشن اور براؤنچیں بھی امتحانی عمل کو بروقت مکمل کرنے کی غرض سے کھلی رہیں گی۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) شاہ فیصل کالونی گرین ٹائون میں واقع گرلز اسکول میں دو مشتبہ افراد کے داخلے پر خوف و ہراس پھیل گیا۔ پولیس اور ریجنرل بھاری نفری موقع پر پہنچ گئی، پولیس کے مطابق سوہنی دھرتی گرلز سیکنڈری اسکول میں مشکوک افراد داخل ہونے کی اطلاع پر جب پولیس پہنچی تو وہاں کوئی ملزم نہیں ملا، پولیس کے مطابق اسکول انتظامیہ کا کہنا ہے کہ داخل ہونے والے مشکوک افراد شور شرابہ سن کر فرار ہو گئے۔

پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی کی غیر معیاری اور ناقص کھانے کی اشیاء کی فروخت کے خلاف مہم مزید زور پکڑ رہی ہے اور جمعرات کو پنجاب کے وزیر برائے خوراک بلال یاسین نے اعلان کیا ہے کہ لاہور سے شروع کی جانے والی اس مہم کا دائرہ پورے پنجاب تک پھیلا یا جا رہا ہے۔ واضح رہے کہ گذشتہ دنوں میں پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی اور محکمہ لائیو سٹاک نے مختلف شہروں میں مشترکہ کارروائی کے دوران دو ہزار کلو سے زائد مضر صحت گوشت برآمد کیا ہے جو مختلف ریستورانوں اور دکانوں کو سپلائی کیا جاتا تھا۔ اس کارروائی میں 17 افراد کو گرفتار کیا گیا ہے۔ پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی کی مہم لاہور سے شروع کی گئی اور ڈائریکٹر آپریشنز عائشہ ممتاز رابیتی اور سوشل میڈیا میں اس مہم کا چہرہ بن چکی ہیں۔ زندہ دلاں لاہور کی خوش خوراک کو ایک افسانوی شہرت حاصل ہے مگر ایک خاتون افسر نے لاہور میں کھانے پینے کی جگہوں پر سرعام چھاپے مار کر ان میں جاری سرگرمیوں کو بے نقاب کرنے کا مشکل کام اکیلے شروع کیا۔ عائشہ ممتاز اب تک مختلف مقامات پر سات ہزار سے زیادہ چھاپے مار چکی ہیں جن میں سے اکثریت کو جرمانہ کیا یا سبیل کر دیا گیا۔ کئی لوگوں کو حراست میں لے کر ان کے خلاف قانونی کارروائی کا آغاز کیا جا چکا ہے۔ تاہم ان کے ناقدین سوال اٹھاتے ہیں کہ کیا یہ سب کچھ میڈیا تماشہ ہے یا فوڈ اتھارٹی کے پاس اصلاح کا کوئی ٹھوس پروگرام بھی ہے۔ بی بی سی اردو نے عائشہ ممتاز کے ساتھ کچھ چھاپوں کے دوران حالات کا جائزہ لیا۔ چھاپوں کے خوف سے عموماً مجرم لرزتے ہیں لیکن یہاں خاناسے گھبراہٹ کے عالم میں نظر آرہے تھے۔ عائشہ ممتاز اور ان کی ٹیم خفیہ چھاپے کی غرض سے ایک بڑے مقامی ہوٹل پہنچ چکی تھیں۔ سوشل میڈیا کے ہتھیار سے لیس، عائشہ ممتاز بڑے دستانے اور ماسک پہن کر ہاتھ میں فون کیمرے لیے بچن اور کولڈ سٹوریج یونٹ کا باریکی سے معائنہ کر رہی ہیں۔ صورت حال کا صرف جائزہ ہی نہیں، تصاویر بھی لی جاتی ہیں جو شبوت کے طور پر ادارے کے فیس بک صفحے پر پوسٹ کر دی جاتی ہیں۔ ریستورانوں اور خوراک کی دکانوں پر لی گئی یہ کریہہ المنظر تصاویر صارفین کو دنگ کر رہی ہیں کہ انھیں کھانے کے نام پر کیا کھلایا جاتا تھا۔

پاکستان کی نیشنل ڈیٹا بیس اینڈ رجسٹریشن اتھارٹی نے گذشتہ چھ ماہ میں 236,534 افراد کے پاکستانی شناختی کارڈ ہلاک کر دیے ہیں۔ نادرا حکام کی

چھ ماہ میں سو دو لاکھ سے زائد شناختی کارڈ

اسلام آباد اسلام آباد کے زون پانچ میں الحمر اپریٹو لیمیٹڈ کی جانب سے نئی ہاؤسنگ اسکیم ایڈن لائف کی مارکیٹنگ کو گمراہ کن قرار دیتے ہوئے کہا گیا ہے کہ کمپنی نے ابھی تک وفاقی ترقیاتی ادارہ سی ڈی اے سے این اوسی نہیں لیا۔ ایڈن لائف نے ضروری طریق عمل اور مطلوبہ معیارات کو پورا نہیں کیا، اسی وجہ سے منصوبے کی مارکیٹنگ کی اہل نہیں۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق سی ڈی اے نے زون 5 میں الحمر اپریٹو شروع کرنے کیلئے الحمر اپریٹو لیمیٹڈ کے رہائشی منصوبے کیلئے این اوسی جاری کیا تھا، الحمر اپریٹو لیمیٹڈ نے بعد میں منصوبے کا نام بدل کر ایڈن لائف رکھنے کی درخواست کی۔ سی ڈی اے کے مطابق یہ درخواست ابھی تک سی ڈی اے کے پاس زیر التوا ہے۔ سرکاری ذرائع کے مطابق سی ڈی اے کی جانب سے نئے نام کا این اوسی جاری ہونے تک ایڈن لائف کے نام سے منصوبے کی مارکیٹنگ دغا بازی اور غیر قانونی ہے۔ الحمر اپریٹو لیمیٹڈ وفاقی دارالحکومت کے گاؤں چراہ میں 1074.1 کنال اراضی پر محیط الحمر اپریٹو کے نام سے رہائشی منصوبے کا سپانسر ہونے کا دعویدار ہے اور اب ایڈن لائف کے نئے نام سے اس کی مارکیٹنگ کر رہا ہے۔ ذرائع نے بتایا منصوبے کا نام بدلنے کیلئے این اوسی کے اجراء میں بڑی رکاوٹ پی اے ایف کی شاہین فاؤنڈیشن کی جانب سے دائر کیس ہے۔ ذرائع کے مطابق شاہین فاؤنڈیشن نے سی ڈی اے اور نیب میں درخواستیں دی ہیں کہ میسرز الحمر اپریٹو لیمیٹڈ میں 700 پلاٹوں اور 7 فارم ہاؤسز کی خریداری کیلئے کمپنی میں سرمایہ کاری کی تھی، کمپنی کو مکمل ادائیگی کر دی ہے تاہم ابھی تک پلاٹ حوالے نہیں کیے گئے۔ اس حوالے سے جب ایڈن لائف کے ترجمان سے موقف لینے کیلئے رابطہ کیا گیا تو انھوں نے بتایا کہ سی ڈی اے نے منصوبے کا نام بدلنے کی درخواست ابھی منظور نہیں کی، ہم نے مطلوبہ فیس جمع کرادی ہے۔

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کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) سندھ ایمر جنسی آپریشن سینٹر فار پولیو کے تحت کراچی کے مقامی ہوٹل میں رپورٹرز اور مینٹیشن سیشن کا انعقاد کیا گیا جس میں بڑی تعداد میں صحافیوں نے شرکت کی۔ جنہیں پولیو سے متعلق معلومات، پولیو کی موجودہ صورتحال اور اس کے خاتمے کے بارے میں حکمت عملی سے آگاہ کیا گیا۔ اس موقع پر خطاب کرتے ہوئے یو سی کو آرڈینیٹر ڈاکٹر محمد عثمان چاچڑ نے صحافیوں کو بتایا کہ 1988 میں ورلڈ ہیلتھ اسمبلی نے فیصلہ کیا تھا کہ دنیا سے پولیو وائرس کا خاتمہ کریں گے اور اس سال پاکس کے بعد یہ دنیا میں دوسری ایسی بیماری ہوگی جس کا دنیا سے نام و نشان ختم کیا جائے گا۔ تاہم 28 سال بعد دنیا میں اب صرف 3 ممالک ایسے رہ گئے ہیں جہاں پولیو موجود ہے۔ اس میں سرفہرست پاکستان ہے جبکہ دیگر دو ممالک میں افغانستان اور تائیچیر یا شامل ہیں۔ تاہم پاکستان میں رواں سال پولیو کے کیسز میں بے حد کمی آئی ہے۔ کراچی میں اکتوبر 2014 سے اب تک کوئی کیس ریکارڈ نہیں ہوا ہے جبکہ سندھ میں فروری 2015 کے بعد پولیو کا کوئی کیس سامنے نہیں آیا۔ ممبر یو سی ڈاکٹر نام گرین نے بتایا کہ پولیو کے قطرے ہر بچے کو متعدد بار پلانے کا بھی کوئی نقصان نہیں ہے۔ امریکہ، سعودی عرب، چین اور بھارت سمیت دیگر ممالک سے پولیو کا خاتمہ اور پولیو ویکسین ہی کے ذریعے کیا گیا ہے۔ سیشن کے اختتام پر یو سی ممبر عابد حسن نے صحافیوں سے درخواست کی کہ پولیو کے بارے میں عوام میں آگہی پیدا کریں تاکہ لوگ اپنے بچوں کو اپنی مرضی سے پولیو کے قطرے پلائیں اور پاکستان سے پولیو کا خاتمہ ہو سکے۔

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام کے گراؤنڈ میں سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام جوائنٹ ایکشن کمیٹی اور طلبہ ایکشن کمیٹی کے زیر اہتمام ایک اجلاس منعقد ہوا جس میں بڑی تعداد میں طلباء اور اساتذہ نے شرکت کی۔ اجلاس میں قائد اعظم کی مادر علمی سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام کے 130 یوم تاسیس کے حوالے سے لائحہ عمل طے کیا گیا۔ مقررین نے اظہار خیال کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ بانی پاکستان قائد اعظم محمد علی جناح نے کراچی کے جس اسکول سے تعلیم حاصل کی اس کا نام سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام تھا۔ اب وہاں سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام کی تاریخی عمارت پر قبضہ کر کے قوم کو بے وقوف بنانے کیلئے یونیورسٹی کے نام کے ساتھ سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام لکھ کر یہ تاثر دینے کی کوشش کی گئی ہے کہ تاریخی سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام اب تک اسی عمارت میں قائم ہے جبکہ حقیقت اسکے برعکس ہے۔ 130 سالہ قدیم سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام کو جس کی ایک شاندار تاریخ تھی اس کی تاریخ کو منہ کر کے اسے نالے پر بنی ہوئی چند کمروں کی ایک عام سی عمارت میں شفٹ کر دیا گیا ہے۔ سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام جوائنٹ ایکشن کمیٹی اور طلبہ ایکشن کمیٹی ارباب اختیار سے اپیل کرتی ہے کہ سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام کالج اور اسکول کا کنٹرول حکومت سندھ اپنے اختیار میں لے۔ قائد اعظم کی مادر علمی سندھ مدرسۃ الاسلام اسکول کی مکمل بندش کو روکا جائے۔

حیدرآباد (بیورو رپورٹ) جامعہ سندھ جامشورو کی انتظامیہ نے یونیورسٹی کے تمام ملازمین کو پوری اور افسران کو آدھی بنیادی تنخواہ بطور عید ایڈوانس دینے کا اعلان کیا ہے۔ اس سلسلے میں رجسٹرار جامعہ سندھ کی جانب سے جاری کردہ سرکولر کے مطابق گریڈ 2 سے گریڈ 16 تک کے

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تفصیلات

کراچی (آئی این پی) سپریم کورٹ نے تھرپارکر میں غذائی قلت سے متعلق از خود نوٹس کی سماعت میں سندھ حکومت کی رپورٹ مسترد کر دی۔ عدالت نے سپیشل سیکرٹری صحت سندھ کو تھرپارکر کا دورہ کر کے تفصیلی رپورٹ پیش کرنے کا حکم دیدیا، جسٹس امیر بانی مسلم نے ریمارکس دیئے کہ تھر کے ہسپتال بھینوں کے باڑے سے بھی بدتر ہیں۔ تھرپارکر میں سرکاری ہسپتال وڈیروں کے ڈیرے بن چکے ہیں، ہسپتالوں میں ادویات نہ ہونے کے برابر ہیں، وزیر اعلیٰ سندھ حکم جاری کرتے ہیں لیکن کرتے کچھ نہیں۔ بتایا جائے کہ تھر کے کس ہسپتال میں کتنے ڈاکٹر اور کتنا عملہ ہے اور کیا کیا سہولیات دی جا رہی ہیں۔ تھر کے ہسپتالوں کی حالت ناقابل بیان ہے۔ خدا کا خوف کریں جھوٹ نہ بولیں ہمیں سب پتہ ہے۔ تھر کے ہسپتال بھینوں کے باڑے سے بھی بدتر ہیں۔

کراچی کئی ویکسینیشن مہمات چلائی جانے کے باوجود سندھ میں پانچ سال سے کم عمر 75000 بچوں کو کبھی پولیو قطرے نہیں پلائے جاسکے۔ سندھ کے ہنگامی آپریشنز مرکز کے اعداد و شمار کے مطابق اس وقت ملک میں تقریباً پانچ لاکھ بچے ایسے ہیں جنہیں کبھی پولیو ویکسین نہیں دی گئی۔ کل 440000 بچوں میں سے 245000 بچے بلوچستان، 75000 سندھ، 60000 فانا اور 51000 خیبر پختونخوا میں رہتے ہیں۔ اعداد و شمار بتاتے ہیں کہ پنجاب میں ایک بھی بچہ ایسا نہیں جسے پولیو قطرے نہ پلائے گئے ہوں جبکہ بلوچستان واحد صوبہ ہے جہاں گزشتہ سال کے پہلے آٹھ مہینوں میں دو پولیو کیسوں کے مقابلے میں رواں سال اسی دورے میں چار پولیو کیس سامنے آئے۔ رواں سال فانا اور دوسرے صوبوں میں پولیو کیسوں کی تعداد میں کمی آئی۔ سندھ میں اس سال چار کیس ریکارڈ ہوئے جبکہ پچھلے سال یہی تعداد 13 تھی۔ فانا میں یہ تعداد 103 سے نیچے گر کر 8، اور خیبر پختونخوا میں 24 سے 13 ہو گئی۔ پنجاب میں رواں سال اب تک کوئی پولیو کیس سامنے نہیں آیا جبکہ گزشتہ سال صرف ایک کیس رپورٹ ہوا تھا۔ حکام بتاتے ہیں کہ کراچی میں اکتوبر، 2014 کے بعد سے اب تک کوئی کیس سامنے نہیں آیا۔

اسلام آباد: 1965ء کی جنگ کے 50 سال مکمل ہونے کے موقع پر اتوار 6 ستمبر کی صبح ایک منٹ کی خاموشی اختیار کی جائے گی۔ یہ فیصلہ 50 سالہ تقریبات کیلئے وزیر اعظم کی جانب سے وزیر دفاع خواجہ محمد آصف کی قیادت میں قائم کردہ 5 رکنی خصوصی کمیٹی نے کیا۔ کمیٹی نے کہا کہ پوری قوم 1965ء کی جنگ کے شہداء کو خراج تحسین پیش کرنے کیلئے 6 ستمبر کو صبح 9 بجکر 29 منٹ سے 9 بجکر 30 منٹ تک ایک منٹ کی خاموشی اختیار کرے گی اور مستقبل میں کسی بھی جارحیت کی صورت میں 1965ء کی جنگ کے جذبے کی طرح ملک کے دفاع کا عزم کرے گی۔ ایک منٹ کی خاموشی کے دوران تمام سڑکیں، ریلوے ٹریفک رک جائے گی۔ اس دوران لوگ اپنے گھروں اور کام کرنے کی جگہوں پر بھی خاموشی اختیار کریں گے۔ بعد ازاں، ٹی وی اور ریڈیو سمیت تمام میڈیا پر 9 بجکر 30 منٹ سے 9 بجکر 32 منٹ تک قومی ترانہ پیش کیا جائے گا جس کے بعد 65ء کی جنگ کے شہداء کیلئے خصوصی دعا ہوگی۔

محکمہ فوڈ کنٹرول اتھارٹی نے مختلف شہروں میں کارروائیاں کر کے 5000 کلو گرام سے زائد مضر صحت گوشت برآمد جب کہ گندگی کے باعث 2 بیکریاں اور اسپتال کی کینٹینیں سیل کر دی۔ پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی کی چیئر پرسن عائشہ ممتاز نے داتا گنج بخش کالونی میں واقع منشی اسپتال میں چھاپا مار کر گندگی اور بغیر لائسنس کام کرنے پر کینٹینیں کو سیل کر دیا۔ پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی کے اہلکاروں نے 2 بیکریوں کے دبیز ہاؤس پر بھی چھاپے مارے جہاں سے ہزاروں گندے انڈے اور دیگر مضر صحت سامان بھی برآمد ہوا جس پر دونوں بیکریوں کو سیل کر دیا گیا۔ محکمہ لائیو اسٹاک نے لاہور کے علاقے گھوڑے شاہ میں غیر قانونی مذبح خانے پر چھاپہ مار کر 800 کلو مضر صحت گوشت برآمد کر کے 2 ملزمان کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ بھکر کے علاقے کھاڑو کلاں میں بھی لائیو اسٹاک نے چھاپہ مار کر 600 کلو سے زائد مضر صحت گوشت برآمد کیا۔ محکمہ لائیو اسٹاک نے راولپنڈی کے علاقے بنی میں غیر قانونی مذبح خانوں پر چھاپہ مار کر 3600 کلو گرام مضر صحت گوشت برآمد کر کے 13 افراد کو حراست میں لے لیا۔ دوسری جانب ملتان کی تحصیل شجاع آباد کے علاقہ جیراں غائب میں گدھے کو ذبح کرنے والے 2 قصاب غلام یاسین اور سفیان کو شہریوں نے پکڑ کر پولیس کے حوالے کر دیا۔ ملزمان کا کہنا ہے کہ انہیں کسی نے گدھے کی کھال لانے کا کہا تھا جس کی قیمت 25 ہزار روپے طے پائی تھی، ہم صرف گدھے کی کھال اتار رہے تھے، گوشت بیچنے کا کوئی ارادہ نہیں تھا۔ واضح رہے کہ پنجاب بھر میں مضر صحت گوشت بیچنے والوں، ہوٹلوں اور بیکریوں کے خلاف کریک ڈاؤن جاری ہے۔

تھرپارکر کے ہسپتال وڈیروں کے ڈیرے بن گئے، وزیر اعلیٰ حکم دیتے ہیں کرتے کچھ نہیں: سپریم کورٹ

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

5 ستمبر 2015

سندھ: 75 ہزار بچوں کو کبھی پولیو قطرے نہیں پلائے گئے

دنیا نیوز

5 ستمبر 2015

یوم دفاع پر ایک منٹ کی خاموشی

دنیا نیوز

5 ستمبر 2015

پنجاب کے مختلف شہروں سے 5000 کلو مضر صحت گوشت پکڑا گیا، بکریاں اور اسپتال کی کینٹین بھی سیل

ایکسپریس نیوز

5 ستمبر 2015

2 ستمبر 2015

شہری اور 6 پولیس اہلکار زخمی ہو گئے۔ امدادی ٹیموں کے اہلکاروں نے واقعہ میں جاں بحق ہونے والے ڈرائیور رومان، کاشمیل عبدالرحمان اور اسٹیپر ڈاک کے اہلکار کے جسد خاکی لیڈی ریڈنگ اسپتال منتقل کر دیئے ہیں جب کہ ڈاکٹر کے مطابق 3 زخمیوں کی حالت تشویشناک ہے۔ دوسری جانب پولیس کی بھاری نفری نے علاقے کا محاصرہ کر کے حملہ آوروں اور ان کے ساتھیوں کی گرفتاری کے لئے سرچ آپریشن شروع کر دیا ہے۔

راولپنڈی شمالی وزیرستان اور خیبر ایجنسی میں سکیورٹی فورسز کی کارروائیوں میں 31 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے جب کہ ان کے متعدد گھکانوں کو بھی تباہ کر دیا گیا۔ پاک فوج کے شعبہ تعلقات عامہ (آئی ایس پی آر) کے مطابق سکیورٹی فورسز نے شمالی وزیرستان اور خیبر ایجنسی کے علاقوں میں کارروائیاں کیں جن میں شمالی وزیرستان کے علاقے شوال میں کارروائی کے دوران 17 دہشت گرد مارے گئے جب کہ خیبر ایجنسی میں پاک افغان سرحد کے قریب 14 دہشت گردوں کو ہلاک کیا گیا۔ ترجمان پاک فوج کے مطابق سکیورٹی فورسز کی کارروائیوں میں دہشت گردوں کے متعدد گھکانوں کو بھی تباہ کر دیا گیا ہے۔

کراچی پولیس اور رینجرز نے شہر کے مختلف علاقوں میں کارروائیاں کر کے کالعدم تنظیموں کے دہشت گردوں سمیت 13 ملزمان کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق کراچی کے علاقے ناظم آباد ایک نمبر سے مبینہ پولیس مقابلے میں 2 ملزمان کو گرفتار کیا گیا۔ پولیس کے مطابق گرفتار ملزمان وقار اور عبدالغنی کالعدم تحریک طالبان سوات کے دہشت گرد ہیں جب کہ ان کے قبضے سے آواں ہم اور دیگر اسلحہ برآمد کیا گیا ہے۔ پولیس کا کہنا ہے کہ ملزمان دہشت گردی کی کئی کارروائیوں میں ملوث ہیں جب کہ ان کے دیگر ساتھیوں کی گرفتاری کے لیے بھی کارروائیاں جاری ہیں۔ دوسری جانب ترجمان رینجرز کا کہنا ہے کہ شہر کے مختلف علاقوں لیاقت آباد، کلفٹن، پی آئی ٹی کالونی، غریب شاہ روڈ اور نصرت بھٹو کالونی میں ٹارگٹڈ کارروائیاں کی گئیں جس میں 11 ملزمان کو گرفتار کیا گیا۔ ترجمان کے مطابق گرفتار ملزمان میں کالعدم تنظیموں کے دہشت گرد، ٹارگٹ کلرز اور بھتہ خور بھی شامل ہیں جن کے قبضے سے اسلحہ اور دیگر سامان بھی برآمد کیا گیا ہے۔

کراچی ناردرن بائی پاس پر محکمہ انسداد دہشت گردی اور حساس اداروں نے مشترکہ کارروائی کی جس کے دوران پولیس کی ٹارگٹ کلنگ میں ملوث 2 دہشت گرد مارے گئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق حساس اداروں اور پولیس نے خفیہ اطلاع پر ناردرن بائی پاس پر کارروائی کی جس کے دوران دہشت گردوں نے پولیس پر فائرنگ کر دی جب کہ دوطرفہ فائرنگ کے تبادلے میں 2 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے۔ انچارج محکمہ انسداد دہشت گردی علی رضا کے مطابق دونوں دہشت گرد کالعدم تحریک طالبان پاکستان کے شیر خان گروپ کے مقامی کمانڈر تھے جنہوں نے 12 سے زائد پولیس اہلکاروں کو قتل کیا تھا جب کہ ہلاک دہشت گرد ساجد کے سر کی قیمت 10 لاکھ اور ظفر کے سر کی قیمت 5 لاکھ روپے رکھی گئی تھی۔

شمالی وزیرستان اور خیبر ایجنسی میں سکیورٹی فورسز کی کارروائیاں، 31 دہشت گرد ہلاک، آئی ایس پی آر

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2 ستمبر 2015

کراچی کے مختلف علاقوں میں پولیس اور رینجرز کی کارروائیاں، دہشت گردوں سمیت 13 ملزمان گرفتار

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1 ستمبر 2015

کراچی میں سکیورٹی فورسز کی کارروائی، 2 دہشت گرد ہلاک

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31 اگست 2015

بارے میں کوئی معلومات نہیں ہیں۔ وزارت داخلہ کے اہلکار کے مطابق اس سرچ آپریشن کے بارے میں اسلام آباد پولیس کے چند اعلیٰ حکام کو آگاہ کیا گیا تھا جبکہ پولیس کو یہ بتایا گیا تھا کہ انھیں سپیشل ڈیوٹی کے لیے تعینات کیا جا رہا ہے۔ وزیر داخلہ چوہدری نثار علی خان کے بقول افغانستان کے صدر اشرف غنی نے جب پاکستان کا دورہ کیا تھا تو ان کے دورے کے دوران بارہ کہو کے علاقے سے افغانستان اور قبائلی علاقوں میں دولاکھ سے زائد موبائل کالیں کی گئی تھیں۔ حقانی نیٹ ورک کے اہم رہنما کے بیٹے کو بھی اسی علاقے میں قتل کیا گیا تھا جس کا سراغ پولیس آج تک نہیں لگا سکی۔ سب ڈویژنل پولیس افسر عارف شاہ کے مطابق یہ ٹارگٹڈ سرچ آپریشن تھا اور خفیہ اداروں کی معلومات کی روشنی میں کیا گیا تھا۔ مقامی پولیس کے مطابق آپریشن میں 120 افراد کو گرفتار کیا گیا ہے جن میں 30 افغانی ہیں جبکہ حراست میں لیے جانے والے دیگر افراد پاکستانی ہیں اور ان میں ایک قابل ذکر تعداد کا تعلق وفاق کے زیر انتظام قبائلی علاقوں سے ہے۔ ان افراد کو تفتیش کے لیے نامعلوم مقام پر منتقل کر دیا گیا ہے۔

پاکستان کے دفتر خارجہ کا کہنا ہے کہ ملک میں فوج کی زیر نگرانی دہشت گردوں کے خلاف جاری آپریشن ضرب عضب پر اب تک تقریباً دو ارب ڈالر خرچ ہوئے ہیں اور یہ رقم امریکہ کی جانب اتحادی سپورٹ فنڈ کے بجائے سرکاری خزانے سے استعمال کی گئی ہے۔ مجمعہ کو اسلام آباد میں دفتر خارجہ میں ہفتہ وار بریفنگ کے دوران ترجمان قاضی غلیل اللہ نے کہا کہ گزشتہ ایک سال جاری دہشت گردوں کے خلاف آپریشن کے لیے رقم پاکستان کی حکومت نے مہیا کی ہے۔ انھوں نے بتایا کہ آپریشن ضرب عضب اور متاثرہ علاقوں سے مقامی افراد کی نقل مکانی اور ان کی بحالی پر اب تک ایک ارب 90 کروڑ ڈالر خرچ ہوئے ہیں۔ یاد رہے کہ سنہ 2001 میں افغانستان میں امریکہ افواج کے حملے کے دہشت گردی کے خلاف جنگ میں امریکہ کا اتحادی ہونے کے بعد پاکستان کو کولیشن سپورٹ فنڈ کے تحت 13 ارب ڈالر ملے ہیں۔ تاہم امریکہ نے کہا ہے کہ سنہ 2015 کے بعد سے پاکستان کو کولیشن سپورٹ فنڈ کے تحت رقوم جاری نہیں کی جائیں گی۔ دفتر خارجہ کے ترجمان نے ہفتہ وار بریفنگ میں کہا کہ پاکستان کو کولیشن سپورٹ فنڈ کے تحت امریکہ کی قابل ادارہ رقوم آپریشن ضرب عضب سے پہلے کی ہیں اور فنڈ کی ریلیز کے امریکہ حکومت سے بات چیت جاری ہے۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ امریکہ کی قومی سلامتی کی مشیر کے حالیہ دورے پاکستان کے دوران دفاع، سیورٹی، تجارت اور انسداد دہشت گردی کے امور پر تعاون پر تفصیلی بات چیت کی گئی۔ ترجمان قاضی غلیل اللہ نے کہا کہ آپریشن ضرب عضب میں دہشت گردوں کے خلاف بھرپور کارروائی کی گئی ہے۔ ایک سوال کے جواب میں ترجمان نے کہا کہ ڈائریکٹر جنرل ریجنل سیکورٹی فورسز کے حکام کے درمیان ملاقات طے شدہ شیڈول کے مطابق نو ستمبر کو دہلی میں ہوگی۔

اسلام آباد قومی اسمبلی کی قائمہ کمیٹی برائے دفاع کے چیرمین شیخ روہیل اصغر کا کہنا ہے کہ آپریشن ضرب عضب ختم ہونے کے باوجود پاک فوج 2019 تک شمالی وزیرستان میں تعینات رہے گی۔ روہیل اصغر کی سربراہی میں قومی اسمبلی کی قائمہ کمیٹی برائے دفاع کا کان کنسرس اجلاس ہوا جس میں سیکرٹری دفاع لیفٹیننٹ جنرل (ر) عالم خشک اور پاک فوج کے اعلیٰ حکام نے ضرب عضب پر بریفنگ دی۔ دفاعی حکام نے قومی اسمبلی کی قائمہ کمیٹی کو بتایا کہ 15 جون 2014 کو شروع ہونے والے آپریشن ضرب عضب کا فیصلہ کن مرحلہ جاری ہے، آپریشن میں اب تک 3 ہزار 500 سے زائد دہشت گرد ہلاک اور ان کے درجنوں ٹھکانے اور اسلحہ فیئر یاں تباہ کی جا چکی ہیں۔ قائمہ کمیٹی برائے دفاع کو بتایا گیا کہ آپریشن ضرب عضب میں شمالی وزیرستان کا بیشتر علاقہ دہشت گردوں سے خالی کر لیا گیا ہے جب کہ آپریشن کا فیصلہ کن مرحلہ شوال وادی میں جاری ہے۔ دہشت گردوں کے خلاف شوال میں جاری زمینی آپریشن میں اب تک 200 سے زائد دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو چکے ہیں۔ اجلاس کے دوران بتایا گیا کہ آپریشن ضرب عضب کے درعمل میں اب تک 300 سے زائد فوجی جوان اور افسران بھی شہید ہو چکے ہیں۔ قائمہ کمیٹی برائے دفاع کے اجلاس کے دوران سرحدوں پر بھارتی جارحیت کے خلاف مذمتی قرارداد بھی منظور کی گئی۔ دوسری جانب روہیل شیخ قائمہ کمیٹی کے اجلاس سے اظہارِ خیال کرتے ہوئے کہنا تھا کہ دہشت گردوں کا صفایا کرنا کافی نہیں، دہشت گردوں کے سہولت کاروں کا بھی صفایا کیا جا رہا ہے۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ آپریشن میں چند سیاستدانوں کی گرفتار کرنا کافی نہیں، دہشت گردوں کے سہولت کاروں کے گرد بھی گھیراؤ ہو رہا ہے۔ شیخ روہیل اصغر کا کہنا تھا کہ دہشت گرد افغانستان جا کر داعش میں شامل ہو رہے ہیں جو ایک بڑا خطرہ ہے، اس خطرے سے روکنے کی ضرورت ہے۔ ضرب عضب ختم ہو جائے تو بھی سرحد کو ایسے نہیں چھوڑا جاسکتا، پاک فوج کو 2019 تک شمالی وزیرستان میں رہنا پڑے گا۔ واضح رہے کہ گزشتہ برس حکومت اور طالبان کے درمیان مذاکرات کی ناکامی کے بعد دہشت گردوں کے خلاف جون میں آپریشن ضرب عضب شروع کیا گیا تھا۔

پشاور ارمر میں سرچ آپریشن کے دوران دہشت گردوں کی فائرنگ سے 3 پولیس اہلکار جاں بحق جب کہ ایک شہری اور 6 پولیس اہلکار زخمی ہو گئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق پولیس اہلکاروں کی جانب سے پشاور میں ارمر کے علاقے بغوانان میں معمول کا سرچ آپریشن جاری تھا کہ ایک مکان میں چھپے دہشت گردوں نے پولیس اہلکار پر فائرنگ کر دی جس کے نتیجے میں ایک پولیس اہلکار زخمی ہو گیا، پولیس اہلکار اپنے زخمی ساتھی کو موبائل میں ڈال کر اسپتال منتقل کر رہے تھے کہ ملزمان نے موبائل پر بھی فائرنگ کر دی جس کے نتیجے میں 3 پولیس اہلکار جاں بحق جب کہ ایک

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بی بی سی اردو

4 ستمبر 2015

شمالی وزیرستان میں پاک فوج 2019 تک تعینات رہے گی، قائمہ کمیٹی برائے دفاع

روزنامہ ایکسپریس

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آتا ہے جہاں شام کی جنگ کے بعد 8 لاکھ لوگ پناہ لینے پر مجبور ہیں۔ جب کہ ایران میں بھی 8 لاکھ سے زائد پناہ گزین موجود ہیں جن کی اکثریت افغان باشندوں پر مشتمل ہے۔ دلچسپ بات یہ ہے کہ اس وقت دنیا کے 86 فیصد پناہ گزین ترقی پذیر ممالک میں رہائش پذیر ہیں اور اس فہرست میں چین اور امریکا بالترتیب نویں اور دسویں نمبر پر ہیں۔ اقوام متحدہ میں پاکستانی سفیر ڈاکٹر ملیحہ لودھی کے مطابق اگر طویل مدت پناہ گزینوں کو اپنے ملک میں رکھنے کی بات کی جائے تو پاکستان اس میں سرفہرست ہے۔

اسلام آباد وزیراعظم نواز شریف نے انٹیکس کمیٹی کا اہم اجلاس 10 ستمبر کو طلب کر لیا ہے جس میں اعلیٰ سول و عسکری حکام شریک ہوں گے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق وزیراعظم نواز شریف نے انٹیکس کمیٹی کا اہم اجلاس 10 ستمبر کو وزیراعظم ہاؤس میں طلب کیا ہے جس میں چاروں صوبائی وزرائے اعلیٰ اور آرمی چیف سمیت اعلیٰ سول و عسکری حکام شریک ہوں گے جب کہ اجلاس میں نیشنل ایکشن پلان کے 20 نکات پر عملدرآمد کے بارے میں اہم اقدامات کیے جانے کا امکان ہے۔ ذرائع کے مطابق انٹیکس کمیٹی کے اجلاس میں سول بیورو کریسی اور عسکری حکام نیشنل ایکشن پلان پر بریفنگ دیں گے جب کہ اجلاس میں نیشنل ایکشن پلان تیز کرنے کے امور پر بھی غور کیا جائے گا۔

پاکستان کے صوبہ بلوچستان کے ساحلی شہر گوادر میں ایئرپورٹ کے قریب راکٹ حملہ ہوا ہے۔ حکام کے مطابق جھڑپ اور جمعے کی درمیانی شب ہونے والے اس حملے میں کوئی جانی اور مالی نقصان نہیں ہوا۔ پاکستان کے مقامی ذرائع ابلاغ نے اس حملے کے حوالے سے یہ خبر دی کہ یہ حملہ گوادر شہر میں واقع ایئرپورٹ پر کیا گیا لیکن بلوچستان کے وزیر داخلہ میر سرفراز بگٹی نے اس کی تردید کی ہے۔ کوئٹہ میں ان کی جانب سے اس واقعے کے حوالے سے جاری ہونے والے ایک بیان میں کہا گیا ہے کہ گوادر ایئرپورٹ پر کوئی حملہ نہیں ہوا۔ بیان کے مطابق دہشت گردوں کی جانب سے فائر کیا جانے والا راکٹ ایئرپورٹ سے کافی فاصلے پر گرا جس سے ایئرپورٹ اور تنصیبات کوئی نقصان نہیں پہنچا اور ایئرپورٹ مکمل طور پر محفوظ ہے۔ ان کا کہنا ہے کہ سیکورٹی اداروں نے علاقے میں سرچ آپریشن شروع کیا ہے تاکہ حملے میں ملوث شریکین کو گرفتار کیا جاسکے۔ واضح رہے کہ چند روز قبل گوادر کے ایک اور علاقے جیوانی میں واقع ایئرپورٹ حملہ ہوا تھا جس میں حملہ آوروں کی فائرنگ سے ایئرپورٹ پر موجود ایک ٹیکنیشن ہلاک اور ایک الیکٹرک سپروائزر زخمی ہوا تھا۔ حملہ آوروں نے ایئرپورٹ کے راکٹ سسٹم کو آگ لگا دی تھی جس سے وہ بری طرح سے متاثر ہوا تھا۔ حملہ آوروں نے فرار ہوتے ہوئے ایئرپورٹ کے الیکٹرک انجنیئر کو بھی اغوا کر لیا اور بعد میں اسے بھی گولی مار کر ہلاک کیا گیا تھا۔

پاکستان کے شہر کراچی میں نادرانے غیر قانونی تارکین وطن افراد کو رشوت لے کر جعلی شناختی کارڈ جاری کرنے کے الزام میں اپنے تین سنٹر زبند کرنے اور ملوث اہلکاروں کے خلاف کارروائی کرنے کا فیصلہ کیا ہے۔ غیر ملکی شہریوں کے لیے خصوصی شناختی کارڈ بنانے کی انتہائی ناراکہ اعداد و شمار کے مطابق کراچی میں 30 سے 32 لاکھ غیر ملکی رہائش پذیر ہیں جن میں سے اکثر غیر رجسٹرڈ ہیں۔ کراچی کے علاقے مجھڑیا چھیرا کالونی میں بنگالیوں کی ایک بڑی تعداد آباد ہے۔ مجھڑیا کالونی کے رہائشی شمس اسلام کے بڑے بیٹے تین سال پہلے بلدیہ ٹاؤن میں واقع فیکٹری علی انٹرپرائز میں آتش زدگی کے حادثے میں ہلاک ہو گئے تھے۔ بیٹے کی ہلاکت کے بعد شمس اسلام کو حکومت کی جانب سے معاوضے کا جو چیک ملا وہ ایک مقامی اہلکار کی مدد سے کیش ہو سکا جبکہ عدالت سے ملنے والے چیک پڑے پڑے بیکار ہو گئے۔ شمس اسلام نے بتایا کہ 85،85 ہزار کے دو چیک ملے ہیں لیکن شناختی کارڈ کی مدت ميعاد ختم ہونے کی وجہ سے اسے کیش نہیں کر پایا اور اب تو چیک کیش کرانے کا وقت بھی نکل چکا ہے۔ کراچی میں بسنے والے غیر ملکی مزدوروں کے شناختی کارڈ نہ ہونے کی وجہ سے انھیں ہر جگہ ہر ادارے میں مشکلات پیش آتی ہیں۔

پاکستان کے دارالحکومت اسلام آباد کے نواحی علاقے بارہ کھو میں ریجنل خفیہ اداروں اور مقامی پولیس نے مشترکہ آپریشن کر کے 100 سے زائد افراد کو گرفتار کیا ہے۔ اس آپریشن میں ان افراد کے قبضے سے بڑی تعداد میں غیر قانونی اسلحہ اور آتش گیر مادہ بھی برآمد کیا گیا ہے۔ قبضے میں لیے جانے والے اسلحے میں غیر ملکی اسلحہ بھی شامل ہے۔ گرفتار ہونے والے افراد میں 30 سے زائد افغانی اور شدت پسندی کے مقدمات میں قانون نافذ کرنے والے اداروں کو مطلوب افراد بھی شامل ہیں۔ وزارت داخلہ کے ایک اہلکار کے مطابق خفیہ اداروں نے ایک رپورٹ بھجوائی تھی جس میں کہا گیا تھا کہ قبائلی علاقوں میں شدت پسندوں کے خلاف فوجی آپریشن کے بعد بڑی تعداد میں لوگ اسلام آباد کے نواحی علاقوں بارہ کھو اور ترنول میں آباد ہو گئے ہیں، جن کے بارے میں مقامی پولیس اور انتظامیہ کو کوئی معلومات نہیں ہیں اور نہ ہی مقامی پولیس ان افراد کے مجرمانہ ریکارڈ کے بارے میں جانتی ہے۔ اہلکار کے مطابق ان رپورٹوں میں اس بات کا بھی ذکر کیا گیا ہے کہ ان لوگوں میں ایسے افراد بھی شامل ہیں جو سکیورٹی فورسز پر حملوں کے علاوہ شدت پسندوں کے سہولت کار بھی ہیں۔ وزارت داخلہ کے اہلکار بارہ کھو، ترنول اور اس سے ملحقہ علاقوں میں سرچ آپریشن کے لیے جو حکمت عملی اپنائی گئی تھی اس کے مطابق ریجنل کے اہلکار سب سے آگے تھے جبکہ مقامی پولیس کو سیکنڈ ہینس میں رکھا گیا تھا۔ واضح رہے کہ اس سے قبل خفیہ ادارے حکومت کو جو رپورٹ بھجوا چکے تھے ان میں اس بات کا ذکر کیا گیا تھا کہ اس علاقے میں شدت پسند اور ممنوع تنظیموں سے تعلق رکھنے والے ملکی اور غیر ملکی افراد بڑی تعداد میں رہائش پذیر ہیں اور مقامی پولیس کے پاس ان افراد کے مجرمانہ ریکارڈ کے

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گوادر ایئرپورٹ کے قریب راکٹ حملہ،

کوئی نقصان نہیں ہوا

بی بی سی اردو

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پاکستان میں شناخت سے محروم بنگالی شہری

بی بی سی اردو

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بارہ کھو سرچ آپریشن میں 100 سے زائد

افراد گرفتار

بی بی سی اردو

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سیفشی اور سیکورٹی

تفصیلات

کراچی (نوائے وقت رپورٹ) کراچی میں کانٹریکٹر ٹیرزم ڈیپارٹمنٹ کے ہاتھوں گرفتار بھارتی خفیہ ایجنسی راکے گرفتار 4 ایجنٹوں سے تفتیش میں اہم پیش رفت ہوئی ہے۔ گرفتار ایجنٹوں نے پاکستان میں راکا بین الاقوامی گروپ بھی بے نقاب کر دیا ہے۔ گرفتار افراد سے تفتیش کے بعد بھارتی خفیہ ایجنسی راکے کراچی میں ذمہ داران کی کھوج بھی لگائی گئی ہے۔ راکے مرکزی ایجنٹوں کی تصاویر بھی حاصل کر لی گئی ہیں۔ صدر باقری شہر بھر میں 20 سے زائد سلیپر سیل کا انچارج ہے اور کینیڈا سے پاکستان میں راکے سرگرمیوں کیلئے احکامات دیتا ہے جبکہ محمود صدیقی ملیشیا سے راکا نیٹ ورک چلاتا ہے اور اس وقت محمود صدیقی بھارت میں راکے سیف ہاؤس میں مقیم ہے۔ محمود صدیقی اور صدر باقری سلیپر سیل کے ارکان سے ای میل اور موبائل ایپلی کیشنز کے ذریعے رابطہ کرتے ہیں۔ ذرائع کانٹریکٹر ٹیرزم ڈیپارٹمنٹ کے مطابق گرفتار ایجنٹ سے تفتیش اور اس گروپ کے دیگر افراد کی گرفتاری کیلئے چھاپوں کا سلسلہ جاری ہے۔

لاہور (شہزادہ خالد) سرکاری اداروں میں بدعنوانی بڑھنے سے اینٹی کرپشن کورٹس میں زیر سماعت مقدمات کی تعداد میں ریکارڈ اضافہ ہو گیا ہے۔ زیر التوا مقدمات چار ہزار کی حد عبور کرتے ہوئے 4025 ہو گئے ہیں۔ لاہور کی تمام اینٹی کرپشن کورٹس میں ماہانہ ایک ہزار سے زائد کیس دائر ہو رہے ہیں جبکہ ہر ماہ 600 سے 700 مقدمات کے فیصلے ہوتے ہیں۔ جنوری 2015ء میں 39، فروری 43 اور مارچ میں 30 فیصد کیس دائر ہوئے۔ انصاف کی تیز ترین فراہمی کیلئے بنائی گئی جوڈیشل پالیسی پر عملدرآمد نہ ہونے سے مقدمات تاخیر کا شکار ہیں۔ اینٹی کرپشن کورٹ میں رشوت کے ایک کیس کا فیصلہ پانچ برس بعد کیا گیا جبکہ رشوت لینے والا اہلکار اس عرصہ میں ریٹائر بھی ہو چکا ہے۔ لاہور کے نواحی اضلاع کے کیس بھی لاہور میں سماعت کیے جاتے ہیں جس سے لاہور کی عدالتوں پر اضافی بوجھ ہے اور سائلوں کو بھی شدید پریشانی کا سامنا کرنا پڑتا ہے۔ دوسرے شہروں سے آنے والے سائلوں کا کہنا ہے کہ ہر ضلع میں اینٹی کرپشن کورٹ بنائی جائے تاکہ تیز ترین انصاف ہو سکے۔

کراچی محکمہ داخلہ سندھ نے کراچی میں 2 روز کے لئے موٹر سائیکل کی ڈبل سواری پر پابندی لگا دی۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق کراچی میں 2 روز کے لیے موٹر سائیکل کی ڈبل سواری پر پابندی عائد کر دی گئی ہے جس کا نوٹیفکیشن بھی جاری کر دیا گیا ہے۔ محکمہ داخلہ سندھ کی جانب سے جاری نوٹی فکیشن کے مطابق پابندی یوم دفاع پر سیکورٹی خدشات کے پیش نظر لگائی گئی ہے جو 5 اور 6 ستمبر تک برقرار رہے گی جب کہ پابندی کا اطلاق رات 12 بجے سے ہو گا۔

اسلام آباد دفتر خارجہ کے ترجمان قاضی خلیل اللہ کا کہنا ہے کہ پاکستان افغان مصالحتی عمل میں سہولت کار کا کردار ادا کرنے کے لیے تیار ہے جب کہ مشیر خارجہ سرتاج عزیز دورہ افغانستان میں پاکستانی سفارتی عملے کی سیکورٹی سے متعلق تشویش سے آگاہ کریں گے۔ اسلام آباد میں پریس کانفرنس کے دوران ترجمان دفتر خارجہ قاضی خلیل اللہ نے کہا کہ مشیر خارجہ سرتاج عزیز افغانستان پہنچ گئے ہیں جہاں وہ افغان قیادت سے ملاقات کریں گے اور پاکستانی سفارتی عملے کی سیکورٹی سے متعلق تشویش سے آگاہ کریں گے جب کہ سرتاج عزیز دورہ کابل میں افغان حکام کو امن دہنائی چارے کا پیغام بھی دیں گے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ پاکستان افغانستان میں امن و استحکام چاہتا ہے اور افغان مصالحتی عمل میں سہولت کار کا کردار ادا کرنے کے لیے بھی تیار ہے۔ قاضی خلیل اللہ کا کہنا تھا کہ ضرب عضب پر تمام تر اخراجات حکومت پاکستان خود کر رہی ہے اور پاکستانی خزانے سے اب تک 1.92 ارب ڈالر خرچ کیے گئے ہیں جب کہ ڈی جی رینجرز اور انڈین بارڈر سیکورٹی فورس کی ملاقات منسوخ نہیں ہوئی، دونوں ممالک کی سرحدی فورسز کے سربراہوں کی ملاقات رواں ماہ ہوگی۔

کراچی: شام، عراق اور لیبیا کے لاکھوں پناہ گزین جنگ اور بد حالی کی باعث خطرناک سمندروں سے گزر کر یورپ جانے کی کوششوں میں جان کی بازی ہار رہے ہیں جب کہ پاکستان دنیا کا واحد ملک ہے جو پناہ گزینوں کو خوش آمدید کہتا ہے اور سال 2013 کے اعداد و شمار کے مطابق دنیا بھر میں سب سے زیادہ پناہ گزین پاکستان میں تھے جو 1980 سے اب تک پاکستان میں ہی مقیم ہیں۔ اقوام متحدہ کے مطابق پاکستان دنیا کا واحد ملک ہے جس نے لاکھوں افغان پناہ گزینوں کو اپنے ملک میں بسایا ہے اور اب بھی وہاں 15 لاکھ سے زائد رجسٹرڈ افغان مہاجرین موجود ہیں لیکن دیگر ذرائع کے مطابق ان کی تعداد اس سے کہیں زیادہ ہے۔ رپورٹ کے مطابق شام اور عراق کے تنازعات کے بعد اب ترکی دنیا کا پہلا ملک بن گیا ہے جہاں 17 لاکھ رجسٹرڈ مہاجرین موجود ہیں لیکن پاکستان کو مہاجرین کی طویل ترین میزبانی کا اعزاز حاصل ہے۔ سال 2015 کے تحت ترکی کے بعد اردن کا نام

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کراچی: گرفتار ایجنٹوں نے پاکستان میں ”را“ کے بین الاقوامی گروپ کو بے نقاب کر دیا

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

6 ستمبر 2015

اینٹی کرپشن کورٹس میں زیر سماعت

مقدمات کی تعداد میں ریکارڈ اضافہ

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

5 ستمبر 2015

کراچی میں موٹر سائیکل کی ڈبل سواری پر

پابندی لگا دی گئی

روزنامہ ایکسپریس

4 ستمبر 2015

پاکستان افغان مصالحتی عمل میں سہولت کار

کا کردار ادا کرنے کے لیے تیار ہے، دفتر

خارجہ

روزنامہ ایکسپریس

4 ستمبر 2015

دنیا بھر میں پناہ گزینوں کو قبول کرنے میں

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روزنامہ ایکسپریس

4 ستمبر 2015

ٹھٹھہ (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبار 31 اگست 2015ء) امداد کی عدم فراہمی کے خلاف سیلاب متاثرین نے سخت احتجاج کیا اور 4 اضلاع کو ملانے والا روڈ کئی گھنٹے بند کیے رکھا۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق پیر کو ٹھٹھہ کے قریب پٹھان کالونی اور گردنواح کے سینکڑوں سیلاب متاثرین نے محمد بخش شورو، عبدالجفیظ ترک اور دیگر کی قیادت میں ٹھٹھہ اور پٹھان کالونی روڈ پر رکاوٹیں کھڑی کر کے سخت احتجاج کیا اور کہا کہ حالیہ سیلاب کے دوران انتظامیہ نے نیسے اور امداد دینے کا وعدہ کیا تھا لیکن انتظامیہ حقیقی سیلاب متاثرین کو نظر انداز کر کے اپنے من پسند لوگوں میں امداد تقسیم کر کے واپس چلی جاتی ہے، جبکہ سینکڑوں افراد جس میں بچے، بوڑھے عورتیں بھوک سے نڈھال ہیں، سیلاب متاثرین کے سخت احتجاج کے باعث چار اضلاع، بدین، حیدرآباد، ٹنڈو محمد خان اور سجاد کو ملانے والا روڈ کئی گھنٹے تک بند رہا، اور گاڑیوں کی لمبی قطاریں لگ گئی

ٹھٹھہ، امداد کی عدم فراہمی کے خلاف

سیلاب متاثرین کا احتجاج

اُردو پوائنٹ

31 اگست 2015

11885، رحیم یار خان سے 9460، ڈیرہ غازی خان سے 4826 اور باقی سیلاب متاثرین کو دیگر سیلاب زدہ اضلاع سے ریسکوریسکیو کیا گیا ہے۔ انہوں نے تمام ریسکوریسکیو خدمات کو سراہا جنہوں نے دیگر ایمر جنسی کے ساتھ حالیہ سیلاب میں بہترین کارکردگی کا مظاہرہ کیا۔ بریگیڈیئر (ر) ڈاکٹر ارشد ضیاء نے ڈسٹرکٹ ایمر جنسی آفیسر کو ہدایت کی کہ کسی بھی حادثے یا سانحے سے نبرد آزما ہونے کے لیے ہر وقت تیار رہیں، انہوں نے کہا کہ ریسکوریسکیو پاکستان کا سب سے بڑا ایمر جنسی میں خدمات فراہم کرنے والا ادارہ بن چکا ہے۔ انہوں نے ڈسٹرکٹ ایمر جنسی افسران کو مزید ہدایت کی کہ وہ حادثات کی روک تھام پر زور دیں کیونکہ زیادہ تر حادثات کو ٹریفک قوانین، بلڈنگ کوڈز اور لائف سیفٹی کوڈز پر عمل درآمد کر کے روکا جاسکتا ہے۔

اسلام آباد (اردو پوائنٹ اخبار - یکم ستمبر 2015ء) قومی اسمبلی کی قائمہ کمیٹی برائے موسمیاتی تبدیلی نے محمد معین وٹو کی سربراہی میں چترال میں سیلاب سے متاثرہ علاقوں کا جائزہ لینے کے لئے پانچ رکنی کمیٹی تشکیل دے دی ہے۔ چیئرمین این ڈی ایم اے نے کمیٹی کے رکنوں کو ہدایت کی کہ وہ سیلاب سے ہونے والے نقصانات کے بارے میں تفصیلی رپورٹنگ دیں۔ منگل کو چیئرمین قائمہ کمیٹی موسمیاتی تبدیلی ڈاکٹر حفصہ الرحمن خان کی صدارت میں اجلاس منعقد کیا گیا جس میں چیئرمین این ڈی ایم اے میجر جنرل اصغر نواز، وفاقی سیکرٹری موسمیاتی تبدیلی عارف خان اور دیگر متعلقہ حکام نے کمیٹی کو حالیہ بارشوں سے ملک میں ہونے والے نقصانات سے تفصیلی طور پر آگاہ کیا۔ اس موقع پر چیئرمین این ڈی ایم اے نے کمیٹی کو بتایا کہ اس سال چترال، شمالی علاقہ جات اور گلگت بلتستان میں مون سون بہت زیادہ بارشیں ہوئی ہیں جبکہ مون سون ہمیشہ مشرق سے رونما ہوتی ہے مگر اس دفعہ یہ مغرب سے شروع ہوئی ہیں انہوں نے کمیٹی کو بتایا کہ چترال اور دیگر علاقوں میں مون سون بارشوں سے جانی اور مالی نقصانات ہوئے ہیں تاہم این ڈی ایم اے اور دیگر متعلقہ وفاقی اور صوبائی اداروں نے ساتھ مل کر متاثرہ علاقوں میں ریلیف، بحالی اور آبادی کے لئے مختلف سطح پر اقدامات کئے ہیں انہوں نے کہا کہ اس طرح پنجاب اور سندھ میں بھی سیلاب اور بارشوں سے متاثرہ علاقوں کے لئے مختلف سطح پر اقدامات کئے گئے ہیں جن میں لوگوں کو فوری ریلیف دیا گیا ہے اور اس کے بعد دوبارہ آباد کاری و بحالی اور انفراسٹرکچر کے لیے بھی مختلف اقدامات کئے گئے ہیں اس موقع پر نیچرل ڈسٹرکشنز نے کہا کہ دنیا میں اس وقت جو موسمیاتی تبدیلیاں ہو رہی ہیں پاکستان اس میں تیسرے نمبر پر ہے اور موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے حوالے سے این ڈی ایم اے کے پہلے سے کیا اقدامات کئے اور اس حوالے سے صوبوں کے نمائندوں کو بھی آئندہ اجلاس میں بلایا جائے اس پر چیئرمین این ڈی ایم اے نے کمیٹی کو بتایا کہ موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے اثرات کو روکنے کیلئے الگ ٹیم ہے اور اس کے لئے انتظام کرنا ایک الگ ٹیم ہے انہوں نے کہا کہ پی کے کے اور شمالی علاقہ جات میں رڈار سسٹم کام نہیں کر رہے ہیں جبکہ اس طرح دریاؤں کا کوئی ایکٹ بھی موجود نہیں ہے اس موقع پر وفاقی سیکرٹری عارف خان نے کمیٹی کو بریفنگ دیتے ہوئے کہا کہ دریاؤں کو مینجمنٹ کرنے کے لیے بہت رقم اور وسائل کی ضرورت ہے جبکہ آسمانی آفتوں کو ایک حد سے زیادہ اندازہ نہیں لگایا جاسکتا انہوں نے کہا کہ سو فیصد دیکھا ہے کہ کوئی بھی ملک آسمانی آفت سے نہیں بچ سکا ہے وفاقی سیکرٹری نے کمیٹی کو تجویز دی کہ وہ آئندہ اجلاس میں محکمہ موسمیات اور فلڈ کمیشن کے حکام کو بھی مدعو کریں انہوں نے کہا کہ وارننگ سسٹم محکمہ موسمیات کے پاس ہے انہوں نے کہا کہ جب تک صوبے موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے لیے اقدامات پر عملدرآمد نہیں کرتے اس وقت تک موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے حساب کو حل ہی نہیں کر سکتے اور صوبوں کو اس کو ترجیحی بنیادوں پر رکھنا ہو گا رکن کمیٹی مسرت احمد زب نے تحقیق کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ اگر وزارت موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے پاس اختیار نہیں ہیں تو اس کا کیا فائدہ ہے یہ صرف وقت اور پیسے کا ضیاع ہے انہوں نے کہا کہ سیلاب روکنے کیلئے روزنامہ جنگلات اہم کردار ادا کرتے ہیں جبکہ پاکستان میں درخت بے دردی سے کاٹے جا رہے ہیں اور حکومت نے اس سلسلے میں شجر کاری کے لیے کیا اقدامات کئے ہیں۔ وفاقی سیکرٹری نے کہا کہ درخت لگانا بہت ضروری ہے اور اس سے زیادہ درخت کو کاٹنے سے روکنا بہت ضروری ہے پاکستان میں روزنامہ جنگلات کا رقبہ بہت کم ہے اور اس میں بارہ فیصد اضافہ نہیں ہو سکتا ہے جس میں موسمیاتی تبدیلی کی وجوہات شامل ہیں تاہم کوشش کی جائے گی کہ اس کو سات سے آٹھ فیصد تک لے جائیں اس موقع پر چیئرمین کمیٹی ڈاکٹر حفصہ الرحمن خان نے کہا کہ چترال میں سیلاب سے متاثرہ علاقوں کے جائزہ کے لئے ایک سب کمیٹی تشکیل دی جائے جس کے سربراہ محمد معین وٹو ہوں گے انہوں نے اجلاس سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ آئندہ اجلاس میں محکمہ موسمیات اور فلڈ کمیشن کے احکام کو بھی بلایا جائے جبکہ صوبائی موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے نمائندوں کو بھی مدعو کیا جائے۔

کراچی (آن لائن) حکومت سندھ نے اس کے سامنے اس بات پر احتجاج کیا ہے کہ چشمہ اور تونسہ بیراج کے درمیان چو پانی ضائع ہو جاتا ہے اس کو روکنے کیلئے تاحال اقدامات نہیں کئے گئے۔ صوبائی محکمہ آبپاشی کی جانب سے چیئرمین اسرا کو لکھے گئے ایک خط میں کہا گیا ہے کہ سکھر اور گڈو بیراجوں کے درمیان 130 میل کا فاصلہ ہے جس میں 10 ہزار کیوسک سے بھی کم پانی ضائع ہوتا ہے جبکہ اس کے مقابلے میں چشمہ، تونسہ بیراجوں کے درمیان 152 میل کے فاصلہ پر 10 ہزار 200 کیوسک سے زائد پانی ضائع ہو رہا ہے۔ اس کی ذمہ داری ہے کہ ایک بیراج سے دوسرے بیراج تک پانی کی فراہمی کو یقینی بنائے اور دریا کے بندوں میں اگر رسائو ہے تو اس کی مرمت کی جائے تاکہ چو پانی استعمال ہوئے بغیر ضائع ہو رہا ہے اس کو قابل استعمال بنایا جائے۔ خط میں اس سے کہا گیا ہے کہ وہ بیراجوں سے نکلنے والے پانی کو آخری حد تک پہنچانے کے لئے اقدامات کئے جائیں۔

چترال میں سیلاب سے متاثرہ علاقوں کا جائزہ لینے کیلئے پانچ رکنی کمیٹی تشکیل

اردو پوائنٹ

1 ستمبر 2015

چشمہ اور تونسہ بیراج کے درمیان پانی کے ضیاع پر سندھ حکومت کا اس سے احتجاج دریاؤں کے بندوں کی مرمت کا مطالبہ

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

1 ستمبر 2015

کے نمائندگان کو بلا کر ان کو آگاہی دینا ہے کہ وہ اپنے اپنے علاقوں میں وی سی سیز کو فعال بنالے اور قدرتی ماحول کا اہم اجلاس کا بنیادی مقصد تمام حفاظت کرے جس سے نہ صرف ہمارے ماحول پر اچھے اثرات پڑیں گے بلکہ ہماری معیشت بھی اس سے بہتر ہوگی۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ پچاس فیصد قدرتی آفات کی وجہ روزنامہ جنگلات کی کٹائی ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ ان تمام وی سی سی کو کنزرویشن منیجمنٹ کمیٹی کے ساتھ رجسٹرڈ کیا جائے گا جن کو وہاں سے فنڈ بھی ملے گا اور اپنے علاقوں میں ترقیاتی کام بھی کر سکیں گے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ اگر ہم قدرتی نظام کو نہیں چھیڑیں گے تو کافی حد تک تباہی اور قدرتی آفات میں نقصانات سے بچ سکتے ہیں۔ سیمینار سے مجید خان، باچاگل، امیر ولی، محمد صدیق، سی ایم سی کے چیئر مین انور بیگ، رکن تحصیل کونسل چترال خوش محمد وغیرہ نے اظہار خیال کیا۔

کراچی (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبار- 02 ستمبر- 2015ء) بارشوں اور سیلاب کے باعث حکومت نے کپاس کے پیداواری ہدف کو بارہ فیصد کم کر دیا، رواں مالی سال کے لئے ایک کروڑ 35 لاکھ گانٹھوں کا نیا ہدف مقرر کر دیا گیا۔ ملک میں حالیہ شدید بارشوں اور سیلاب کے باعث لاکھوں ایکڑ اراضی پر کپاس کی فصل متاثر ہوئی، جس کے پیش نظر کٹن کرپ کمیٹی نے رواں مالی سال کے لئے مقررہ پیداواری ہدف ایک کروڑ چوں لاکھ گانٹھوں سے کم کر کے ایک کروڑ پینتیس لاکھ گانٹھیں کر دیا۔

طبی ماہرین کی جانب سے تحقیق کے بعد یہ بات سامنے آئی ہے کہ فضائی آلودگی سے دل کے دورے کا خطرہ بڑھ جاتا ہے جب کہ اس سے ایسے لوگ بھی متاثر ہوتے ہیں جو قدرے صاف اور محفوظ ماحول میں رہائش پذیر ہوں۔ لندن میں ہونے والی یورپی سوسائٹی آف کارڈیالوجی کا نفرنس میں ماہرین کا کہنا تھا کہ فضائی آلودگی سے دل کے دورے کا خطرہ 5 فیصد تک بڑھ جاتا ہے اور اس کے آثار صرف ایک روز میں بھی ہی ظاہر ہو جاتے ہیں، فضا میں بغیر جلے ہوئے ایندھن کے خردبینی ذرات، مضر صحت دھوئیں میں موجود گیسوں بھیسپھروں کے لیے نقصان دہ ہوتی ہیں اور خون کی شریانوں میں مضر تبدیلیاں کرنے کے ساتھ ساتھ خون کے لو تھڑے بھی بناتے ہیں۔ ماہرین کی جانب سے کی گئی تحقیق میں بتایا گیا ہے کہ ایندھن جلنے سے نائٹروک آکسائیڈ پیدا ہوتی ہے جو دل کے لیے سب سے مضر ہے جب کہ یہ مسائل یورپ کے ان ممالک میں بھی ہو سکتے ہیں جہاں ہوا کا معیار قدرے بہتر ہے۔ کانفرنس میں موجود سلیجیم کے ماہرین نے اپنے ملک میں فضائی آلودگی اور دل کے دورے کے درمیان تعلق معلوم کرنے کی کوشش کی تو پتا چلا کہ فضائی آلودگی میں کاربن کے ذرات کے علاوہ پی ایم 2.5 نامی ذرات بھی پائے جاتے ہیں اور جن مقامات پر پی ایم 2.5 کی مقدار فی مربع میٹر 10 مائیکرو گرام سے زیادہ پائی گئی وہاں دل کے دورے میں قریباً تین فیصد اضافہ نوٹ کیا گیا اور فضا میں نائٹروک آکسائیڈ کی اتنی ہی مقدار بڑھنے سے دل کے دورے کی شرح 5 فیصد تک بڑھ جاتی ہے۔ ماہرین کے مطابق آلودہ ہوا اور بارش ایک میں گہرا تعلق ہوتا ہے اور صرف ایک دن تک آلودہ فضا میں رہنے سے بھی یہ عارضہ ہو سکتا ہے اسی لیے کسی شہر میں فضائی آلودگی پر قابو پا کر لوگوں کی زندگیاں بچائی جاسکتی ہیں۔

ریکیو 1122 نے حالیہ سیلاب میں 97 ہزار سے زائد سیلاب متاثرین کو ریکیو کیا: ڈائریکٹر ریکیو

لاہور (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبار- 1 ستمبر- 2015ء) ڈائریکٹر پنجاب ایمر جنسی سروس بریگیڈیئر (ر) ڈاکٹر ارشد ضیاء نے گزشتہ روز ہیڈ کوارٹر ریکیو 1122 میں ایک میٹنگ کی صدارت کرتے ہوئے پنجاب کے تمام اضلاع میں ریکیو 1122 کی مہمانداری کی کارکردگی کا جائزہ لیا جس کا مقصد سروس کی کارکردگی اور ہنر کی تفریق کے تمام شہریوں کو یکساں معیار کی ایمر جنسی سروسز ڈیپورٹی کو یقینی بنانا ہے۔ ایمر جنسی سروس ریکیو 1122 کے اعداد و شمار کے مطابق ریکیو 1122 نے اگست میں پنجاب بھر میں اپنے سات منٹ ریسپانس ٹائم کو برقرار رکھتے ہوئے 55604 ریکیو آپریشن کے دوران 134504 ایمر جنسی متاثرین کو ریکیو کیا۔ میٹنگ میں ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر (ایچ آر) ڈاکٹر فواد شہزاد مرزا، ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر (پلاننگ اینڈ ڈویلپمنٹ) نعیم احمد قریشی، ہیڈ آف آپریشنز ایاز اسلم اور ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر (فنانس) نعیم مختار سمیت دیگر سینئر افسران نے شرکت کی۔ ریکیو 1122 کے پراونشل مانیٹرنگ سیل کو موصول ہونے والی ایمر جنسی کالز کا موازنہ کیا جائے تو ان میں 19061 کال ٹریفک حادثات، 26810 میڈیکل ایمر جنسی، 649 آگ لگنے کے واقعات، 2010 جرائم کی کال، 158 ڈوبنے کے واقعات، 121 عمارتیں منہدم ہونے کے واقعات اور 17 دھماکوں کے واقعات اور 6778 دیگر ریکیو آپریشن شامل ہیں جن پر ریکیو 1122 نے ریسپانڈ کیا۔ اعداد و شمار کے مطابق 211 آگ کے واقعات لاہور میں، 58 فیصل آباد، 46 گوجرانوالہ، 61 راولپنڈی، 43 ملتان اور سیالکوٹ میں 18 آگ لگنے کے واقعات پیش آئے۔ اسی طرح 4061 ٹریفک حادثات لاہور میں، 1765 فیصل آباد، 1331 گوجرانوالہ، 1178 ملتان جبکہ راولپنڈی میں 817 ٹریفک حادثات رونما ہوئے جہاں ٹریفک قوانین کے نفاذ کی ضرورت ہے۔ گزشتہ روز ریکیو 1122 ہیڈ کوارٹر میں ایک میٹنگ کی صدارت کے دوران ڈائریکٹر، پنجاب ایمر جنسی سروس نے کہا کہ ریکیو 1122 کی واٹر ریکیو ٹیموں نے سیلاب سے متاثرہ اضلاع میں دیگر اداروں کے باہمی اشتراک کے ساتھ ریکیو آپریشن کیے جن میں ریکیو 1122 نے 97 ہزار سے زائد سیلاب متاثرین کو ریکیو کیا۔ انہوں نے مزید کہا کہ ریکیو 1122 نے لیہ سے 26885 سیلاب متاثرین کو ریکیو کیا، قصور سے 24440، مظفر گڑھ سے

بارشوں اور سیلاب کے باعث حکومت نے کپاس کے پیداواری ہدف کو بارہ فیصد کم کر دیا

اُردو پوائنٹ

2 ستمبر 2015

فضائی آلودگی سے دل کے دورے کا خطرہ بڑھ جاتا ہے، طبی ماہرین

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قدرتی آفات

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سُرخیاں

فیصل آباد..... فیصل آباد کے الائیڈ اسپتال میں زیر علاج 7 مریضوں میں ڈینگی وائرس کی تصدیق ہو گئی ہے۔ اسپتال ذرائع کے مطابق فیصل آباد کے الائیڈ اسپتال میں ڈینگی کے مشتبہ کیسز کو علاج کے لئے لایا گیا تھا۔ جن میں سے 7 مریضوں میں ڈینگی کی تصدیق ہوئی ہے۔ ڈینگی مریضوں میں 10 اور 13 سال کی دو بچیاں بھی شامل ہیں۔ پانچ کا تعلق فیصل آباد جبکہ دو کا ٹوبہ ٹیک سنگھ اور دو کا تعلق شاہ کوٹ سے ہے۔

اسپتال میں 7 مریضوں میں ڈینگی وائرس کی تصدیق
روزنامہ جنگ

5 ستمبر 2015

کراچی (آئی این پی) سپریم کورٹ نے تھریپارکر میں غذائی قلت سے متعلق از خود نوٹس کی سماعت میں سندھ حکومت کی رپورٹ مسترد کر دی۔ عدالت نے سپیشل سیکرٹری صحت سندھ کو تھریپارکر کا دورہ کر کے تفصیلی رپورٹ پیش کرنے کا حکم دیدیا، جسٹس امیر بانی مسلم نے ریمارکس دیئے کہ تھریپارکر کے ہسپتال بھینوں کے باڑے سے بھی بدتر ہیں۔ تھریپارکر میں سرکاری ہسپتال وڈیروں کے ڈیرے بن چکے ہیں، ہسپتالوں میں ادویات نہ ہونے کے برابر ہیں، وزیر اعلیٰ سندھ حکم جاری کرتے ہیں لیکن کرتے کچھ نہیں۔ بتایا جائے کہ تھریپارکر کے کس ہسپتال میں کتنے ڈاکٹر اور کتنا عملہ ہے اور کیا کیا سہولیات دی جا رہی ہیں۔ تھریپارکر کے ہسپتالوں کی حالت ناقابل بیان ہے۔ خدا کا خوف کریں جھوٹ نہ بولیں ہمیں سب پتہ ہے۔ تھریپارکر کے ہسپتال بھینوں کے باڑے سے بھی بدتر ہیں۔

تھریپارکر کے ہسپتال وڈیروں کے ڈیرے بن گئے، وزیر اعلیٰ حکم دیتے ہیں کرتے کچھ نہیں
سپریم کورٹ

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

4 ستمبر 2015

صوبہ خیبر پختونخوا کے دارالحکومت پشاور میں طوفانی بارش اور تیز ہوا میں چلنے کے باعث کئی مکانات کی چھتیں اور دیواریں گر گئی ہیں جس سے کم سے کم پانچ افراد ہلاک اور 30 سے زائد زخمی ہو گئے ہیں۔

پشاور میں شدید بارش اور طوفان سے پانچ افراد ہلاک، 30 سے زائد زخمی

بی بی سی اردو

3 ستمبر 2015

قدرتی آفات سے نمٹنے کے صوبائی ادارے پی ڈی ایم اے کی جانب سے جمعرات کی صبح جاری ہونے والے ایک مختصر بیان میں کہا گیا ہے کہ پشاور شہر میں بدھ اور جمعرات کی درمیانی شب شدید بارش اور تیز ہوا میں چلنے سے کئی مقامات پر گھروں کی چھتیں اور دیواریں گر گئی ہیں۔ بیان کے مطابق مختلف واقعات میں کم سے کم پانچ افراد ہلاک اور 30 سے زائد زخمی ہوئے ہیں۔ مرنے والوں میں تین خواتین بھی شامل ہیں۔ پی ڈی ایم اے کے مطابق شہر کے کئی علاقوں میں آسمانی بجلی گرنے کے واقعات بھی پیش آئے ہیں۔ عینی شاہدین کا کہنا ہے کہ شہر کے ایک علاقے میں آسمانی بجلی گرنے سے 15 کے قریب رکشے جل کر خاکستر ہو گئے ہیں۔ تاہم صوبے کے کسی اور علاقے سے طوفان یا باد باران کی کوئی اطلاع موصول نہیں ہوئی ہے۔ محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق پشاور میں گزشتہ رات آنے والے طوفان کی رفتار 93 کلومیٹر فی گھنٹہ ریکارڈ کی گئی جس سے زیادہ نقصان مضافاتی علاقوں میں ہوا ہے۔ شہر میں 47 ملی لیٹر بارش ریکارڈ کی گئی جبکہ آئندہ 24 گھنٹوں میں مزید بارش کی پیش گوئی کی گئی ہے۔

خیال رہے کہ گزشتہ کچھ عرصہ سے خیبر پختونخوا بالخصوص پشاور شدید بارشوں اور تباہ کن طوفانوں کے زد میں رہا ہے جس میں اب تک 100 سے زائد افراد ہلاک ہو چکے ہیں۔ رواں سال اپریل میں پشاور میں شدید بارشوں اور طوفان نے بڑے پیمانے پر تباہی مچائی تھی جس میں 50 کے قریب افراد ہلاک اور 100 سے زائد زخمی ہوئے تھے۔ اس کے علاوہ گزشتہ ماہ میں بھی پشاور شہر اور اس کے اطراف کے علاقے تین مرتبہ چھوٹے بڑے طوفان کی زد میں آئے جس میں 30 کے قریب افراد ہلاک اور درجنوں زخمی ہوئے تھے۔ ان قدرتی آفات کی وجہ سے صوبہ بھر میں بڑے پیمانے پر مالی نقصانات بھی ہو چکے ہیں۔ محکمہ موسمیات کے ماہرین کا کہنا ہے کہ حالیہ وقتوں میں بارشوں اور طوفانوں میں شدت آنے کی بڑی وجہ موسمیاتی تبدیلیاں ہیں جبکہ خیبر پختونخوا بالخصوص ان اثرات کی زد میں رہا ہے۔

قدرتی آفات سے بچاؤ اور حیاتیاتی تناؤ سے آگاہی پر ایک روزہ سیمینار

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چترال (بشیر حسین آزاد) حالیہ سیلاب میں چترال کے طول و عرض میں تباہی ہوئی تھی جس میں سینکڑوں مکانات کے علاوہ کئی قیمتی جائیں بھی ضائع ہوئی۔ قدرتی آفات سے بچاؤ اور انسانی جان و مال کی تحفظ کے سلسلے میں گرم چشمہ کے مقام پر ویلی کنزرویشن کمیٹیوں کے نمائندگان کا ایک اہم اجلاس ہوا۔ اجلاس سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے مقررین نے کہا کہ قدرت نے ہمارے آس پاس نباتات، حیوانات اور دیگر مخلوق ہمارے فائدے کیلئے پیدا کئے ہیں۔ اگر ہم ان روزنامہ جنگی حیات کو بے دریغی سے ماریں گے تو قدرتی ایکو نظام میں خلل پڑے گا جو یقیناً ہماری تباہی کا باعث بنے گا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ حالیہ سیلاب کی بنیادی وجہ روزنامہ جنگلات کی بے دریغ کٹائی اور ہزاروں کی تعداد میں روزنامہ جنگلاتی علاقوں میں بکریوں کا چھراٹا ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ چند سال پہلے گرم چشمہ کے منور، پرایک، گوبورو وغیرہ علاقوں میں برفاتی ریچھ، برفانی چیتا، مارخور، تیز اور دیگر کئی قسم کی نایاب پرندے اور روزنامہ جنگلی حیات پائی جاتی تھی مگر آہستہ آہستہ وہ ختم ہونے لگا۔ اور یہی وجہ ہے کہ آج ہمارے گھر بھی اچھڑ گئے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ آج کے اس

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تھپار کر کے ہسپتال وڈیروں کے ڈیرے بن گئے، وزیر اعلیٰ حکم دیتے ہیں کرتے 63
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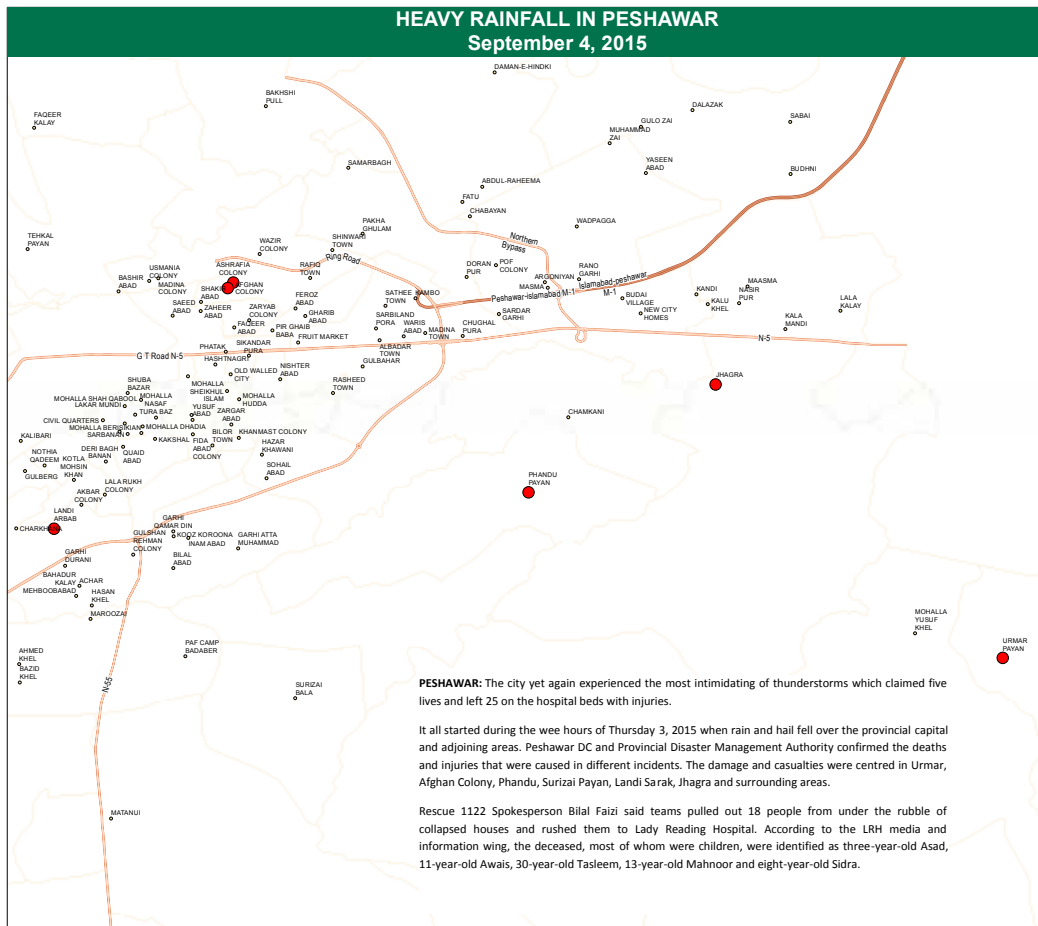
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