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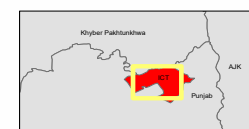
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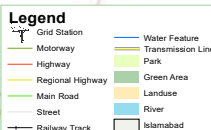
Islamabad Electric Supply Company (IESCO) Customer Profile April, 2016



IESCO RECEIVABLE POSITION	
Description	As on 30-04-2016
Govt. Debtors	44,336,401,827
Federal Govt.	3,745,393,091
AJK Govt.	42,777,784,950
Provincial Govt.	9,549,410
Total Govt. Debtors	46,532,727,451
Private Debtors	
PI/Disconnected	684,675,815
Spillover	1,534,697,148
Deferred Amount	778,207,077
Subsidies	583,890,174
On Installments	86,145,001
Running Defaulters	
Upto 2 Months	665,875,172
3-4 Months	15,015,617
5-6 Months	3,703,965
7-12 Months	71,516
Over 3 Years	9,843
Total Private Running Defaulters	684,675,815
Credit Balance	-305,538,837
Total Private Debtors	2,446,696,058
Net Cash/Credit Balance	68,363,612
Net Receivables	50,153,199,951

Customer Profile

Category	Number of Customers	Sanctioned Load (MW)	Customers (%)	Consumption (%)	Revenue (%)
Domestic	2,160,888	3,863,717	84.74	41.6	32.43
Commercial	356,230	1,035,292	13.97	10.89	16.96
Industrial	10,396	949,216	0.41	23.46	27.34
AJK	106	274,424	0	13.01	10.58
Bulk	857	499,516	0.03	8.61	9.61
T/Wells	8,279	90,197	0.32	1.2	1.43
Others	13,428	201,464	0.53	1.24	1.64
Total	2,550,078	6,913,824	100	100	100



Billing & Collection

April 2016 vs April 2015	
Month	Govt. Pvt. Total Govt. Pvt. Total Govt. Pvt. Total
April-16	1940 5710 7650 1184 5370 6554 61 94 86
April-15	2010 4340 6350 1158 4288 5446 58 99 86
Inc. with Previous Year	-70 1370 1300 26 1082 1108
%	-1 14 13 0 11 11

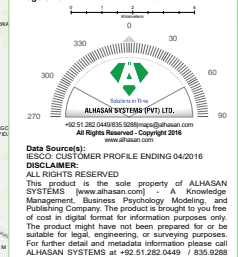
Monthly Distribution Line Losses				
April 2016 vs April 2015				
Period	Units (Millions)	Received	Billed	% Losses
April-16	717.14	630.26	86.88	12.1
April-15	613.45	549.87	63.58	10.4

Progressive Distribution Line Losses				
July 2015-April 2016 vs July 2014-April 2015				
Period	Units (Millions)	Received	Billed	% Losses
July 15 to April 16	7413.98	7030.5	383	5.2
July 14 to April 15	6999.92	6666.4	334	4.8

Transmission Line Losses				
April 2016 vs April 2015				
Period	Units Received As Per CPPA	Units Sent Out	Lost	% Losses
April-16	718.73	717.14	1.59	0.2
April-15	625.93	613.45	12.48	2

Overall (T&D) Company Losses				
April 2016 vs April 2015				
Period	Units Received As Per CPPA	Units Billed	Lost	% Losses
April-16	718.73	630.26	88.47	12.3
April-15	625.93	549.87	76.06	12.2

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NATURAL CALAMITIES

NEWS HEADLINES

Heatwave settles as rain lashes parts of city

Pakistan Today, May 30, 2016

Mostly hot and dry weather will persist in June

The News, May 30, 2016

PCRWR plans to conduct research on contamination level

The News, May 30, 2016

'Edhi of Thar' welcomes boxer Amir Khan for fund

DETAILS

The power supply was affected owing to light rain with strong gusts and lightening in Lahore Monday May 30, 2016. According to Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD), rain and thunderstorms with gusty winds are expected at isolated places of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP), Islamabad and Upper Punjab (Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Sargodha, Lahore and Faisalabad divisions) in next 48 hours.

Furthermore, rain and thunderstorms with gusty winds are also expected in Gilgit-Baltistan and Kashmir. The temperature in Lahore is stagnated at 26 degrees Celsius. However, the power supply has begun to restore in different areas.

According to PMD, temperature will soar in country's plains. Dalbandin, Larkana, Nawabshah, Jacobabad, Mirpurkhas, Sibbi, Shaheed Benazirabad, Sukkar, Padidan, Dadu, Rohri and Rahim Yar Khan will witness a rather intense day as far as the climate goes.

ISLAMABAD: Mostly hot and dry weather will persist in most parts of the country with light rain and gusty winds in upper regions at isolated places during June.

Director General Pakistan Meteorological Department Dr. Ghulam Rasool told APP that light rain in pockets with gusty winds is expected in Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK), Rawalpindi, Lahore, Gujranwala, Malakand and Hazara Divisions etc. after an interval of almost one week during the month, while severe heat conditions will continue elsewhere in the country.

He informed that pre-monsoon is expected in last week of June adding that first half of the Ramazan would be hot and dry while mercury would likely to fall in the second half. Regarding crops, he informed that there is no threat of any negative symptoms on crops as there is enough water in dams and rivers to meet the requirements of irrigation.

Currently sugarcane and sunflower crop is in fields he said, adding sugarcane has good resistance for heat and cotton crop is also very small so it does not need enough water. Farmers who want to sow rice after June 15 has to arrange water through canals, while those who start sowing after pre-monsoon would get water through rains.

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources (PCRWR) plans to conduct research on the contamination level in Islamabad nullahs, once fresh water streams. Talking to 'The News', Director General Water Quality, PCRWR, Lubna Naheed Bukhari said that these nullahs were once fresh water streams and served as water resource for the capital. "If these nullahs are cleaned and separate route for drain and waste water is created, these natural water streams can be preserved which cannot only add to the beauty of the capital but will also serve as a clean water resource for the residents," suggested Lubna.

Islamabad has a network of these nullahs that currently contribute in polluting the capital's environment. These nullahs run through Sectors F-6, F-7, F-8, F-10, F-11, G-6, G-7, G-8 and G-9. "Unfortunately, these nullahs are polluted from very start as they enter the capital. More and more drainage and industrial and hospital waste is added to the water as it passes through different sectors," added Lubna. Ignored for many years, these nullahs have now become the favourite garbage dumping ground for slum dwellers, domestic sweepers and others. The sewage from illegal private lines also flows into them.

According to data shared by Director General Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in a meeting of Senate Standing Committee on Human Rights, the capital city has about 26 small and large streams which take hill torrent and rain water and pass through different residential sectors and finally converge to two main streams when they leave Islamabad. In these streams, the Dissolved Oxygen after mixing of waste was found as low as 0.9 mg/l and Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) were found as high as 63.5 mg/l and 162.5 mg/l respectively. The levels of heavy metals like lead, cadmium were also found exceeding the National Environmental Quality Standards (NEQS) as the streams pass down through the industrial area of sector I-9/I-10.

According to statistics, there are 9 steel furnaces, 16 steel-rolling, 5 oil and ghee mills, 31 marbles cutting and polishing units, 9 plastic units, 10 pharmaceuticals and 23 meal cutting units operating in and around Islamabad. Due to discharge of domestic waste and leakages of municipal sewers, these streams get high pollution load and in low rain season these streams stink and become breeding places for mosquitoes.

During heavy rains in monsoon season, these nullahs overflow in many areas. Last year, these nullahs took many lives in Islamabad and adjoining areas. Experts believe that the layer of waste at nullah's bed has increased the water level which results in overflowing of these dirty streams during rainy season. In addition, the rain water remained stagnant on main roads for hours because the original path of water is almost choked at many points due to dumping of garbage. Lubna said that PCRWR will collect water samples from different points of nullahs before and after the rainy season. "This way we will be able to find the level and types of pollutant in different parts of the city and the effect of rain on them," she said adding that same exercise will be simultaneously done with Korang and Soan Rivers to estimate the level of contamination in water supplied to Rawalpindi. She said that the first sample will be collected before Ramazan.

KARACHI: Mama Vishan Thari, often called 'Edhi of Thar' and members of civil society of Sindh's drought-hit desert Tharparkar have welcomed the move of boxer Amir Khan's announcement to raise funds for the area. Boxer Amir Khan would hold exhibition matches in Karachi on June 2nd

raising

Daily Times, May 30, 2016

Cooperation among Saarc leaders urged to meet climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction in South Asia

The News, May 30,

for generating funds for clean water facilities in drought-hit Tharparkar district. The funds would be raised by World Champion Amir Khan's foundation.

The provision of clean and safe drinking water is most important issue in Thar. With water table going down due to frequent droughts, majority of locals are dependent on groundwater resources that are not fit for human consumption. While talking to Daily Times Mama Vishan Thari said, "On behalf of people of Tharparkar, I want to thank Amir for his contribution for the area." Mama Vishan Thari is called 'Edhi of Thar' for his services for the humanity and harmony in the area. Mama said, "People of Thar who are well known for the hospitality are anxiously waiting for his visit. Amir should visit our area and he would surely enjoy our hospitality during the visit." He said the move is expected to ease some issues for the water scarcity area, as water is the main issue for entire Thar Desert. Due to deficiency of water, the intensity of hardship has increased for the people of Thar, he added. He said that Tharparkar, a desert region spanning 22,000 kilometres in southeastern Sindh adding that its 1.5 million residents frequently face water scarcity and drought, often leading to malnutrition and sometimes famine.

Renowned social worker working in the area for the provision of water, Dr Sono Khangharani said, "He is happy to hear that Amir has selected our area for his social work." Hisaar Foundation CEO Dr Sono said, "Water scarcity in the area is so high that more should be done for the provision of clean and safe drinking water." He said that rainfall is unpredictable in Thar Desert, most of it limited to the monsoon season from July to September adding that the rest of the year, an underground aquifer, accessed through wells, is the primary source of water.

Association for Water Applied and Renewable Energy (AWARE) CEO Ali Akbar Rahimoon also agreed with Mama. Ali said, "It is nice to hear Amir is doing his efforts for the purpose of drinking water. His visit would highlight the issue worldwide." He said water is matter of life and death for the people of Thar.

Senior journalist Khatau Jani said this sort of news is very encouraging for the people of Thar. Jani said that it sounds great that a celebrity is doing something for the people of Thar. The people of Thar are facing miseries due to water scarcity, Jani added.

KATHMANDU, NEPAL: Scientists, experts, officials and journalists on Climate Change have stressed cooperation of Saarc leaders in order to meet Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction in South Asia as earthquakes, droughts, floods and cyclones are a threat to the majority of people in the region.

In this regard, the European Union Delegation to Nepal hosted a regional conference on disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation in Kathmandu on May 26-27. The conference was organized in collaboration with the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), Centre for South Asian Studies, and DAI Europe.

South Asia is one of the most vulnerable regions to natural disasters and to the impacts of climate change. At the same time, the region is home to creative initiatives which can inspire the rest of the world. With new international commitments, such as the Paris Agreements signed on April 22, 2016, there is renewed momentum for more efforts. During the two-day conference, government officials joined with experts, practitioners and journalists to share emergent solutions. This unique opportunity was successful in highlighting new pathways for the region.

Speaking as chief guest, the Deputy Prime Minister of Nepal, Bhim Rawal, said that while "all of us in the region are facing one or the other type of natural disasters, there has till date been very little concrete done to put in place a regional response mechanism and a collaborative approach. We need to redouble efforts among Saarc countries to carefully analyze, prioritize, plan and implement action plans so that there is appropriate information sharing amongst us".

The European Union has been a longstanding partner of South Asian nations. By supporting targeted events which bring together institutions, civil society, think-tanks and other actors, South Asia as a region is able to envision change and celebrate successes.

Rensje Teerink, EU Ambassador to Nepal and to Saarc, said, "I am confident that the conference deliberations will be instrumental in designing additional DRR and Climate Change Adaptation-related projects within the larger Saarc development framework."

The conference dwelt on common challenges faced by the region such as the tsunami in Sri Lanka and The Maldives, massive flooding in Uttarakhand in India and in Bangladesh, earthquakes in Pakistan and in Nepal and the regular episodes of humanitarian disasters and massive casualties despite all efforts of the governments. The conference participants stressed the importance of shifting from a state of victimhood to a harbour of best practices for the rest of the world.

The role of the media in reducing the risk of and responding to natural disasters was also highlighted. Journalists from Sri Lanka, Nepal, Pakistan, Bangladesh and India were present at the event. The participants discussed the need to look at natural disasters as a news event, striving for a humanization, accuracy and timeliness in reporting. The media was also noted to play a role in disseminating and facilitating the implementation of strategies and programmes, as well as raising awareness among the public.

Regionally, the effects of climate change have been felt in more ways than just natural disasters. Speakers also discussed on how climate change is impacting on water and food security, and how women and the poor are often most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. They shared examples of how these situations have been addressed and the lessons learnt along the way.

The European Union funds the Global Climate Change Alliance+ (GCCA+), benefitting South Asia, which operates on a total budget of 300 million euros worldwide to help ensure that those most vulnerable to climate change are able to increase their capacity to adapt to the effects of climate change. It also takes into account climate resilience and promotes energy efficiency in its

NDMA holds workshop for journalists

Pak Observer, May 29, 2016

World Bank loan to help Sindh improve disaster risk management

PKKH, May 29, 2016

No Negligence To Be Tolerated In Anti-Dengue Campaign: DCO

Pak Observer, May 27, 2016

Floods, landsliding may damage Swat, Shangla

Pak Observer, May 27, 2016

Pakistan shares experiences in managing refugees, natural disasters at WHS

The Nation, May 25, 2016

development programmes.

Through its humanitarian programmes managed by the European Community Humanitarian Office, it works actively to prevent and address disasters, including by promoting risk-reduction activities in the communities. The European Union reiterated its commitment to continue supporting climate change adaptation and mitigation as well as disaster risk reduction in South Asia and around the world. Through this event, the participants proposed new ways of moving forward into an uncertain future and a changing climate. Bringing together key people from around South Asia proved to be a successful way of fostering mutual learning.

LAHORE: A one-day training workshop for journalists was organised at a local hotel on Saturday May 29, 2016, under the aegis of the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA).

NDMA Engineer Ayub Shah delivered a lecture about reporting during natural calamities and emergency situations. He said that journalists had to face a lot of problems in discharging of their professional obligations in such situations and they must be educated on how to deal with such crises.

Speakers including Wajih Akhtar, expert Shazia Haris and NDMA official Ahmad Kamal shared their observations with journalists at the workshop. They said that during the current situation, media played an important role in informing the government authorities and departments about natural calamities including earthquakes, floods and building collapses etc. On the basis of this information, the government departments provide help to the affected people, he added.—APP

ISLAMABAD: The Sindh government will launch a project during the next financial year with a World Bank loan of \$100 million to improve resilience against natural disasters in the province, official sources . The 'Sindh Resilience Project' will envisage improving systems at the provincial government and key agencies for disaster management, with focus on enhancing resilience to hydro-meteorological disasters, such as floods and droughts, through investments in physical infrastructure.

Negotiations between the World Bank and the Sindh government have established floods and droughts as the highest priority areas owing to high frequency and impact. The dialogue has further identified critical needs in these areas, along with an estimate of resources needed to address these priorities.

The World Bank executive board is scheduled to approve the soft loan from the International Development Association in its meeting on June 20, sources said. The project will use the government departments for implementation. The use of mainstream departments and agencies will ensure that the incremental capacity, technical knowledge and implementation experience continue to remain available to the institutions even after the project ends.

RAWALPINDI: District Coordination Officer (DCO) Talat Mehmood Gondal said that strict action will be taken against those showing negligence in the anti-dengue campaign. Chairing a meeting to review anti-dengue arrangements, he underlined the need for effective utilization of all available resources to check occurrence of dengue larvae, particularly in high risk union councils of the district.

He said staff deployed for anti-dengue drive has been told that no negligence would be tolerated, adding, that 100 percent attendance must be ensured. He said Area Incharges and Supervisors at Union council level are responsible for elimination of dengue larvae and strict action would be taken against them if found negligent, he added. He directed the Food department officials to ensure cleanliness at hotels and other public places.

The meeting was attended by ADCG Imran Qureshi, Assistant Commissioners Maleeha Jamal and Rana Hameed, Director Local government Najeeb Aslam and other officials. —APP

SWAT: Meteorologists have issued a 'calamity warning' for Swat, Shangla and its surrounding areas due to change in climate, prolonged summer and shortterm winter seasons saying these areas might be affected by floods and landsliding. These views were expressed by the experts during a daylong workshop titled 'Reduction in climate change and natural disasters' arranged by an NGO 'Lasoonia' at Saidu Sharif Swat.

Director General Pakistan Meteorological Department, Dr Muhammad Hanif, Professor Bahauddin Zikriya University, Dr Saifullah Khan, Professor Agricultural University Peshawar, Dr Inam Ullah Khan while presenting their reports said that before 20 years the span of summer season in Pakistan was around 150 days which has now been increased to 170 days.—APP

ISTANBUL: The visiting Minister for States and Frontier Regions, Lt. General (R) Abdul Qadir Baloch addressed the High Level Leaders Roundtable convened by UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon on the theme of "Natural Disasters and climate change: Managing risks and crises differently.

The seven Roundtables of the Summit were aimed at obtaining practical commitments from member states and other humanitarian actors in the seven specific areas identified in the Secretary General's "Agenda for Humanity". Pakistan was one of the lead speakers in the Roundtable which was moderated by the UN Secretary General and Co-Chaired by the President of Nauru, Deputy President of Kenya and Deputy Prime Ministers of Ethiopia and Nepal. Delivering national statement on behalf of Pakistan, Minister Abdul Qadir Baloch underlined that given its extreme vulnerability to large-scale recurring natural disasters, the Government of Pakistan had strengthened its indigenous response mechanisms to natural disasters and was progressively moving towards a proactive approach of Disaster Risk Management, capitalizing on its own rich experiences as well as adopting best global practices.

Outlining Pakistan's commitments in the area of managing natural disasters and climate change hazards, the Minister conveyed Pakistan's firm determination to support all global frameworks in

Climate change causing one-day addition in summer season annually

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managing risks and crises more effectively with a view to saving human lives and minimizing damages to livelihood and local economies. In this context, the Minister conveyed Pakistan's determination to further strengthen its research and capacity building in disaster risk management, to pursue Multi-hazard vulnerability and Risk assessment up to micro level by year 2030, to implement national disaster management plan in the next ten years, to promote gender responsive strategies, to support need based participation of civil society, and to share its experiences and expertise in the regional and global levels while implementing the Disaster Management - CBM Road Map at the regional level.

Other member states who took part in the debate in this Roundtable included delegations of Russia, France, Turkey, Australia, Philippines, New Zealand, Fiji, Tuvalu, Samoa, Honduras, Mexico, Mozambique and Indonesia. Among other major activities during the Summit, the Minister chaired a side event organized by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) on the theme of "Reaching People in Need: Pakistan's Experiences."

"Key speakers included Mr. Neil Buhne (Resident Coordinator Pakistan), Mr. Indrika Ratwatte (Representative UNHCR Pakistan), Dr. Farzana Bari (Head of Gender Studies Quaid-i-Azam University), Mr. Tariq Hayat (Joint Secretary, SAFRON), Mr. Ahmed Kamal (Member DRR) and Mr. Asif Yasin (Former Secretary Defense).

UN Secretary General, Ban-Ki-moon visited NDMA's exhibition and NADRA's stall at Innovation Marketplace. The theme of the NDMA's exhibition was "Resilient Pakistan" which showcased Pakistan's experiences in disaster management at home provision of relief assistance abroad. NADRA's stall projected Pakistan's innovative financial compensation programme for affectees of 2010 floods. The Minister also had interaction with other participating heads of delegations on the sidelines.

Separately, the Chairman NDMA had a bilateral meeting with the head of Turkey's disaster relief agency AFAD, Dr Fuat Oktay. Both sides reaffirmed their resolve to share each other's experiences and further strengthen NDMA-AFAD collaboration.

ISLAMABAD: Global warming and subsequent climate change, caused by multiple environmental hazards, has started shrinking cold weather conditions in Pakistan bit-by-bit.

A weather expert Dr Muhammad Hanif made a shocking revelation that the climate change is causing one-day addition in summer season of the country every year. "Around 15 years ago, Pakistan's summer season was spanning over 145 days (almost five months), but now it is of about 170 days, which means more or less one-day addition per year in hot days," he said. He also said that environmental degradation because of multiple factors including less greenery, increased industrial and different chemical emissions was prolonging the summer season and shrinking the winter duration. He said that climate change in the country had badly affected the agricultural sector and advised the growers to follow guidelines of agri experts before cultivating any crop so they could get better yields. A Ministry of Climate Change spokesman Muhammad Saleem said that in the recent years, the impacts of climate change on the country's all realms of socio-economic activity had grown more intense. Already in grip of shifting and unreliable winter and summer rainfall patterns, devastating floods, droughts, landslides, land and river erosions, rapidly melting glaciers, "Pakistan is bound to witness increase in intensity and frequency in these climate change impacts," he said.

Citing some of the reasons of environmental degradation, he said that surging population growth, unsustainable sprawling growth in urban areas and unchecked deforestation were exacerbating the effects of global warming-induced climate change in the country. "These very issues are making natural disasters hard to manage," he added. He said that Pakistan's population was most likely to swell to 230 million by 2030 and over 60 percent of it would be living in urban areas. He added, "This would build up more pressure on already ailing public infrastructures like water and sanitation, housing, education and health facilities". The pressure would make it quite hard for municipalities and urban civic agencies to manage the demand for the public services and manage disasters, particularly urban flooding and heat-waves. Migration from rural to urban centers is being prompted by better living standards, health and education facilities, water and sanitation, as well as by job opportunities in cities.

However, the swelling urban populations and consequent pressure on inadequate resources are causing deepening worry about climate change-related risks faced by cities. To stem the urban expansiveness, efforts need to be taken to provide all basic life amenities, particularly quality health, education, safe drinking water and sanitation facilities as well as better job opportunities for youth in rural areas. In the past, inadequate planning at village, town, district and provincial levels to deal with climate change impacts and avoid loss of the life and the people's livelihood has exposed the country to water-related risks from climate change and has put the country's agriculture, industry and hydropower at risk.

He said that in Pakistan the poor would have a higher exposure to flood risks than the average urban population, who would often get displaced and affected in the event of urban flooding or storm rains. "We must understand that densely populated cities would be more exposed to climate risk and impacts. However, increasing renewable energy usage, decreasing promotion of urban forestry, developing green transport systems and building sustainable, livable cities for growing urban populations make up for the workable climate change adaptation solutions and can make the cities climate-resilient," he said while proposing a possible solution.

Saleem said that over last five years the country had suffered over 25 billion dollars in economic damages because of climate change-related natural disasters, particularly floods and torrential rains. "Nearly 35 billion dollars are required to recover these damages, mainly in agriculture, water, and public and communication infrastructure." Quoting United Nations' Development Programme reports, he said that Pakistan had suffered economic damages to the tune of \$80 billion over last 20 years, and is still facing nearly \$4 billion loss every year due to climate change. He added that

‘Pakistan among top two countries most affected by climate change’

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adequate budgetary allocations were inevitable for making the country's key socio-economic sectors such as mainly agriculture, water, energy, and communication infrastructures climate-resilient. He said that in a 2015 assessment the US-based World Resources Institute ranked Pakistan as the fifth most affected country for river flooding, among 164 countries analysed. The institute estimated that floods affected nearly 715,000 people in the country each year, causing \$1.7 billion in economic losses. The US-based think-tank has further warned in its report that by 2030, river floods could affect two million more people in Pakistan every year, with climate change driving 70 percent of that increase. He also said international climate reports warned that Pakistan was most likely to remain worst victim of climate change, with more severe and frequent extreme weather events such as droughts, floods, heavy rains, cyclones, windstorms, dust-storms, heightened pace in glacial melt because of increase in hot days and decline in cold days. This would require introduction of drought, flood and heat wave-tolerant crop varieties and water-efficient irrigation technologies besides practices as coping measures to tackle the vagaries of climate change, he added. More importantly exploring viable ways to cultivate more food with less water would be indispensable in the country when climate change alters weather patterns, affects monsoon rainfall and reduces groundwater and causes frequent droughts, he said.

Given the realization and to mitigate climate risks, the Green Pakistan Programme, envisioned by Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif, has been launched for tackling climate change and seriousness towards re-invigorating ailing forestry sector as a part of boosting country's climate resilience. Under the Rs10 billion project, a target of planting 100 million trees in next five years across the country has been set. Besides, he said, the Ministry had urged the provincial governments to expedite implementation process of the national climate change policy, wherein different climate risks and solutions for them have been identified.

Provincial governments, he said, urgently needed to roll out climate change adaptation plans in agriculture, energy, water, irrigation, health, education and other socio-economic sectors to decrease country's climate vulnerability, making it climate-safe through climate-smart programmes in these very socio-economic sectors.

KARACHI: Despite producing a negligible amount of greenhouse gases – basic cause of climate change - Pakistan ranked second in the list of countries most affected by climate change, stated director Sindh Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) Naeem Mughal.

Addressing a group of school children at Naunehal Assembly on the topic of climate change and importance of trees, Mughal said the country faced a loss of Rs365 billion rupees annually owing to problems generating from changes in climate. The director stated that intensity of the problem could be gauged from the fact that even the Sindh government had to spend an additional amount of Rs10 billion on health problems emanating due to environmental degradation.

The entire country was facing extreme weather conditions, super floods, prolonged droughts and other natural disasters due in addition to a massive economic loss due to climate change. The chief of the provincial environmental watchdog claimed that factories were putting in their industrial waste into rivers and canals, sewage waste was being dumped into sea without treatment, while sources of freshwater were also contaminated, causing problems for both humans and environment. However, he added that SEPA was doing whatever it had within its capacity to stop these anti-environment acts.

Mughal spoke of the tree-cutting mafia which had caused deforestation in the entire province, including Karachi where citizens had been deprived of shade and oxygen. He further claimed that action was being taken against those involved in the merciless cutting of trees. He appreciated the group of students to have gathered on the issue and urged the Hamdard Foundation to promote plantations by children.

President of the foundation, Sadia Rashid, deplored the senseless cuttings of trees despite the country being in dire need of more and more greenery. She also urged students to plant saplings and take care of plants and trees as they were immensely important for life and added that it was each and every citizen's responsibility to look after the environment.

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SUKKUR: Sukkur police on Sunday claimed to have arrested two trained facilitators of the Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) and seized hand grenades, suicide jackets and other material from them. Speaking at a press conference in his office, Sukkur SSP Amjad Shaikh said the police carried out an operation in the kutchra area of Bagarji and arrested two suspects, Abdul Jabbar Soomro and Ajmal Awan. Four hand grenades and material for preparing suicide jackets were seized from them, he added. He said Abdul Jabbar was the prayer leader (Peshimam) of a mosque in Khanpur city of Shikarpur district. In 2004, he received training of terrorism from a TTP commander, Noor Khan, in the area of Miramshah, he added. Later, Jabbar Soomro trained students of a seminary during the 2004-2007 period and also sent some of them to Miramshah for further training, the SSP said. He said that in 2004, Abdul Jabbar Soomro provided assistance to Hakeem Brohi who was involved in attacking a provincial minister, Dr Mohammed Ibrahim Jatoi. The SSP said Ajmal Awan, an associate of Soomro, had carried out a bomb attack on the canteen of the Punjab Regiment. The two suspects were also involved in several other acts of terrorism, he said.

PESHAWAR: The Afghan government has formally requested Pakistan to give four years extension to 1.5 million registered refugees to legalise their stay till 2020. "The legal stay of the registered Afghans will expire by the end of June," sources said. A well-placed source said that a high level delegation headed by Sayed Hussain Aleemi Balkhi, Afghanistan's Minister for Refugees and Repatriation, had requested to extend the stay of refugees for another four years. The government had yet to decide whether to accept or reject the Afghan's government request, the source said. "Afghanistan wants its citizens to remain in Pakistan till 2020," he added. The request for yet another extension from the Afghan government came at a time when relations between the two countries are uneasy because of mutual suspicions, especially border disputes and cross-border activities of the militant groups. Pakistan, which is hosting more than three million documented and undocumented Afghan nationals, had been granting stay to the registered refugees since 2009 on the request of Afghanistan. Another official said that Pakistan was ready to give extension to registered refugees till 2017.

He said that the offer was made during tripartite commission meeting in Kabul that discussed draft strategy for the repatriation of refugees. The ministry for state and frontier region had prepared the strategy. Legal stay of registered refugees had expired in December 2015 and Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif while using his discretionary powers gave six months' temporary extension to refugees in January. Afghanistan and UNHCR favour that refugees should not be forced to return to their country and that the process should be completed through UN-sponsored voluntary repatriation programme. However, officials said that four to five families were returning under the voluntary repatriation plan on daily basis. It would take decades to complete the process if it was left to voluntary repatriation, they added. Officials said that prime minister was likely to extend stay of the refugees for another six months by using his discretionary powers if the case was not referred to the cabinet for approval. "On the one hand the deadline is approaching while on the other hand Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif is in London for treatment.

If the government does make final decision then 1.5 million refugees would become illegal after June 30," said the official, adding that prime minister had powers to give extension for another six months' period without the approval of the cabinet. The government had adopted tough policy regarding Afghan refugees after terrorists' attack on Army Public School and College Peshawar on December 16, 2014. Under the 20-point National Action Plan, the government had decided to formulate a comprehensive policy to deal with the issue of Afghan refugees. It was decided that undocumented Afghan nationals would be registered by the end of 2015 and National Database and Registration Authority was tasked to conduct the exercise throughout the country. The plan could not be executed apparently due to differences between Safran and Interior Ministry. In the meantime, the government authorised law enforcers to start crackdown against undocumented Afghan nationals and deport them to their country after completing legal formalities. Thousands of Afghans had been arrested under the NAP

NEWS DESK: Security forces in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa averted on Sunday a 'terrorist plot' by arresting two suspected militants. According to the ISPR, the arrests were made during a search operation in the villages of Karebai Oghi and Charangada near Mansehra, Express News reported. A 20kg improvised explosive device, 47 hand grenades and rockets were also recovered from the suspects. Earlier in April, Levies forces and political administration officials averted a major disaster by defusing improvised explosive devices and rockets that were rigged to blow in a Parachinar market. Security officials uncovered the terrorist plot when they arrested a terrorist during a joint operation.

HARIPUR: An Army Aviation's helicopter crashed near Tarbela Dam Monday evening, killing a senior military officer and injuring two others. "An MI-17 helicopter of Army Aviation was on a routine training operation when it crashed within the Army Aviation Base Ghazi, some 55km from Tehsil Ghazi, after developing some technical fault at sunset killing Lt-Col Tauqir on the spot," DSP Ghazi Tehsil Hakim Khan told The Express Tribune. The two others who were also onboard at the time of crash sustained injuries. They were identified as Major Usman and Hawaldar Basharat. The DSP added that the injured and body have been transported to CMH Ghazi. Meanwhile, the army's media wing, Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR), has confirmed the death of Lt-Col Tauqir but has not mentioned of injured officers in the crash. The accident follows a string of crashes in recent the months. Two Pakistan army pilots were killed earlier in February

Violence in Balochistan: Roadside blast kills two FC soldiers in Awaran

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when their Mushak plane crashed during a training flight. Last August, 12 people were killed when a helicopter belonging to the army crashed in the northwest parts of the country. An Mi-17 army helicopter crashed at a holiday resort in the picturesque hills of Gilgit killing seven people, including two foreign ambassadors, in May last year.

QUETTA: At least two paramilitary soldiers were killed and three others wounded in a roadside bomb attack in the volatile Awaran district of Balochistan on Saturday. Elsewhere in the province, which has been plagued by separatist, sectarian and militant violence for nearly a decade, three separatist militants were taken out by paramilitary troops. Suspected militants remotely detonated a roadside bomb when a convoy of the Frontier Corps drove past in the Jaho area of Awaran, said a spokesperson for the paramilitary force. The blast tore through a vehicle in the convoy, killing two soldiers instantly and injuring three others. A purported spokesman for the outlawed Balochistan Liberation Front (BLA), Gwaram Baloch, called up the NNI news agency to claim credit for the bomb attack. In other violence, three separatist militants, among them a key commander, were killed in raids by FC troops in Kohlu and Barkan districts. Mera Baloch, an important commander of the proscribed Baloch Republican Army (BRA), and his two associates Kareemdad and Kareemo were taken out in a search operation in the Jabar and Nasao areas of Kohlu and Barkan, said the FC spokesperson. He added that three assault rifles – including a Kalashnikov – hand grenades and one motorcycle were recovered from the hideouts of the dead militant. They were wanted in several criminal cases of kidnapping for ransom, attacks on security forces and sabotaging natural gas pipelines in the region.

Bodies recovered

The bodies of three government employees were found in Makran division 14 days after they were kidnapped, along with their colleagues, by gunmen from the Zareen Bogh area of Kech district. The corpses have been identified as SDO Fida Hussain Baloch, Sub Engineer Muhammad Ibrahim and Sub Engineer Rahim Jan. The bodies of constructor Chakar Baloch and constructor Mehboob Baloch were found two days ago. Kech's DC Yaqoob Marri said the corpses were found in the mountains of Dasth Salji. "The victims were starved to death. The bodies were decomposed which is why they were buried there," he added. The BRA had claimed responsibility for kidnapping the government employees. Marri said that since an operation was mounted to free the kidnapped officials, the outlawed group left them in the Dasht mountains to starve and escaped.

Man shot dead

Meanwhile a man was shot dead by gunmen in the Duki area on Saturday. The man, identified as Noor Gul, was gunned down in the Loni area of Duki. The attackers escaped unchallenged – but Levies personnel reached the site on time and arrested the killer after a brief chase. It wasn't immediately known why Noor Gul was killed. The body was handed over to heirs after medico-legal formalities. Also in Duki, the FC detained a man and recovered weapons from his possession at a checkpoint on Saturday. The paramilitary force was tipped off about the man who was carrying an unlicensed pistol and bullets.

Govt mulls FATA committee under 3-star general

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ISLAMABAD: The government is going to authorise the military to approve development schemes for the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (Fata) after the GHQ expressed dissatisfaction over the slow pace of uplift in the war-torn region. The National Economic Council (NEC) will take up a proposal to set up a Fata development committee to be headed by a three-star general. The commander of the 11th Corp will chair the committee and will have special powers to approve development schemes worth up to Rs1.5 billion, said a senior official at the planning ministry. The committee will handle a fund of Rs200 billion, earmarked for the temporarily displaced persons (TDPs). For the outgoing fiscal year, the government had allocated Rs100 billion for the TDPs and the same amount has also been proposed for fiscal year 2016-17, according to the budget documents. The NEC is scheduled to meet on May 30, and Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif will chair the meeting through a video link from the UK. He will also chair a federal cabinet meeting for approval of the federal budget for the next fiscal year. The finance ministry issued a brief statement on Saturday, saying the budget will be unveiled on June 3, quashing rumours that it might be delayed due to absence of the premier. "The budget will be presented to the National Assembly on June 3 and arrangements in this regard are being made," it quoted Finance Minister Ishaq Dar as saying.

NEC and development funds

Officials said the military was not happy with the slow pace of development. Majority of the areas in Fata have been destroyed during Operation Zarb-e-Azb, which was started in June 2014 to flush out local militants and their foreign cohorts from North Waziristan Agency. The military had expected a quick return of the TDPs but the repatriation was delayed in some areas due to incomplete development work. Currently, the Planning and Development Department of the Fata Secretariat is responsible for planning, implementation and execution of all Fata-related development activities. The Fata Secretariat brings all projects valuing over Rs400 million for the approval of the Central Development Working Party (CDWP) and Executive Committee of National Economic Council (Ecneec). The CDWP has powers to approve up to Rs3 billion projects and recommends projects to Ecneec for approval that cost more than Rs3 billion. Planning Minister Ahsan Iqbal chairs CDWP meetings while Ecneec is headed by the finance minister. However, under the proposed arrangement, the corps commander, as chairman of the Fata Development Committee, will have power to approve up to Rs1.5 billion projects. Schemes costing more than Rs1.5 billion will be referred to the CDWP or Ecneec for approvals, depending on their cost, said planning ministry sources. The power has been granted to handle the TDPs projects. According to an internal arrangement, 55% of the TDPs funds are meant for citizens and the remaining will go to the military for their development projects.

Ahsan Iqbal told The Express Tribune that the military is dealing with the issue of TDPs and it has

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Khasadar force personnel deprived of salaries

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been decided to integrate the rehabilitation and reconstruction activities for a swift return of the TDPs. "This will also ensure there are no delays in development activities," he said, adding that it is a time-bound arrangement that will expire in 2018. The Fata Secretariat will also get Rs21 billion next year as block allocation for development schemes. The approval of schemes financed out of Rs21 billion allocation will still be done under normal procedures. Out of Rs100 billion allocated for the current financial year, the federal government released only Rs70 billion till end of last month, according to a presentation given by the secretary planning to the Annual Plan Coordination Committee on Friday. Sources said the military also demanded that the changes also be made in relevant rules and regulations to make sure the TDPs' funds do not lapse at the end of the fiscal year. Currently, the undisbursed funds at the end of the fiscal year are treated as savings. However, the office of Accountant General of Pakistan Revenue (AGPR) and Finance Ministry has certain objections to this demand. A senior official of the finance ministry said the TDPs funds that will remain unutilised by June 30 will be given in the next fiscal year.

KARACHI: The Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) killed two terrorists during an action in Karachi's Manghopir area late on Saturday. According to Incharge CTD SSP Ali Raza, the counter terrorism department personnel, on the intelligence reports, conducted raid in Khairabad area, where exchange of fire took place with militants. Two militants were critically wounded and succumbed to injuries while being shifted to hospital. One militant killed in the shootout has been identified as Saeed aka Kalo who belonged to a banned outfit. The accused was involved in airport attack case and murder of MPA Munzar Imam besides various terror activities in the port city.

DI KHAN: As if jeopardising their lives in the line of duty was not enough, khasadar force personnel are also deprived of their salaries in the conflict-hit tribal areas of the northern part of the country. "We have not been paid the salary of the last two months," Abdul Qudus, a resident of Wana in South Waziristan Agency, told The Express Tribune. "We are performing our duties even without [getting] a salary. Even when we get it, it is either delayed or given with reductions in it." He added an allowance, besides salary, was announced for each khasadar after the Pakistan Peoples Party came into power in 2008. He added, as per the announcement each had to be paid Rs100,000, but they got only Rs20,000. "[We] don't know where the remaining amount went." Nevertheless, the issue has remained unresolved. Therefore, a 14-member committee was formed by the khasadars of Wazir, Mehsud, Dottani and Suleman Khel tribes of South Waziristan. Even then the issue remained unresolved. "We took up the matter to the political agent, even visited Peshawar and Islamabad to meet high-ups in the government, but our issue remains in its place," a member of the committee, Anayatullah, said.

Inevitable but invisible

Till the Frontier Crimes Regulation prevails in Federally Administered Tribal Areas, there will be need of the khasadar force, Anayatullah added. "We were given shoes, uniforms [and such duty necessities last year only after the 9/11 attack]. He said khasadars' is the most ignored force now. However, the issues pertaining to khasadars is not limited to their salaries. As per the political administration of South Waziristan, the position of a khasadar person is taken by anyone from the family – inherited. However, the political administration has recently warned that one person be sent on the position – he should be a youth so as to be able to perform his duty properly.

SUKKUR: As many as 30 suspects have been arrested by the Ghotki police since Friday in an ongoing operation against criminals in katcha area of Raunti located in Umar Shah village, while over 50 houses were also demolished during the raids. The operation was initiated by the police to clear all no-go areas, apprehend criminals and demolish their hideouts. The Raunti katcha area, which is said to be a safe haven for criminals, was raided by a heavy contingent of Ghotki police, led by SSP Masood Bangash. The police team was backed by heavy machinery and armoured personnel carriers. On Friday, the exchange of fire between the police and criminals continued for more than five hours, after which the police managed to arrest some of the suspects, including two criminals identified as Malhan Shar and Mour Shar, who carried a head money of Rs0.5 million each. Some of the other suspects include Shabbir Shar, Sardar Shar, Hazaro Shar and Ali Muhammad Shar. According to Ghotki SSP, Malhan fired a rocket on an armoured personnel carrier in Raunti in 2006, due to which two policemen died. To root out criminals from the katcha area once and for all, the police bulldozed more than 50 houses in Umar Shar village, the police said. Some of the residents of the village told local reporters that the police demolished all the houses without prior notice, due to which the villagers have sustained loss of millions of rupees. The villagers claimed that most of the suspects arrested by the police are innocent and the residents of the village are not criminals.

A Daharki-based reporter told The Express Tribune that after Chotu Mazari's surrender in the katcha area of Rajanpur, most of the criminals have either been arrested or have moved to other areas. He said that the katcha area of Ghotki district is linked with katcha of southern Punjab, due to which it is very easy for the criminals to flee to the other province to avoid getting arrested. He said that the operation in the katcha areas is being carried out for the last five to six years, but to no avail. He accused the police to be only interested in seizing wheat stocks, sown by the criminals in the katcha and added that this time the police has demolished an entire village. Talking to The Express Tribune, the SSP confirmed apprehending more than 30 suspects in the operation. He said that the police have raided and demolished the hideouts of criminals in the katcha, while all no go areas have been cleared and pickets have been established. The SSP added that the police launched the operation in such a way that the criminals were left with only two options, either to die or to surrender. The SSP claimed that the police had arrested only seven of the suspects, while the others surrendered voluntarily. Police also seized arms and ammunition from the possession of the arrested suspects.

GHALLANAI: Four suspected militants were killed when security forces of Pakistan foiled a

check-post in Mohmand Agency foiled

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We must get prepared against external threats: Nawaz

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NADRA to verify all CNICs within 6 months

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CTD rounds up two 'Afghan spies' from Peshawar

The Express Tribune, May 27, 2016

Security forces kill three during clash with 'militants' in North Waziristan

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cross-border militant attack on an FC checkpoint in the Khwezai Baizai subdivision near the Pak-Afghan border in Mohmand Agency, officials' sources said on Friday. They said the militants were coming to stage an attack in the Pakistani territory when they were targeted by security forces personnel patrolling the area. The soldiers seized the weapons and ammunition of the slain militants, whose identity couldn't be known. It may be mentioned that Pakistani militants operating from Afghanistan often stage cross-border attacks in Pakistan's territory. Many civilians and personnel of security forces have been killed and injured in such attacks in recent years. The militants have also suffered casualties in these encounters.

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif on Friday said it is our national responsibility to have full preparedness to protect Pakistan from external threats so that no one could dare to look towards it with bad intention. "Pakistan's atomic programme was developed to make country's defence impregnable. It is a guarantee for peace in South Asia. This programme created balance of power, which was necessary to make this region safe," the premier said in his message on the 18th anniversary of Pakistan's historic atomic tests. Congratulating the nation on the historic event of May 28 when a matching response was given to Indian nuclear tests, he said that this day would always be remembered as an important milestone in the history of Pakistan like the Day of Independence. He said on May 28, 1998 Pakistan became the first Muslim nuclear state. "The Youm-e-Takbeer was indeed a day of pride for the Pakistani nation and the Muslims all over the globe." He said the credit for making the country's defence impregnable during 1998, went to the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) government, which laid strong foundations for a stable and prosperous Pakistan. Nawaz said the countries of South Asia came out of instability due to Pakistan's nuclear programme. "Pakistan believes in peace and our nuclear programme is a symbol of Pakistan's strong defence besides it is a proclamation of courage, steadfastness and bravery of this nation."

ISLAMABAD: The country's security csar has given the National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) six months to verify all identity cards issued to Pakistani citizens. The move comes in the wake of disclosures that slain Taliban chief Mullah Mansoor was a registered Pakistani national. During a press briefing at the NADRA headquarters on Friday, Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan said instead of verifying every computerised national identity card (CNIC), NADRA would focus on revalidating the CNICs of the 25 million registered families. He shared that a new directorate would be set up for the task and every head of the family would be written a letter with their family tree mentioned on it. The family heads would be asked to verify the members of their family. The verification mechanism will have three tiers: the internal exercise of NADRA; verification of the family head and members; and information shared by citizens on foreigners holding Pakistani identities. A committee, including secret agencies officers, would oversee the entire process. The interior minister also gave a two-month deadline to people with forged CNICs or passports to submit the bogus documents with the authorities voluntarily. No action would be taken against such people, he said.

The officers of NADRA and the Immigration and Passport Directorate were also given two months to identify the suspicious CNICs or passports they had processed for illegal residents. "After this deadline, there would be no amnesty and criminal cases would be filed against them," Nisar warned. Any foreigner found with fake CNICs may be awarded seven years' imprisonment. Government employees and officials will be awarded 14-year jail term for breaching public trust. The minister also announced a reward scheme for citizens who report foreigners holding forged CNICs or passports. "I assure you this process will be transparent, focusing entirely on blocking the CNICs issued to foreigners," Nisar said, adding a helpline would be set up to listen to the grievances of the people. He also called for forming a parliamentary committee, with members from all political parties, to which the operational committee should report for activities. The minister admitted, however, some "astonishing" information has been uncovered related to issuance of CNICs and Pakistani passports to foreigners by the previous governments. "There are cases far more significant than the CNIC of Wali Muhammad," he claimed, while referring to the name adopted by Mullah Mansoor in his CNIC.

NADRA official arrested

A junior executive officer of Nadra was arrested on Friday on the charge of issuing CNICs to foreigners. Syed Afsar Raza has been accused of tampering with the record of NADRA and showing foreigners as part of Pakistani families. The accused was said to be involved in human trafficking. Nisar earlier said 16 out of the 26 directors-general at NADRA had been removed.

PESHAWAR: The Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa Police rounded up on Friday two suspected Afghan nationals allegedly working for a foreign spy agency from Peshawar. Both the suspects, who belong to a proscribed militant outfit, were arrested in an intelligence-based raid carried out by the counter-terrorism department of the K-P Police, a statement said. The suspects were living in the country with fake identity cards and initial investigations have revealed their connections with foreign intelligence agencies, the communiqué added. The CTD have moved the suspects to an undisclosed location for further investigation. The development comes a day after six agents belonging to two networks of Afghan intelligence agency NDS were caught from Quetta, Balochistan. "Security forces have nabbed six Afghan terrorists involved in explosions, killings and other acts of terrorism in the provincial capital," Balochistan Home Minister Sarfraz Bugti had announced in a press briefing. Bugti said India's premier spy agency RAW and Afghan intelligence NDS were working in collusion to destabilise Pakistan.

PESHAWAR: At least three suspected militants were killed and four others injured during an exchange of fire with security personnel on Thursday near the Pak-Afghan border in North Waziristan. According to security forces, the clash took place in Shawal valley of North Waziristan near Pak-Afghan border, in which three 'militants' were killed and four were injured. However, this information could not be independently verified as journalists have limited access to the war-torn

'Terror attack' on Bahawalnagar shrine foiled; three arrested

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region. Security forces reportedly suffered no loss of life or property. Operations against militants in North Waziristan were stepped up after the government decided to implement the nation-wide National Action Plan combating terrorism in the country. Suspected militants have also been killed in drone strikes in the region. Zarb-i-Azb military operation which targeted local and foreign militants specifically in North Waziristan was spearheaded following an attack on Karachi's Jinnah International Airport on June 8, 2014. According to official statements, over 3,500 militants have been killed in operation Zarb-i-Azb, while the offensive forced over a million civilians to vacate their homes and move to settled areas of the country.

LAHORE: Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) of police claimed on Thursday to have foiled a terror attack on a shrine in Bahawalnagar district and arrested three alleged terrorists of banned outfits Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) and Lashkar-i-Jhangvi (LeJ). A CTD spokesman said after receiving information about the presence of suspected terrorists, a team raided a house near the shrine and arrested three people. He said the suspects were identified as Muhammad Asif of Khushab, Muhammad Jamil of Lahore and Muhammad Sadiq of Toba Tek Singh. He said the police team also recovered three IEDs, arms and ammunition and the shrine was saved from destruction with the help of bomb disposal squad. He said initial investigations revealed that the terrorists were planning to attack the shrine. In another raid, an alleged terrorist of banned Sipah-i-Sahaba Pakistan (SSP) was arrested from Faisalabad, said the spokesman. He said after receiving information, a CTD team raided PSO pump near Roshanwali Jhal at Sumundari Road and arrested suspect Shakeel Ahmad Khan. He said police team also recovered 575 grams' explosives, 9 feet 6 inches prima cord and 8 electric circuit, detonators from him. Meanwhile, a CTD team arrested two members of a banned outfit in Alipur tehsil. During a search operation at Azmatpur area, the CTD personnel arrested the suspected militants and found Jehadi literature from their custody.

LAHORE: The Provincial Assembly passed the Punjab Drugs (Amendment) Bill 2015 and the Fatima Jinnah Medical University Lahore (Amendment) Bill 2015 on Thursday. According to the amendment in Section 31 of the Punjab Drugs (Amendment) Act, the words "federal government" would be replaced with "provincial government." All powers exercised by the federal government with respect to the drugs courts in the Punjab would be handed over to the provincial government. The amended Fatima Jinnah Medical University Lahore (Amendment) Bill 2015 has extended the age of the vice chancellor from 61 years to 65 years. The bills were moved by Law Minister Rana Sanuallah. The law minister also introduced the Punjab Poultry Production Bill 2016. In its statement of objectives, the bill states that during last 35 years, poultry farming in Pakistan had emerged as an important sub-sector of livestock with a sustained average growth rate of 8-10 per cent per year. "This expansion continues to fulfil protein requirements of the country as Punjab contributes some 73 per cent to poultry production in the country." "It has become necessary to introduce a regulatory framework for poultry farms to curb diseases which result in heavy economic losses.

The Pakistan Poultry Association has demanded on several occasions to formulate regulations for registration and regulation of existing and new poultry farms and management of bio-security issues." "The government has, therefore, proposed this bill to regulate poultry production activities in the province for benefit of all stakeholders," it states. Minister for Human Rights Khalil Tahir Sindhu and the minister for housing and urban development fielded the question hour queries. Sindhu told the House that there was no discrimination in registration of marriage, divorce, birth and death certificates of Christians. He said under the Local Government Act 2013, local governments had been authorised to issue these certificates. Sindhu said the department had asked for a list of bishops who registered marriages. Responding to a question, the minister said some 2,467 transgender citizens were registered with the Social Welfare Department in the province. He said the federal government had not counted transgenders separately in the 1998 census. He said there was no update about their population. On Thursday, members of the Opposition benches pointed out quorum twice when the government business started. After completion of the agenda, Speaker Sher Ali Gorchani adjourned the session indefinitely.

ISLAMABAD: Army chief General Raheel Sharif has said more work needs to be done to completely rid Pakistan of the menace of terrorism and extremism. He made these remarks while addressing the Command and Staff College Quetta on Thursday. Visiting the provincial capital just days after Afghan Taliban chief was killed by US in a drone strike, the army chief emphasised Pakistan's resolve and determination to confront the global phenomenon of terrorism and extremism. "No military in the world is able to synergise as much as Pakistan Army can single-handedly. Rightly proud of commanding a dynamic and resolute force," he said, according to the statement issued by the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR). Talking about the effects of Operation Zarb-e-Azb, he explained how the security forces had transitioned from hard-core kinetic operations to intelligence-based and combing operations. Referring to the conclusion of the operations, the army chief pointed out that "we are not there yet." "More work needs to be done to achieve the final objective of a fully peaceful and prosperous Pakistan."

KARACHI: Traffic police authorities have provided sunglasses and pens attached with spy cameras to some of their personnel in a move to monitor their behaviour towards road users and also for security surveillance, as eight traffic policemen have been killed in targeted attacks during the past one year, a top official said on Thursday. The authorities acquired a set of spy gadgets and distributed them among the officials as a pilot project which would be expanded to all other parts of the city later, he said. He added that positive feedback had been received from certain areas where programme had been launched to modernise policing. "In the first phase, we have distributed these camera-attached sunglasses and pens to our officers posted in south district," said DIG (traffic) Dr Ameer Sheikh while speaking to Dawn. "The primary objective of this entire exercise is to bring reforms in traffic policing. Our personnel remain directly engaged with the people round the clock. As that kind of job is not easy, we continue to receive complaints from

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Six Afghan 'spies' nabbed from Balochistan: home minister
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US provides \$48.6m to enhance police, anti-narcotics force capacity
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both sides – drivers or commuters and traffic policemen,” the officer said. He said the traffic police authorities had no mechanism to check the weight of argument of each party in case of an altercation between them, rude behaviour or unjustified action from either side. The cameras would help sort such issues, he added. “In case of any complaint against our personnel, we would be able to determine his role in the disputed matter and also the way he handled the situation,” said Dr Sheikh.

The technology would also help keep track of officers' performance and their activities during duty hours, he said. People often complained of being challaned unjustifiably by the officials at certain spots in case they were not offered bribes, he added. Similarly, in many cases, drivers overreacted and accused traffic personnel of wrongdoing to cover up their crimes, the officer said. The initiative would help the traffic authorities to keep record of such interaction, too, he said. After the launch of Traffic Violation Evidence System (TVES) a few months ago, the recent project is second such initiative from the authorities to bring reforms in the traffic police. In the developed countries, the receipts of fine are delivered to traffic violators at their homes under the TVES. Their residential addresses are determined after identification of their vehicles' registration number through surveillance cameras. The modern gadgets will also be utilised for security surveillance as more than half a dozen traffic officials had been gunned down at traffic intersections in the city over the past one year. Last week, two traffic police constables were shot dead near the Ayesha Manzil flyover in a targeted attack whose responsibility was claimed hours later by the outlawed Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan. “We have acquired the best available equipment,” said additional DIG (traffic) Tahir Ahmed Noorani. “Both things – sunglasses and pens – have built-in eight-megapixel cameras, which can record quite clear footage at a moderate distance. After the duty hours of the traffic personnel, we save the footage in our database. It gives multiple advantages like monitoring of our personnel and also the security surveillance of the areas of their deployment.”

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has signed a contract for an undisclosed number of AgustaWestland AW139 intermediate twin engine helicopters with Italian multinational aerospace company Leonardo-Finmeccanica. The contract was signed here in presence of the Italian Ambassador to Pakistan Stefano Pontecorvo, said a statement published on the company's website. The AW139 choppers, which cost over \$10 million each, will be used for search and rescue operations in the country. The agreement is part of a fleet renewal programme spread over several stages, and includes a logistics support and training package. The new fleet of helicopters, which is set to be delivered in 2017, is expected to be used for tasks such as civil protection, transport and search and rescue operations. The latest contract marks a significant achievement for Leonardo-Finmeccanica in Pakistan, further expanding its already successful presence in the country. A total of 11 AW139s are already in service in Pakistan, with five aircraft operated for civil protection and transport tasks. Leonardo-Finmeccanica is the ninth-largest defence contractor in the world based on applicable 2014 revenues.

QUETTA: Balochistan Home Minister Sarfraz Bugti said on Thursday six agents belonging to two networks of Afghan intelligence agency NDS were caught from Quetta. “Security forces have nabbed six Afghan terrorists involved in explosions, killings and other acts of terrorism in the provincial capital,” he announced in a press briefing. Bugti said India's premier spy agency RAW and Afghan intelligence NDS were working in collusion to destabilise Pakistan. Officers of the NDS were handlers of the agents, and provided them with the resources for killings and terror activities, he added. The home minister said the Foreign Office will raise the matter with Afghanistan, adding relations could worsen if terrorist activities from across the border continue.

'Afghan refugees should leave'

Bugti said Afghan refugees should return to the country, and Pakistanis will now put their house in order. “We can't tolerate this hospitality as Afghan migrants are now involved in killing innocent Baloch people,” he said. “We are asking a simple thing...we made them [Afghan migrants] our guests, we showered them with hospitality but since now they are killing us, they should leave the country right off.”

Confession

In a confessional video statement aired during the press conference, one of the arrested, Abdullah Shah, said he was a resident of Afghan province Helmand but had a Pakistani ID card. Similarly, Asmatullah, another person held, said he had been living in Pishin district of Balochistan for the last 20 years, and was involved in killing 22 people after having his CNIC made for Rs40,000. Meanwhile, NDS personnel identified as Qazi Naik Muhammad Noorzai in his statement said the agency provided him Rs15 million for targeted killings.

Army chief lauds security forces

Meanwhile, army chief General Raheel Sharif appreciated the efforts of law enforcement agencies, in unearthing foreign intelligence network in Quetta. He vowed Pakistan will defeat any nefarious designs of hurting the country and root out hostile elements.

ISLAMABAD: The US government will provide over \$48.6 million to Pakistan for building law enforcement capability, fighting illicit narcotics and strengthening its criminal justice system. In this regard the US Ambassador David Hale and Pakistan Economic Affairs Division Secretary Tariq Bajwa on Wednesday signed a one-year \$48.6 million bilateral assistance agreement, said a statement issued by US Embassy. Under the agreement, the US Department of State's International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs Bureau will provide support to Pakistan in these three sectors. The United States signed the first such bilateral assistance agreement in 1982. Subsequent yearly agreements have supported the training of tens of thousands of police officers and prosecutors, construction of police stations, and provision of vehicles, equipment, and life-saving personal protective gear for law enforcement agents. The new agreement will fund

Lahore: Police arrest man who used to steal ATM data
The News, May 25, 2016

Drone strike on Pakistani soil detrimental to relations with US: Army chief
The Express Tribune, May 25, 2016

Nadra issued over 45,000 CNICs to foreigners in past 10 years
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several programmes throughout Pakistan including initiatives to improve the capability and reach of provincial police and other law enforcement institutions through training, equipment, and infrastructure support. "Programmes will also support women's access to the justice system, as well as support the recruitment, retention, and advancement of women as police officers, prosecutors and judges," read the statement.

LAHORE: The Federal Investigation Agency arrested a man who used to steal citizens' ATM data and use it to withdraw their cash subsequently. According to details, FIA apprehended the suspect named Irfan from a private bank's ATM at the city's Thokar Niaz Beg, where he was about to steal cash yet again. In order to avoid exposure, the suspect used to conceal his face with a mask and wear a hat on top. The location of the suspect was based on a tip provided to the law enforcement personnel. After FIA raided the ATM booth and arrested the suspect, he confessed to stealing ATM data of people with the aid of a spy camera and a scanner device that he installed on the ATM. Police disclosed that Irfan had allegedly been operating with a gang, who would also be arrested soon. Police stated that they were conducting raids for the suspect's accomplices.

Army chief General Raheel Sharif on Wednesday warned the recent US drone strike targeting late Taliban leader Mullah Akhtar Mansour was detrimental to bilateral relations between the two countries. The army chief's reaction came during a meeting with the Ambassador of US David Hale at the General Headquarters in Rawalpindi, a statement issued by Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) said. The statement said the situation arising after the US drone strike in Balochistan on May 22 came under discussion. While expressing serious concerns over the drone strike, COAS said such acts of sovereignty violations are detrimental to relations between both countries and are counter-productive for ongoing peace process for regional stability. "Pakistan's efforts, successes and sacrifices in fight against terrorism have been unparalleled," General Raheel added. President Barack Obama on Monday confirmed Taliban chief Mullah Akhtar Mansour was killed in a US air strike, hailing his death as an "important milestone" in efforts to bring peace to Afghanistan. Saturday's bombing raid, the first known American assault on a top Afghan Taliban leader on Pakistani soil, marked a major blow to the militant movement, which saw a new resurgence under Mansour.

Soon after Obama's statement, Pakistan summoned the US ambassador to express concern over the drone strike inside its territory, which reportedly killed Afghan Taliban chief Mullah Akhtar Mansoor. Ambassador David Hale was called in by the Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs Tariq Fatemi wherein the latter pointed out that the drone strike was a violation of Pakistan's sovereignty, according to a Foreign Office statement. The attack is also a breach of the United Nation's Charter that guarantees the inviolability of the territorial integrity of its member states, he added. Fatemi emphasised such actions could adversely impact the ongoing efforts by the Quadrilateral Coordination Group (QCG) for facilitating peace talks between the Afghan government and Taliban.

ISLAMABAD: El Shukrijumah, an American citizen, possessed a Pakistani National Identity Card for Overseas Pakistanis (NICOP No: 121015-9547114-7) under the name of Shahzaib Khan s/o Akbar Khan. He was operating Al-Qaeda's external operations programme when military killed him during an encounter in Waziristan Agency in December 2014. Shukrijumah is just one of over 45, 000 foreigners who were issued Pakistani computerised national identity cards (CNICs) since 2005. The country's top registration authority—the National Database and Registration Authority (Nadra), allegedly issued these cards to nationals of China, United States, India, Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan, Egypt, Uzbek, Maldives, Morocco, Bangladesh and Burma, putting national security at a greater risk, revealed official documents. Shocking revelations came at a time when the country's top security czar Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan confirmed that Nadra blocked over 0.23 million suspicious national identity cards in past five years. Either these CNICs were issued to foreigners or Pakistanis. More than 650 officials of Nadra allegedly issued these tens of thousands of CNICs to foreign nationals, majority of them were 'unregistered Afghan refugees' during this period, officials assigned to investigate this scam claimed.

Nadra issued to Pakistani CNICs to 21 Chinese citizens, 29 Indians, 236 Iranians, one American, 111 Bengali and Burmese, seven Moroccan, three Uzbeks, two Maldivians, one Senegal citizen, 13 Egyptian and around 40, 000 Afghans got Pakistani cards, revealed official documents also exclusively obtained by Geo TV and The News. After expending scope of investigation into this scam, top registration body's officials claimed that they have blocked around 40, 000 CNICs issued to Afghan citizens since 2005. "Over 52, 000 CNICs issued to foreigners were on Nadra's radar" across the country, particularly in Balochistan, officials revealed. Some senior officers of Nadra were allegedly involved in this scam, official documents continued to reveal. Over 108 Nadra officials were involved in this scam in Regional Office Karachi. The list also included Assistant Director Nadir Khan, Intelligence Officer, Sardar Nabi, General Manager Brig (retd) Ihsan Haq and Area Manager Karachi Waqas Langha in this office, they added. Over 25 Nadra officials were involved in processing foreigners' identity cards in Regional Headquarter in Sargodha. Over 48 Nadra officials were issuing CNICs to foreigners in Lahore Regional Office of Nadra. Some senior officers were also involved in corrupt practices over there. As many as 12 Nadra employees were involved in this scam in Nadra office Islamabad where four junior executives were dismissed from services.

Nadra investigation team is also probing over 75 corrupt officials who issued thousands of CNICs to foreign nationals in Peshawar Regional Headquarter of Nadra. Many senior officials namely Assistant Director Muhammad Aman and junior executives Abdul Hafeez, Abid Khan, Shakeel Ahmed, Naseerudin, Naveed Ahmed and Shahid Ali were removed from services on corruption charges. More than three Nadra officials were dismissed from services in Regional Multan office after they found guilty in issuing CNICs to foreigners. Over 102 Nadra officials were issuing CNICs to foreign nationals in Quetta Regional Office. Many officers namely Muhammad Nasir,

Ishaq Dar hints at increase in defence budget

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Altaf Ghichki, Saeed Islam, Nisar Panezai and Qadeer Ahmed services were suspended after corruption inquiries started in this regional office. More than 30 Nadra officials were suspended after they were found guilty of issuing Pakistani cards to foreigners in NADRA Sukkur Regional Office. Despite repeated attempts, Spokesperson for Nadra could not be reached till midnight.

ISLAMABAD: Spelling out the government's priorities for its fourth budget that he will be unveiling on June 3, Finance Minister Ishaq Dar said on Tuesday the federal government would meet defence needs of the country and make efforts to avoid putting extra burden on existing taxpayers. "The government will meet the defence needs of the country in the new budget," vowed Dar, while addressing a pre-budget seminar organised by *Express Media Group*. As against Ministry of Finance's indicative defence budget of Rs860 billion for fiscal year 2016-17, the Ministry of Defence has sought Rs920 billion. In its presentation to the Senate Standing Committee on Defence, military authorities have already termed Rs860 billion insufficient. Finance Minister Dar, however, did not mention whether or not he would allocate Rs920 billion. Military authorities also want to take 100% of the Coalition Support Fund that the United States disburses in return for the country's services in the war on terrorism. Dar announced that in the next budget, the government would try not to put extra burden on existing taxpayers. He, however, said the life would be made miserable for non-filers of the income tax returns. "The customs duties will be lowered for growth-oriented industries," he said. "The budgets are made as if there is complete peace in the country but the reality is that the country has been in a state of war for the last 38 years," said Muhammad Ziauddin, former executive editor of *The Express Tribune* while speaking at the seminar.

He proposed that military and civilian leadership sign a charter of economy, unlike Dar's proposal seeking an agreement among the country's political parties. Ziauddin said the finance minister has been making budget in the dark, as he did not know how many mouths have to be fed next year due to delay in holding a population census. PPP Senator Osman Saifullah Khan complained that parliamentarians have been excluded from the budget-making exercise. He identified unemployment, income inequality and regional disparity as main economic challenges. "The government policies in several business sectors are resulting in transfer of resources to special segments at the cost of the public," he said, adding that the government was violating the Constitution by not ensuring equitable regional development. PTI's Shah Mehmood Qureshi criticised the finance minister for not fulfilling promises that he made while delivering his first budget speech. He said Dar had promised to stop hemorrhaging of Public Sector Enterprises, address root causes of circular debt, expand tax base and increase pace of national output. The progress in all these areas remained below the targets, said Qureshi. "The government could not stimulate economy in last three years," he said while counting one after another the failures of the PML-N government. He said the agriculture sector has been adversely affected due to neglect of both federal and provincial governments.

"The government's Kissan package was a trick with farmers. This year the cotton output has massively declined, a situation which has not only ruined the farmers but will affect the textile industry," he added. Qureshi also criticised the government's wrong priorities, which according to him would further complicate economic issues. He came hard on the government over setting up coal-based power plants in Punjab instead of establishing them near seaport and coalmines. Due to low investment, unemployment was the biggest problem of the country, said Arif Habib, one of the leading industrialists of the country. "Had I been finance minister, I would have exclusively focused on investment," he said. "Economy cannot grow without investment and without economic growth; unemployment cannot be reduced in the country." He said that due to heavy taxation, cost of doing business was very high in Pakistan. Habib proposed the government to withdraw bonus share, reduce the rates of capital gains tax on stock exchange, abolish capital value tax and give incentives on real estate investment.

Three FC officials shot dead in Peshawar

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PESHAWAR: Three Frontier Corps (FC) officials, including a command officer, were killed on Wednesday as unidentified armed men opened fire at their vehicle in Peshawar's Patang Chowk area. According to initial reports, the officials were enroute FC Headquarters, Peshawar when their convoy came under attack, in Faqirabad police station's jurisdiction. The injured were shifted to Lady Reading Hospital (LRH) where they were pronounced dead on arrival. "Amir Badshah, CO, was a grade 19 officer of the FC and was deployed at Peshawar Headquarters. He was killed along with two other men," FC official Sharbat Khan Afridi told *The Express Tribune*. Further, a police official posted at LRH confirmed that all three bodies had been brought to the hospital. "They have been identified as Amir Badshah CO, hawaldar Rasool Rehman and hawaldar Gul Rehman," he said. Earlier this month, an FC official was killed during a shootout with police in a local hotel in Peshawar. The man who was killed in mysterious circumstances at Bangash Hotel in Dabgari area had stayed in one of the hotel rooms last night, SSP Operations Abbas Majeed Marwat told *The Express Tribune*. "The person had identified himself as Yahya, a resident of Waziristan and stayed in room 24 of the hotel," the police officer said. "The next morning when hotel staff knocked at the door, he fired from inside."

Two policemen killed, seven injured in Quetta roadside blast

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QUETTA: Two policemen were killed while seven other people, including four police personnel, were injured in an IED blast in Quetta on Tuesday. A police mobile passing through the city's Spini Road was targeted. "Up to 3kg of explosives hidden in a cane, blew up when the police mobile passed by the area," said provincial Home Minister Mir Sarfaraz Bugti. While police and rescue officials reached the site, the injured were shifted to nearby hospitals. "We have received eight injured in Civil Hospital," said Medical Superintendent Civil Hospital Dr Abdul Rehman. "Two are in critical condition." "Because of security threats, the injured policemen have been shifted to Combined Military Hospital," added Rehman. Chief Minister Balochistan Nawab Sanaullah Zehri condemned the blast. Earlier on May 11, a bomb blast near the Balochistan University campus in Quetta left two traffic police officers dead.

About 194,000 families of

About one hundred ninety-four thousand families of Temporarily Displaced Persons of FATA

tdps returned to native areas so far*Radio Pakistan, May 25, 2016***PNS Zulfiqar case: five Navy officers sentenced to death***The News, May 24, 2016*

have so far returned to their native areas. According to FATA Disaster Management Authority (FDMA), the TDPs families were sent back to their homes in Khyber Agency, Kurram, Orakzai, South and North Waziristan Agencies. Each returning family was provided thirty-five thousand rupees cash assistance and six months ration.

KARACHI: Five suspects, all naval officers, were sentenced to death in the PNS Zulfiqar attack case on Tuesday. The lawyer for the accused persons stated that an appeal would be made at the Naval Appeal Court against the decision after details of the crime, trial and execution are disclosed. "The naval headquarters have not provided details of the crime, trial and the punishment," Advocate Inam said. Hence, Sub-Lieutenant Hammad Ahmad's father got to know about the death sentence during a meeting with his son. Irfanullah, Mohammad Hammad, Arsalan Nazeer and Hashim Naseer and Sub-Lieutenant Hammad Ahmed are suspects who stand accused of planning and orchestrating the September 6, 2014 attack on PNS Zulfiqar. On that day, an attempt by a group of rogue Navy officers attacked the naval dockyard in an attempt to seize important locations of the naval base. However, a timely operation by security forces thwarted their attempt. Four people killed in the attempt to hijack the PNS Zulfiqar were serving sub-lieutenants, according to police reports then seen by news agency Reuters. The suspects had been arrested trying to flee the country for Afghanistan on September 21, 2014, fifteen days after the attack.

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ISLAMABAD: The teachers of federal government colleges in the Islamabad Capital Territory have threatened agitation against delay in promotion. They warned they would take to the streets to claim right. Federal Government College Teachers Association president Professor Manzar Zafar Kazmi told reporters here that two months ago, the Capital Administration and Development Division's Departmental Promotion Committee had promoted 17 lecturers of Islamabad colleges as assistant professors, including both men and women but ironically, the promotions had yet to be notified to take effect. He criticised the red tape in this respect and said the long delay in the issuance of the promotion notification had caused unrest among the teachers promoted. The FGCTA president said it was unfortunate that repeated requests had been made to the relevant CADD officials to do the needful, but to no avail. He warned if the issuance of the notification was delayed further, the teachers would come onto the streets to claim due promotion. The CADD oversees ICT government educational institutions through the Federal Directorate of Education. Among the teachers promoted were Sarfraz Malik, Khalid Mehmood Chaudhary, Tariq Mehmood Baloch, Muhammad Habibullah, Kamran Sarfraz Baig, Nasreen Bano, Seema Kausar, Nuzhat Afshan (subject to provision of ACR), Nabila Naeem, Asma Nizam, Shazia Iram, Tanveer Zehra, Dr Asiya Muhammadullah, Mehreen Akhtar Abbasi, Raheela Kausar, Sadia Iftikhar, and Yasmeen Shahab.

KARACHI: Sindh Governor Dr Ishratul Ebad on Sunday congratulated the team of doctors at the Dow University of Health Sciences (DUHS), Ojha campus, who carried out three successful liver transplants at the varsity. During a visit to the campus, the governor met with the liver donors and recipients, who were all reported to be recovering well. "Pakistanis would not have to go abroad for liver transplants since the DUHS surgeons and experts were completely capable of carrying out such complicated surgeries," Ebad said while addressing media personnel at the campus. He said the successful liver transplants were a ray of hope for patients of liver cirrhosis in Pakistan. The surgeries were carried out under the supervision of transplant surgeon from India, Dr Gupta, last week. The governor having previously announced to bear the cost of first 10 liver transplants to be carried out at the Ojha campus, said huge foreign exchange reserves had to be spent on liver transplants abroad, as most of the patients requiring a transplant could not afford to seek a treatment outside of the country. Ebad claimed that Pakistani surgeons who would be performing liver transplants at DUHS had been trained in the United States and Turkey and were as competent and trained as any other liver transplant team of surgeons in the world. State of the art surgical facilities and equipment had been arranged for the surgeries at the Ojha campus, he said, adding that even international experts had applauded the post-operative care facilities at the Dow varsity. As far as the expenses were concerned, the varsity was charging the minimum possible amount from patients and those who could not afford to make the payments in one go, could pay them in easy and convenient instalments.

LAHORE: Shahar Bano, a second year student at Lahore General Hospital Nursing School, has received the first Asma Kanwal Shaheed gold medal. Post Graduate Medical Institute and LGH Principal Khalid Mahmood awarded her the medal at an event held in her honour at the hospital. Nursing Director General Nusrat Saeeda and LGH Medical Superintendent Niaz Ahmed were also present.

LAHORE (Dunya News): According to details, fire broke out at the Child Protection Bureau store room situated in Mughalpura area of Lahore on Sunday which quickly engulfed the entire store, Dunya News reported. Police and rescue teams reached the spot and extinguished the blaze after a hectic effort of one hour. The fire destroyed the belongings of the children staying at the Child Protection Bureau. Fortunately all the children remained safe. According to the Child Protection Bureau chairperson, Saba Sadiq, the children have been shifted to safer location after the fire.

KARACHI (Dunya News): According to rescue sources, fire broke out at a cloth godown in Gulbai area of Sher Shah in Karachi on Sunday night which quickly engulfed four other cloth godowns in the surrounding area. Sources said that the fire was caused by short circuit, Dunya news reported. The blaze was so severe that fire brigade vehicles from all over the city were called in. The fire fighters brought the fire under control after six hours hectic effort. At least 26 fire brigade vehicles participated in the rescue operation. The owners of the godowns informed that the cloth worth Rs 10 million was gutted in the blaze.

KARACHI: A sessions court sought on Saturday comments from the police over proceedings of the Baldia factory fire case, with the judge expressing his displeasure at the 'non-serious' attitude of the authorities towards the case. District West judge Maqbool Memon directed the investigating officer (IO), sub-inspector Jahanzaib, to inform the court at the next hearing on July 11 whether or not the authorities were re-lodging the case or submitting a supplementary charge sheet. The direction came after the IO told the judge that the joint investigation team's (JIT) report was with the home department and the police had recommended the re-registration of the case under the Anti-Terrorism Act. In the JIT report that surfaced recently, the factory fire was termed a planned terrorist activity with the alleged involvement of some Muttahida Qaumi Movement (MQM) men.

LAHORE: Adviser to Chief Minister on Health Khwaja Salman Rafique said on Saturday that the Punjab Institute of Cardiology (PIC) and the Gulab Devi Chest Hospital would strengthen cooperation to reduce the load on the former health facility. Rafique made the remarks while visiting Gulab Devi. He inspected the cardiology, emergency, medical, cardiac and angiography

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wards. Specialised Healthcare and Medical Education Secretary Najam Ahmed Shah said the institute had the capacity to absorb more cardiac patients. He said a referral system would be established between the PIC and Gulab Devi in this regard. Shah said linkages would be established between all of Lahore's public teaching hospitals equipped to treat cardiac patients. He said data on cardiac patients and vacant beds would be shared through this to accommodate the greatest number of people. The health secretary said cardiac wards across public sector teaching hospitals ought to utilise their capacity to reduce load on the PIC. PIC CEO Nadeem Hayat Malik said over 700 people frequented just the emergency department of the institute on a daily basis. He said this included referred patients.

KARACHI: Reviewing progress of the on-going polio campaign in the province, Aseefa Bhutto Zardari Friday inaugurated polio campaign at Karachi's old area Soldier Bazar dispensary and administered polio drops to the children. United Arab Emirates (UAE) Acting Consul General, Karachi 'Bakheet Ateeq Al Romaithi' also participated in the event. It may be recalled that fifth single-phase campaign of the current year started on 24th May and ended on 27th May 2016. Under this campaign, 8.3 Million children under 5 years for the province and 2.2 million children under 5 years for Karachi were to be vaccinated. During the visit, the polio campaign officials briefed Aseefa Bhutto Zardari that the overall quality was up to the mark and no major incident was reported from the province including Karachi and 96% coverage was achieved while the remaining will be tracked for vaccination in the extended catch-up. In total, 7991 teams were deployed to vaccinate all children that fell into the age bracket. The UAE is supporting in polio campaign in the high risk areas of Pakistan including Karachi of Sindh province. Commissioner Karachi Asif Haider Shah gave briefing about Karachi campaign and Shahnaz Wazir Ali, Provincial Coordinator Emergency Operations Center Sindh also briefed Aseefa Bhutto Zardari on the progress of Polio campaign in the province. They thanked UAE diplomat for the support towards the eradication of Polio from Pakistan. Secretary Health Ahmed Bux Narejo, Asif Jan Siddique DC East, Dr. Agha Ashfaq Ahmed Project Director EPI, Dr. Ahmed Ali Shaikh, Polio Focal Person EOC. Ms. Huma Khan, UNICEF representative DHO East and THO Jamsheed town were also present on the occasion.

HYDERABAD: Sindh information adviser Maula Bux Chandio has accused the federal government of 'engineering' an electricity crisis in Sindh. By doing this, the centre is creating hatred [for the federation] in the hearts of the people of Sindh," said Chandio while talking to the media on Saturday. Echoing widespread resentment among the people against Hyderabad Electric Supply Company (Hesco), he predicted a violent reaction by consumers resulting in a law and order situation. Chandio said the power outages, punitive actions against the consumers, detection bills and poor response of the power utility to the complaints underlie the growing hostile sentiments of the people.

KARACHI: Despite being suspended on May 21 from government services or training, three postgraduate doctors are still performing their duties at the National Institute of Child Health (NICH). Dr Ishrat, Dr Roshan and Dr Maria, along with charge nurses Mumtaz Bibi and Rizwana Parveen, technician Aijaz Kamran and nurse aid Muhammad Fayyaz were suspended for alleged negligence that led to the death of a four-year-old boy. The boy's family protested the doctors' presence at the hospital on Friday, challenging the hospital administration's decision to allow them to continue working. They said that if the doctors are continuing their duties then the hospital must issue another order regarding the reappointment of the doctors and stop deceiving them. However, the NICH spokesperson said the shortage of doctors at the institute forced the administration to call the suspended doctors in for the evening shift on the second day of their suspension. Four-year-old Muhammad Mujtaba, a resident of Mehmoodabad, was operated on for hypospadias on May 19 at about 11:30am. According to his father, Imran Ali, the child was shifted to a ward at about 1pm instead of to post-operative care in the hospital's intensive care unit. Ali added that his son seemed unstable, as he was experiencing shortness of breath, had an elevated pulse and high grade fever about 105°F. While talking to *The Express Tribune*, he said that at the time it seemed like an adverse reaction to an anesthetic drug. According to Ali, the anesthetist was guilty of 'criminal medical negligence' for shifting Mujtaba to the ward in a critical condition and for not being available during the child's recovery.

He blamed the hospital for his son's death, as there was no attending doctor in the ward where he was shifted and said that the patient was left unattended for several hours without a doctor. Ali added that rather than recovering, his son's condition deteriorated with the passage of time. A doctor attended to Mujtaba after several hours and gave him some medication, he said. When they asked the doctor to shift the child to the ICU, they were refused as there were no beds available, the father claimed. After that, the child was shifted for first aid to the emergency department, where he died. Ali demanded the hospital administration investigate this apparent case of negligence and bring the culprits to justice in order to avoid such unfortunate cases in future. Mujtaba was his parents' only son and his death has left them battling depression and shock. Later, an inquiry committee, comprising chairperson and professor of paediatric medicine Dr Khalid Mahmood A Khan, professor of paediatric surgery Dr Nasir Saleem Saddal and NICH deputy director Dr Arshad Hussain Domki, was formed to investigate the case on a complaint submitted by Ashique Hussain, a charge nurse and night supervisor at NICH. According to Dr Khan, the statements have been recorded and the CCTV footage has also been reviewed. "Every story has three sides, yours, mine and the truth, and hopefully the truth will prevail in this case and the person responsible will be brought to justice probably on Thursday when then report will be made public," he said.

LAHORE: Rescue workers put out a fire at the Manga Mandi Grid Station on Saturday and electricity was restored partially in the city. A fire at the grid station cut off power supply to much of the city causing citizens to suffer in the immense heat. Out of the 24 feeders which were damaged power through alternate routes has been supplied to the 22 feeders, a Lahore Electric Supply Company official said. An inquiry into the incident has been ordered. The fire was caused due to

Play 'Umeed' Staged To Create Awareness About Polio, Dengue

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All CNICs to be re-verified in next six months: Nisar

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Dengue patient admitted to BBH

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overload at the grid station, a source said.

RAWALPINDI: An informative play titled "Umeed" was staged at Rawalpindi Arts Council as part of an awareness campaign regarding polio and Dengue. The play was written & directed by playwright Naheed Manzoor which was attended by Member National Assembly Chairman PHA Malik Abrar, Chairman Rawalpindi Waste Management Company Raja Hanif Advocate, Sardar Naseem Khan, Dr Jamal Nasir, Ex-MNA Malik Shakil Awan, Haji Pervaiz Khan, Rahat Qadusi, ADGC Arif Rahim, Additional Commissioner Tariq Mehmood Tariq, VC Arid Agriculture University Rai Niaz Ahmed, Resident Director RAC Waqar Ahmed and others high official.

The drama was an effort to create consciousness among people about hazards of polio and dengue and consequences in case of negligence. Famous actors Laiba Ali, Reha Yousaf, Rizwana Ali, Ahsam Qureshi, Imran Rushdi, Amin Shahzada Shahid Kado, Khawar Ayub, Sawaira Shahzadi were included in leading caste of the drama. Addressing at the occasion, Chairman RWMC Raja Hanif Advocate said that it was our collective obligation to fight against polio and dengue. At the end of ceremony Chairman RWMC Raja Hanif Advocate awarded cash prizes and shield to Qurban Niazi on receiving Tamgha-e-Imtiaz and officials and non official were also given shields for play wonderful role in combating polio and dengue.

ISLAMABAD: Interior Minister Chaudhry Nisar Ali said on Friday that all Computerized National Identity Cards (CNIC) will be re-verified in the next six months and anyone with fake documents whether it is a passport or a CNIC will face 7-years in prison. Addressing a press conference in Islamabad the interior minister gave a 2-month deadline for those with fake identity papers, to willingly surrender the documents and escape prosecution, failure to do so would result in strict action against them. The minister said the re-verification process would be completed within the next six months, and that he would personally monitor the process. Acknowledging the task was not an easy one, he recalled how the verification of mobile SIMs was also deemed impossible and reminded everyone that 105 million SIMs were verified in a span of 90 days. A committee will oversee the process, the minister said and proposed that a parliamentary committee be set up to supervise NADRA's issues. To weed out illegal foreigners a help desk would be setup, where foreigners will be identified by the public; upon correct identification the informer will be rewarded, the minister added. Coming down hard on NADRA employees, the minister said those who would not identify fake ID-card holders within two months will face 14-year jail sentences. Elaborating on the verification process, Nisar said every single citizen will not be individually verified and explained that 2.5 million families will be targeted for CNIC verification. On the subject of video confessions by under-custody Afghan agents, he added that a lot of information has surfaced about Pakistani CNICs. "If I reveal those facts then everyone would be astounded," he said. The minister did share that 29,000 passports have been cancelled while millions have been blocked. Chaudhry Nisar clarified that fake identity cards found so far, were registered during the previous government's tenure. Chaudhry Nisar said that Wali Muhammad was given an identity card in 2001 and a CNIC in 2002, adding that Wali Muhammad was given a passport in 2005 on the same CNIC.

PESHAWAR (News Desk): The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government has imposed a ban on private schools from hiking school fees as much as they want, while announcing to take action against those violating the order. According to media reports, the provincial government has ordered private schools to collect only tuition fees during summer vacations. Schools have been barred from collecting all other dues such as transportation fees, security charges and miscellaneous tips. KPK has also announced the establishment of an education regulatory authority to monitor private schools, which will start working by June 30 this year.

LAHORE: Administrators and senior officials of all town municipal administrations have been entrusted with the task of monitoring water tankers being operated by Wasa and Parks and Horticulture Authority during the ongoing hot weather and the upcoming Ramadan. CDGL Administrator/DCO retired Capt Muhammad Usman issued the direction in a meeting held here on Thursday to review and discuss problems, arrangements and action plan in view of the water crisis situation in various parts of the provincial metropolis. Since the city is in a grip of severe water crisis these days, the complaints regarding water supply continue to grow, making officials panicky. "There are 34 water tankers -- 24 owned by Wasa and 10 by PHA. They are being used for supplying water to people in those areas where the situation is serious. Therefore, all town administrators are required to monitor tankers' operation personally. They should also check status and operation of hundreds of Wasa tubewells installed in different localities with immediate effect so as to ensure provision of water to people," said the DCO. He directed the Wasa administration to install generators at all tubewells so that citizens could be provided potable water during the loadshedding hours as well. On the occasion, the CDGL and Wasa jointly issued three toll-free phone numbers -- 0340-1112345, 0800-02345 and 1334 -- so that the people could get their complaints registered regarding water shortage and other issues. Wasa Vice-Chairman Chaudhry Shahbaz Ahmad said the attendance of all operational/field staff of the agency would also be checked. "Respective MPAs have also been asked to visit their constituencies and help Wasa in ensuring water supply to citizens," he added.

RAWALPINDI: The City District Government Rawalpindi (CDGR) appears to have neglected the rural areas of the Rawalpindi district in its campaign to eradicate the dengue virus. This has also been indicated by the arrival of a dengue patient who arrived from the rural areas to a government-run hospital. Khadim arrived at the Benazir Bhutto Hospital (BBH) from Bagh Sangarn, in the Tarrahiya union council on Thursday. He has been working as a labourer and living in the city for over a month. His arrival exposed the performance of the health department, which claims to have deputed 121 teams in Potohar Town's 37 UCs. However, on the ground, the health department has 68 teams for its indoor anti-dengue campaign and 35 teams for outdoor areas in 16 UCs. In a meeting on Thursday with District Coordination Officer (DCO) Talat Mehmood Gondal, health

G-B police starts patrolling CPEC route

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PEMRA gives final warning to news, current affairs channels

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Islamabad, Pindi subjected to unscheduled loadshedding

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HEC, varsities pledge efforts for quality education

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officials painted a rosy picture. "The health department failed to give details of patients and anti-dengue measures in 21 UCs in Potohar Town, and presented a report limited to 62 UCs in the city areas," a senior health official told Dawn. "From March to May, eight dengue patients were reported at the Holy Family Hospital, and six at BBH. But according to the health department's list, only 11 patients were reported at government-run hospitals," he said.

GILGIT: The Gilgit-Baltistan police have started patrolling Diamer district to ensure security as work on the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is under way. Muhammad Wakeel, a police inspector, told *The Express Tribune* on Wednesday, at least 10 police vehicles have been set aside for the purpose. "The SHOs and SDPOs in the valley will monitor the patrolling process under the supervision of SSP Shoaib Khurram," he said. According to Wakeel, the officers who are patrolling the district have been adequately trained. He added they will be available round-the-clock to help people and respond to any eventualities. The decision comes two months after China donated 25 vehicles to G-B government as part of CPEC. The fleet of double cabin vehicles was received by G-B IGP Zafar Iqbal Awan on behalf of the regional government in Gilgit in March.

ISLAMABAD (Web Desk): Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority gave all news and current affairs channels a final warning on Thursday, asking them to work within established standards. The authority has asked the channels to make sure that no abusive language is used and constitutional institutions are given due respect in the content of their programs. PEMRA also said that no one will be allowed to spread sectarianism and unrest in the country.

ISLAMABAD: Unannounced load shedding has increased in Islamabad the last couple of days, though the Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) maintains that urban areas are being subjected to six hours of load shedding and rural areas to eight. Meanwhile in Rawalpindi, electricity supply remained suspended for five to seven hours in most localities on Wednesday which Iesco officials said was due to up-gradation work on the main lines and because of the construction of roads. Load shedding has increased in the federal capital with the arrival of summer. A resident of I-10 Maqbool Ahmed told Dawn that over the last six months, load shedding was conducted according to a schedule according to which people would plan their days. "Over the last few days, there seems to be no schedule for load shedding with power being supplied for just 15 minutes at times," he said. The same pattern was witnessed in E-11 where a resident, Mohammad Naeem said: "All our plans for the day are disturbed because of unannounced load shedding. We used to make sure to run the water pump before the power went out, but now we don't know when the electricity supply is going to be stopped." When asked, Iesco General Manager Technical Basit Zaman said that the federal capital's requirement for electricity was 1,666 MW when the available load was 1,261 MW. "The gap between the demand and supply of electricity can be bridged by observing six hours of load shedding in urban and eight hours in rural areas. We are not conducting unannounced load shedding though and the interruptions are because of some technical faults," he said.

Meanwhile in Rawalpindi, electricity supply was suspended across the city for five to seven hours. Power supply was cut off between 10am to 5pm in Westridge, Peshawar Road, Pirwadhah, Dhoke Ratta, Gulistan Colony, Dhoke Kala Khan and the localities along the Islamabad Expressway. After 5:00 pm though, electricity load shedding was observed according to the schedule. Iesco Superintendent Engineer Mohammad Kaleem told Dawn that construction work on Rewat Road and the up-gradation of a 132 KV main line were the reasons for the long interruption in power supply. He added that the power company wanted to complete work on the main line before the start of Ramadan and that the company had to fix lamp posts on Rewat Road as well which is why electricity supply was suspended. Residents were faced with problems, including a shortage of water, because of the interruption in power supply. The Water and Sanitation Agency's tubewells in Rawalpindi and Chaklala Cantonment Boards also stopped working. "Our UPS also ran out of charge and the water supply was suspended as well," said Mohammad Naman, a resident of Westridge II. Even though there are always problems with power supplies in the summers, the government does not make arrangements or draft policies for addressing the problem, he said. Instead of addressing the shortage of electricity in the summers and that of gas in the winters, politicians are busy transferring money into off-shore accounts, said a resident of Peshawar Road, Mohammad Idrees. "I spent the day without a fan, cold water or a mobile phone. The supply of water was also suspended," said Ali Asghar, a local of Tench Bhatta. He said that household chores could also not be carried out and that he tried registering a complaint but the complaint office was not receiving calls.

LAHORE: The Higher Education Commission and public as well as private universities have agreed to make more concerted efforts to ensure provision of quality education to students. The varsities have also agreed to revisit their faculty appointments, student admissions, opening of new institutions and sub-campuses, curriculum development, offering new degree courses, granting affiliations, teaching and research matters. The HEC and the VCs of more than 120 public and private universities made the pledge on the conclusion of the three-day VC Committee meeting here on Wednesday. Speaking at the concluding session, HEC Chairman Dr Mukhtar Ahmed stressed implementation of quality criteria and other higher education policies in letter and spirit. Ms Shahnaz Wazir Ali, a former adviser to prime minister and SZABIST president asked the HEC to play a leadership role, adding there should not be different standards for different varsities. She urged the varsity heads and HEC to adopt a coherent approach in making policies and their implementation. The issue of Tenure Track System (TTS) was also discussed in the meeting. Concern was expressed about non-approval of statutes from respective governing bodies, non-submission of statutes and relevant record to the HEC, appointments without advertisement, TRP committee without two foreign experts, lack of Departmental Tenure Review Committees, nonobservance of annual, mid-term and final reviews, assumption of administrative posts by TTS faculty, not awarding increments at the time of initial appointments, and deviation from contract period.

Extending health facilities: 50-bed Aga Khan Medical Centre inaugurated

The Express Tribune May 25, 2016

The VCs agreed that these shortcomings would be addressed on priority. HEC's accreditation procedure for opening new varsities, sub-campus as well as criteria for affiliating colleges was also described and the VCs were urged to follow it. The commission showed concern over violation of the criteria for opening DA/sub-campus, grant of affiliations exceeding the jurisdictional limits defined in respective Acts/Charters, offering programmes in affiliated colleges which were not available on the principal seat, vetting of Charters as per cabinet criteria, increased enrollment of students without required facilities and an acute shortage of faculty, foreign collaborations with non-chartered institutions. A VC underlined how the medical education had suffered due to lack of proper policies as well as implementation of the existing ones. He requested the vice chancellors of medical universities to come up with suggestions and enhance coordination with the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC) for improving overall quality of medical education in the country. Dr Mukhtar Ahmed said the HEC would soon hold a meeting of PMDC and medical universities and colleges for identifying different issues pertaining to medical education and setting a road map for the future. The VCs were also briefed about 'HEC Safe Campus Solution' for varsities aimed to address the challenges. The project includes blanket Wi-fi coverage for 30 universities each year along with security cameras for surveillance of campuses.

GILGIT: A 50-bed medical centre was inaugurated by Princess Zahra Aga Khan and Prince Rahim Aga Khan during their visit to Gilgit on Tuesday. Aga Khan Medical Centre provides high quality diagnostics and secondary health care. Speaking to *The Express Tribune*, an official said, "Spokes that radiate from the centre will connect [the] Gilgit hub through a digital health network to clinics in Singal, Gupis, Aliabad, Sost, Booni and Garam Chashma." The centre is also connected to state-of-the-art medical resources in other parts of Pakistan, including the Aga Khan University Hospital in Karachi. The "hub" and "spoke" model is intended to ensure that essential health care is accessible to everyone throughout Pakistan. Since the opening of the Aga Khan University's School of Nursing in 1983, agencies of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN) have been involved in a number of activities along the entire health spectrum – from training nurses, doctors and other health professionals to providing care in underdeveloped areas, both in southern and northern parts of the country.

Over 8,200 tele-consultations for a range of needs—from bone fractures to cardiovascular diseases—have been made over the last two years through AKDN projects, saving patients over Rs400 million. AKDN's research into the burden of local diseases and health system design has been concentrated in Sindh, but research spokes have been extended throughout the country. The education component of this integrated approach was highlighted by Princess Zahra and Prince Rahim when they visited a school in Rahimabad and the Aga Khan University's Professional Development Centre, North (PDCN) in Gilgit. According to a press release, Rahimabad School is one of the 106 Aga Khan schools in Gilgit-Baltistan that serves more than 23,000 children in the region. As part of the organisation's plan to expand quality provision of education further, the school has recently improved and extended its facilities. It has added pre-primary classrooms and a multi-purpose hall reflecting the organisation's commitment to early childhood education.

Karak people complain about shortage of water

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KARAK: The residents of Karak city have complained about acute shortage of drinking water, saying the tehsil municipal administration has failed to ensure supply of water to them. The local people held a meeting here the other day to take stock of the situation and criticised TMA for its failure to supply water to them. They said that out of five tubewells, three had turned brackish and the remaining two could not fulfil the need of the people. Asif Khan, the public health engineering official, when contacted, said that total drinking water demand of Karak city was more than 300,000 gallons per day and TMA and PHE provided only 130,000 gallons to the people. The local people said that Zebi dam water supply scheme failed to provide the required quantity of drinking water to them. They said that more than 30,000 residents of Karak city were forced to buy drinking water at Rs15 per gallon. They said that drinking water should be supplied to Karak city either from Chambi dam or Lawagher dam.

Summer vacation in FDE schools from June 1

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ISLAMABAD: A notification by the ministry of CADD on Tuesday said all public schools and colleges under the administrative control of Federal Directorate of Education will observe summer vacation from June 1 to Aug 7. "All educational institutions will reopen on Aug 8," says the notification. FDE, which supervises 422 educational institutions of the federal capital, is a subordinate organization of ministry of CADD. The notification put at rest all confusion over summer vacation besides bringing relief to the students as load shedding in this hot and humid weather conditions was taking its toll on them. "There was confusion about summer vacation so today we issued the notification, informing everyone in advance that our all educational institutions will observe summer break from June 1 to Aug 8," a senior officer of CADD told Dawn.

Lahore private school attacked after teacher 'rapes' student

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LAHORE: A private school was allegedly attacked and its property damaged by area residents to protest sexual assault and subsequent disappearance of an eight-year-old boy by his teacher in Green Town on Tuesday. A heavy contingent of police reached the site to maintain law and order as charged protesters gathered more people to intensify the agitation. Witnesses told the media a private school teacher at Baggrian Chowk sexually assaulted a boy and fled from the scene. The boy's parents rushed to the school and on finding their child missing called more people from the area. They said as police reached the site late, people got charged up and attacked the school building damaging its windowpanes and doors. The protesters also beat up the school security guard and chanted slogans against the culprit schoolteacher as well as the management. When police tried to disperse them, the residents pelted stones on them. Police retaliated by baton-charging the protesters turning the area into a little battlefield. The witnesses further said the situation remained tense for a few hours and more policemen were called as the protesters attempted to set the school on fire. Senior police officers also reached the site. After hours of negotiations, police officials managed to disperse the protesters assuring them the schoolteacher would be arrested and the boy recovered. A police source, however, claimed the suspected schoolteacher had been taken into custody and police high-ups were concealing his arrest to avoid

Nine die as passenger bus overturns on Indus Highway

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Fire silences mobile phones in south Punjab

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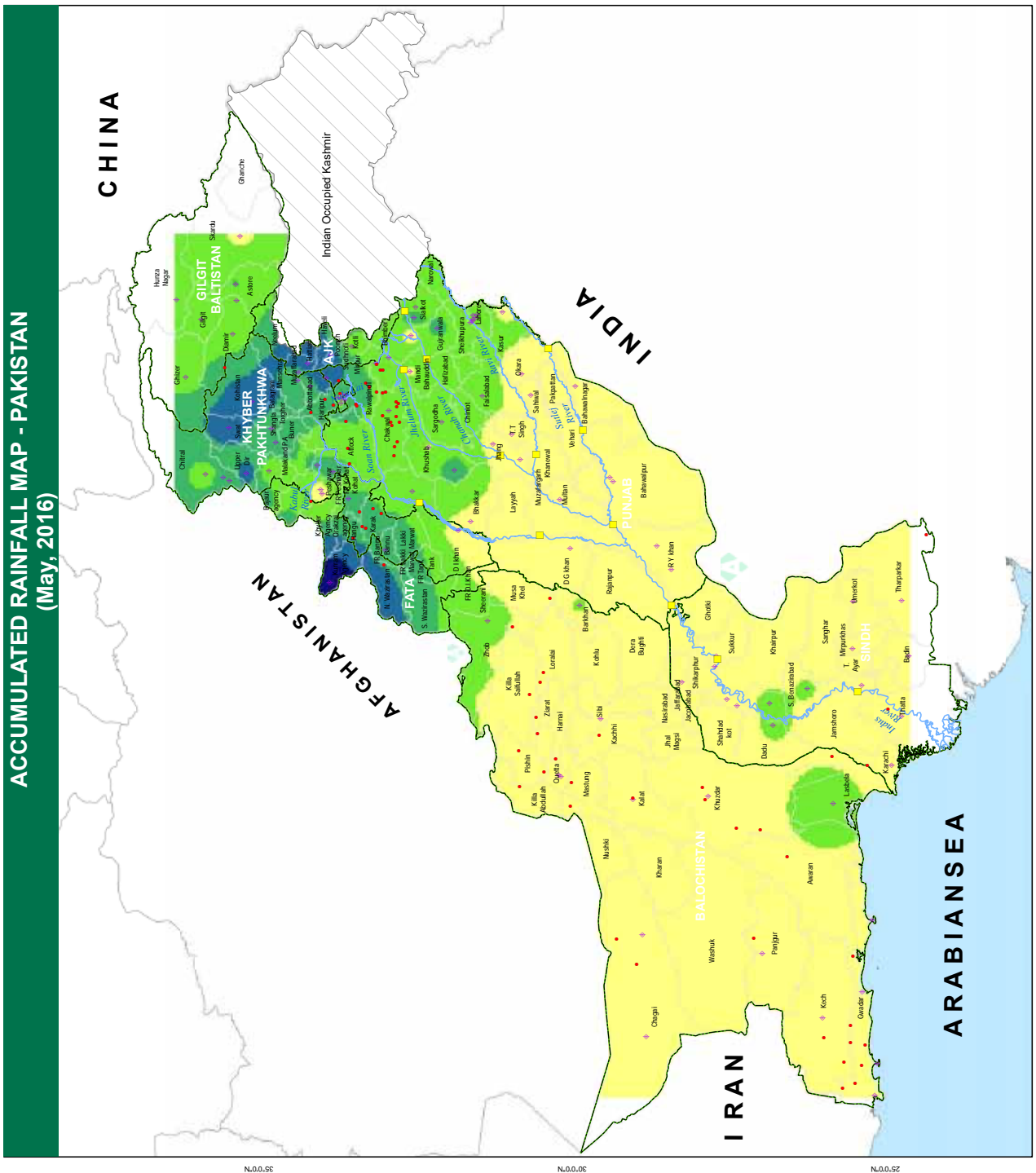
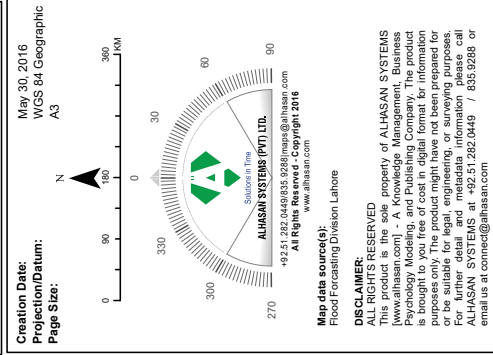
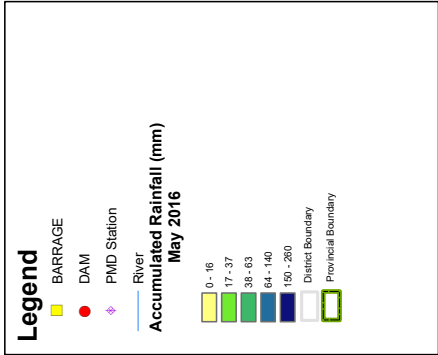
wrath of the charged protesters.

HYDERABAD: At least nine people were killed and 19 others wounded when a speeding passenger bus overturned on the Indus Highway early Tuesday, rescue sources said. According to the sources, the incident took place close to the Jamshoro-Sehwan section of the highway. The passenger bus was going from Shahdadt to Karachi. The injured were shifted to a nearby hospital.

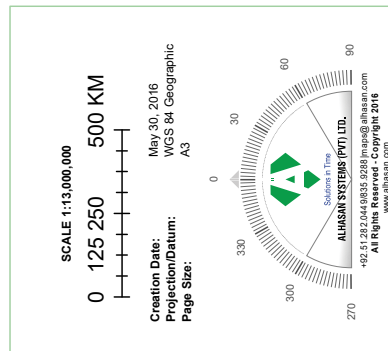
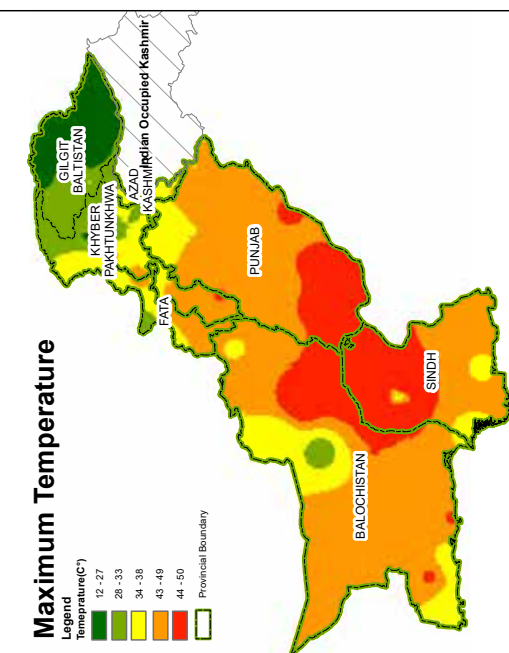
KARACHI: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Monday called a hearing to listen to comments and arguments and review K-Electric's (KE) request for fuel adjustment charges for January to March, 2016. The hearing was presided over by retired Brig Tariq Sadozai. Syed Masood ul Hussain Naqvi, a member of Nepra from Sindh, was also present. From KE, Amir Ghaziani, director of finance, presented the case. KE requested a decrease of 53 paise per unit due to a drop in furnace oil price and also because of getting cheaper power from the National Transmission and Despatch Company Ltd as they are generating hydro-power these days. Abu Bakar Usman of Pasban said that KE should decrease more than 53 paise as furnace oil actually cost Rs17,000 per tonne during the period, whereas KE was showing that they bought it for Rs19,000 per tonne. He also said that the amount could still have been brought down further if KE had been generating more rather than buying it from independent power producers.

Tanveer Bari from the Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI) aired his grievances with Nepra for holding most of the hearings in Islamabad; he said the issue of Karachi needed to be discussed in Karachi. He also said that the KCCI kept sending Nepra their objections in writing as well but when the regulatory authority issued its orders there was no mention of them. General secretary of the KESC Shareholders Association Choudhry Mazhar Ali said he appreciated KE's request but there were other issues regarding power utility that needed to be addressed. After getting permission from the chairman to speak on the other issues, he said KE was swindling the citizens of Karachi in many ways, including sending bogus bills, detection bills, average bills, etc to a majority of citizens. He said that the decisions already taken in consumers' favour, such as those about bank charges and meter rent, were then dragged on when KE colluded with Nepra's lawyers and got stay orders that kept extending the issue. He suggested that consumers be made party in these cases. He said that Nepra should share necessary information regarding the cases in courts and added that he had also written to the Supreme Court about this matter and that the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan was also in favour of Nepra facilitating the consumers.

RAHIM YAR KHAN: The services of Mobilink telecom remained suspended on Monday in Multan, Bahawalpur and Dera Ghazi Khan divisions. The subscribers to the telecom service would get "only emergency calls" on their mobile phone's screen. A source in the telecom office told Dawn the service was suspended after a fire incident in the Multan mobile switching centre. The time of the fire could not be ascertained. Millions of the telecom subscribers were unable to receive and make calls. He said that in Rahim Yar Khan, many corporate users approached the company office on Shahi Road to get their complaints registered and the staff kept on explaining to them about the causes. Some service subscribers said they would move court for damages. According to a spokesperson for Mobilink, services in Multan and adjoining areas were disrupted owing to a fire incident at their Multan Data Centre. "Our technical and security teams responded immediately and are working to ensure that connectivity is restored in the affected areas as soon as possible." By the time of our going into the press at 11pm, the service had yet to be restored.

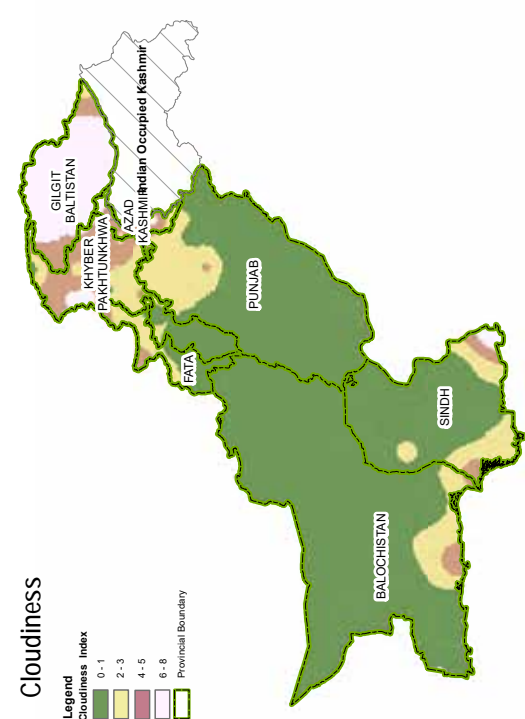
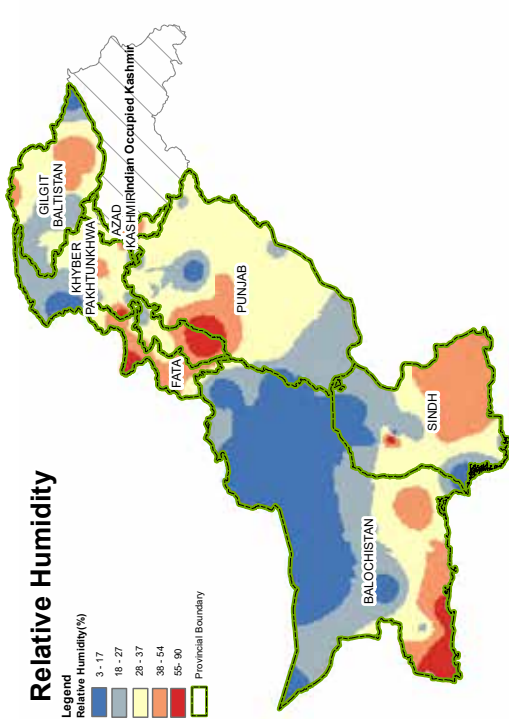
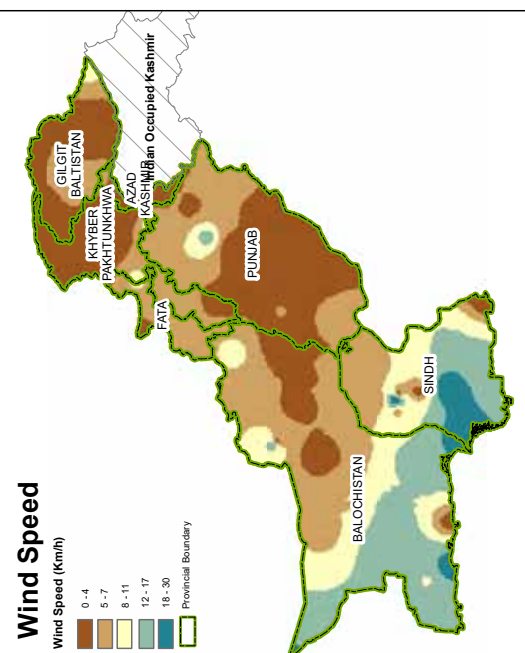


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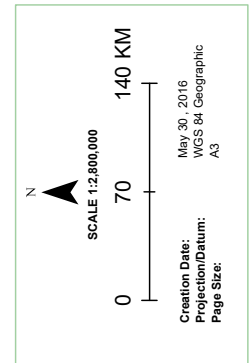
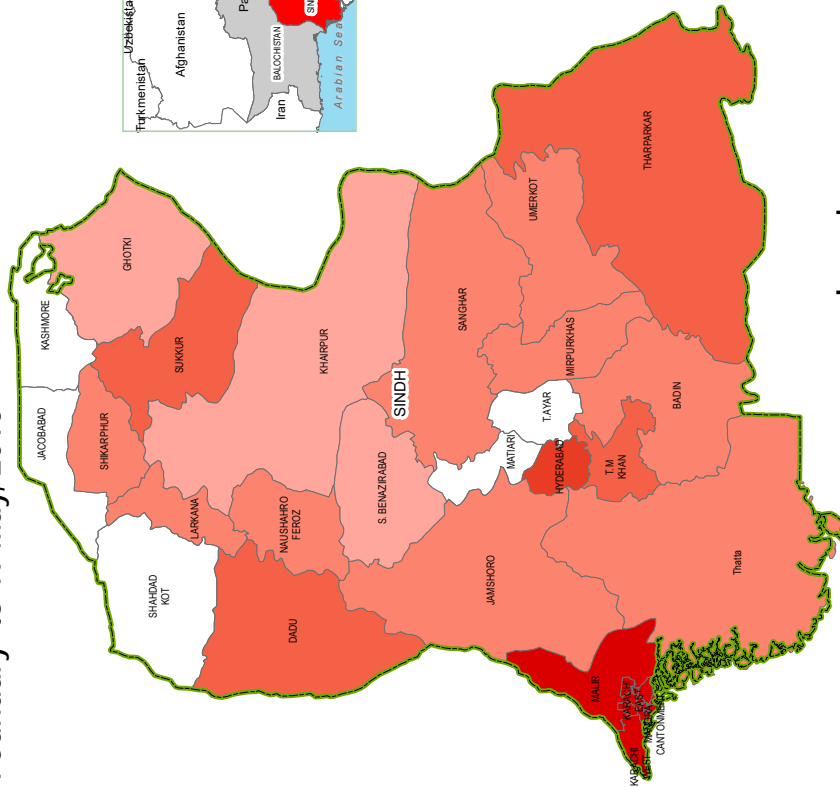
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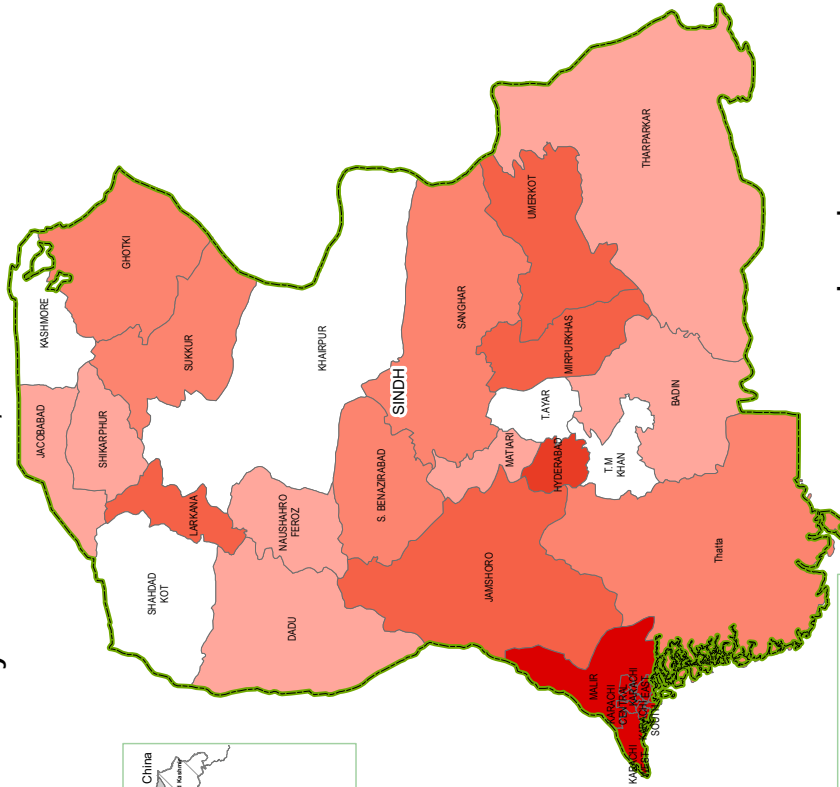
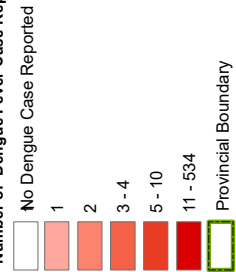
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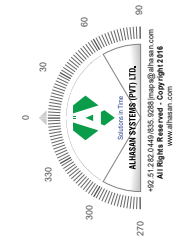
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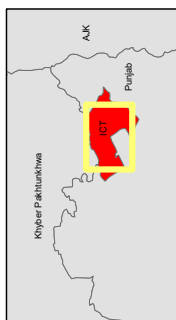


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IESCO RECEIVABLE POSITION	
Description	As on 30-04-2016
Govt. Debtors	44,338,401,827
Federal Govt.	3,745,393,091
AJK Govt.	42,777,784,950
Provincial Govt.	9,540,410
Total Govt. Debtors	46,532,727,451
Private Debtors	
Discontinued	684,875,815
Spillover	1,534,897,148
Deferred Amount	778,207,077
Subsidies	583,880,174
On Installments	86,145,001
Running Defaulters	
Upto 2 Months	665,875,172
of 3 Months	15,015,617
3-6 Months	3,703,866
6-12 Months	71,515
1-3 Years	9,643
Over 3 Years	
Total Private Running Defaulters	684,875,815
Credit Balance	-3055,983,717
Total Private Debtors	2,446,896,058
Un-UD Cash/Credit Balance	69,383,612
Net Receivables	50,153,199,951

Customer Profile

Category	Number of Customers	Sanctioned Load (MW)	Customers (%)	Consumption (%)	Revenue (%)
Domestic	2,160,888	3,863,717	84.74	41.6	32.43
Commercial	356,230	1,035,292	13.97	10.89	16.96
Industrial	10,396	949,216	0.41	23.46	27.34
AJK	106	274,424	0	13.01	10.58
Bulk	857	499,516	0.03	8.61	9.61
T/Wells	8,279	90,197	0.32	1.2	1.43
Others	13,428	201,464	0.53	1.24	1.64
Total	2,550,078	6,913,824	100	100	100

Monthly Distribution Line Losses April 2016 vs April 2015

Period	Units Received	Units Billed	Losses
April-16	717.14	630.26	86.88
April-15	613.45	549.87	63.58
			12.1
			10.4

Progressive Distribution Line Losses April 2016 vs April 2015

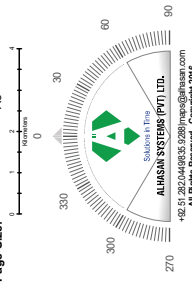
Period	Units Received	Units Billed	Losses
July 15 to April 16	7413.98	7030.5	383
July 14 to April 15	6999.92	6666.4	334
			5.2
			4.8

Transmission Line Losses ¹ April-2016 vs April-2015				
Period	Units Received As Per CPPA	Units Sent Out	Lost	% Losses
April-16	718.73	717.14	1.59	0.2
April-15	625.93	613.45	12.48	2
				Unit:(Rs. In Million)

Overall (T&D) Company Losses April 2016 vs April 2015

Period	Units Received	Units Billed	Losses
April-16	718.73	630.26	88.47
April-15	625.93	549.87	76.06
			12.2
			12.3

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Billing & Collection April 2016 vs April 2015

Month	Billing		Collection		% Collection of Billing	
	Govt.	Pvt.	Govt.	Pvt.	Govt.	Pvt.
April-16	1940	5710	7650	1184	6554	61
April-15	2010	4340	6350	1158	4288	58
Inc. with Previous Year	-70	1370	1300	26	1082	11
%	-1	14	13	0	11	11

Unit: (Rs. in Million)

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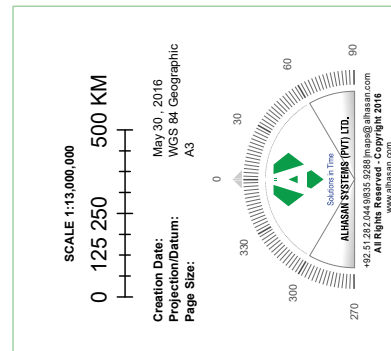
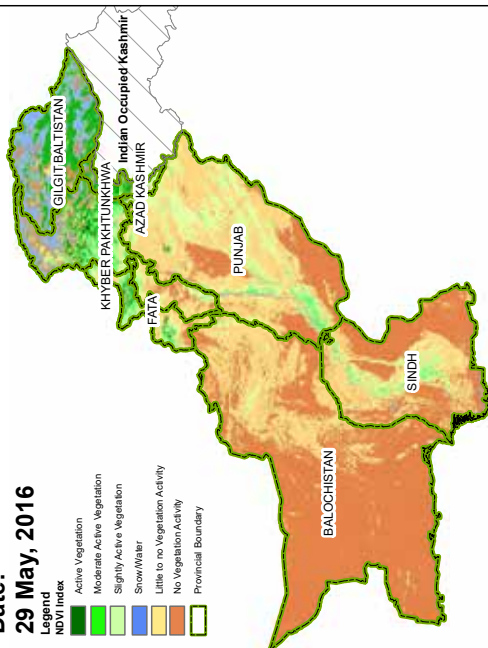
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Vegetation Analysis Map of Pakistan

29 May, 2016

Date:
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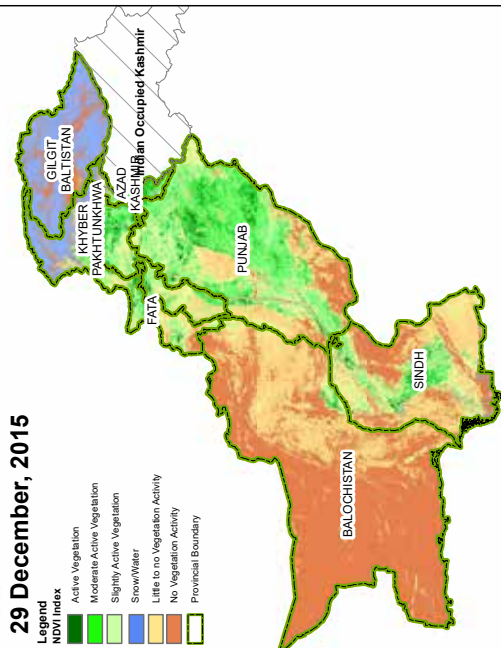
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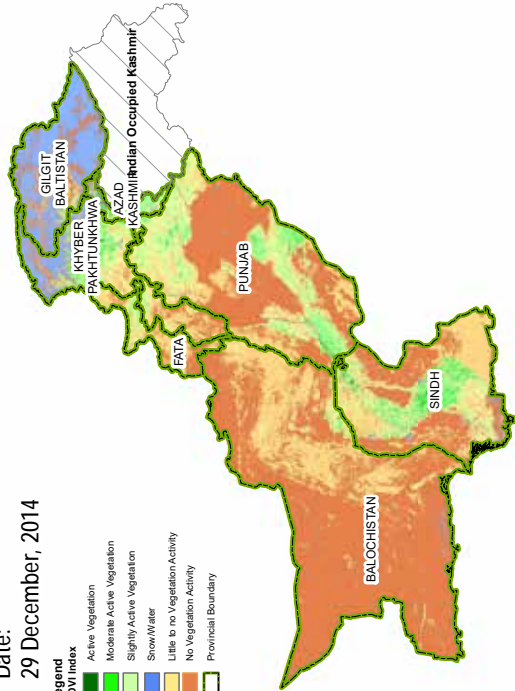
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کی کی درخواست دے دی ہے۔ سینٹرل پاور پراجیکٹس ایجنسی کی جانب سے نیشنل الیکٹرک پاور ریگولیٹری اتھارٹی کو دی گئی درخواست میں موقف اختیار کیا گیا ہے کہ اپریل کے مہینے کے لئے بجلی کی اوسط پیداواری قیمت 7 روپے 62 پیسے فی یونٹ مقرر کی گئی تھی تاہم بجلی کی اوسط پیداواری لاگت 4 روپے 21 پیسے فی یونٹ رہی۔ اس لئے اپریل کے لئے فیول ایڈجسٹمنٹ کی مد میں 3 روپے 41 پیسے فی یونٹ کی جائے۔ دوسری جانب کے الیکٹرک نے بھی 54 پیسے فی یونٹ تک کی درخواست دے دی ہے۔ نیپرا دونوں درخواستوں کی سماعت 26 مئی کو کرے گا جب کہ صارفین کو بجلی کی قیمتوں میں کمی کا فائدہ جون کے بلوں میں ہوگا۔

کمی کا امکان

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

24 مئی 2016

روپورٹس کے مطابق کراچی کے علاقے حب روپور روڈ پر بجلی اور پانی کی عدم فراہمی کے خلاف شہریوں نے احتجاج کیا جس کے باعث شیر شاہ، ماڑی پور روڈ، گل بائی اور غنی چورنگی روڈ پر شدید ٹریفک جام ہو گیا۔ پولیس نے مظاہرین کو منتشر کرنے کے لیے ہوائی فائرنگ بھی کی تاہم لوگوں کا احتجاج جاری ہے۔

شہریوں کا احتجاج، شدید ٹریفک جام

روزنامہ پاکستان

27 مئی 2016

لاہور (نامہ نگار) سینئر سیشن جج اینٹی کرپشن عظمیٰ چغتائی نے واسا کی خراب گاڑیوں کو کاغذوں میں درست قرار دے کر ان کا لاکھوں روپے کا پٹرول خورد برد کرنے کے کیس کی سماعت 2 جون تک ملتوی کر دی۔ عدالت میں واسا کے وحید احمد، مدثر اور محمد آصف سمیت 22 ملزمان کی درخواست ضمانت کی سماعت تھی عدالت نے اینٹی کرپشن سے مقدمے کا ریکارڈ طلب کر رکھا تھا، عدالت میں مقدمے کے تفتیشی آفیسر نے پیش ہو کر عدالت سے ریکارڈ پیش کرنے کی مہلت طلب کر لی عدالت کو بتایا گیا کہ ملزمان زیادہ ہیں ان کی تفتیش ابھی ہو رہی ہے اس پر عدالت نے حکم دیا کہ آئندہ تاریخ تک تفتیش مکمل کر کے رپورٹ پیش کریں، عدالت نے کیس کے 22 ملزمان کی عبوری ضمانتوں میں 2 جون تک توسیع کر دی۔

خراب گاڑیاں واسا کے کاغذوں میں چالو

لاکھوں کا پٹرول خورد برد، مقدمہ عدالت

پہنچ گیا

روزنامہ پاکستان

26 مئی 2016

سکھر (مائیک ڈیسک) پورے ملک میں آگ برساتی گرمی اور بجلی کی منہ زور لوڈ شیڈنگ نے شہریوں کو بے حال کیا ہوا ہے، سکھر کے علاقہ بند روڈ مکرانی مسجد کے مکین تو گزشتہ 6 روز سے بجلی سے محروم ہیں۔ نجی ٹی وی کے مطابق بند روڈ سکھر کے ٹرانسفارمر خراب ہونے سے مکرانی مسجد روڈ کا علاقہ تاریکی میں ڈوبا ہوا ہے، آگ برساتی گرمی اور جھلستی گرمی میں علاقہ مکین ”سیپکو“ کی بے بسی کے خلاف سڑکوں پر نکل آئے اور ٹائر جلا اور روڈ بلاک کر کے شدید احتجاج کیا۔ شہریوں کا کہنا تھا کہ 6 دن گزرنے کے باوجود سیپکو کے کانوں پر جوں نہیں ریگ رہی، علاقے کے ٹرانسفارمرز خراب ہیں جو متعدد بار شکایات کے باوجود درست نہیں کئے جارہے، سیپکو انتظامیہ خراب ٹرانسفارمرز کی درستگی کیلئے بھاری رشوت طلب کر رہی ہے، بجلی نہ ہونے کی وجہ سے کاروباری اور گھریلو سرگرمیاں شدید متاثر ہیں، جبکہ معصوم بچوں کا اتنی شدید گرمی میں برا حال ہے۔ شہریوں نے اعلیٰ حکام سے نوٹس لینے کی اپیل کی ہے۔

سکھر میں 6 روز سے بجلی کی بندش، بے حال

علاقہ مکین سڑکوں پر نکل آئے،

سیپکو انتظامیہ کے خلاف احتجاج، روڈ بلاک

کر دیئے

روزنامہ پاکستان

26 مئی 2016

اسلام آباد: وزیر داخلہ نے نادرا کو ملک بھر میں تمام افراد کے شناختی کارڈز کی دوبارہ تصدیق کرنے کا حکم دیتے ہوئے تصدیق کی حکمت عملی بنانے کے لیے 48 گھنٹے کی ڈیڈ لائن بھی دے دی ہے۔ وزیر داخلہ چوہدری ثار کی زیر صدارت نادرا ہیڈ کوارٹرز میں اعلیٰ سطح کا اجلاس ہوا جس میں چوہدری ثار نے نادرا کو ملک بھر میں تمام افراد کے شناختی کارڈز کی دوبارہ تصدیق سمیت غیر ملکیوں کے زیر استعمال پاکستانی شناختی کارڈز فوری منسوخ کرنے کا حکم دیا ہے۔ وزیر داخلہ نے منصوبہ بندی کے لیے نادرا کو 48 گھنٹے کی ڈیڈ لائن دی ہے جس میں تمام افراد کے شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کے لیے حکمت عملی بنانے کا حکم دیا گیا ہے۔ اجلاس کے دوران وزیر داخلہ چوہدری ثار کا کہنا تھا کہ دنیا کو پیغام دیا گیا کہ پاکستانی شناختی کارڈ کوئی بھی استعمال کر سکتا ہے، غیر ملکیوں کے زیر استعمال کارڈز کی نشاندہی کی جائے کیونکہ اب اس بات کو یقینی بنانا ہو گا کہ کوئی غیر ملکی پاکستانی شناختی کارڈ استعمال نہیں کر سکتا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ شناختی کارڈز کے تصدیق کے عمل میں انٹیلی جنس ادارے بھی نادرا کی مدد کریں گے کیونکہ ہمیں برسوں کا کام اب دنوں میں کرنا ہے۔ وزیر داخلہ کا کہنا تھا کہ نادرا اور کرپشن ایک ساتھ نہیں چل سکتے۔

چوہدری ثار کا نادرا کو ملک بھر میں شناختی

کارڈز کی تصدیق کا حکم

ایکپریس اردو

25 مئی 2016

اسلام آباد (آئی این پی) وفاقی وزیر برائے پانی و بجلی خواجہ محمد آصف نے کہا ہے کہ ملک بھر میں جلد بند ہونے سے 1500 میگا واٹ بجلی کی بچت ہوگی، بجلی کی بچت کیلئے صوبائی حکومتوں اور تاجروں کو تعاون کرنا چاہئے، ایک میگا واٹ بجلی کی بچت ایک میگا واٹ پیداوار سے بہتر ہے۔ ٹوئٹر پیغام میں خواجہ آصف نے کہا کہ ملک بھر میں مارکیٹیں خاص طور پر کراچی اور لاہور کی مارکیٹیں جلد بند ہونی چاہئیں، دنیا بھر میں عام طور پر مارکیٹیں رات گئے تک کھلی نہیں رہتیں، کاروباری سرگرمیوں کے لئے دن کی روشنی کا استعمال کرنا چاہئے۔

مارکیٹیں جلد بند کرنے سے 15 سو میگا واٹ

بجلی بچے گی: خواجہ آصف

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

25 مئی 2016

اسلام آباد (صباح نیوز) سپریم کورٹ نے ریمارکس دیئے ہیں کہ دو دوسروں پر مشتمل میڈیکل کالج بھی بننے کا پتہ چلا ہے، صحت کے معاملہ پر سمجھوتہ نہیں کیا جاسکتا۔ سپریم کورٹ میں جسٹس ثاقب ثار کی سربراہی میں تین رکنی بنچ نے الراضی میڈیکل کالج کیس کی سماعت کی۔ پی ایم ڈی سی نے کالج کی انسپکشن رپورٹ جمع کرادی جس پر کالج کے وکیل کا کہنا تھا کہ رپورٹ ان کے حق میں ہے۔ جسٹس ثاقب ثار نے ریمارکس دیئے کہ رپورٹ کا جائزہ لیں گے، ہو سکتا ہے رپورٹ معیار پر پوری نہ ہو، مسترد کر دیں۔ صحت اور تعلیم کے معاملات پر سمجھوتہ نہیں ہو گا۔ نئے میڈیکل کالج کی رجسٹریشن، وہاں کس طرح کی تعلیم دی جا رہی ہے، ڈاکٹر کے لیے تربیت کا کیا انتظام ہے؟ علم میں آیا ہے کہ دو دوسروں کے بی میڈیکل کالج منظور ہوئے، کاغذوں میں ہسپتال اور سہولیات دکھادی جاتی ہیں حقیقت میں ایسا کچھ نہیں ہوتا۔ 50 سٹوڈنٹس کے مستقبل کے لیے لاکھوں لوگوں کی زندگیاں خطرے میں نہیں ڈال سکتے۔ صحت کا تعلق براہ راست زندگی کے حق سے ہے۔ حق زندگی کے معاملہ پر سمجھوتہ نہیں ہو سکتا۔ عدالت نے سماعت آج کیلئے ملتوی کر دی۔

صحت، تعلیم کے معاملات پر سمجھوتہ نہیں

ہو گا: سپریم کورٹ

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

25 مئی 2016

اسلام آباد (آئی این پی) سنٹرل پاور پراجیکٹ ایجنسی نے نیپرا کو بجلی کے نرخوں میں 3 روپے 41 پیسے جب کے الیکٹرک نے 54 پیسے فی یونٹ تک

بجلی کی قیمت میں 3 روپے 41 پیسے فی یونٹ

فیصد جبکہ 2 سال تک زیر ملکیت رہنے والی جائیداد کی فروخت سے حاصل آمدن پر 5 فیصد ٹیکس عائد ہے۔ ذرائع کے مطابق وزیر خزانہ نے اس تجویز کی منظوری دیدی ہے۔ اس تجویز سے حکومت کو 5 ارب کا اضافی ریونیو حاصل ہو گا۔ علاوہ ازیں حکومت نے بجٹ میں کاسمیٹکس، پیٹر پارٹس، پیٹ سمیت 45 نئی اشیاء پر فیڈرل ایکسائز ڈیوٹی عائد کرنے کا فیصلہ کیا ہے۔ ان اشیاء میں مشین کا تیل، پیٹر پارٹس، پیٹ اور کاسمیٹکس شامل ہے۔ خبر یہ بھی ہے کہ ان اشیاء پر 10 فیصد تک ایکسائز ڈیوٹی عائد ہو سکتی ہے۔ بجٹ میں سگریٹ پر ایکسائز ڈیوٹی کو بڑھائے گی۔ تجویز کیا گیا ہے کہ مہنگے سگریٹ جن پر اس وقت فی ہزار سگریٹ 3030 روپے ایکسائز ڈیوٹی ہے، اسے بڑھا کر 3155 روپے فی ہزار سگریٹ کر دیا جائے جبکہ سستے سگریٹ جس پر اس وقت 1320 روپے فی ہزار سگریٹ ڈیوٹی ہے اسے بڑھا کر 1420 روپے فی ہزار سگریٹ کر دیا جائے۔ بجٹ کے اجلاس سے پہلے ہی معلومات افشاء ہونے کے باعث مارکیٹ میں سگریٹ کی سپلائی متاثر ہے۔ اور سگریٹ بجٹ کے اعلان کے فوری بعد سرکاری طور پر بھی مہنگے ہو جائیں گے۔

اسلام آباد (مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) پاکستان ریلوے میں اربوں کے گھپلوں کا انکشاف ہوا ہے۔ اس انکشاف کے بعد نیب نے اپنی تحقیقات کا آغاز کر دیا ہے۔

ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق ریلوے کے کئی افسران پر سٹیل کے ٹھیکوں میں من مانی کمپنیوں کو ٹھیکے دے کر کرپشن کرنے کا الزام ہے۔ نیب نے ایک بڑے معاملے کی تحقیقات کا اعلان کر دیا ہے جس میں ریلوے کے ایکسپنڈیٹس و افسر اکرام پر جعلی کمپنی بنا کر کروڑوں روپے کے ٹھیکے اپنی ہی کمپنی کو دینے کا الزام ہے۔ ذرائع کا دعویٰ ہے کہ یہ ایک کیس ہے جو سامنے آیا ہے ریلوے میں اس طرح کے سینکڑوں کیسز ہیں جن میں اربوں روپے کی کرپشن کی گئی۔ اس کرپشن میں ریلوے کے اعلیٰ عہدیدار بھی ملوث ہیں۔

اسلام آباد: وفاقی وزیر داخلہ چوہدری نثار علی خان کا کہنا ہے کہ ملک کی شہریت بیچنے والوں کو ضرور سزا ملے گی، جعلی شناختی کارڈ بنانے والے 2 ماہ میں اپنے شناختی کارڈ جمع کروادیں بصورت دیگر ان کے خلاف سخت کارروائی ہوگی۔ اسلام آباد میں پریس کانفرنس کرتے ہوئے چوہدری نثار نے اعلان کیا کہ حکومت نے فیصلہ کیا ہے کہ آئندہ 6 ماہ میں تمام شناختی کارڈ کی تصدیق ہوگی اور جعلی شناختی کارڈ بنانے والے اور اس میں معاونت کرنے والے 2 ماہ میں کارڈ نادرا میں جمع کرادیں، اس عرصے کے دوران جعلی شناختی کارڈ جمع کرادیئے گئے تو کوئی کارروائی نہیں کی جائے گی اور مقررہ مدت کے بعد جعلی شناختی کارڈ بنانے والوں کو 7 سال قید اور جعلی پاسپورٹ اور شناختی کارڈ بنانے والے افسروں اور اہلکاروں کو 14 سال قید کی سزا ہوگی۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ 6 ماہ میں سب صفائی کرنا چاہتے ہیں، جعل سازی کی اطلاع دینے والوں کو انعام بھی دیا جائے گا۔

اسلام آباد (اے پی پی) پاک چین اقتصادی راہداری منصوبہ سے پاکستان میں 8 لاکھ نئی ملازمتوں کے مواقع پیدا ہونے میں مدد ملے گی، منصوبے سے ملک کے تمام صوبوں کو یکساں فوائد حاصل ہوں گے۔ ذرائع نے بتایا کہ سی پیک منصوبے مکمل ہونے کے بعد ملک کے معاشی و سماجی حالات میں تیزی سے بہتری آئے گی۔ انہوں نے بتایا کہ چین کی کمپنیاں 10 ہزار میگا واٹ بجلی کے منصوبوں کی بروقت تکمیل کے لئے شہانہ روز محنت کر رہی ہے، چین کی کمپنیاں ٹرانسمیشن اور ڈسٹری بیوٹن لائنز کی بہتری کے لئے بھی کام کر رہی ہے۔

لاہور (نامہ نگار خصوصی) لاہور ہائیکورٹ نے سرکاری سکولوں کی نجکاری کے خلاف دائر درخواست پر حکومت پنجاب سے جواب طلب کرتے ہوئے تا حکم ثانی حکومت کو سرکاری سکولوں کا ریکارڈ قبضے میں لینے سے روک دیا۔ جسٹس ساجد محمود سمیٹھی نے کیس کی سماعت کی۔ درخواست گزار اساتذہ شوکت علی وغیرہ نے موقف اختیار کیا کہ حکومت پنجاب سرکاری سکولوں کی حالت زار بہتر بنانے کی بجائے ان کی اونے پونے نجکاری کر رہی ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ آئین کے آرٹیکل 25 (اے) کے تحت بچوں کو مفت تعلیم کی فراہمی ریاست کی ذمہ داری ہے مگر حکومت اپنی اس ذمہ داری سے چشم پوشی کرتے ہوئے تعلیم کو کاروبار بنا چکی ہے۔ عدالت نے حکومت پنجاب سے 30 مئی کو جواب طلب کرتے ہوئے تا حکم ثانی حکومت کو سرکاری سکولوں کا ریکارڈ قبضے میں لینے سے روک دیا ہے۔

مظفر گڑھ (مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) مظفر گڑھ میں زہریلی مٹھائی کھانے سے 6 افراد کی حالت غیر ہو گئی جن کو نشتر ہسپتال ملتان منتقل کر دیا گیا۔ نجی ٹی وی ”نیو نیوز“ کے مطابق سلطان کالونی کے رہائشی اکبر نے میلاد کے بعد بائٹے کے لیے قریبی بیکری سے مٹھائی منگوائی جو کہ زہریلی نکلی۔ مٹھائی کھانے والے خاندان کے 6 افراد کی حالت غیر ہو گئی، جنہیں ابتدائی طور پر مظفر گڑھ ہسپتال لایا گیا لیکن حالت مزید خراب ہونے پر ملتان کے نشتر ہسپتال کے ایمر جنسی وارڈ میں منتقل کر دیا گیا۔ ڈاکٹر کا کہنا ہے کہ 6 میں سے 3 افراد کی حالت انتہائی تشویشناک ہے۔ واضح رہے کہ اس سے قبل لیہ میں بھی زہریلی مٹھائی کھانے سے درجنوں مرد و خواتین اور بچے جان سے ہاتھ دھو بیٹھے تھے۔

کراچی (مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) شہر قائد میں بجلی اور پانی کی عدم فراہمی کے خلاف شہریوں نے احتجاج کیا جس کے باعث شدید ٹریفک جام ہو گیا۔ میڈیا

ریلوے میں اربوں کے گھپلے: نیب نے

تحقیقات کا آغاز کر دیا

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2 ماہ کی مہلت

ایکسپریس اردو

27 مئی 2016

راہداری منصوبے کی تکمیل سے 8 لاکھ نئی

ملازمتیں پیدا ہوگی: ذرائع پلاننگ کمیشن

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

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سرکاری سکولوں کی نجکاری، ہائی کورٹ نے

حکومت کو ریکارڈ قبضہ میں لینے سے روک

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ملتان منتقل

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کراچی میں بجلی اور پانی کی عدم فراہمی پر

پبلک سروسز

تفصیلات

سرخیاء

لاہور (مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) پاسپورٹ دفاتر کا لنک ڈاؤن ہو گیا جس کی وجہ سے پاسپورٹ دفاتر کا آپس میں رابطہ منقطع ہو گیا ہے۔ نجی ٹی وی دنیا نیوز کے مطابق پنجاب کے صوبائی دارالحکومت لاہور میں پاسپورٹ دفاتر کا لنک ڈاؤن ہو گیا ہے۔ لنک ڈاؤن ہونے کی وجہ سے دفتری کام ٹھپ ہو کر رہ گیا ہے جبکہ صارفین کو شدید مشکلات کا سامنا کرنا پڑ رہا ہے اور لاہور کے مختلف پاسپورٹ دفاتر کے درمیان رابطہ بھی متاثر ہو گیا ہے۔ پاسپورٹ حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ تکنیکی وجوہات کی بنا پر لنک میں مسئلہ آیا ہے جس کی دسگنی کا کام جاری ہے اور بہت جلد مسئلے پر قابو پایا جائے گا۔

کراچی: حکومت کی غفلت کے باعث کراچی میں پانی کا بدترین بحران شدید ہو گیا ہے جس کے باعث رمضان المبارک میں بھی شہریوں کو سخت پریشانی کا سامنا کرنا پڑے گا۔ شہر کے مختلف علاقوں میں پانی کی عدم فراہمی کیخلاف احتجاجی مظاہرے کیے گئے، تفصیلات کے مطابق حکومت کی جانب سے فنڈز کی عدم فراہمی اور واٹر بورڈ کے واٹر ٹرنک مین (ڈبلیو ٹی ایم) کے انجینئرز کی مجرمانہ غفلت کے باعث کراچی کے تمام اضلاع میں جاری پانی کا بحران شدید ہو گیا ہے اور شہری مہنگے داموں پانی کے ٹینکرز خریدنے پر مجبور ہیں، پانی کی عدم فراہمی کے خلاف شاہ فیصل کالونی، کورنگی نیا کالونی، نار تھ کراچی، ناصر کالونی، رئیس امر و ہوی کالونی سمیت دیگر علاقوں میں احتجاجی مظاہرے کیے گئے۔ مشتعل افراد نے سڑکوں پر ٹائر نذر آتش کر کے ٹریفک کی آمد رفت معطل کر دی جس کے باعث گاڑیوں کی لمبی قطاریں لگ گئیں، بعد ازاں پولیس نے مظاہرین کو منتشر کر کے ٹریفک کی روانی بحال کر دی، ذرائع نے بتایا کہ واٹر بورڈ کے اعلیٰ حکام 5 سال سے ڈبلٹی کنوؤں اور حب ڈیم کی مرکزی سطح سے پانی کی فراہمی کے لیے سندھ حکومت سے فنڈز طلب کر رہے ہیں تاہم صوبائی حکومت نے اس پر کوئی توجہ نہیں دی اور بعد ازاں میڈیا میں خبریں آنے اور عوامی دباؤ کے باعث ان منصوبوں کو تاخیر سے منظور کیا جس کی وجہ سے یہ منصوبے بروقت شروع نہ ہو سکے اور پانی کا بحران پیدا ہو گیا۔ دوسری جانب واٹر بورڈ کے محکمے ڈبلیو ٹی ایم جو بلک واٹر سپلائی کی نگرانی کرتا ہے کے انجینئرز اور عملے کی ملی جھگت سے رہائشی علاقوں میں پانی کا پریشر کم رکھا جا رہا ہے اور پانی کمرشل یونٹس کو فراہم کیا جا رہا ہے جس کے نتیجے میں شہری بوند بوند کو ترس گئے ہیں، متعلقہ انجینئرز نے بتایا کہ حب ڈیم کی مرکزی سطح سے پمپس نصب کر کے پانی کی فراہمی کا منصوبہ تیار کیا گیا ہے جس کی لاگت 30 کروڑ روپے ہے، جس کی منظوری سندھ حکومت نے دے دی ہے، منصوبے کے ذریعے تقریباً 40 ملین گیلن پانی کی فراہمی کو یقینی بنایا جاسکے گا، یہ منصوبہ رمضان کے دوسرے عشرے تک مکمل ہو گا۔

فیصل آباد (مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) وزیر مملکت پانی و بجلی عابد شیر علی نے دعویٰ کیا ہے کہ رمضان المبارک کے دوران ملک کے 90 فیصد علاقوں میں سحر و افطار میں لوڈ شیڈنگ نہیں کی جائے گی اور نماز تراویح کے اوقات میں بھی لوڈ شیڈنگ نہ کرنے کا فیصلہ کیا گیا ہے۔ فیصل آباد میں میڈیا سے گفتگو کرتے ہوئے ان کا کہنا تھا کہ رمضان المبارک کے دوران شہری علاقوں میں 6 اور دیہی علاقوں میں 8 گھنٹے لوڈ شیڈنگ ہوگی۔ ”دعا کرتا ہوں کہ مولانا پوپلزی کو بھی پاکستان والا چاند نظر آجائے۔“

اسلام آباد (ویب ڈیسک) دولاکھ سے زیادہ بلاک شدہ شناختی کارڈز پر جاری ایک ملین سمیں بدستور استعمال کئے جانے کا انکشاف ہوا ہے۔ گزشتہ دو برسوں میں دولاکھ پانچ ہزار جعلی شناختی کارڈز بلاک کئے گئے۔ ان پر جاری موبائل فون سمز بدستور ایکٹو ہیں۔ نادرا اور پی ٹی اے میں ڈیٹا شیئرنگ نہ ہونے کے باعث مشکوک سمز سکیورٹی کے لئے خطرہ بن گئیں۔ موبائل فون سمز کی بائیو میٹرک تصدیق کے بعد 2015ء میں 94 ہزار، 2016ء میں ایک لاکھ گیارہ ہزار سے زائد مشکوک شناختی کارڈز بلاک کئے گئے۔ تاہم ان شناختی کارڈز پر لی گئی موبائل فون سمز متاثر استعمال کی جا رہی ہیں۔ سمز بند نہ ہونے کی وجہ یہ ہے کہ نادرا اور پی ٹی اے میں ڈیٹا شیئرنگ کا کوئی نظام موجود نہیں ہے۔ پی ٹی اے رولز کے مطابق ایک شناختی کارڈ پر پانچ سمیں جاری ہو سکتی ہیں۔ دولاکھ سے زائد بلاک شناختی کارڈز پر جاری لاکھوں سمیں غیر قانونی سرگرمیوں میں استعمال ہو سکتی ہیں۔

اسلام آباد (ممانندہ خصوصی + آن لائن) وفاقی حکومت نے آئندہ مالی سال کے بجٹ 2016-17ء میں جائیداد کی فروخت سے حاصل آمدن پر ٹیکس لگانے کا فیصلہ کیا ہے 5 سال تک زیر ملکیت رہنے والی جائیدادوں کی خرید و فروخت سے حاصل آمدن پر 10 فیصد فلیٹ ٹیکس عائد کئے جانے کے علاوہ جائیدادوں کی منتقلی پر عائد ٹیکس دوگنا کئے جانے کا امکان ہے۔ ذرائع کے مطابق حکومت آئندہ بجٹ میں اضافی ریونیو حاصل کرنے کے لئے کمیٹیٹل گین ٹیکس کے قواعد و ضوابط تبدیل کرنے پر غور کر رہی ہے اس وقت اس جائیداد کی فروخت سے حاصل آمدن پر کوئی ٹیکس نہیں ہے جو 2 سال سے زیادہ عرصہ زیر ملکیت رہنے کے بعد فروخت کی جائے۔ ایک سال ملکیت رہنے والی جائیداد کی فروخت سے حاصل آمدن پر 10

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کراچی میں پانی کا بحران، شہری مہنگے داموں ٹینکرز خریدنے پر مجبور

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29 مئی 2016

بلاک شناختی کارڈز پر جاری ایک ملین سمیں استعمال کئے جائیں گے

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29 مئی 2016

جائیداد کی فروخت سے حاصل آمدن پر ٹیکس لگے گا 45 فیصد

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لیے حکمت عملی بنانے کا حکم دیا گیا ہے۔ اجلاس کے دوران وزیر داخلہ چوہدری نثار کا کہنا تھا کہ دنیا کو پیغام گیا کہ پاکستانی شناختی کارڈ کوئی بھی استعمال کر سکتا ہے، غیر ملکیوں کے زیر استعمال کارڈز کی نشاندہی کی جائے کیونکہ اب اس بات کو یقینی بنانا ہو گا کہ کوئی غیر ملکی پاکستانی شناختی کارڈ استعمال نہیں کر سکتا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ شناختی کارڈز کے تصدیق کے عمل میں انٹیلی جنس ادارے بھی نادرا کی مدد کریں گے کیونکہ ہمیں برسوں کا کام اب دنوں میں کرنا ہے۔ وزیر داخلہ کا کہنا تھا کہ نادرا اور کرپشن ایک ساتھ نہیں چل سکتے۔ واضح رہے کہ امریکی ڈرون حملے میں مارے جانے والے ولی محمد کے پاس سے پاکستانی شناختی کارڈ اور پاسپورٹ برآمد ہوا ہے جب کہ امریکا، افغان حکومت اور افغان طالبان نے ولی محمد کے ملا منصور ہونے کی تصدیق کر دی ہے تاہم پاکستان نے شواہد کے بغیر تصدیق سے انکار کر دیا ہے۔

لاہور: سی ٹی ڈی نے گلشن راوی میں کارروائی کے دوران 2 دہشت گردوں کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ کاؤنٹر ٹیرازم ڈیپارٹمنٹ (سی ٹی ڈی) نے لاہور کے علاقے گلشن راوی میں خفیہ اطلاع پر کارروائی کے دوران 2 دہشت گردوں کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ سی ٹی ڈی کے مطابق گرفتار دہشت گردوں کی شناخت عمر خیام اور نذیر احمد کے نام سے ہوئی جن کا تعلق کالعدم القاعدہ ازبکستان موومنٹ سے ہے۔ سی ٹی ڈی حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ ملزمان دہشت گردی کی متعدد وارداتوں میں مطلوب تھے جب کہ ان کے قبضے سے بارودی مواد اور ڈیٹو نیٹر سمیت بارودی سرنگ بھی برآمد ہوئی ہے۔

پشاور: رنگ روڈ پر سیکیورٹی فورسز کی گاری پر نامعلوم افراد کی فائرنگ سے 3 اہلکار شہید ہو گئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق پشاور کے رنگ روڈ پر موٹر سائیکل پر سوار نامعلوم افراد سیکیورٹی فورسز کی گاڑی پر فائرنگ کر کے فرار ہو گئے، فائرنگ کے نتیجے میں 3 اہلکار زخمی ہو گئے جنہیں قریبی اسپتال منتقل کر دیا گیا تاہم زخمیوں میں سے 2 راستے میں ہی دم توڑ گئے جب کہ تیسرا اہلکار دوران علاج شہید ہو گیا۔ واقعے کے بعد پولیس اور سیکیورٹی فورسز کے اہلکار موقع پر پہنچ گئے جنہوں نے جائے وقوعہ سے شواہد اکٹھے کر کے علاقے میں سرچ آپریشن شروع کر دیا۔

لاہور میں سی ٹی ڈی کی کارروائی، 2 دہشت

گرد گرفتار

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پشاور میں سیکیورٹی فورسز کی گاڑی

پر فائرنگ سے 3 اہلکار شہید

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24 مئی 2016

میں شریک اہلکاروں پر فائرنگ کی جس کے بعد دو طرفہ فائرنگ کے تبادلے میں کالعدم تنظیم کے اہم کمانڈر سمیت 3 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے۔

پاکستان میں الیکٹرک انک میڈیا کے نگران ادارے پیمرانے ایک حکم کے ذریعے ملک میں مائع حمل مصنوعات سے متعلق اشتہارات پر فوری پابندی عائد کر دی ہے۔ مجمعے کو پاکستان الیکٹرک انک میڈیا ریگولیٹری اتھارٹی پیمرانے کی جانب سے جاری ایک حکم نامے میں تمام ٹی وی اور ریڈیو چینلوں کو اپنے نیٹ ورکس پر مائع حمل کے لیے استعمال ہونے والی مصنوعات پر فوری اور مکمل پابندی عائد کرنے کا کہا ہے، اور ایسا نہ کرنے کی صورت میں ادارے نے قانونی چارہ جوئی کی دھمکی دی ہے۔ پیمرانے کے بیان میں اس فیصلے کی وجہ بتاتے ہوئے کہا گیا ہے کہ اسے مائع حمل مصنوعات کے اشتہارات سے متعلق شکایات موصول ہوئی تھیں اور عوام اس سلسلے میں شدید تشویش میں مبتلا ہیں۔ ان کا کہنا ہے کہ یہ اشتہارات بچے بھی دیکھتے ہیں جو ان مصنوعات کے بارے میں سوال کرتے ہیں۔ پیمرانے کے مطابق والدین نے ان اشتہارات پر ناپسندیدگی کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے پیمرانے سے ان پر پابندی کا تقاضا کیا ہے۔ سلام آباد میں ذرائع ابلاغ سے متعلق سرگرم ایک غیر سرکاری تنظیم میڈیا میٹرز فار ڈیما کریسی کے ایگزیکٹو ڈائریکٹر اسد بیگ نے بی بی سی اردو سے بات کرتے ہوئے اسے ایک غلط فیصلہ اور حل قرار دیا۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ پاکستان جنسی طریقوں سے منتقل ہونے والی بیماریوں میں بھی پاکستان ایک 'ہائی ریسک' (زیادہ خطرے والا) ملک ہے۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ اگر بچوں کو ایسے اشتہارات سے دور رکھنا ہے تو دیگر ممالک کی طرح انھیں ایسے مخصوص اوقات میں لوگوں کی آگاہی کے لیے نشر کیا جاسکتا ہے جس وقت بچے ٹی وی یا ریڈیو نہیں دیکھ یا سن رہے ہوتے۔ 'اس مسئلے سے نمٹنے کے بہت طریقے تھے لیکن میرے خیال میں مکمل پابندی کوئی حل نہیں ہے۔ یہ کبھی بھی اس کا حل نہیں رہا۔ اقوام متحدہ کی ایک رپورٹ کے مطابق پاکستان میں کروڑوں عورتوں کی خاندانی منصوبہ بندی کی معلومات اور سہولیات تک رسائی نہیں ہے۔ ایسے میں ریڈیو اور ٹی وی پر پابندی اس مسئلے کی سنگینی میں اضافہ کر سکتی ہے۔

نادرا کی جانب سے پاکستانیوں کے شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کے لئے طریقے کار مرتب کر لیا گیا ہے۔ ایک نجی ٹی وی رپورٹ کے مطابق نادرا نے قومی شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کا طریقہ کار کا مسودہ وزارت داخلہ میں جمع کر دیا ہے۔ ذرائع کے مطابق شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کیلئے دو سے تین منصوبے وزارت داخلہ کو دیئے گئے ہیں جبکہ وزیر داخلہ کی منظوری کے بعد شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کا عمل شروع کیا جائے گا۔ شناختی کارڈز کی بائیومیٹرک تصدیق کیلئے شہریوں کو ایک بار پھر فنگر پرنٹس دینا ہونگے۔ تصدیق کا عمل بیک وقت اور مرحلہ وار شروع کرنے کی تجاویز بھی زیر غور ہیں۔ نادرا ذرائع کا کہنا ہے کہ شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کیلئے تین ماہ کا عرصہ درکار ہو گا۔ غیر تصدیق شدہ شناختی کارڈز منسوخ کر دیئے جائیں گے۔ واضح رہے شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کا فیصلہ طالبان کمانڈر کی جانب سے میڈیہ طور پر پاکستانی شناختی کارڈز استعمال کرنے کے بعد کیا گیا ہے۔

کوسٹو: بلوچستان میں سیکورٹی ایجنسیوں نے افغان خفیہ ایجنسی سے تعلق رکھنے والے 6 ایجنٹ گرفتار کر لیے جنہوں نے ٹارگٹ کلنگ اور بم دھماکوں کا اعتراف بھی کیا ہے۔ کوسٹو میں پریس کانفرنس کے دوران وزیر داخلہ بلوچستان سرفراز بگٹی کا کہنا تھا کہ حساس اداروں نے کوسٹو میں کارروائی کرتے ہوئے دہشت گردوں کا گروہ گرفتار کیا ہے جو کہ بلوچستان میں قتل و غارتگری میں ملوث تھا اور انہیں افغان انٹیلی جنس ایجنسی این ڈی ایس سی نے پاکستان میں حالات خراب کرنے کا ناسک دیا تھا۔ گرفتار دہشت گرد عبد اللہ شاہ، احمد اللہ، نور اللہ، محمد شفیع، محبوب خان اور عصمت اللہ بلوچستان میں دھماکوں میں ملوث ہیں اور انہوں نے کوسٹو میں 22 افراد کے قتل کا بھی اعتراف کیا، یہ سارے دہشت گرد این ڈی ایس سی کی جانب سے پیسے وصول کرتے تھے اور انہوں نے پاکستان کا جعلی شناختی کارڈ بھی بنوا رکھا تھا۔ این ڈی ایس سی کے 3 جرنیل جنرل مومن، جنرل نعیم، جنرل (ر) مالک ان دہشت گردوں کے پیئر لربیں جو ان سے دہشت گردی کراتے تھے۔ صوبائی وزیر داخلہ کا کہنا تھا کہ افغانستان کے خفیہ ادارے این ڈی ایس سی کا بھارتی ایجنسی را کے ساتھ پاکستان کے خلاف گھ جوڑ ہے، افغانستان ہمارا ہمسایہ ملک ہے، ہم جس سے اچھے تعلقات چاہتے ہیں، اگر این ڈی ایس سی کی کارروائیاں اسی طرح جاری رہیں تو ہمارے تعلقات خراب ہو سکتے ہیں سرفراز بگٹی نے کہا کہ جعلی شناختی کارڈز کا اجرا ہمارا بڑا مسئلہ ہے جن مہاجرین کو کیسپس میں رہنا تھا وہ اب نادرا کی مہربانیوں کی وجہ سے ہمارے محلوں تک پہنچ چکے ہیں، افغان مہاجرین کی وجہ سے ملک میں امن و امان کا مسئلہ پیدا ہو گیا ہے لیکن اب بہت ہو چکا انہیں واپس جانا ہو گا۔ اگر وہ عزت سے ناگئے تو بلوچستان میں بسنے والے تمام افراد انہیں خود ہی دھکے دے کر باہر نکال دیں گے۔

سلام آباد: وزیر داخلہ نے نادرا کو ملک بھر میں تمام افراد کے شناختی کارڈز کی دوبارہ تصدیق کرنے کا حکم دیتے ہوئے تصدیق کی حکمت عملی بنانے کے لیے 48 گھنٹے کی ڈیڈ لائن بھی دے دی ہے۔ وزیر داخلہ چوہدری شاکر کی زیر صدارت نادرا ہیڈ کوارٹرز میں اعلیٰ سطح کا اجلاس ہوا جس میں چوہدری شاکر نے نادرا کو ملک بھر میں تمام افراد کے شناختی کارڈز کی دوبارہ تصدیق سمیت غیر ملکیوں کے زیر استعمال پاکستانی شناختی کارڈز فوری منسوخ کرنے کا حکم دیا ہے۔ وزیر داخلہ نے منصوبہ بندی کے لیے نادرا کو 48 گھنٹے کی ڈیڈ لائن دی ہے جس میں تمام افراد کے شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کے

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بی بی سی اردو

27 مئی 2016

نادرا نے شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کیلئے طریقہ

کار مرتب کر لیا

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

27 مئی 2016

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ایجنٹ گرفتار

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چوہدری شاکر نادرا کو ملک بھر میں شناختی

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تفصیلات

سرخیال

کوہاٹ (مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) درہ آدم خیل کی شاہین مارکیٹ میں زور دار دھماکے کے نتیجے میں 5 افراد زخمی ہو گئے ہیں۔ ابتدائی تفصیلات کے مطابق درہ آدم خیل کی شاہین مارکیٹ میں اسلحہ کی ایک دکان میں زور دار دھماکا ہوا ہے جس کے نتیجے میں بازار اور دکان میں موجود 5 افراد زخمی ہو گئے۔ دھماکے کی اطلاع ملتے ہی پولیس اور ریسکیو ادارے فوری طور پر جائے حادثہ پر پہنچ گئے اور امدادی کارروائیاں شروع کر دی ہیں۔ ریسکیو ذرائع کا کہنا ہے کہ زخمیوں کو ہسپتال منتقل کیا جا رہا ہے تاہم بہت سے زخمیوں کی حالت تشویشناک ہے جس کی وجہ سے ہلاکتوں کا خطرہ ہے۔

اسلام آباد (روزنامہ نوائے وقت رپورٹ) دولاکھ سے زیادہ ہلاک شدہ شناختی کارڈز پر جاری ایک ملین سیمیں بدستور استعمال کئے جانے کا انکشاف ہوا ہے۔ مشکوک افراد کو جاری سیمیں ہلاک نہ ہونے کے باعث سیکورٹی رسک بن گئیں۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق دو برس میں 2 لاکھ 5 ہزار جعلی شناختی کارڈز ہلاک کئے گئے۔ ان پر جاری موبائل فون سمز بدستور ایکٹو ہیں۔ موبائل فون سمز کی بائیو میٹرک تصدیق کے بعد 2015ء میں 94 ہزار 2016ء میں ایک لاکھ 11 ہزار سے زائد مشکوک شناختی کارڈز ہلاک کئے گئے تاہم ان شناختی کارڈز پر ملی گئی موبائل فون سمز تاحال استعمال کی جا رہی ہیں۔

پاکستان کے صوبہ بلوچستان کے تین مختلف علاقوں میں سیکورٹی فورسز کے آپریشن اور تشدد کے دیگر واقعات میں کم از کم دو سیکورٹی اہلکار سمیت 16 افراد ہلاک اور تین سیکورٹی اہلکار زخمی ہوئے ہیں۔ سیکورٹی اہلکاروں کی ہلاکت کا واقعہ ضلع آواران میں پیش آیا سرکاری ذرائع کے مطابق آواران کے ضلعی ہیڈ کوارٹر سے 45 کلومیٹر دور جھماؤ کے علاقے سیڑھ میں نامعلوم افراد نے دھماکا خیز مواد نصب کیا تھا۔ اس دھماکا خیز مواد کو اس وقت اڑایا جب سیکورٹی فورسز کا ایک قافلہ وہاں سے گزر رہا تھا۔ ذرائع کے مطابق دھماکے میں سیکورٹی فورسز کے دو اہلکار ہلاک اور دو زخمی ہوئے ہیں۔ بلوچستان کے ایک اور ضلع بارکھان میں سیکورٹی فورسز نے ایک سرچ آپریشن میں تین عسکریت پسندوں کو ہلاک کرنے کا دعویٰ کیا ہے۔ کونسل میں ایف سی کے ترجمان کی جانب سے فراہم کردہ معلومات کے مطابق حساس ادارے اور فرنٹیئر کور نے شرپسندوں کی موجودگی پر مشترکہ آپریشن کیا۔ آپریشن کے دوران فائرنگ میں ایک کمانڈر سمیت تین عسکریت پسند ہلاک ہو گئے جبکہ دو کو زخمی حالت میں گرفتار کیا گیا ہے۔ ایف سی کے ترجمان کے مطابق اس کارروائی کے دوران اسلحہ دستی بم بھی برآمد کیے گئے۔ ترجمان کا کہنا تھا کہ ہلاک اور گرفتار عسکریت پسند سیکورٹی فورسز پر حملوں اور دیگر جرائم میں ملوث تھے۔ تاحال آزاد ذرائع سے ان افراد کی فائرنگ کے تبادلے میں ہلاکت اور کسی عسکریت پسند تنظیم سے تعلق کی تصدیق نہیں ہوئی ہے۔ ادھر ایران سے متصل ضلع کچھ سے ایک شخص کی تشدد زدہ لاش ملی ہے۔ کچھ میں انتظامیہ کے ذرائع نے بتایا کہ لاش ملیدہ کے علاقے سے ملی۔ ذرائع کا کہنا تھا کہ لاش کی شناخت ہوئی ہے جسے نامعلوم افراد نے گولی مار کر ہلاک کیا۔ کچھ ہی سے 15 مئی کو اغوا ہونے والے مزید دو افراد کی لاشیں ملی ہیں۔

کراچی: منگھو پیر میں کاؤنٹر ٹیرازم ڈیپارٹمنٹ کی کارروائی میں کراچی ایئرپورٹ حملے میں ملوث 2 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے۔ سی ٹی ڈی حکام کے مطابق حساس اداروں کی نشاندہی پر کراچی کے علاقے منگھو پیر میں کارروائی کی گئی جس پر علاقے میں موجود دہشت گردوں نے سیکورٹی اہلکاروں پر حملہ کر دیا جس کے بعد سیکورٹی اہلکاروں کی جانب سے بھی بھرپور جوابی کارروائی گئی اور فائرنگ کا دوطرفہ سلسلہ کافی دیر تک جاری رہا۔ سی ٹی ڈی انچارج ڈی ایس پی علی رضا کے مطابق سیکورٹی فورسز کی جانب سے جوابی فائرنگ میں 2 دہشت گرد زخمی ہو گئے جنہیں فوری طور پر گرفتار کر لیا گیا تاہم دونوں دہشت گردوں کو اسپتال منتقل کیا جا رہا تھا کہ وہ زخموں کی تاب نہ لاتے ہوئے دم توڑ گئے۔ سی ٹی ڈی انچارج کے مطابق دونوں دہشت گرد کراچی ایئرپورٹ پر حملے میں ملوث تھے اور ان کے قبضے سے اسلحہ بھی برآمد کیا گیا ہے جب کہ دہشت گردوں کا تعلق کالعدم تنظیم سے تھا۔

کوئٹہ: بلوچستان کے علاقے بارکھان میں سیکورٹی فورسز کی گاڑی کے قریب ریموٹ کنٹرول بم دھماکے میں 2 اہلکار شہید اور 3 زخمی ہو گئے۔ ایف سی ترجمان کے مطابق بارکھان کے علاقے جاہو سے سیکورٹی فورسز کی گاڑی گزر رہی تھی کہ سڑک کنارے نصب ریموٹ کنٹرول کے دھماکے میں سیکورٹی فورسز کے 2 اہلکار شہید اور 3 زخمی ہو گئے۔ دوسری جانب بلوچستان کے علاقے بارکھان میں ایف سی نے کارروائی کرتے ہوئے کالعدم تنظیم کے 3 مبینہ دہشت گردوں کو ہلاک کر دیا۔ ایف سی ترجمان کے مطابق بارکھان میں سرچ آپریشن کے دوران دہشت گردوں نے آپریشن

درہ آدم خیل کی شاہین مارکیٹ میں دھماکا،
5 افراد زخمی

روزنامہ پاکستان
30 مئی 2016

2 لاکھ سے زائد ہلاک شناختی کارڈز پر جاری،
ایک ملین سیمیں بدستور زیر استعمال

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29 مئی 2016

بلوچستان: مختلف واقعات میں سیکورٹی
اہلکاروں سمیت 6 ہلاک

بی بی سی اردو
28 مئی 2016

سی ٹی ڈی کی منگھو پیر میں کارروائی، کراچی
ایئرپورٹ حملے میں ملوث 2 دہشت گرد
ہلاک

ایکسپریس اردو
28 مئی 2016

بارکھان میں سیکورٹی فورسز کے قافلے
کے قریب دھماکا، 2 اہلکار شہید

ایکسپریس اردو
28 مئی 2016

ملک کے مختلف حصوں میں گرمی کی شدت آج بھی برقرار

دنیا نیوز

22 مئی 2016

لاہور (دنیا نیوز) ملک کے میدانی علاقوں میں گرمی کی شدت آج بھی برقرار رہے گی، سورج آنکھیں دکھائے گا مگر گرمی کا زور آج رات ٹوٹ جائے گا، موسم کی خبر دینے والے کہتے ہیں اتوار کی رات سے مختلف علاقوں میں بارش کا امکان ہے۔ لاہور کا موسم آج بھی گرم اور خشک رہے گا، درجہ حرارت 45 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک پہنچے گا۔ موسم کا حال بتانے والوں کے مطابق زیادہ سے زیادہ درجہ حرارت 45 ڈگری اور کم سے کم 29 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ہو گا۔ تاہم ہلکی ہوا سارا دن چلتی رہے گی، ہوا میں نمی کا تناسب صرف 26 فیصد تک رہ جائے گا جس سے موسم قدرے بہتر ہونے کا امکان ہے۔ جبکہ کراچی سمیت ساحلی علاقوں میں مطلع جزوی ابر آلود رہنے اور تیز ہوائیں چلنے کا امکان ہے۔ محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق کراچی میں آئندہ 24 گھنٹے کے دوران موسم گرم اور مرطوب رہے گا، کراچی سمیت ساحلی علاقوں میں مطلع جزوی ابر آلود رہنے کا امکان ہے۔ کراچی میں 10 سے 22 نائٹ کی رفتار سے ہوائیں چلنے کا امکان ہے۔ کراچی میں درجہ حرارت 35 سے 37 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک رہنے کا امکان ہے۔ دوسری طرف راولپنڈی اسلام آباد میں سورج آگ برسا رہا ہے، موسم کا حال بتانے والوں نے آج شام رات کو اسلام آباد، فٹا، راولپنڈی، پشاور، کوہاٹ، فیصل آباد، لاہور ڈویژن میں چند مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں اور گرج چمک کیساتھ ہلکی بارش کی پیش گوئی کی ہے۔ صبح کے وقت بڑواں شہروں میں درجہ حرارت 33 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا جو دن میں 43 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک پہنچنے کا امکان ہے۔ گزشتہ روز سب سے زیادہ گرمی دادو اور جیکب آباد میں پڑی جہاں پارہ 51 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک پہنچ گیا، جبکہ سی، لاڑکانہ، کوٹ ادو، تربت، سکھر، 50، موہنجو داڑو، رحیم یار خان، نور پور قتل، بہاولنگر، بہاولپور 49، پٹن، بھکر، ڈی جی خان 48، اوکاڑہ، شہید بینظیر آباد، روہڑی، ملتان، ڈی آئی خان، خانپور، کوہاٹ میں درجہ حرارت 47 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا۔

برقرار

روزنامہ جنگ

29 مئی 2016

کراچی کے مختلف علاقوں میں بوند باندی کے بعد موسم خوشگوار

روزنامہ ایکسپریس

28 مئی 2016

آج شام اور رات پشاور، کوہاٹ، راولپنڈی، فیصل آباد، سرگودھا، گوجرانوالہ، لاہور، فانا، گلگت بلتستان اور کشمیر میں بعض مقامات پر ہلکی بارش کا امکان

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اوزون کو نقصان پہنچانے والی گیسوں کی روک تھام کا پاکستانی پلان منظور

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پنجاب، بلوچستان اور خیبر پختونخوا کے مختلف شہروں میں بھی سورج تفریحی مقامات کا رخ کر رہا ہے تو کوئی ٹھنڈے مشروبات کا استعمال کر رہا ہے۔ آگ برسا رہا ہے جبکہ سندھ میں لاڑکانہ، حیدرآباد، نواب شاہ، بدین، ٹھٹھہ، سکھر سمیت مختلف شہروں میں زوروں کی گرمی نے سب کو پریشان کر رکھا ہے۔ گرمی میں اضافے کے ساتھ ہی لسی، لیون پانی، تھادل اور مزید ٹھنڈے ٹھار مشروبات کی طلب میں بھی اضافہ ہو گیا ہے، چھٹی کے روز شہریوں کی بڑی تعداد نہروں اور پارکوں کا رخ کر رہی ہے۔ محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق آئندہ چوبیس گھنٹوں کے دوران ملک کے بیشتر علاقوں میں موسم گرم اور خشک رہے گا جبکہ ہزارہ، مالاکنڈ، راولپنڈی، گوجرانوالہ، کشمیر اور گلگت بلتستان میں بعض مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ بارش کا امکان ہے۔

کراچی: شہر قائد کے کچھ علاقوں میں بوند باندی ہوئی جس کے باعث شہر کا موسم خوشگوار ہو گیا۔ روزنامہ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق کراچی کے علاقے بلدیہ اور گلستان ہر سمیت متعدد علاقوں میں بوند باندی ہوئی جس کے بعد گرمی کا زور ٹوٹ گیا، محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق ٹپلی سطح کے بادلوں کے باعث کراچی کا موسم خوشگوار ہو گیا اور اگلے ایک سے 2 روز تک درجہ حرارت معتدل رہنے کا امکان ہے۔ محکمہ موسمیات کا کہنا ہے کہ اگلے 24 گھنٹوں کے دوران ملک بھر میں موسم خشک اور گرم رہنے کا امکان ہے جب کہ پنجاب کے بعض شہروں لاہور، فیصل آباد، سرگودھا اور گوجرانوالہ میں تیز ہواؤں کے ساتھ بارش کا بھی امکان ہے۔

محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق ملک کے بیشتر علاقوں میں آئندہ چوبیس گھنٹوں کے دوران موسم گرم اور خشک رہنے کی توقع ہے تاہم آج شام اور رات مالاکنڈ، ہزارہ، پشاور، کوہاٹ، راولپنڈی، فیصل آباد، سرگودھا، گوجرانوالہ، لاہور ڈویژن، فانا، گلگت بلتستان اور کشمیر میں بعض مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں اور گرج چمک کے ساتھ ہلکی بارش ہو سکتی ہے۔ آج صبح سویرے کراچی کا پارہ اٹھائیس ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک پہنچ گیا، لاہور میں درجہ حرارت ستائیس، محکمہ موسمیات کا کہنا ہے کہ گزشتہ چوبیس گھنٹوں کے دوران پشاور پچیس، اسلام آباد تینس، کوئٹہ اور گلگت میں چودہ ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا ملک کے بیشتر علاقوں میں موسم گرم اور خشک رہا تاہم پشاور، مالاکنڈ، ڈی آئی خان اور قلات ڈویژن میں ایک دو مقامات پر گرج چمک کے ساتھ بارش بھی ہوئی۔ سب سے زیادہ بارش پانچاچار میں پچیس ملی میٹر ریکارڈ کی گئی۔ گزشتہ روز الدین، موجودہ ڈاؤ اور شہید بینظیر آباد میں سب سے زیادہ گرمی پڑی، جہاں درجہ حرارت پینتالیس ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا۔

اسلام آباد: اقوام متحدہ نے مائٹریال پروٹوکولز کے تحت اوزون کی تہ کو نقصان پہنچانے والی زہریلے گیسز کے اخراج کو روکنے کیلئے پاکستان کی جانب دستاویز کے مطابق مونٹریال پروٹوکولز کے سے تیار کردہ ہائیڈروکلوروفلوروکاربن کے دوسرے فیو آؤٹ منیجمنٹ پلان کی باقاعدہ منظوری دیدی مطابق پاکستان کو 2030 تک ملک سے ہائیڈروکلوروفلوروکاربن کے استعمال کا مکمل خاتمہ کرنا ہدف دے دیا گیا، اس ضمن میں پاکستان کو 2015 تک ہائیڈروکلوروفلوروکاربن 106 فیصد خاتمہ کرنے کا ہدف دیا گیا تھا جسے پاکستان نے گزشتہ سال جنوری 2015 میں کامیابی سے حاصل کر لیا تھا۔

مطابق پاکستان کو 2020 تک مجموعی طور پر ہائیڈروکلوروفلوروکاربن 35 فیصد، 2025 تک 65 فیصد جبکہ 2030 تک 100 مونٹریال پروٹوکولز فیصد خاتمہ کرنا ہدف دیا گیا، پاکستان کو اس سے قبل سال 2010 تک کلوروفلوروکاربن، کلوروفلوروکاربن، میتھائل برومائید اور ہیون کا مکمل طور پر فیو آؤٹ کرنا ہدف دیا گیا تھا جسے پاکستان نے ایک سال قبل 2009 میں کامیابی سے حاصل کر لیا تھا۔ پاکستان نے اوزون کی تہ کو نقصان پہنچانے والی زہریلے گیسز کے اخراج کو روکنے کیلئے 5 اوزون ڈپلٹنگ سبسنانس میڈیوم انڈسٹریز کو اوزون فرینڈی ٹیکنالوجی میں تبدیل کر دیا جب کہ وزارت تجارت اور ایف بی آر کی مدد سے بیرون ملک سے ہائیڈروکلوروفلوروکاربن کی برآمدات کے لائسنسز اور کوٹہ سسٹم پر عملدرآمد کو یقینی سمیت غیر قانونی اسمگلنگ کی روک تھام کیلئے 65 کسٹم افسران کو تربیت دی جب کہ ملک بھر میں ریفریجریٹر، فریج، ایئر کنڈیشن کے شعبوں میں کام کرنے والے 300 سروسز ٹیکنیشن کو بھی ان زہریلی گیسز کے خاتمہ سمیت نئی اوزون دوست ٹیکنالوجی کے بہتر استعمال کو یقینی بنانے کیلئے تربیت فراہم کی، ملک میں ان گیسز کے خاتمے اور ان سے اوزون کو پہنچنے والے نقصانات سے متعلق آگاہی پروگرامز اور سیمینارز بھی منعقد کراچے ہیں، وفاقی وزارت موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے فیڈرل اوزون سیل نے پاکستان کے جن 5 انڈسٹریز کو اوزون فرینڈی ٹیکنالوجی میں تبدیل کیا ان میں ڈائولس پرائیویٹ لمیٹڈ، یونائیٹڈ ریفریجریٹیشن انڈسٹریز، ہائیر ریفریجریٹر، ویرو لائن انٹر کول اور شادمان الیکٹرانکس شامل ہیں۔ واضح رہے اوزون فضا میں 10 سے 16 کلومیٹر فاصلے پر محیط ایک ایسی تہ کو کہتے ہیں جو سورج کی تابکار شعاعوں کو جو زمینی حیات کیلئے انتہائی نقصان دہ ہوتی ہے انھیں روکنے کا کام کرتی ہے، تحقیق کے مطابق ایئر کنڈیشن، فریج، ریفریجریٹر، سپرے، میٹل کلیننگ اور فائرفائٹنگ سمیت کئی اشیاء جن کیلئے استعمال ہوتا ہے اس کی وجہ سے اوزون کی تہ کو نقصان پہنچ رہا ہے جنہیں اوزون ڈپلٹنگ سبسنانسز کہا جاتا ہے، اوزون حفاظت کیلئے عالمی سطح پر 1987 میں مائٹریال پروٹوکولز وضع کیے گئے، اقوام متحدہ نے 1994 میں 16 ستمبر کو عالمی سطح پر اوزون حفاظت کے دن کے طور پر منانے کی قرارداد منظور کی، پاکستان نے 1992 میں انھیں اپنایا اور 1996 میں نیشنل اوزون سیل قائم کیا۔

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تفصیلات

تھرپارکر میں قحط سالی و غذائی قلت کا شکار مزید 5 بچے ہفتے کو دم توڑ گئے۔ رواں سال ہلاکتوں کی تعداد 466 سے زائد ہو گئی۔ مختلف سرکاری و نجی اسپتالوں میں دو سو سے زائد بچے زیر علاج ہیں جن میں سے متعدد کی حالت تشویشناک بتائی جاتی ہے۔ 24 ہزار مربع کلومیٹر پر پھیلے تھر کے 15 لاکھ باسی قحط سالی و غذائی قلت اور پانی کی نایابی کے باعث گونا گوں مشکلات کا شکار ہیں۔

ذرائع کا کہنا ہے کہ دو روز قبل وزیر اعلیٰ سندھ دورے پر آئے تھے ان کو سراسر غلط بریفنگ دی گئی حالات اور حقائق نہایت تلخ اور مختلف ہیں۔ طبی ماہرین کے مطابق دراصل مائیں غذائی قلت کا شکار اور نہایت کمزور ہیں جب تک انکی صحت بہتر نہیں ہوگی بچوں کی ہلاکتوں کا سلسلہ رکنے میں نہیں آئے گا، دوسری جانب متعدد دیہات میں گیسٹرو و بوائے شکل اختیار کر لی۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق تھر کے صحرائیں قحط سالی کی تباہ کاریاں جاری ہیں ہفتے کو مزید پانچ بچوں کی ہلاکتوں کے واقعات پیش آئے۔ چھاپھر و تحصیل کے گاؤں شادی رند میں تین ماہ کا علی رضا، ایک سالہ امجد، دو سالہ طبی ماہرین کے مطابق تھر میں غذائی قلت پر کام نہ ہونے کے اشرف، سول اسپتال مٹھی میں رشید کا چار روزہ بچہ اور عمر نمہڑی کی بچی شامل ہیں۔ باعث حاملہ خواتین کمزور بچوں کو جنم دیتی ہیں۔ جس کے باعث ہلاکتوں کا سلسلہ رکنے میں نہیں آ رہا ہے۔ گذشتہ چار سال کے مقابلے میں رواں سال ہلاکتوں میں بہت زیادہ اضافہ ہوا ہے۔ جس کا سبب چار سالہ قحط کا تسلسل اور بچوں کی اموات کے اصل اسباب پر کام نہ کرنا ہے۔ اسلام کوٹ اسپتال میں گزشتہ روز ایک بھی لیڈی ڈاکٹر نہ ہونے کے باعث حاملہ خواتین کو مٹھی ریفر کیا جا رہا تھا۔ اسپتال انتظامیہ کے مطابق صرف 2 لیڈی ڈاکٹر ہیں جو 24 گھنٹے ڈیوٹی نہیں دے سکتی ہیں۔

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ہوش، لوڈ شیڈنگ بھی جاری، شہریوں کا

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لاہور (نیوز رپورٹر + نامہ نگاران) گرمی سے خاتون بے جاں بحق، 5 طلبا بے ہوش، کاروبار زندگی معطل ہو گیا۔ فیروزوالہ میں شہریوں نے روڈ بلاک کر دی۔ بجلی کی 8 گھنٹے تک لوڈ شیڈنگ کا سلسلہ جاری رہا۔ لیسکو میں ہفتے والے روز بجلی کا خسارہ 1 ہزار میگا واٹ تک ہو گیا جس کے بعد شہر میں 8 گھنٹے میں بجلی کی بندش ہوئی۔ دیہی علاقوں میں بجلی کی بندش کا دورانیہ زیادہ رہا۔ لاہور اور اس کے مضافات میں غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ ہو رہی ہے۔ شہریوں نے ایسی صورتحال پر احتجاج کیا ہے۔ نارنگ منڈی سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق نارنگ منڈی و گردونواح میں قیامت خیز گرمی کے باعث ایک خاتون جاں بحق جبکہ پرائیویٹ سکولوں میں مدد و طالبات سمیت پانچ طلباء بیہوش ہو گئے، شہریوں کا سماجی رہنما اعظم علی باجوہ کی قیادت میں پرائیویٹ تعلیمی اداروں کی جانب سے چھٹیاں نہ کرنے پر شدید احتجاج، محلہ مسلم پارک کے محنت کش عبدالغفور کی بیوی گرمی کی تاب نہ لاتے ہوئے چل بسی بجلی کی لوڈ شیڈنگ کا سلسلہ جاری ہے جبکہ دیہاتوں میں پورا پورا دن اور رات بھر بجلی کی لوڈ شیڈنگ نے عوام کی زندگی اجیرن بنادی ہے۔ علاوہ ازیں گجرات شہر اور گردونواح میں بجلی اور گیس کی غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ سے کاروبار زندگی معطل ہو کر رہ گئی۔ شہری پانی کی بوند بوند کو ترس گئے، ڈونگے بونگے اور گردونواح میں لوڈ شیڈنگ کا دورانیہ مزید بڑھ گیا کاروبار زندگی معطل، مزدور محنت کش بیکار، فاقہ کشی کا شکار ہو گئے، پانی کی بھی قلت۔ فیروزوالہ سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق بجلی کی بدترین لوڈ شیڈنگ سے پانی کی فراہمی بند اور بجلی کی بندش پر شہری سراپا احتجاج بن گئے۔ لاہور شرق پور روڈ بلاک کر کے ٹائز جلانے زبردست نعرہ بازی کی۔ لاہور روڈ کی آبادی نواں پنڈی شہریوں نے علاقے میں غیر قانونی بجلی لوڈ شیڈنگ سے شہری سخت پریشان ہو کر سڑکوں پر نکل آئے جنہوں نے سڑک بند کر کے نعرہ بازی کی، ٹریفک بحال کر دی گئی۔ شہریوں نے الزام عائد کیا ہے علاقے میں مسلسل بجلی کی بندش کا سلسلہ کئی روز سے جاری ہے۔ واپڈا اہلکار اور افسران بات سننے کو تیار نہیں ہیں جس پر احتجاج کیا گیا۔ لاہور سے نامہ نگار کے مطابق ماڈل منڈی میں لیسکو گریڈیشن میں آگ لگنے کے باعث متعدد علاقے بجلی سے محروم ہو گئے جس سے صنعتی اور گھریلو صارفین پریشانی کا شکار ہو گئے، فائزر بریگیڈ کا عملہ آگ کئی گھنٹے تک بجھانے میں مصروف رہا، لیسکو حکام موقع پر پہنچ گئے۔ اوور لوڈنگ اور مناسب دیکھ بھال نہ ہونے کی وجہ سے آگ لگ گئی۔ آگ نے گریڈیشن کو اپنی لپیٹ میں لے لیا ہے۔ نمائندہ روزنامہ نوائے وقت کے مطابق حافظ آباد میں بجلی کی سولہ سولہ گھنٹے کی غیر اعلانیہ لوڈ شیڈنگ نے جہاں شہریوں کے کاروبار کو تباہ کرنا شروع کر دیا وہاں پاور لومز انڈسٹری پر بھی تالے لگنا شروع ہو گئے۔ اسلام آباد سے آن لائن کے مطابق اسلام آباد سمیت ملک بھر میں پراچھر چڑھ گیا سی میں درجہ حرارت 48 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ تک جا پہنچا، پشاور میں 43 لاہور اور ملتان میں 42 جبکہ اسلام آباد اور فیصل آباد میں 41 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا ہے۔ اتوار کی صبح گوبرنوالہ، کشمیر اور گلگت بلتستان میں بارش کا امکان ہے۔

ملک کے مختلف شہروں میں گرمی کا راج برقرار ہے بالائی علاقوں میں موسم گرم ہونا شروع ہو گیا ہے، ایسے میں گرمی سے بچنے کے لیے کوئی

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34	بلوچستان: مختلف واقعات میں سکیورٹی اہلکاروں سمیت 6 ہلاک
33	بلوچستان سے افغان خفیہ ایجنسی کے 6 ایجنٹ گرفتار
33	چوہدری نثار کا نادرا کو ملک بھر میں شناختی کارڈز کی تصدیق کا حکم
31	پاسپورٹ دفاتر کا لنک ڈائون، آپس میں رابطہ منقطع ہو گیا
31	رمضان المبارک میں سحر و افطاری میں لوڈشیڈنگ نہیں کی جائیگی
30	راہداری منصوبے کی تکمیل سے 8 لاکھ نئی ملازمتیں پیدا ہونگی
29	بجلی کی قیمت میں 3 روپے 41 پیسے فی یونٹ کمی کا امکان

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