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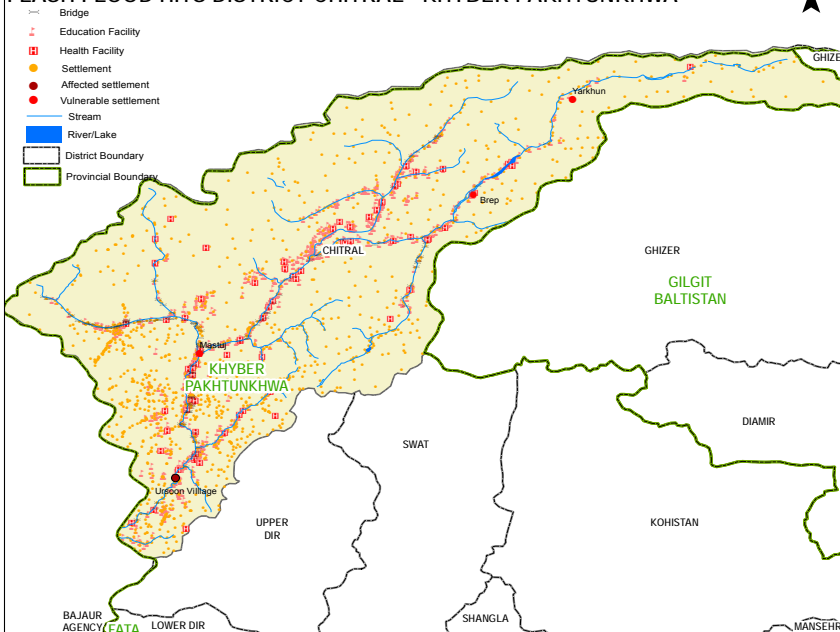
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FLASH FLOOD HITS DISTRICT CHITRAL - KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA



43 killed as flash floods hit Chitral

The first monsoon rain wreaked havoc in Chitral, as at least 43 people were reported dead and 26 missing in the Urson area on Sunday.

"Sixteen of the dead were offering prayers in the mosque when it was swept away by the flood," said Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) spokesman Lateef-ur-Rahman. He said at least 37 houses were completely washed away and another 41 were partially damaged. "The irrigation system as well as clean drinking water facilities are badly damaged in the region," he said. So far, only seven bodies have been recovered.

Talking to Daily Times, Rahman said the district administration and the district disaster management unit in Chitral had initiated rescue efforts in the Urson area. "At least 50 families have been given tents, blankets and food items at the initial stage," he said. The PDMA spokesman said the Pakistan Army, Chitral Scouts and local police were taking part in the rescue efforts. "The provincial government has declared an emergency at all hospitals in Chitral and cancelled leave of all hospital staff. All medical staff has been ordered to report and deal with all kinds of emergency," he said. He said the PDMA Chitral office had an amount of Rs 10 million in its relief fund.

Chitral Deputy Commissioner Osama Warraich told Daily Times that the administration had begun efforts to purchase edibles, blankets and tents from the local market for the affected people. "We will be providing food to the whole village for one week at least. Villagers have been provided 5,000-foot pipe to set up a safe drinking water supply line. We are also helping in restoration of irrigation channels," Warraich said. The deputy commissioner said the affected village was accessible via road and the district administration was making efforts to reach out to all affected people. "There is a forecast for more rains in the region. Other vulnerable areas include Brep, Yarkhun and Mastuj. We are ready to deal with emergency situations," he added.

The Chitral administration has set up a medical camp to cater to the medical needs of the affected people. "We will be providing food to the whole village for one week at least. Villagers have been provided 5,000-foot pipe to set up a safe drinking water supply line. We are also helping in restoration of irrigation channels," Warraich said. The deputy commissioner said the affected village was accessible via road and the district administration was making efforts to reach out to all affected people. "There is a forecast for more rains in the region. Other vulnerable areas include Brep, Yarkhun and Mastuj. We are ready to deal with emergency situations," he added.

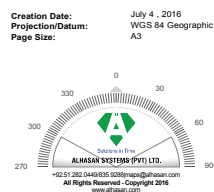
Chitral is one of the districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa declared most vulnerable by the PDMA in the monsoon season. Other districts categorised as most vulnerable are Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera, Dera Ismail Khan, Swat, Shangla, Dir Lower, Kohistan Lower and Kohistan Upper. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Meteorological Department Director Syed Mushtaq Ali Shah said that intermittent rains would hit several areas of the province till Thursday. "We are expecting spells of rain in Peshawar, Kohat and Mardan division for the next few days. One or more heavy rains will cause floods in Khawar (seasonal streams)," he said. There will be rain on the first day of Eid-ul-Fitr, he added.

Falah-i-Insaniyat Foundation, the charitable wing of the banned Lashkar-e-Taiba, was among the first at the scene providing relief.

Survivors who had lost their homes were waiting for aid under open skies surrounded by mud and debris where their village once stood. Nearby villages had received flood warnings from the local authorities, but Urson was not alerted in time.

Separately, two Chinese engineers were killed and five Pakistani workers injured when the heavy rains caused the roof of a construction site to collapse at Tarbela Dam, also in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, Rahman said.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's office issued a statement expressing his grief and sorrow. Heavy rains and flash flood claim many victims each year, with poorly built homes across the country, particularly in rural areas, susceptible to collapse during the annual spring and monsoon rains in July-August.



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NATURAL CALAMITIES

NEWS HEADLINES

PDMA directs Chitral administration to utilise Rs 15 mln funds

Pakistan Today, July 4, 2016

Pakistan monsoon kills at least 43

The Standard, July 4, 2016

Collateral damage: Roads blocked in Shangla

Express Tribune, July 4, 2016

31 People Died In Chitral Flash Flood-PM Issues Directions to Accelerate Rescue and Relief Efforts in Affected Areas of Chitral

Radio Pakistan, July 3, 2016

New monsoon spell enters upper parts of Pakistan, rain predicted

Pakistan Today, July 2, 2016

DETAILS

The Provincial Disasters Management Authority (PDMA) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa here Monday directed the district administration to utilise the relief funds of Rs 15 million for the quick and speedy assistance of flood victims of Urson valley. As per the latest report of PDMA here, the district administration of Chitral has been directed to utilise relief available funds in the wake of flash flood emergency situation taken place on June 2 last in Urson valley for the purchase of food items from utility stores after fulfilling all code formalities.

The DC Chitral has been authorised to utilise the relief funds to the tune of Rs 15 million for relief activities besides provision of quick assistance to the affected population. According to the report, 29 people had lost their lives and 13 persons including eight security personnel are still missing due to heavy-floods in Chitral. As many as 19 houses were completely and 27 partially damaged due to flood devastation in Chitral.

The dead bodies of 16 victims including three security personnel have been recovered whereas 13 to 14 persons are still missing and four sustained injuries. The report said quite a considerable number of irrigation channels and water supply schemes have been reportedly damaged due to natural calamity. The report said compensation cheques would be distributed among the affected persons by today. The Chief Minister KP has released Rs 50 million for providing food and other necessary items for affected people.

The Deputy Commissioner Chitral along with rescue and relief team has visited the affected area and distributed 50 tents, 150 quilts, 200 mats besides 40 cooked food items (rice deg) among the affected population. Meanwhile, rescue, relief and search operation is continuing in the affected areas and personnel of Pak Army besides district administration, NDMA and PDMA are actively taking part in the relief and rescue operations.

The PDMA has already provided 200 tents to district administration Chitral at the onset of monsoon season in the second week of June 2016. Also, 150 tents, 100 kitchen sets, 100 plastic mats and 200 quilts have been dispatched to the affected areas from PDMA warehouse.

The PDMA has requested Nation Disasters Management Authority for a provision of Helicopter service to provide relief in inaccessible and remote areas of Chitral. Emergency has been declared in Tehsil Headquarter Hospital Drosh. The Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has placed CM official helicopter at the disposal of PDMA for immediate relief efforts.

Flash floods caused by overnight monsoon rains have killed at least 43 people in northern Pakistan, the majority from a village near the border with Afghanistan, officials said yesterday, as supplies were airlifted to survivors.

The rains were concentrated in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, where flood waters swept away a mosque, dozens of houses and army post in the village of Ursoon. At least eight soldiers were among the dead. Separately, two Chinese engineers were killed and five Pakistani workers hurt when the rains caused the roof of a construction site to collapse.

SHANGLA: Relief work could not commence in the vulnerable areas of Shangla which was hit by a massive landslide triggered by monsoon rains. Traffic was disrupted for several hours and the roads remained closed, while many houses were damaged after the landslide hit Karora, Besham and Chakesar areas. According to locals, the district administration and other authorities had not started relief work to remove the debris.

Locals have warned the National Highway Authority and elected members of Shangla of possible landslides, but the officials allegedly turned a blind eye to the matter. The affected population complained they had shifted to different areas, but had suffered losses worth millions and now have no shelter. The monsoon rains started on Saturday in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa and other parts of the country. Earlier, the Pakistan Meteorological Department issued a warning of possible landslides in Swat and Shangla.

Thirty-one people have died due to heavy rain and flash flood in Drosh area of Chitral. Eight dead bodies that had been washed away were recovered from Afghanistan today. Search is in progress for the remaining dead bodies. According to District Administration Chitral, the flood also washed away a mosque and several houses.

Monsoon spell has entered the upper parts of the country, after which, rain has been predicted in various cities of Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. According to Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD), widespread dust-thundershowers/rain with isolated heavy falls accompanied by windstorm are expected in Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Lahore, Sargodha, Faisalabad divisions, KP (Malakand, Hazara, Peshawar, Mardan, Kohat, Bannu, D.I Khan divisions),

Kashmir (Muzaffarabad, Mirpur, Poonch divisions), FATA (Kurram, Bajaur, Mohmand, Khyber, Orakzai) would also receive rainfall while at scattered places in Multan, Sahiwal, D.G. Khan, Bahawalpur divisions.

The weather in Gilgit-Baltistan will also turn pleasant. On the other hand, drizzling in Karachi cooled down hot weather whereas intermittent light rain continued in PECHS, North Nazimabad,

Monsoon rains reducing water crisis in parched Tharparkar

Daily Times, July 2, 2016

Federal B. Area and Gulistan-e-Johar.

THARPARKAR: With the onset of monsoon rains which began on Monday in lower Sindh, light to moderate rains brought renewed hope for the region which has been undergoing a dry spell. There are chances it will end severe droughts in Thar Desert that have been a feature of life there for the past four years and have killed more than 2,000 infants in the arid regions of the province.

With the first shower, the farmers of Thar Desert have started ploughing their fields and natural ponds have started receiving fresh water. Sukaar Foundation, a non-governmental organisation implementing Rain Water Harvesting (RWH) projects in Tharparkar said those villages under good precipitation areas have already stored around six months water stocks using household ground water tank technology. "Take example of Chelhar and Jouro Union Councils, where villagers have been able to preserve water for four to six months," said Kishore Kumar, a representative of Sukaar Foundation.

The water rain has become a blessing for them as Haryar village in Chlehar was facing multiple problems. Locals were forced to drink water with Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) level of 4,000 to 4,500. Those who could afford water tanks fetched water from Mithi, eight kilometers away. "Similarly dwellers at Bolri Bheel in Jorour Union Council were consuming water with 3,000 TDS level prior to precipitation," he added. TDS is a measure of the combined content of all inorganic and organic substances contained in a liquid.

According to Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) Observatory Mithi, around sixty percent of Tharparkar received rains during the monsoon that started last week. "So far Islamkot and Chachhro have received most rains out of six tehsils of the district receiving 53 millimeters (mm) and 43 mm respectively," said Danesh Kumar, who was in charge at PMD Observatory Mithi. "On the other hand Mithi received 20 millimeters of rain while Nangarparkar received 11 mm of rains. There was no recording of rains in Dahli tehsil," he added.

According to him, this is the first time in Tharparkar that monsoon started in June. During the last 10 years weather pattern also changed due to climate change. The Met Department has already forecast more rains in early July during monsoon season that will last till September. As per traditional Tharparkar rain patters, if there are four consecutive precipitations with a twenty-day gap, it is considered a good monsoon.

Experts say provision of safe drinking water is the single most important issue in Thar; the majority of people in Thar are dependent on groundwater resources that were not fit for human consumption. However during the last four years of drought, the water table had gone down. According to estimates Thar Desert had experienced 73 droughts in 114 years. There was a drought every third year and the current drought has entered its third consecutive year. Meteorological data has showed the average rainfall was more in Tharparkar in four to five years as compared to other areas while there was a flooding situation in Mithi in 2011. However implementation of water conservation strategies was the missing factor.

KARACHI: This year's first death from dengue fever occurred at a private hospital in Karachi where a 58-year-old victim named Fareed-ud-Din succumbed to the deadly virus.

Fareed-ud-Din was resident of Shah Faisal Colony and died in a private clinic during treatment on Friday. According to Dengue Surveillance Cell, this is the first death caused by dengue this year in Karachi. However, one death by dengue fever was reported from the interior Sindh in June.

Dengue fever is transmitted by Aedes mosquitoes and is a global public health concern. There is no vaccine available in Pakistan for the virus, which kills an estimated 20,000 people each year and infects up to 100 million across the world, according to the World Health Organisation (WHO).

NDMA is pursuing pro active approach and for Monsoon 2016 it prepared a comprehensive 'Monsoon Contingency Directive - 2016'. This contains input from all stakeholders, incorporates experiences of the past and surveys wider avenues for effective contingency planning. In order to further consolidate these preparations and ensure ground coordinations Chairman NDMA Major General Asghar Nawaz started a series of consultative meetings with all provincial and regional disaster management authorities by visiting them individually.

This series of consultative meetings started with a visit to Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) Sindh - Karachi, followed by a visit to Khyber Pukhtunkhwa and FATA Disaster Management Authorities - Peshawar, a visit to State Disaster Management Authority AJ&K - Muzaffarabad and lately a visit to PDMA Punjab - Lahore. These meetings helped in carrying out a detailed review of all pre-monsoon preparations and contingency planning at provincial and district levels.

Meeting at PDMA Punjab was held at Lahore on 1st July 2016. It was co chaired by Chairman NDMA Major General Asghar Nawaz and Senior Member Board of Revenue Punjab Mr. Jawed Rafeeq Malik. Officials of PDMA Punjab, related lines departments, representatives of NDMA and Pakistan Armed Forces attended the meeting.

Chairman NDMA, while appreciating the efforts of PDMA Punjab and all related provincial departments emphasized the need for extraordinary preparedness in the wake of PMD's forecast of likely beyond normal rainfalls during this monsoon season. He called for putting in place enhanced measure of Early Warning particularly in areas affected by hill torrents to include areas of Rajanpur and D.G Khan. He stressed the need for a detailed stocktaking of rescue equipment of army and rescue 1122 and formulation of joint plans incorporating resources of army and district emergency services like Rescue 1122 for optimizing the response using Flood Vulnerability vis-a-vis Threat based approach. Chairman asked all concerned to factor in needs of vulnerable groups i.e., children, women, disabled and aged people in planning and execution of relief operations.

In a separate meeting with Chief Secretary Punjab it was agreed upon to further strengthen

Year's first death by dengue fever in Karachi

Dunya News, July 2, 2016

Consultative Meeting on Pre Monsoon Preparedness and Contingency Planning Held at Lahore

NDMA, July 1, 2016

Karachi struggles with power outages, waterlogged roads after heavy rain

Dunya News, June 30, 2016

Leaves of WASA, anti-dengue staff cancelled

Pak Observer, June 30, 2016

Two injured in landslide near Lowari Tunnel

Pakistan Today, June 29, 2016

67 huts along nullah Leh removed to avoid losses during floods

Pakistan Today, June 28, 2016

coordination mechanism between NDMA and PDMA Punjab vis-a-vis PDMA Punjab and other related provincial and federal departments to ensure better coordination and timely activation of all possible efforts for saving precious human lives and properties. Chairman NDMA assured fullest support of NDMA to the Government of Punjab.

KARACHI: Several areas of Karachi are witnessing long power outages out of faulty feeders and roads are inundated in different localities adding to the issues of locals during monsoon.

In the latest of woes for Karachiites, Saadi Garden of Saadi Town was inundated after monsoon shower flooded nearby drain on Wednesday night. Residents of the town helped themselves and no intervention by the administration was seen until late morning. However, according to them the situation could worsen if the administration does not show.

Commissioner paid a visit to Saadi Town and reviewed the situation. Locals complained about administration's slackness and demanded immediate solution to the issue. It should be noted here that around three years ago, residents of the town had borne financial losses in an issue of the same kind.

On the other hand, new information that has come to light suggests that K-Electric authorities hid facts from the people after questions regarding power outages were thrown at them ever since the first monsoon shower. It has been revealed by sources that at least 812 power feeders had tripped on Tuesday but K-Electric told the people about 200 faults only.

Sources also said that not once in the past 100 years such a huge number of feeders tripped in one night. Earlier this week, first monsoon downpour left different Karachi roads and streets of several localities' waterlogged while K-Electric customers had to live without power for over 15 hours.

Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah ordered immediate release of Rs 200 million to clear drains of the city before further monsoons showers trouble the locals. Earlier this week, Chief Minister House and Governor House had also lost power supply after Karachi saw its first shower after at least two years of monsoon hiatus.

RAWALPINDI: in order to cope with anticipated flood situation, Water and Sanitation Agency (WASA) has cancelled the leaves of all field staff. They have been directed to remain alert during Eid days, said Managing Director WASA Raja Shaukat Mehmood here.

Talking to APP, he said that dredging of Nullah Leh is underway to prevent any flood like situation in the monsoon season and would be completed by July 7. He said heavy machinery including Suction pumps, Jetting Machines, Sewer Cleaning Machines, dewatering sets and water boozers are fully operational and deployed at four Flood centers located at Liaquat Bagh, Moti Mahal, Bagh Sardaran and Khyaban-e-Sir Syed. He advised the residents not to dump waste in the Nullah as it disrupts the flow of water in the city's main sewerage line. He said the area from Katarian upto Gawalmandi would be cleared by July 7.

Meanwhile expressing dissatisfaction over the performance of anti-dengue campaigns conducted by District Health Department in Rawalpindi, the Punjab Government has abolished Eid HOLIDAYS of workers of Health Department, TMAs, WASA and RDA asking them to perform their duties in anti-dengue campaigns vigilantly.

Expressing utter dissatisfaction over the performance of the anti dengue campaign in Rawalpindi over the report dispatched by the District Health Department the Punjab government has opted to deal with the situation in more scientific way. It has been decided to provide android cell phones to more than 450 anti-dengue campaigns in order to monitor performance of the workers.—Agencies

Linking routes to Dir and Chitral at Ziarat stop have been blocked from the rest of the region due to land sliding near Lowari Tunnel. Heavy rain in the area has caused lightning strike at Lowari Top that resulted in land sliding.

According to reports, four cars have also been drowned in floodwater. The mishap has also left two drivers injured who have been shifted to hospital. Reportedly, rescue teams have reopened the Dir road after cleaning process while work is underway to unblock the Chitral road for traffic. Several passengers have been stranded in Lowari Top due to the landslide. On the other hand, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) Chairman Imran Khan has also been scheduled to visit Chitral to get briefing over the rehabilitation of flood affectees.

ISLAMABAD: At least 67 huts along nullah Leh have been removed to avoid any loss of life keeping in view the possibility of floods during monsoon as per the forecast of Meteorological Department. To meet any emergency, Rawal Town has been divided into four sectors and the administration has decided to purchase five dewatering pumps on emergency basis to drain out rainwater from low lying areas of the city. A flood relief committee has also been constituted to handle any unseen situation.

The Water and Sanitation Agency (WASA) has speeded up the cleaning of nullah Leh whereas the workers of the Waste Management Company have been tasked to unclog 11 other nullahs which channel through the city. A high level meeting was chaired by Commissioner Azmat Mehmood which reviewed the arrangements for overcoming the expected floods. The meeting was attended by the district coordination officer, additional deputy commissioner general (ADCG), WASA MD Raja Shaukat, Rawalpindi Waste Management Company MD Irfan Qureshi and other officials. According to ADCG Nazia Parveen Sudhan, nomads had set up 67 huts, including other encroachments in Nadeem Colony along nullah Leh which were removed to reduce loss of lives during the expected floods.

PDMA/ PaRRSA-Report on Flash Floods in Chitral

As of July 3rd, 2016

Introduction

Torrential rain/cloud burst has hit Ursoon (Paitasun Gol) south-west of Chitral at 0930 pm on 02nd July, 2016, which resulted in flash floods in the stream located near Pak-Afghan border. The hill torrent washed away a mosque, Pak army check post and near-by houses (35 Full house damages, 47 Partial house damages) resulting in missing of 31 people and 28 moles.

Rescue and Search Operation of Pak-Army, Police, Levis and Scouts is under way, as a result 07 dead bodies have been recovered till now. Road networks in Chitral on main NHA roads are operational.

Causalities & House Damages

Deaths: 31 (07 confirmed) 35 Fully Damaged Houses

Injuries: 04 (Army Jawan) 47 Partially Damaged Houses

Relief Efforts

- Emergency has been declared in Tehsil Headquarter Hospital Drosh.
- Deputy Commissioner Chitral along with rescue & relief team has visited the affected area
- and distributed 50 Food and Non Food Items packages in the affected population.
- PDMA has requested NDMA for provision of Helli Service to provide relief in inaccessible areas of Chitral.
- Joint search and rescue operation of Pak-Army, Police, Chitral Scouts and Levis is under way to recover the 24 missing individuals.
- Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has placed CM official helicopter at the disposal of PDMA for immediate relief efforts.
- PDMA has already provided 500 tents to district administration Chitral in the second week of June, 2016.
- 100 food items have been dispatched for the affected areas from PDMA warehouse.
- In addition, Rs.15 million relief funds has been released to DC Chitral.
- Deputy Commissioner Swabi reported four persons died including two Chinese engineers after collapse of shutter in the under construction site.
- Two females injured after collapse of roof top in Mardan. (DC Control Room).
- Landslide was cleared by NHA at Karora, 52 KM away from Khwazakhela around 12.00 hrs. The road has been opened for traffic (NHA).

PDMA Monsoon Relief Distribution

Report from other Districts

Shoghor village, District Chitral is at the brink of devastation

Reported by JAD Foundation Chitral

25km in the north-west of District Chitral, Shoghor and Awi villages on the left and right bank of the river lotkoh are at brink of complete destruction. The lives and properties of over 160 families, including 1280 children, women and old aged people are likely at the high risk of flooding and river erosion. The chances of being flooded and casualties are getting much greater with the passage of every single day.

The critical infrastructure and structure of the village, including Schools, college, basic health unit, Aga Khan Medical Centre, police station, Bank, water supply scheme, power Unit, micro-enterprises and habitation are highly exposed to the temporary lake developing in the area with the increased volume river level.

The spell way of the river is not facilitating the required discharged of the increased river water and the temporary lake is developing which is exposing the lives and livelihood, community assets and the critical infrastructure to flooding and serious destruction.

Awi village on the right bank of river lotkoh was severely destroyed last year's flooding, could not be rehabilitated after one year. The flooding of last year destroyed the village, including the historical Royal Fort of Shoghor and wash away number of houses, schools and college.

The linked bridge of Karimabad and Arkari as well as the main road leading to Garumchashma was also swept away, and over hundred thousands people remained stranded about two long months without supply chain, essential medicine, advance medical treatment, lost jobs, employment and educational opportunities. Number of patients lost their lives owing to no access to health facilities. Pakistan Army provides emergency relief through helicopter services. The cost of chopper services were more expensive compared to the cost of destruction. With the increased warming of weather and much faster melting of glaciers and snow over the mountain in Lotkoh is continuing raising the roaring river level at shogor. The much more expensive bridge constructed to link 60,000 people of Karimabad and Arkari valleys is in dilapidated condition that may collapse at any time like the other bridge accident in Koshot Upper Chitral last month.

The local leader Mohammad Saeed-Hashim said that " we come from the brink of destruction last year, we gathered ourselves from the flood, we tried and we suffered too much, but in this crucial recovery stage, the chance of complete devastation is emotionally, mentally, psychologically and physically destroying us . We therefore, appeal on humanitarian ground to government, organizations and humanitarian lovers to save our lives and properties on humanitarian ground.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

NEWS HEADLINES

Global terrorism during 2016

The News, July 04, 2016

DETAILS

LAHORE: Thousands of innocent civilians and security personnel around the world have been killed in hundreds of incidents by terrorists during 2016—making the planet a more dangerous place to breathe on as blood continues to pour down the drains almost every day despite lot of measures being initiated internationally to harness the monster of terrorism.

It goes without saying that apart from terrorism, while many nations on the earth are today plagued with linguistic, communal, sectarian and ethnic violence, natural disasters and calamities like floods, earthquakes and storms etc, also continue to endanger human lives.

In addition, epidemics have an immense potential to imperil human existence too, raising a few question marks on the speed at which science and medicine are advancing vis-a-vis the diseases!

But coming back to the incidence of terrorism during 2016, research shows that while it has shattered the calm and tranquility of countries like United States, Belgium, Turkey and Israel etc, the menace could not be defeated in Pakistan, India, Afghanistan, Egypt, Bangladesh, Niger, Burkina Faso, Nigeria, Iraq, Somalia, Cameroon, Syria, Libya, Yemen, Congo and Ivory Coast.

The first dawn of 2016 had seen three people getting killed by an Arab-Israeli gunman Nasha'at Melhem in a Tel Aviv pub. The killer was apprehended on January 8 and shot dead. There were media reports that the attacker may have been inspired by the ISIS.

The second day of 2016 too was bloody as eight people, including seven security personnel, were shot dead by suspected militants at the Pathankot Air Base in India.

All the six attackers, disguised as soldiers, were later killed by Indian forces after a 15-hour gunfight though.

Here follow the major terrorism incidents (with 10 or more deaths) during 2016:

January 3: Two suicide bombers had detonated their vehicle-borne explosives at the western gate of Camp Speicher, a former United States base outside the Iraqi city of Tikrit, killing 15 security personnel. Three other suicide bombers had exploded themselves after entering the section of the base where Iraqi police were being trained.

January 7: At least 60 people were killed when a suicide truck bomb was detonated at a police training camp in Libya.

Meanwhile, on the same day, seven humans had perished in a car bombing incident at a checkpoint in the Libyan oil port of Ras Lanuf.

January 11: At least 12 people were killed in an attack on a Baghdad shopping mall.

January 11: Two huge bomb blasts, one at a teashop and the other at a mosque, had killed at least 100 people in Iraq.

January 12: About a dozen people had lost lives when a suicide bomber blew himself up in Istanbul.

January 13: A Suicide bomber had detonated himself near security personnel vehicles close to a polio centre in a town near Quetta, killing at least 15 people, including 13 policemen.

January 15: Some 63 people were killed during a massive siege in Somalia.

January 15-16: Gunmen had attacked a Burkina Faso restaurant and a hotel, killing 30 people. More than 100 hostages were taken.

January 16: Between 135 and 300 people were killed in Syria. International sources reported that the attack was against Syrian Army personnel and had killed 85 Syrian soldiers along with 50 civilians while Syrian sources said over 300 people were killed, most of whom were children and women. The ISIS (now called IS) had claimed responsibility.

January 17: Some 14 people were killed in the Afghan city of Jalalabad after a suicide bomber had struck a meeting (Jirga) at politician Obaidullah Shinwari's home.

January 17: Ten people were killed in Yemen after a suicide bomber had detonated his explosives at the residence of Aden city police chief, General Shalal Shaea, who had survived the attack.

January 19: Ten people had perished after a suicide bomber driving a motorcycle hit a roadside checkpoint near Peshawar.

January 22: A car bomb had 20 killed people in Somalia.

January 25: Four suspected Boko Haram suicide bombers attacked a busy market in north Cameroon, killing at least 28 people.

January 25: Some 23 people were killed in Syria after a suicide bomber driving a fuel tank had blown himself up at a checkpoint controlled by a Syrian rebel group.

January 26: Around 30 people were killed in Syria again by suicide bombers.

January 26: At least 10 people had lost lives after an Afghan police officer tied to the Taliban had drugged and killed his own colleagues in Afghanistan.

January 30: At least 86 people were killed and hundreds others injured in an attack by Boko Haram in Nigeria.

January 31: Between 45 and 60 people were killed in Syria.

February 1: At least 20 people were killed in Kabul at the entrance of the headquarters of the Afghan National Civil Order Police.

February 3: Some 15 people were killed in Syria.

February 8: Islamic State had executed over 300 police and army personnel, as well as civil activists by firing squad in the Iraqi city of Mosul.

February 9: Two female suicide bombers killed over 60 people in Nigeria.

February 13: Members of Boko Haram killed another 22 people in Nigeria.

February 17: A suicide bomber killed at least 13 Army recruits in Yemen

February 17: At least 30 people were killed by terrorists in the Turkish capital of Ankara. The attack had targeted the army buses.

February 19: Two suicide bombers attacked a market in the northern Cameroon, killing 24.

February 21: Over 100 people lost lives in bombing incidents in various Syrian cities.

February 22: Some 14 people were killed in Afghanistan.

February 25: Not fewer than 15 people were killed in the ever-restive Baghdad.

February 26: Another 14 people had lost lives in Somalia.

February 27: 13 people had lost lives in Afghanistan.

February 29: Over 40 humans were killed in Iraq.

February 29: 13 civilians were killed by suspected Ugandan rebels in Congo.

March 2: A suicide car bomb killed 18 rebels of the Syrian Revolutionary Front.

March 6: Suicide truck bombing in Iraq had claimed over 60 lives.

March 6: Terrorist attack left 14 people dead in Syria.

March 7: At least 10 people, including three police constables, were killed in the Pakistani city of Charsadda.

March 7: Attackers from Libya had attacked a barracks in Tunisia, killing 7 civilians and 10 soldiers.

March 13: Gunmen had attacked two hotels at an Ivory Coast beach resort popular with Western tourists. Over 19 were killed.

March 13: Ankara car bombing claimed 37 lives.

March 16: A bomb detonated in a bus carrying government employees in Peshawar. Over 15 were perished.

March 16: Two female suicide bombers had detonated their explosives at a Nigerian mosque during morning prayers, killing 22.

March 19: A mortar attack on a checkpoint in Egypt's restive Sinai Peninsula killed 13 policemen.

March 20: Over 24 Iraqi troops were killed in a triple suicide bombing on a municipality building by the ISIS.

March 22: At least 32 people were killed in three coordinated nail bombings at Brussels Airport in Belgium.

March 25: At least 41 had perished after a suicide bomber blew himself up in a crowd after a local football game in an Iraqi village.

March 25: At least 26 people were killed in a triple suicide car bomb that hit roadblocks manned by loyalist forces in Yemen.

March 26: At least 18 soldiers were killed in Iraq.

March 27: At least 72 people, including 29 children, were killed in a suicide bombing incident taking place at the main entrance of Lahore's Gulshan Iqbal Park.

April 7: At least 23 people were killed in Syria.

April 8: IS fighters had reportedly executed 175 of the 300 kidnapped cement workers outside the Syrian capital Damascus.

April 9: At least 17 Yemeni soldiers were executed by terrorists.

April 9: At least 18 Filipino soldiers were killed and 52 injured in clashes with Abu Sayyaf militants.

April 11: Around a dozen people were killed in Afghanistan.

April 23: The IS had reportedly killed 45 by locking inside a forensic freezer after they attempted to flee during a battle in Iraq.

April 24: Over 30 people were executed in Nigeria by Boko Haram.

April 25: Some 16 people had perished in Syria.

April 30: A suicide bomber driving a car had killed at least 38 people in Baghdad.

May 1: Some 22 people were killed in Somalia and 33 in Iraq.

May 2: Another 18 people were sent to their graves by a suicide bomber in Baghdad. Nearly 20 more people were shot dead in Iraq the same day.

May 3: At least 38 people were killed by suspected rebels in Congo.

May 4: Over 15 people were killed in Syria.

May 5: At least 12 people were killed and 45 injured, some of them seriously, in twin suicide blasts in Syria.

May 5: At least 25 people were shot dead in Iraq.

May 7: The remains of over 160 people were found in over 50 mass graves after IS committed a mass execution and genocide in Iraq.

May 9: A car bomb claimed by ISIL exploded in the eastern Iraqi city of Baquba. It killed at least 16 civilians.

May 10: A suicide car bombing in an eastern Afghan region bordering Pakistan had claimed a dozen lives.

May 11: Suicide bombings in Iraq had claimed over 100 lives.

May 11: Over 13 lives were lost to terrorism in Yemen.

May 11: Some 45 people had succumbed to terrorism in Syria.

May 12: At least 15 lives were lost to terrorism in Yemen again.

May 12: Over 50 people were killed by militants in Syria.

May 14: 20 more people were killed in Syria.

May 15: A suicide bombing killed at least 47 in a southern Yemenis city.

May 16: At least 21 were killed in Iraq.

May 17: A series of eight attacks in Baghdad killed over 100 people.

May 22: A suicide operation had killed more than a dozen Kurdish security personnel in Syria.

May 23: At least 45 people were killed in Yemen.

May 23: Nearly 190 people were killed in a series of car bomb and suicide attacks in the Syrian cities of Jableh and Tartus.

May 25: Around a dozen people had lost lives in Kabul.

May 29: IS killed over 25 Iraqis in various cities of the country, while another 12 Real Madrid Football Club fans were killed watching the 2016 UEFA Cup Champions League Final in the city of Balad.

May 31: The Taliban executed at least 17 people after kidnapping around 220 people on buses and in cars at a fake checkpoint in Afghanistan.

June 1: A suicide bomber detonated a car bomb outside a Somalian hotel, killing at least 16.

June 4: At least 32 people were killed after hundreds of members of Boko Haram had attacked the city of Bosso in Niger.

June 5 and 6: Attacks in Kazakhstan had killed 10.

June 5: At least 38 people were executed in Syria.

June 5: Over 400 Iraqi soldiers were found dead, many with gun wounds. The soldiers were likely executed on an unknown date.

June 6: Nearly 80 Iraqis were executed in various cities.

June 7: Over 20 were killed and over 40 injured after terrorist groups shelled a Syrian city.

June 8: At least 16 people were kidnapped and gunned down in Afghanistan.

June 9: Another 12 Iraqis were killed.

June 9: A wave of attacks in Syria had again left at least 54 dead.

June 10: Some 32 people were killed in Libya.

June 10: Around 30 civilians were killed in Iraq by ISIS (NOW IS).

June 11: Another 70 killed in Syria.

June 12: Some 49 people were killed when an alleged lone-wolf gunman entered a gay nightclub in Orlando, United States.

June 14: The IS had attacked Iraqi security forces, killing 40 plus soldiers.

June 17: At least 24 people were killed and at least 10 injured after Boko Haram militants had attacked a funeral in Nigeria.

June 20: In Afghanistan, at least 14 Afghan and Nepali security contractors were killed and 8 were injured when a suicide bomber detonated outside the minibus they were in. The people killed were security guards at the Canadian Embassy in Kabul.

June 20: At least 10 more people had lost lives in Afghanistan at the hands of suicide bombers.

June 22: Over 50 people were killed in Libya after a clash between security forces and IS dozens of assailants were also killed.

June 22: 30 people were killed and dozens more injured after an explosion at a Libyan ammunitions depot.

June 24: More than 20 were killed in Afghanistan.

June 25: Car bombings in Somalia had claimed 15 lives.

Pakistan's operation against terrorism has been successful: John McCain

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Eliminating the terrorist scourge?

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June 27: Around 50 perished in Yemen.

June 28: Three suicide attackers opened fire on civilians around them and blew themselves up at Istanbul Airport, killing at least 45 people.

June 28: At least 14 people were killed after a suicide bombing incident in Iraq.

June 29: At least 10 people were killed after a suicide bomber drove his car into a building and blew himself in Syria.

June 30: At least 40 people were killed after two Taliban suicide bombers had attacked police cadets returning from a graduation ceremony outside of Kabul.

June 30: Over 15 had lost lives in a suicide bombing incident in Cameroon.

June 30: At least 18 people were killed in Somalia after a bomb on a roadside went off when a minibus carrying people had passed over it. And just a couple of days ago, some 20 people inside Dhaka's Holey Artisan Bakery cafe were killed by militants who claimed they hailed from the IS or the Daesh.

According to the CNN, the people killed included nine Italian, seven Japanese, one Indian, two Bangladeshis and one American citizen of Bangladeshi origin.

MIRANSHAH: United States senator John McCain took a brief tour of Miranshah and was all praises for Pakistan army's efforts to clear the area from militants.

According to details, John McCain stated that Pakistan's operation against terrorism had been successful. McCain also said that after visiting the area, he had been satisfied after witnessing first-hand the prevailing law and order situation there.

McCain also said that he would report back and apprise others regarding the importance of American aid to Pakistan for fighting militancy and terrorism.

The American delegation was also briefed on important issues such as border management with Afghanistan and the return of Afghan refugees back to their own country.

Senator John McCain, who had lost out to incumbent United States President Barack Obama in the 2008 US Presidential elections, visited Miranshah along with an American delegation to take stock of the security situation of the area.

From Afghanistan to Turkey, Egypt and Pakistan, to Bangladesh, almost the entire so-called Muslim world is being ravaged by a ferocious wave of fundamentalist terror during the last few days of the Ramazan, and before Eid-ul-Fitr, a festival to celebrate culmination of fasting. For the last few decades, ordinary souls instead of celebration have been inflicted with vicious terror and mayhem. Governments and their repressive state and security apparatus have shown to be incapable of predicting or stopping terrorist acts, and life has become more agonising for the ordinary folk during this holy month. In whole of the Middle East this situation has exacerbated with the temporary derailing and retreat of the revolutionary upheaval of 2011. In the case of Libya, Iraq, Yemen and Syria, collapse of these states at varying degrees is leading to genocide by warring factions.

This religious terrorism has inflicted insult upon injury upon the teeming millions of the inhabitants of these so-called Islamic countries that have been already suffering from misery, poverty, disease and deprivation under the rule of these "democratic," dictatorial and monarchical/theocratic regimes, whose main aim has been to perpetuate the rule of rotten capitalism that is imposed upon these societies in various designs and pretences. These ongoing acts of terrorism show that the situation is worsening with instability and turmoil and economic ramifications that come with this menace for the already deprived populace.

On Thursday, June 30, a massive Taliban-detonated bomb on the police academy near the capital Kabul took at least 27 lives, wounding 40. Mousa Rahmati, the district governor of Paghman, told the Associated Press that Thursday's attack took place about 20 kilometre to the west of Kabul. He said the trainee police officers were returning from a training centre in Wardak province and were heading to the capital on leave for Eid holidays. Former Afghan parliamentarian Daoud Sultanzoy told Al-Jazeera, "This attacker and the group had enough information to conduct this atrocity in a well planned manner...The Taliban, will increase their attacks..."

This attack is the latest major assault by the group, and comes just nine days after 14 Nepali security guards were killed in a suicide bomb attack on their minibus, also in the city. In the last few months the various groups of the Taliban have enhanced their acts of terror in the wake of the withdrawal of the imperialist forces, and their rush to attain more and more control of the areas under their rule in Afghanistan. On one hand, it is the internecine war between various groups of the religious and not-so-religious warlords to expand their fiefdoms for plunder, while on the other, a large number of these terrorist outfits are the proxies of various imperialist states in the region and internationally.

In Turkey, as the "moderate" Islamic regime of Tayyip Erdogan lurches towards despotism with severe press censorship, attacks on gay activists, the oppression of Kurds, attacks on trade unions and left youth movements. However, its secret dealings with the Daesh are coming home to roost in the form of increasing terrorism. As we have been witnessing in Pakistan, Turkish state repression and military operations have failed to weed out terrorist groups or their vicious acts of bloodshed and mayhem. Again, it's the ordinary people who suffer the most from this state and non-state terrorism. On Tuesday, June 28, three suicide bombers opened fire, and then blew themselves up in Istanbul's main international airport, killing at least 42 people and wounding another 239, in what Turkey's prime minister said appeared to have been an attack by the militant Islamic State (IS).

However, this is the latest in a string of attacks that have struck Turkey in recent months. On June

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7, at least seven police officers and four civilians died when a bomb ripped through a police vehicle near the historic centre of Istanbul. On March 19, three Israelis and an Iranian were killed, and dozens injured in a suicide bombing blamed on IS militants targeting an Istanbul shopping thoroughfare, the Istiklal Caddesi. On March 13, 34 people were killed, and dozens wounded in a suicide car bomb attack in Ankara. On February 17, 29 people were killed in a car bomb targeting the Turkish military in Ankara. On January 12, an attack that was targeted on Germany and the EU, 11 German tourists were killed, and another 16 people wounded in a suicide attack in Istanbul's Sultanahmet district, the ancient tourist heart of the city and home of the Blue Mosque.

On the question of the involvement of the IS in these attacks is dubious. The IS so far has claimed only one relatively minor attack in the last year. On the other hand, Erdogan's relationship with the IS is dubious. It's much like his counterparts in Pakistan who "run with the hare and hunt with the hounds" since the 1978 Saur revolution in Afghanistan, and are now facing the music of their own Frankenstein monsters. Even a mainstream bourgeois editorial in Pakistan exposed this duplicity of the Erdoğan regime and the Turkish state, "In this vortex of military, diplomatic and humanitarian crises, Turkey has to decide which side it is on. The Syrian war is a multilateral conflict, but it often appears President Erdogan's government looks at it through its Kurdish prism and believes in a 'get Assad first' philosophy... Also, Ankara is grossly mistaken if it thinks IS could help it sort the Kurds out; it should know that IS does not believe in any alliances; it believes in a kill-all philosophy, which considers death and destruction an end in themselves. It is time Ankara clarified its thinking and made the right choice."

In the midst of the relentless crisis their systems are inflicted with, they cannot ever resolve or find a way out. They play these double games, and often use these non-state actors as allies or proxies to enforce the writ of their eroding and corrupt bourgeois states. The ruling classes and their states have connived with and sponsored this religious fanaticism to drive a wedge for splintering the movements of emancipation of the workers and the youth that erupt time and again in these societies. This reactionary bourgeois unleashes and props up these intransigent bigots to carry out these atrocities to perpetuate their rulership. But these policies have often backfired on them. This mayhem exposes the fact that like fascism this fundamentalist terror is in the distilled essence of capitalism in terminal decay. Ultimately, the elimination of terrorism is linked to the obliteration of the capitalist system itself. Any other solution is nothing but deceptive and impotent verbosity. The oppressed workers and youth in these lands have arisen in revolutionary movements in the past, and they shall have to carryout a socialist revolution to emancipate society from this scourge.

SUKKUR: It is our national resolve to root out terrorism once and for all, said Benazir Income Support Programme chairperson Marvi Memon.

Talking to the media after offering condolences to the martyrs of Sindh police in Sukkur on Sunday, she said that peace and stability is the future of Pakistan.

Referring to the sacrifices given by soldiers and officers of the Pakistan Army and police in the war against terror, she said the martyrs have sacrificed their lives for a peaceful and prosperous Pakistan. Talking about the achievements of operation Zarb-e-Azb, she paid glowing tributes to the martyrs. According to her, the army has broken the backbone of the terrorists.

Memon further said that the soldiers of Pakistan Army, who laid their lives for the sacred national cause, were at the forefront in the success of this operation. She added that the jawans of the police and other security agencies who sacrificed their lives were also part of this success.

She stated that the Pakistan Muslim League – Nawaz-led government is committed to making Pakistan a peaceful land, where economic activities are promoted so that the youth could get better education and enhance their skills. "Therefore, we are making all-out efforts to provide them such an environment where they can demonstrate their skills effectively," she said.

According to Memon, BISP is dedicated to facilitating its beneficiaries to the maximum possible extent in a transparent manner. She claimed that BISP will soon introduce biometric-based payment system in the districts of Multan, Mianwali, Mirpurkhas and Sanghar. This new payment system will benefit the beneficiaries who already have smart cards to draw their funds. She said that BISP beneficiaries have been informed in advance that the payments in the mentioned districts may be delayed by three weeks. However, she said, BISP is making sure that beneficiaries in these districts should begin benefiting from the new payment system by the middle of next month.

Earlier, she went to the house of slain policeman Gulsher Dreho in New Pind, Sukkur, to offer condolences to his family. Dreho was recently martyred during an exchange of fire with criminals near Gadani railway crossing in Sukkur.

Later, she went to Jahan Khan town of Shikarpur district, where a large number of BISP beneficiaries complained about the non-operational ATMs. She assured them that the matter will be taken up with the relevant banks and resolved shortly.

"We condemn and sympathize to those who have lost their dear ones in this terrorist attack": FO Spokesperson

Foreign Office spokesperson Nafees Zakariya has said that Pakistan strongly condemns terrorism in all its forms and manifestations. We condemn and sympathize to those who have lost their dear ones in this terrorist attack. Talking in the programme today, he said this is the reason that Pakistan has strongly denounced the terrorist attack in Dhaka.

Pakistan has strongly denounced the terrorist attack in Dhaka which resulted in the loss of precious lives. In a statement, foreign office spokesperson said the Government and people of Pakistan extend their heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and the brotherly people of Bangladesh over the loss of innocent lives in the despicable incident and wish the injured early

UN officials call for preventive approach to combat terrorism, extremism

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recovery. Pakistan stands in solidarity with the brotherly people of Bangladesh and is confident that Bangladesh government will effectively deal with those involved in such cowardly acts. Meanwhile, security forces have completed operation for recovery of hostages in a restaurant in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Army spokesman Lt. Col. Tuhin Mohammad Masud told media that at least six militants have been killed and some captured. About 35 people were taken hostage, including 20 foreigners, when gunmen stormed the restaurant last night.

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon has called on the international community to act with unity and resolve the unprecedented levels of terrorism and violent extremism across the world. "We have an urgent moral duty to do all we can to prevent and end this carnage," the Secretary-General said at the opening of a two-day meeting in New York on the fifth review of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy. It is a global instrument adopted by the General Assembly in 2006 to enhance national, regional and international efforts to counter terrorism.

"Taking collective preventive action against terrorism, in the spirit of our United Nations Charter, is the only way to secure peace and prosperity for succeeding generations," the secretary-general added.

While there has been progressing in the implementation of the counter-terrorism strategy that was adopted 10 years ago, important shifts have occurred in the global terrorism landscape since then, with the strategy encountering "unforeseen challenges". He referred to information technologies which spread "poisonous" violent extremist ideologies, the easy availability of arms, the flow of foreign terrorist fighters across borders and heightened media attention have all contributed to creating an environment where terrorists have taken control of vast swaths of territory, resources, and populations in "vortex of protracted conflicts, ungoverned spaces, and terrorism." "Terrorism transcends cultures and geographical boundaries. It cannot be associated with any one religion, nationality or ethnic group. It affects all countries," he stressed, noting also the recent terror attack in Istanbul. Ban-Ki-Moon underlined that as explained in his 'Plan of Action to Prevent Violent Extremism', a more systematic, preventive approach is necessary to address the drivers of violent extremism. He highlighted the four pillars of the counter-terrorism strategy as they relate to addressing the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism; preventing and combating terrorism; building States' capacity and strengthening the role of the UN, and ensuring human rights and the rule of law.

Expressing concern about the growing drift in many countries and regions towards bigotry, anti-Muslim hatred, anti-Semitism, xenophobia, homophobia and outright racism, Ban emphasised that the General Assembly is the forum to forge and reinforce a global consensus in the fight against terrorism and violent extremism. Also speaking at the opening, the General Assembly President, Mogens Lykkesøft, highlighted that consultations on the global counter-terrorism strategy were a unique opportunity to discuss how to make the UN more relevant, more credible, more legitimate and more capable in responding to terrorism.

"In these last years, we have been alarmed by the acts of intolerance, and violent extremism conducive to terrorism, violence, including sectarian violence, and terrorism in various parts of the world, which claim innocent lives, cause destruction, displace people and divide communities," he said.

Calling on the Member States to commit to concrete action to keep the strategy relevant and contemporary, Lykkesøft said such action is necessary for the light of emerging new threats and evolving trends. "We cannot allow ourselves to send a message of disunity to the world when our peoples and our community of nations face such a grave challenge," he stressed, urging agreement on an outcome that sends a common message from the international community.

"Doing so will enable the UN to continue to improve its response to new and evolving threats to international peace and security, to the 2030 agenda, the pursuit of the rule of law and the realisation of human rights for all," Lykkesøft added.

WASHINGTON: The United States underlined the need of effective coordination to counter terrorism in the South Asian region, saying all governments need to work more closely to prevent terrorist attacks.

At a regular briefing at the US State Department, Spokesman Mark Toner said that the United States was working closely with Pakistan and India on counterterrorism efforts. "Part of the solution is more effective coordination," the spokesman said while replying to a question on terrorism.

"Pakistan and India, the United States, Afghanistan, all those countries have to work more closely together".

"Many of these terrorist groups operate within that environment and all of the governments in the region have to be diligent about taking the fight to these terrorist groups, which may use safe haven in one country to carry out attacks on another country", he added. "That's part of effectively cordoning off and really choking off these terrorist groups. And we all need to do a better job at it," the spokesman said.

Replying to a question, Spokesman Toner said that the United States work closely with India and Pakistan on counterterrorism efforts in the region, adding that "we need to work effectively with all the countries in the region in order to increase our ability to combat terrorism and to bring stability to the region".

KARACHI: An anti-terrorism court dismissed on Thursday an application filed by the Rangers, challenging permission granted to Muttahida Qaumi Movement (MQM) leader Wasim Akhtar to go abroad.

Akhtar, who is also MQM's mayoral candidate, has been nominated as co-accused in the terrorism

Combined efforts needed to counter terrorism in South Asia

Business Recorder, June 30, 2016

Terrorism facilitation case: ATC dismisses Rangers' application

Express Tribune, June 30, 2016

India should stop spreading terrorism in Pakistan: HC Abdul Basit
Pakistan Today, June 30, 2016

Terrorism is without any religious segregation
Daily Times, June 29, 2016

Looking back: 15 Pakistanis silenced by terrorism
Express Tribune, June 28, 2016

facilitation case against former petroleum minister Dr Asim Hussain. He was recently allowed by the same court to fly out of the country.

The Rangers – a complainant in this case – reiterated their earlier apprehension that the MQM leader might not come back to the country. The paramilitary force counsel asserted that the bail to the suspect was not even confirmed by the court. There are evidences for his involvement in the case and his absence may affect the proceedings, the lawyer maintained, pleading that the ATC-II incharge judge review the previous order.

Akhtar's attorney, however, submitted that his client was going for some personal work while his family was here in the country. Akhtar will definitely come back as he wants to face the trial, added the attorney.

After listening to the arguments, the judge, Shakeel Haider, upheld his previous order and dismissed the paramilitary force's plea. The case pertains to alleged harbouring and treatment of militants belonging to different political and religious organisations at Ziauddin Hospitals, which are run by Dr Asim. Besides Akhtar, MQM's Rauf Siddiqui, Pakistan Peoples Party's Qadir Patel, Pak Sarzameen Party's Anis Kaimkhani and socio-political group Pasban-e-Pakistan's Usman Moazzam have been nominated in the case for allegedly asking favours for the suspected militants. MQM's London-based leader Saleem Shahzad is, however, absconding in this case.

Pakistan's High Commissioner to India Abdul Basit has warned India to stop spreading terror in Pakistan. He expressed these views while talking to a private TV on Thursday. Basit said Pakistan is in no hurry to negotiate with India. "We want talks with India on equal basis." He further said he can't confirm exact date of Pak-India dialogue.

"India is making continuous efforts to destabilise Pakistan. The issue of Kulbhushan Yadav is serious as more arrests have been made. Kulbhushan network is involved in terrorism in Pakistan," he said.

KARACHI: Pakistan People's Party (PPP) Chairman Bilawal Bhutto Wednesday condemned in strongest possible terms the ghastly terrorist attacks on Ataturk International Airport in Istanbul, Turkey.

"Terrorists are targeting where-ever they are able to reach. Indeed, terrorism is a monster for humankind without any religious segregation. Both extremism and terrorism cannot be stemmed until terror factories and their funding is stopped worldwide," Bilawal said.

He expressed solidarity with the Turkish people, especially the families of victims and condoled with them on their losses.

"Our thoughts and prayers go out for every victim and their families and may Almighty Allah rest the departed souls in peace," he added.

Three suicide bombers opened fire then blew themselves up in Istanbul's main international airport on Tuesday, killing 36 people and wounding close to 150 in what Turkey's prime minister said appeared to have been an attack by Islamic State militants.

Terrorist groups would have you believe they are doing God's work when they attack parks filled with children or gun down Sufi artists, such as Amjad Sabri. They're not. Terrorism has no religion.

In the past decade, terrorism has claimed the lives of Pakistan's most brilliant minds, our most outspoken activists, our most valiant politicians, and above all those who challenged the extremist mindset.

Over the past decade, we have lost several exceptional personalities to targeted terrorist attacks. People we mourned for; people who united us as a nation in outrage and resolve; people who we have now forgotten. This is nothing but a small tribute to them.

June 2016: Amjad Sabri

The legendary qawwal's life came to an end when unidentified armed motorcyclists shot him dead in broad daylight. Thousands of supporters, fans and friends gathered to mourn Sabri's tragic death and to pay their last respects. The famed qawwal was buried next to his father at Paposhnagar graveyard, Nazimabad.

It was as if the Sufi singer knew his time had come. Hours before his death, Sabri appeared on a Sehri transmission, where he recited his last naat, requesting Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) to come to his rescue when he arrives in his grave.

May 2016: Khurram Zaki

Known for his outspoken stance against the Taliban and other radical militant groups, rights activist Khurram Zaki was shot dead by unidentified assailants in Karachi, last month.

Zaki was vocal against extremist elements and had started a campaign against Maulana Abdul Aziz when the latter refused to condemn the December 2014 Peshawar attack which claimed the lives of over 130 schoolchildren.

An editor for the blog 'Let Us Build Pakistan' and a former television journalist, he had been actively campaigning against sectarian violence.

August 2015: Shuja Khanzada

In an alleged retaliation for the killing of Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ) chief Malik Ishaq and a senior al Qaeda commander for Punjab, Punjab Home Minister Col (retd) Shuja Khanzada was killed along with 16 others in a suicide blast at his political office in Shadi Khan near Attock.

Khanzada was reportedly trapped under the rubble along with 24 other people as the entire structure of his office building collapsed. 16 other people lost their lives in the attack.

A year on, a suspect believed to be involved in the attack is yet to be indicted because the government has not appointed a prosecutor for the special court set up under the Protection of Pakistan Act (PPA), 2014.

April 2015: Dr Syed Wahidur Rehman

An assistant professor from the University of Karachi, Dr Syed Wahidur Rehman, was driving his green Suzuki Cultus when he was shot multiple times in Federal B Area.

Popularly known as Yasir Rizvi, police reports revealed the murder could be a case of mistaken identity and, hence, sectarian killing. In August 2015, an anti-terrorism court released Rehman's suspected killer over lack of evidence.

April 2015: Sabeen Mahmud

The nation was left in a state of shock when founder of The Second Floor (T2F) café and social activist Sabeen Mahmud was shot dead on her way home from work.

Sabeen was shot five times and was pronounced dead on arrival at the National Medical Centre. Her mother suffered injuries. Months after the incident, Sabeen's driver and a prime witness to her murder was also shot dead.

Last month, army chief General Raheel Sharif signed the death warrants of 'hardcore terrorists' for their involvement in Mahmud's murder.

September 2014: Dr Muhammad Shakil Auj

The 54-year-old outspoken dean of Islamic Studies Faculty at the University of Karachi was silenced by a single 9mm bullet in Gulshan-e-Iqbal in September 2014.

Muhammad Shakil Auj, known for his liberal views, had been labeled a 'blasphemer' in a text message campaign. He was shot dead while driving to an Iranian cultural centre where he was invited as guest of honour.

July 2014: Syed Mubarak Raza Kazmi

Senior lawyer Syed Mubarak Raza Kazmi, 60, was killed in a suspected sectarian attack in Karachi's Gulshan-e-Iqbal area.

According to police reports, Kazmi, the son-in-law of scholar Allama Talib Jauhri, was buying fruit from a local market when four men riding two motorcycles ended his life.

In August 2014, the District West police claimed to have apprehended a suspect allegedly involved in Kazmi's murder case.

May 2014: Rashid Rehman

Human rights activist Advocate Rashid Rehman died on the spot after two armed men opened fire at him in his private chamber near Kutchery Square, Multan.

Rehman, who was also the coordinator for the Punjab office of the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCP), had been facing death threats for pleading the case of a blasphemy suspect. He had been threatened by the prosecution during a court hearing.

In January 2016, Rehman's sister Lubna Nadeem told a Senate panel that she was trying in vain to bring to justice the culprits who were allegedly involved in her brother's murder.

January 2014: Chaudhry Aslam

A suicide bomb blast by the Taliban killed arguably Pakistan's best known police-commander, Superintendent of Police (SP) Crime Investigation Department (CID) Chaudhry Aslam, near Essa Nagri at the Lyari Expressway in Karachi.

The Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), which had also carried out an attack on Aslam's house in 2011, claimed responsibility for the blast.

A year later, police officials arrested two suspects identified as Dawood Mehsud and Azeem Mehsud, who had planned the attack on Aslam's house.

March 2013: Perween Rahman

Known as 'Karachi's mother', Perween Rahman was killed in a targeted attack in Orangi Town.

Director of one of Pakistan's most celebrated socially responsive organisations, the Orangi Pilot Project Research and Training Institute, Rahman's death left a vacuum in the metropolis.

In May 2016, three years after the prominent social worker was shot dead, Karachi police claimed they had finally apprehended the prime suspect in Rahman's assassination.

March 2013: Sibte Jafar

In March 2013, Karachi lost another professor at the hands of terrorists. Poet and former principal of Liaquatabad College Professor Sibte Jafar was shot dead by unidentified armed men.

Jafar was a lawyer, renowned poet, educationist and a scholar and apart from his educational duties, he was well known for his sozkhwani and marsia recitals.

In April 2013, police arrested two suspects involved in Jafar's murder, from Karachi's Surjani Town area. The suspects belonged to the banned Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ).

December 2012: Bashir Ahmed Bilour

K-P Senior Minister Bashir Ahmed Bilour was killed when a suicide bomber allegedly detonated his explosives during an Awami National Party (ANP) rally. Bilour was shifted to Lady Reading Hospital in critical condition, where he succumbed to injuries. Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack.

Commending Bilour for his bravery, his elder brother recalled that Bilour never fussed much about security, but he was always accompanied by one or two guards.

January 2011: Salmaan Taseer

An assassination which Pakistan will never forget. The high-profile governor of Punjab was gunned down in Islamabad's Kohsar Market, by his guard Mumtaz Qadri. Qadri, a former police commando claimed that he killed Taseer because of his support for an individual accused for blasphemy.

Months after Taseer's murder, his son Shahbaz Taseer was abducted from Lahore. However, things changed for the Taseer family when the self-confessed killer of Salmaan was hanged in Adiala Jail in February this year, a month after which, Shahbaz too, returned home after five years in captivity.

June 2009: Maulana Sarfraz Naeemi

Principal of the Jamia Naeemia and a renowned religious scholar of Pakistan, Maulana Sarfraz Naeemi was killed in an alleged targeted suicide attack at his seminary's office in Lahore.

Maulana Naeemi was the son of former chairman of the Ruet-e-Hilal Committee and founder of Jamia Naeemia, Mufti Mohammad Husain Naeemi. Hundreds of protesters came out on the streets of Lahore after his death. Maulana Naeemi was known for his moderate view of Islam as well as his strong opposition to the Taliban. Naeemi was of the view that the current Taliban are not Islamic, but are rather supported by the West.

December 2007: Benazir Bhutto

The first female prime minister of an Islamic Republic, Benazir Bhutto was killed during an election rally in Islamabad when an unidentified assailant shot at her. The attack was followed by a bomb blast. Over 20 others were killed in the attack and several others injured.

One of the witnesses in Benazir's murder case, American journalist Mark Siegel told an ATC in October 2015 that days before she travelled to Pakistan, slain prime minister Benazir Bhutto received threatening phone calls from the then president Pervez Musharraf, warning her of threats to her life should she choose to return before the 2007 elections.

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KARACHI: Sindh Education Foundation (SEF), Govt. of Sindh officially launched a program recently to establish middle and high schools in the province in a bid with an overall objective to gradually to bridge the upsettingly huge gap between primary and post-primary education in the province. Under the banner of the SEF Middle and High School (SMHS) Program, with the support of Sindh Government's Education & Literacy Department, the Foundation has finalized selection of approximately 60 School Operators for establishment of around 125 Middle/High schools in Sindh. These schools are planned to be set up in areas where there are no post-primary schools. With financial and technical support extended to these post-primary schools, SEF would accomplish enrollment of 30,000 students in Phase I, making a small breakthrough. The overall target assigned to the Foundation under this program is to reach out to estimated 200,000 students in the coming 05 years. SEF, which is a semi-autonomous body working under a Board of Governors headed by the Chief Minister Sindh and with Senior Minister for Education and Literacy Department as its vice chairman, would provide financial and technical support for establishment and management of middle and high schools. According to the SEMIS Data of the year 2014-15, 90% of the public schools in the province are primary, leaving perturbing 10% of all three types of schools combined, i.e. Middle/Elementary, Secondary and Higher Secondary. According to the data, 42,342 schools are primary, 2,336 are middle/elementary, 1,752 are secondary and only 294 are higher secondary. One of the reasons behind the huge dropout ratio to post-primary education in the province, as evident from the numbers mentioned above, is lack of primary schools. Addressing the gathering, SEF Managing Director, Naheed S. Durrani said, "We want to change the perspective and approach towards education in the province. We want to support establishment of schools that can empower the students." "It's time we provide students with the quality schooling which is aligned with modern methods of teaching and learning supplemented by ICT," she added. The session was attended by two members of the SEF BoG, who have recently joined the board namely Nazir A. Tunio and Husnain Qamar Shah. Both the members are presently involved in multifaceted activities relating to education in Sindh. Operators have been selected after a comprehensive, transparent, and merit-based process from scrutiny of applications and to selection of successful operators.—INP

RAWALPINDI: The Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (BISE) Rawalpindi has requested the provincial government to carry out a special audit of the construction of the board's new building, it has been learnt. Officials at the BISE informed *The Express Tribune* that the authorities had asked the Punjab government to carry out a special audit of the money spent on the building before making the final payment. Construction of the building for the BISE was completed near Morgah at the cost of Rs800 million in 2013. Before the construction of the building, there were several offices of the board across the city creating problems for the candidates. According to the officials, the board has yet to pay Rs120 million to the contractor but the money will only be released after the special audit was carried out. The officials said that the board had constructed the office from its own sources. To remove all doubts and risks, the board has decided to request the special audit. The new office of the BISE in Morgah accommodates all branches of the board under one building facilitating visiting students and candidates. The office has its administration, finance, stores, meeting, enquiry, physical education, legal cell, and registration branches under the BISE secretary's office. Presence of all branches in one building has made it easy for the visitors to get their work done without delay. The BISE Secretary, Rana Javaid, when contacted, said that the board had asked the provincial government to initiate a special audit of the building project. He said that the complex consisted of over 40 kanals of land and that the office would meet the requirements of the board for the next 50 years. Javaid said that it was necessary for the board to have the audit as the costly project was completed by the BISE through its own resources.

NEW KARACHI: An explosion caused by a gas cylinder on Monday killed at least five as the roof of a cold depot collapsed in the New Karachi area. Five dead bodies were taken out from under the rubble. Rescue activities were being carried out at the site. Three people were pulled out of the wreckage and shifted to a hospital. A neighbouring factory also suffered damage in the gas cylinder explosion. Due to the blast, the gas leakage from the cold depot caused difficulties for the residents.

PESHAWAR: If healthy power consumers are feeling the heat in the absence of electricity, the situation for patients at hospitals is far worse. According to the Khyber Teaching Hospital (KTH) administration, the fluctuating power supply and low voltage had disrupted routine activity, such as important surgeries, at the medical facility. Apart from surgeries, services at the outpatient department, diagnosis and dialysis were also hampered. Also, the air conditioning plant and other equipment was damaged," a statement issued by the KTH administration read. Officials dealing with administrative affairs told *The Express Tribune* after Lady Reading Hospital (LRH), KTH catered to the highest number of patients in the provincial capital. He added people from Peshawar and neighbouring districts visited the facility on a daily basis. "The wards are overcrowded and you can feel it with the absence of air conditioning. At the children's wards, there are not only kids but also their mothers who stay inside," an official said. He stated standby generators were available at the facility, but were being used for emergency. The official said power supply was fluctuating and that could damage generators as well. Meanwhile, the official statement issued by the KTH administration read patients were suffering in the heat and they also protested outside the facility. It stated the hospital administration was trying to control the situation.

No bus service between Peshawar, Jalalabad for a month

Daily Dawn July 3, 2016

LANDI KOTAL: The bus service between Peshawar and Jalalabad in Afghanistan via the Torkham border has been lying suspended for over a month as the Pakistan government has refused to give security clearance to three of the five transport companies operating the service. The service was suspended on May 30 when the last date for Afghan nationals entering Pakistan without legal travel documents expired. Haji Nasir Khan, the owner of the United Transport Company, told Dawn that though his company and the Asia Transport Company had been allowed to continue the bus service, the remaining three companies had been denied permission to do so. He said that the Pakistani authorities had refused to issue security clearance to Afghanistan-based Pak Afghan Ettehad, Mustafa Yaran and Khabar Kamran companies in May. No reason was cited for refusal of security clearance to the three companies, he said, adding that the remaining two, each having a fleet of seven buses and coaches, had been allowed to continue their operation. The buses popularly known as Pak-Afghan Dosti Service would carry as many as 250 passengers on a daily basis. The passengers were required to present at the Torkham border either their national identity cards or Afghan refugees cards for their identification. Mr Khan said that the bus service was launched in 2006 and he and the owner of the Asia Transport Company had invested a huge amount in the business by establishing separate bus terminals, acquiring staff and buying new coaches and buses. Mr Khan blamed the Afghanistan-based companies for suspension of the service as owners of the companies and other Afghan transporters were not allowing the Pakistani companies to continue the service. "They have threatened our drivers and passengers and warned that our vehicles would be torched if we try to cross the border into Afghanistan," he said. "Even the Afghan government is not taking any action against the transport companies despite repeated complaints."

A comprehensive plan for promotion of education in GB

Radio Pakistan July 3, 2016

In Gilgit-Baltistan, provincial government is implementing a comprehensive plan for promotion of education. Under annual development program, an amount of over nine hundred forty million rupees has been allocated which is eight percent of the total development budget. Out of one hundred and five, various projects seventy-three will be completed by end of this fiscal year. In the budget, special funds were allocated for cadet college Skardu phase III.

Construction work on northern bypass peshawar underway

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ISLAMABAD: The construction work on Northern Bypass Peshawar is in progress. Sources of National Highway Authority told Radio Pakistan Peshawar representative that 34-km long northern bypass will be completed at a cost of over Rs nine billion in two years. The four lanes bypass will link Islamabad-Peshawar Motorway with Peshawar-Torkham Expressway at Takhta Baig in Khyber Agency. The Northern Bypass will promote business activities in the area besides enhancing trade with Afghanistan.

Punjab budget not encouraging for education sector

The News International July 2, 2016

KARACHI: The allocation for education sector in the Punjab budget has not been increased according to the overall budget of the province, said Shahzeb Khanzada on Geo News programme, 'Aaj Shahzeb Khanzada Kay Sath' on Thursday. Commenting on the amendment to the Income Tax Ordinance vis-à-vis prices of property, Shahzeb Khanzada said that the government's announcement for revaluation of properties has created restlessness among the property dealers. "Even we are being criticised for having raised this issue in our programme. Besides, there is an opinion which says that the market would crash after the government's decision," said Shahzeb Khanzada. In a different segment of the programme, Shahzeb said that CNN has screened a documentary giving an inside account of Daesh and the blunders the USA had committed. The Daesh threat emerged due to US blunder and irresponsibility, and now the entire world is bearing the brunt of that mistake. Meanwhile, Punjab education minister Rana Mashood, while talking to Shahzeb Khanzada on the programme, said that the education budget in Punjab is utilised a hundred percent whereas in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa only forty percent of the funds are used. The minister said that the boundary walls of 96 percent of schools in Punjab have been completed. Rana Mashood said that the media ignores Shahbaz Sharif's reforms in the social sector. He said that his government is introducing a new system of schools in Rajanpur in collaboration with the Punjab Education Foundation. "Our vision envisages that no child would be outside the school by 2018 in Punjab," the minister said.

An expert on matters of taxation, Shabbar Zaidi, told Shahzeb Khanzada on the programme that the government has done the right thing by effecting an amendment to the Income Tax Ordinance vis-à-vis prices of property. Nevertheless, Zaidi said, there will be some teething problems for the government in getting the law implemented. Shabbar Zaidi said that undocumented money in the property market must be curbed. He reiterated that the government has taken the right step. He also said that the government must ensure a transparent mechanism for determining a property's market value so that there is no room for anyone to exploit the matter. Former mayor of Karachi, Mustafa Kamal, while talking to Shahzeb Khanzada on the programme, said that Karachi's problems can be solved in six months' time provided there is a will to do so. He said that neither the provincial government nor those who have Karachi's mandate are willing to solve Karachi's problems. "For both of them, Karachi has become a sort of a conquered territory and a treasure trove which they are looting together," said Mustafa Kamal. "In 2009 I had persuaded the Sindh chief minister to accompany me to Gujjar nullah. Because of encroachments there, machines for cleanliness cannot enter the area. Arrangement had been put in place for the shifting of the people from Gujjar nullah," the former mayor of Karachi said. Mustafa Kamal said the city has water, and still the people have to buy it. There are hundreds of water hydrants in the city which are selling water.

CPEC's first coal-fired power plant to cut Pakistan's energy shortfall significantly

The Nation July 2, 2016

ISLAMABAD: Two big cooling towers and one lofty white chimney can be seen among a plethora of industrial machinery and hundreds of workers are busy working at Port Qasim Coal-fired power plant under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) in Pakistan's southern port of Karachi. This 1,320-MW project, which is one of the 21 energy cooperation projects under the CPEC, is the first coal-fired power plant being constructed under the CPEC in Pakistan. The 2.08-billion-U.S. dollar project, located some 37 km in the southeast of Karachi on the coastline of Arabian seas, ranks top among the priority implementation projects or early harvest projects in the

Increase in Pakistan's energy consumption depicts higher economic activities

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energy sector being developed under the CPEC. The Power Construction Corporation of China through its subsidiary PowerChina Resources Limited and Al Mirqab Capital, an investment company controlled by Qatar's royal family, hold 51 percent and 49 percent of the project's shares respectively on a Build-Own-Operate (BOO) basis, that was also partially financed by the Export-Import Bank of China. Once the plant, controlled by the Port Qasim Electric Power Company (Private) Limited, is completed and starts production, it will cut Pakistan's current power shortfall by almost 20 percent and will not only ease daily life but also create hundreds of thousands of jobs by helping restart the industries that were closed due to power shortage. According to statistics from the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA), Pakistan is facing a shortfall of 6,000 MW of electricity with an average demand of over 22,000 MW in the summer season. During the peak of summer, the duration of load-shedding in urban areas including the country's capital of Islamabad is 12 to 14 hours while in rural areas the duration is from 16 to 20 hours causing an unrest among the masses who often hit the streets to protest against load shedding. The project's average annual energy output will be around 9,000 Gigawatts which is enough power to support 4 million families' power consumption for a year.

The work on the project site began on May 21 last year after Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif performed the ground breaking ceremony. The project was originally planned to be completed over a period of three years, but the first 660-MW unit will be completed by the end of next year and the second 660-MW unit will be finished in March 2018, five and two months ahead of the original deadlines respectively. Around 1,600 Pakistani workers and almost the same number of Chinese engineers and workers, who have been working 24 hours on the site in two shifts, have completed 130 percent of the work that was planned to be completed by the end of June. The project has directly created more than 1,500 job opportunities for Pakistani workers and will employ more during the peak of the construction phase, while it will also employ around 200 Chinese and between 200-300 Pakistani trained professionals during the operational stage. Both of the production units will be fueled by imported coal from Indonesia, Australia and Africa, for which a company has already been established in Singapore. A pier with a capacity of 50,000 tons coal storage is being built at the site that could be extended to 70,000 tons capacity. "The project adopts the world's leading supercritical thermal technology and will also follow environment-friendly operations including seawater desalination and flue gas desulfurization," said Wu Xianing, assistant to the General Manager of the project. The basic infrastructure work has almost been completed at the 200-acre project and now production equipment is being raised.

LAHORE: Although Pakistan lags far behind India and China in GDP growth, its primary energy consumption increased by 5.9 percent to 78.2 million ton oil equivalent (MTOE) in 2015, compared with 73.2 MTOE in 2014 depicting higher economic activities. Energy consumption is a barometer for the state of the economy of the country. The impact of higher energy consumption on GDP growth is manifested after a lag period of two to three years. This is because the energy consumed in improving infrastructure, installation of new industrial projects does not turn in to immediate economic benefits. The countries where economic growth slows, register low increase in energy consumption. According to the statistical data of British Petroleum on energy use around the world, the primary energy consumption in China grew by 1.12 percent from 2014 to 2015 that has resulted in slowdown in China's economy. India's primary energy consumption increased by 5.1 percent during the same period which is lower than that of Pakistan. Indian GDP growth, though highest in the world remains much below the peaks it attained at the start of this decade. The fuels consumed for producing primary energy show that in 2014, Pakistan consumed 22.8 MTOE of oil that increased to 25.2 MTOE in 2015. Its natural gas use also increased from 37.7 MTOE in 2014 to 39.0 MTOE in 2015. The consumption of coal remained the same at 4.7 MTOE in both years.

According to the report, electricity consumption in Pakistan increased from 96.2 terawatt-h in 2008 110.0 terawatt-h in 2015. The increase was restricted to 99.3 terawatt-h till 2012; showing cumulative increase of 4 percent only, but in the next three years the consumption cumulatively increased by 10.7 percent of which 2.7 percent increase was in 2015 over 2014. Indian electricity consumption in comparison increased more robustly being 833.4 terawatt-h in 2008 that increased to 1,304.8 terawatt-h in 2015. This means that Indian production of electricity in 2008 was 8.9 times more than Pakistan and in 2015 it was 13 times higher. This difference in power use explains the great stride India has made economically during the period in question. Nuclear power provided 1.1 MTOE primary energy in 2014 and the same quantity in 2015. Hydro electric production increased from 7.4 MTOE to 7.8 MTOE in 2015. The renewable energy production increased from 0.2 MTOE in 2014 to 0.4 MTOE in 2015. India produces 45.5 MTOE from natural gas, 407.2 MTOE from coal that is 100 times more than the primary energy that Pakistan derives from coal. Its hydro electric generation is 8.6 MTOE. It derives 15.5 MTOE from renewable that is 30 times more than what Pakistan obtains from renewable. The primary energy obtained by China from natural gas is 177.6 MTOE, from coal it is a whopping 19,203 MTOE. Its hydro electric energy amounts to 254.9 MTOE, nuclear 38.6 MTOE and renewable 62.7 MTOE. The renewable energy extracted by China is equivalent to 60 percent of the total energy produced in Pakistan.

Bangladesh in 2008 consumed only 34.2 terawatt-h electricity that was almost 1/3rd of the power consumption in Pakistan. In 2015 the gap was reduced to 60 percent of the power consumed in Pakistan. Bangladesh is exporting much more than Pakistan despite low power use because it adds high value to its apparel. The power requirement of the garment industry is nominal when compared with spinning, weaving and processing that produce low value-added textiles exported by Pakistan. The electricity consumption in China increased to 5,810 terawatt-h in 2015 compared with 3495 terawatt-h in 2008. Coal, wind and solar energy are the cheapest source of energy around the world. Wind and solar along with hydro electricity are the cleanest energy fuels. China fulfilled 1,920 MTOE of its energy needs from coal, India 388.7 MTOE, and Pakistan only 4.7 MTOE. Coal use for energy production is confined only to the private sector in Pakistan. Around 3,000 MW coal based power plants are expected to be commissioned by 2019 after which share of coal in the energy mix would substantially increase. Wind power consumption in China was 41 MTOE in 2015,

PSO ensures smooth fuel supplies on Eid

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Karachi struggles with power outages, waterlogged roads after heavy rain

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Nepra rejects K-Electric's plea seeking Rs 14/unit increase in power prices

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Lahorites lack access to clean water despite installation of filtration plants

Dunya News June 29, 2016

Karachi: Severe power disruption leaves 30% city into darkness

Dunya News June 29, 2016

OGRA asked not to allow conversion of defaulter CNG station to LPG

Pakistan Observer June 29, 2016

0.6 million children given polio vaccines because of Zarb-e-Azb: Rabbani

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it was 9.4MTOE in India and only 0.1MTOE in Pakistan. Solar power production in 2015 was 8.9MTOE in China, 1.5MTOE in India and only 0.3MTOE in Pakistan. Pakistan is also on the course to double its hydro electric production to over 16,000MW by the end of 2021.

KARACHI: Pakistan State Oil Company Limited has ensured to continue smooth and uninterrupted fuel supplies to the consumers during the Eid holidays and beyond. Foreseeing the hike in demand during the upcoming Eid holidays, PSO has received a petrol cargo of 52,000 MT on July 1, 2016, to be followed by another supply of 52,000 MT of petrol in the coming week. The company will also receive two cargoes of high-speed diesel (HSD) of 52,000 MT each, first one on July 2, 2016, with the second one to follow in the same week. These preemptive measures are a testament to PSO's commitment to ensuring smooth fuel supplies nationwide no matter how high the demand gets. It is also worth mentioning here that in the month of June PSO had already imported 170,000 MT of diesel and 155,000 MT of petrol cargoes to cater the demand in the country.

KARACHI (Dunya News): Several areas of Karachi are witnessing long power outages out of faulty feeders and roads are inundated in different localities adding to the issues of locals during monsoon, reported Thursday. In the latest of woes for Karachiites, Saadi Garden of Saadi Town was inundated after monsoon shower flooded nearby drain on Wednesday night. Residents of the town helped themselves and no intervention by the administration was seen until late morning. However, according to them the situation could worsen if the administration does not show utmost seriousness in the issue. Commissioner paid a visit to Saadi Town and reviewed the situation. Locals complained about administration's slackness and demanded immediate solution to the issue. It should be noted here that around three years ago, residents of the town had borne financial losses in an issue of the same kind. On the other hand, new information that has come to light suggests that K-Electric authorities hid facts from the people after questions regarding power outages were thrown at them ever since the first monsoon shower. It has been revealed by sources that at least 812 power feeders had tripped on Tuesday but K-Electric told the people about 200 faults only. Sources also said that not once in the past 100 years such a huge number of feeders tripped in one night. Earlier this week, first monsoon downpour left different Karachi roads and streets of several localities' waterlogged while K-Electric customers had to live without power for over 15 hours. Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah ordered immediate release of Rs 200 million to clear drains of the city before further monsoons showers trouble the locals. Earlier this week, Chief Minister House and Governor House had also lost power supply after Karachi saw its first shower after at least two years of monsoon hiatus.

KARACHI (Dunya News) – National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Thursday has rejected K-Electric's summary seeking Rs 14/unit increase in power prices to provide relief to the Karachiites. Nepra official said that the authorities have expressed reservations over hiking electricity prices as the metropolis is facing severe power crisis. He said that a total of Rs 8/unit reduction has been observed in electricity rate due to which K-Electric has been directed to compensate the money. Nepra has also said that the decision of raising the prices of electricity would be taken afterwards.

LAHORE (Dunya News): Locals in Lahore are deprived of clean drinking water despite installation of 400 filtration plants, reported on Wednesday. According to details, the water being supplied to various areas in Lahore is unhygienic and substandard as at least 105 filtration plants have stopped working. The negligence of district government has badly disrupted the water filtration system due to which the citizens have suffered a lot. Sources told that many of the purification plants are lacking skillful staffers however, the officials are still promising to make them functional till August 1.

KARACHI (Dunya News): Residents of Karachi on Wednesday were delighted over rains and pleasant weather after a long period of time, parallel to their happiness they have also been facing difficulties due to administrative incompetence, reported Dunya News. Due to Monsoon, 390 power feeders of the city were tripped leaving 30pc of the city plunged into darkness. Debachi, Papri and Ghara pumping stations were also closed due to power outage causing, even more, difficulties for citizens due to unavailability of 260 million gallons of water following electricity shortage to water pumps. Electricity in the areas of Gulistan e Johar, Federal B Area, Malir, Landhi, Korangi and Baldia could not be restored bringing a complete jam to daily life. K-Electric officials stated that tripped feeders will be restored to working condition in no time.

ISLAMABAD: The National Assembly Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Resources, Tuesday, directed Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) to amend rules for grant of LPG Auto Refueling Stations. The Committee passed on these direction in wake of reported issuance of license to CNG stations by OGRA for conversion into LPG Refueling Stations which were defaulters of Gas distribution Companies i.e. SNGPL and SSGCL. The Committee met under the chairmanship of Ch. Bilal Ahmed Virk, MNA in Islamabad this morning. The Representative of OGRA apprised the Committee that CNG and LPG sectors were being dealt by separate set of OGRA Rules and no such provision was available in the said rules wherein operations of LPG Auto Refueling station at existing CNG stations is linked to clearance for gas utility companies.

ISLAMABAD (Dunya News): Acting president Raza Rabbani on Tuesday stated that over 0.6 million children were given polio vaccines because of the ongoing Operation Zarb-e-Azb, further stating that there was a substantial decrease in the cases related to the disease as a result of the government's efforts, reported Dunya News. While conversing with the officials belonging to the Rotary International, Rabbani expressed his hope that Pakistan shall soon become a polio-free country and lauded Rotary's efforts in this regards. He stated that over six hundred thousand children were given polio vaccines because of the ongoing Operation Zarb-e-Azb, adding that success was achieved in Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) regarding curbing of polio which was a commendable achievement. Acting president said that polio workers did not

PM expresses dissatisfaction over state of govt health facilities in Islamabad

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hold back from sacrificing their lives in order to achieve a polio-free country. He added that the government was enhancing the security arrangements for the polio workers.

ISLAMABAD (Web Desk): While expressing dissatisfaction over the state of government health facilities and abysmal quality of services in the federal capital on Monday, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif directed for provision of quality health services to the dwellers of Islamabad and its adjoining areas. This was stated by Secretary to the Prime Minister Fawad Hasan Fawad while chairing a meeting at the PM House, on the directives of the Prime Minister, about quality of government health services being provided in the Islamabad Capital Territory. The meeting was attended by Secretary CADD Hasan Iqbal, Mayor Islamabad Sheikh Ansar, Chairman CDA Mahroof Afzal, Chief Commissioner Islamabad Zulfiqar Haider, Dr. Javed Akram, Vice Chancellor PIMS, Dr. Amjad, Executive Director FGSH and other senior government officials. The meeting reviewed the availability and quality of government health services being provided in Islamabad Capital Territory and to formulate immediate interventions to improve the coverage and quality of government health services. After a detailed discussion on the health facilities being managed by the Capital Development Authority, the ICT Administration, and the Capital Development and Administration Division, the meeting took significant decisions for improvement in the health facilities in the Federal Capital. It was decided that CDA shall convert its dispensaries located in I10 and G9 sectors into fully staffed and functional Mother and Child Hospital (MCH), with at least one pediatrician and one gynecologist. A MCH will also be established in F11. Chairman CDA will constitute a special committee to finalize the upgradation of these dispensaries to MCHs and establishment of new MCHs. RHC Sihala, RHC Bara Kahu, BHU Shah Allah Ditta and RHC Tarlai, under ICT Administration, will also be converted into MCHs and will be attached with the PIMS. The remaining BHUs / RHCs will be attached with Polyclinic, the meeting decided. The meeting decided that Polyclinic will send their Post Graduates to BHUs, RHCs and MCHs. ICT will provide vehicles to facilitate doctors at BHUs and RHCs. Besides, PIMS will provide missing facilities at BHUs and RHCs in addition to arranging medical specialists in ICT's Mother and Child Hospitals.

Polyclinic will arrange for medical specialists at the Polyclinic to examine patients on special arrangements in CDA MCHs while the Federal Government Hospital in Chak Shahzad, under the Cabinet Division, will also be properly operationalized and upgraded, the meeting was informed. The meeting agreed to ensure that there is at least one MCH in each sector of Islamabad and no delay will be tolerated in this regard. These Centers will be established by hiring buildings and adequate staff along with necessary equipment and technical assistance. The Mother & Child Hospitals will be affiliated with Polyclinic and PIMS for the purpose of human resource allocation as well as expertise. The meeting decided that initially, the four tier service structure introduced by the Government of the Punjab will be adopted for doctors working in health establishments under the control of ICT Administration, CADD, CDA or any other relevant federal government body. The meeting was informed that doctors will be hired on contract basis. For this purpose, the ban on employment will be withdrawn. Additional posts of doctors and medical staff, where needed, will also be created and special funds will be provided to MCHs, BHUs and RHCs on the basis of their performance according to specific evaluation criteria. The system for biometrics verification and maintenance of record at BHUs, RHCs and MCHs will be provided by NADRA as part of its CSR, the meeting was informed. It was decided to construct specialty blocks at PIMS which will include a 50 bed Burn Centre; an improved Mother and Child Centre; a new 200 bed Gynecology Centre; a new Trauma Centre on the model of Punjab; a new OPD of 150 consulting rooms (catering for 3000 consultations); 200 bed Children's Hospital with a 50 bed central ICU; and a new Operation Theaters Complex.

It was also decided to approve funds for provision of 20 machines for dialysis centre which will be operationalized within two weeks. Besides, the management of PIMS will submit a proposal for hiring of Specialists for liver transplant within a week. Incinerator will also be installed at PIMS which will cater for all hospitals in ICT, the meeting decided. A grant of Rs 35 million was approved during the meeting to upgrade 17 dispensaries of Polyclinic. The meeting approved one CT Scanner and one MRI machine for Polyclinic. The meeting decided to fill all the vacant posts of doctors and paramedics in next two months. Additionally, 100 new positions of Medical Officers will be created in the Polyclinic. A 100 seat medical plus 50 dental college will be built under the Capital Development and Administration Division, the meeting decided. The meeting also decided to fast track the construction of 1200 beds hospital in Islamabad announced by the Prime Minister earlier this year to meet the long standing demand of the residents of the city as well as to accommodate the increased concentration of people from adjoining areas. The meeting reaffirmed the commitment under the vision of the Prime Minister to provide affordable and quality health services at state of the art health infrastructure in Islamabad for not just the residents of the Federal Capital, but also for patients from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and adjoining districts of Punjab as well as residents of Gilgit Baltistan.

43 killed as flash floods hit Chitral

The first monsoon rain wreaked havoc in Chitral, as at least 43 people were reported dead and 26 missing in the Ursoon area on Sunday. "Sixteen of the dead were offering prayers in the mosque when it was swept away by the flood," said Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) spokesman Lateef-ur-Rahman. He said at least 37 houses were completely washed away and another 41 were partially damaged. "The irrigation system as well as clean drinking water facilities are badly damaged in the region," he said. So far, only seven bodies have been recovered. Talking to Daily Times, Rahman said the district administration and the district disaster management unit in Chitral had initiated rescue efforts in the Ursoon area. "At least 50 families have been given tents, blankets and food items at the initial stage," he said. The PDMA spokesman said the Pakistan Army, Chitral Scouts and local police were taking part in the rescue efforts. "The provincial government has declared an emergency at all hospitals in Chitral and cancelled leave of all hospital staff. All medical staff has been ordered to report and deal with all kinds of emergency," he said. He said the PDMA Chitral office had an amount of Rs 10 million in its relief fund.

Chitral Deputy Commissioner Osama Warraich told Daily Times that the administration had begun efforts to purchase edibles, blankets and tents from the local market for the affected people. "The provincial government has announced a compensation of Rs 300,000 for the family of each person who was killed. Packages have been announced for the people whose houses and businesses were affected in the natural calamity," he said. At least eight of the victims were soldiers, and another eight bodies were swept over the border into Afghanistan, said Warraich.

The Chitral administration has set up a medical camp to cater to the medical needs of the affected people. "We will be providing food to the whole village for one week at least. Villagers have been provided 5,000-foot pipe to set up a safe drinking water supply line. We are also helping in restoration of irrigation channels," Warraich said. The deputy commissioner said the affected village was accessible via road and the district administration was making efforts to reach out to all affected people. "There is a forecast for more rains in the region. Other vulnerable areas include Brep, Yarkhun and Mastuj. We are ready to deal with emergency situations," he added.

Chitral is one of the districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa declared most vulnerable by the PDMA in the monsoon season. Other districts categorised as most vulnerable are Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera, Dera Ismail Khan, Swat, Shangla, Dir Lower, Kohistan Lower and Kohistan Upper.

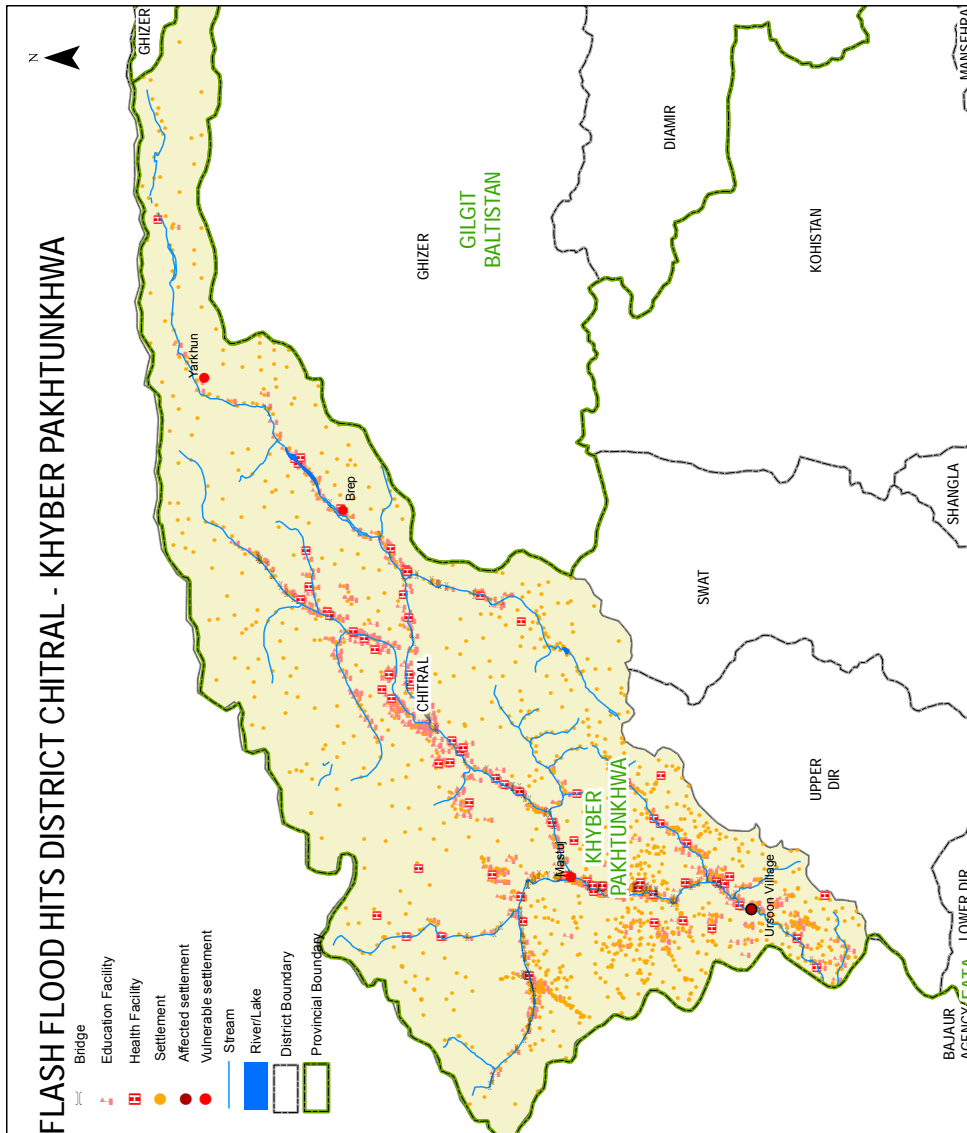
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Meteorological Department Director Syed Mushtaq Ali Shah said that intermittent rains would hit several areas of the province till Thursday. "We are expecting spells of rain in Peshawar, Kohat and Mardan division for the next few days. One or more heavy rains will cause floods in Khawar (seasonal streams)," he said. There will be rain on the first day of Eid-ul-Fitr, he added.

Falah-i-Insaniyat Foundation, the charitable wing of the banned Lashkar-e-Taiba, was among the first at the scene providing relief.

Survivors who had lost their homes were waiting for aid under open skies surrounded by mud and debris where their village once stood. Nearby villages had received flood warnings from the local authorities, but Ursoon was not alerted in time.

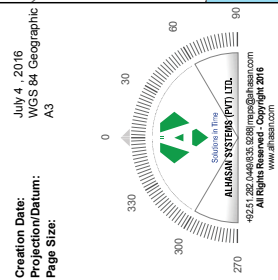
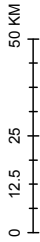
Separately, two Chinese engineers were killed and five Pakistani workers injured when the heavy rains caused the roof of a construction site to collapse at Tarbela Dam, also in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, Rahman said.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's office issued a statement expressing his grief and sorrow. Heavy rains and flash flood claim many victims each year, with poorly built homes across the country, particularly in rural areas, susceptible to collapse during the annual spring and monsoon rains in July-August.



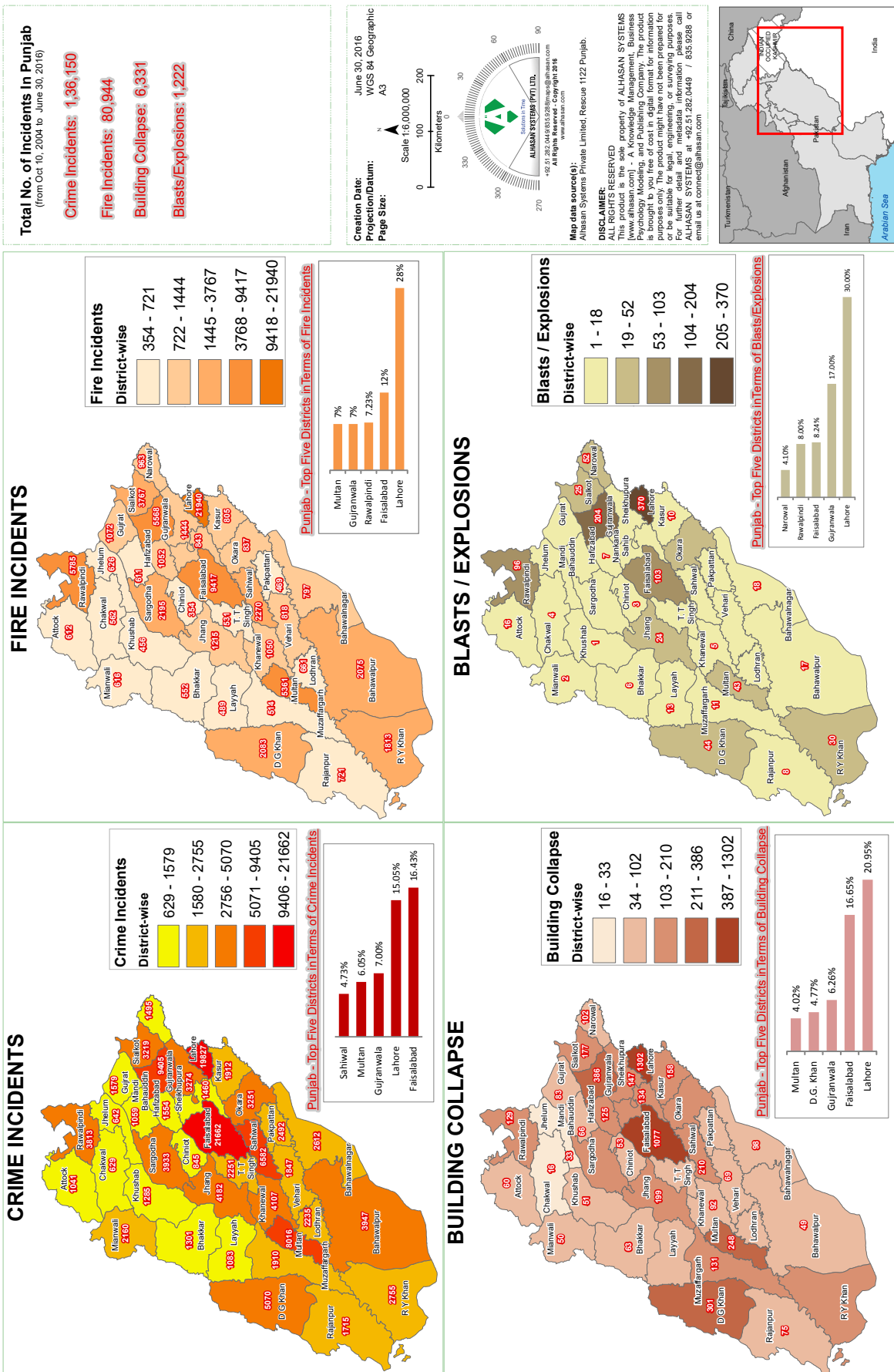
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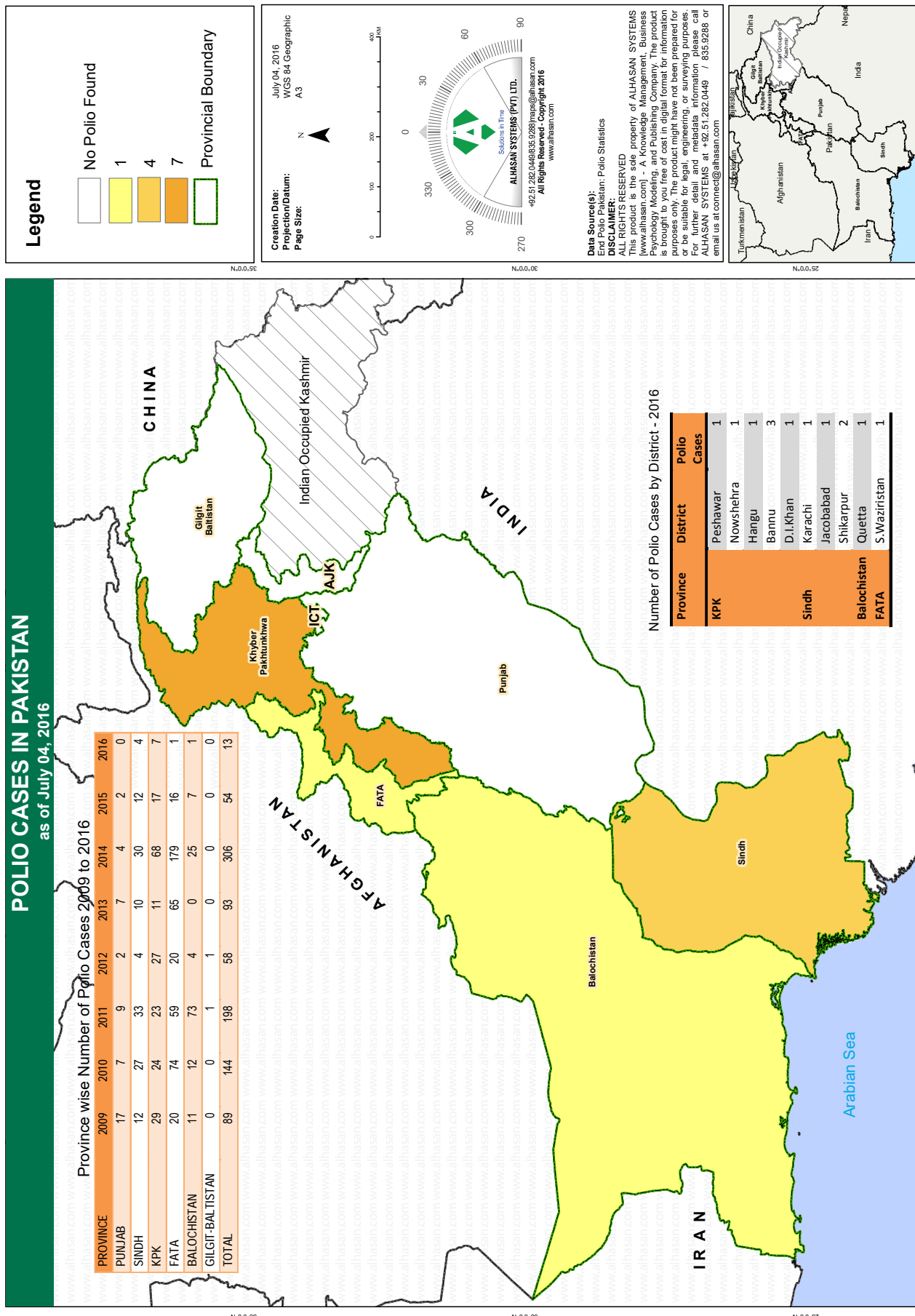
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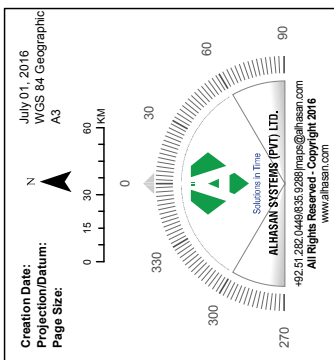
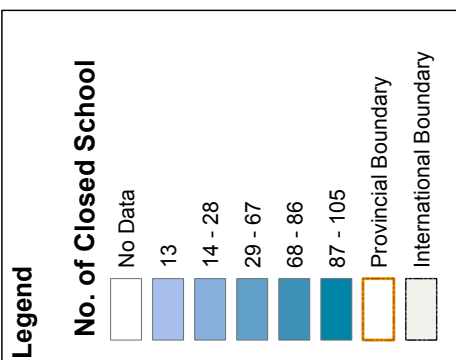


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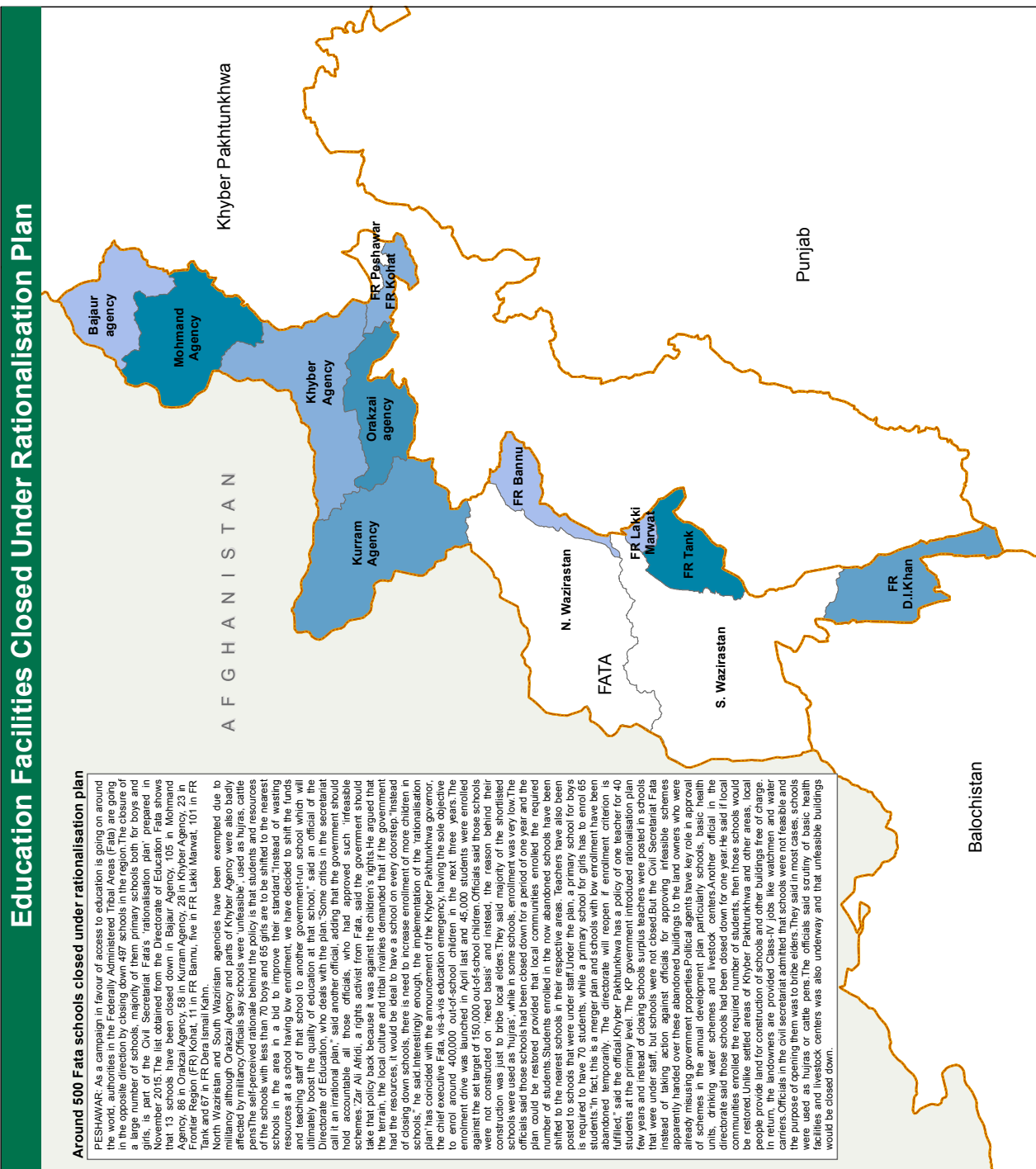
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ہوئے بتایا سکولوں میں قرآنی تعلیم کو لازمی قرار دے دیا گیا ہے جس میں پہلی جماعت سے لیکر چھٹی جماعت تک ناظرہ قرآن پڑھایا جائے گا جو کہ تعلیم کا لازمی جزو ہو گا۔ جس میں طلباء پہلی جماعت میں نورانی قاعدہ پڑھایا جائے گا۔ دوسری جماعت میں پہلے دو پارے پڑھائے جائیں گے، تیسری جماعت میں 6 پارے چوتھی جماعت میں اگلے 10 پارے پانچویں جماعت میں آخری 12 پارے پڑھائے جائیں گے اور اس طرح ایک طالب علم پر انہری تک ناظرہ قرآن مکمل پڑھ لے گا اور چھٹی جماعت سے طلباء کو قرآن پاک کا ترجمہ شروع کروایا جائے گا اور بارہویں جماعت تک مکمل کر لیا جائے گا اور یہ تعلیم امتحانات کا حصہ نہیں بنے گی۔ اس پر ممبر قومی اسمبلی شازیہ ثوبیہ نے کہا ہے صرف گورنمنٹ سکولوں میں ہو گا یا اسکا اطلاق پرائیویٹ سکولوں میں بھی ہو گا جس پر بلینج الرحمن نے کہا کہ پرائیویٹ سکولوں پر اسکی کوئی پابندی نہیں ہوگی لیکن ہم ایک آف پارلیمنٹ بنارہے ہیں جس میں تمام پرائیویٹ اور گورنمنٹ سکولوں میں قرآنی تعلیم لازمی کر دی جائے گی۔ انہوں نے چیز مین کمیٹی کو بتایا 2012 میں انزولنٹ 68 فیصد تھی جو بڑھ کر 76 فیصد ہو چکی ہے۔ غیر رسمی سکولوں میں اعزازی اساتذہ کی تنخواہیں نہ ہونے کے برابر ہیں۔

اسلام آباد: وزیر ریلوے خواجہ سعد رفیق کا کہنا ہے کہ پاکستان ریلوے نے ٹرینوں کی 150 کلومیٹر فی گھنٹہ کی رفتار سے چلانے کا کامیاب تجربہ کر لیا ہے۔ وزیر ریلوے خواجہ سعد رفیق کا کہنا ہے کہ تجرباتی ٹرین رانیونڈ سے لودھراں کے درمیان ڈبل ٹریک پر چلائی گئی۔ اس سے قبل پاکستان ریلوے کی مسافر ٹرینیں زیادہ سے زیادہ 120 کلومیٹر فی گھنٹہ کی رفتار سے چلائی گئی ہیں، آئندہ ریلوے پروگرام کے تحت لاہور سے کراچی تک کا سفر 10 گھنٹے کرنے کی تجویز ہے۔ ریلوے ڈرائنگ کے مطابق کراچی سے پشاور کے درمیان مختلف سیکشنز پر ڈبل ٹریک کا کام جاری ہے جبکہ لودھراں سے خان پور تک نیا ٹریک بچھایا جا رہا ہے جس کے بعد خانپور سے لیاقت پور تک نیا ٹریک بچھایا جائے گا، لاہور سے لالہ موسیٰ تک ڈبل ٹریک کا ٹھیکہ ایک غیر ملکی کمپنی کو دیا جا رہا ہے جس کی نگرانی پاکستان ریلوے کرے گا۔

اسپتالوں کی رینٹنگ کے عالمی ادارے نے سرکاری اسپتالوں کی رینٹنگ جاری کر دی ہے جس کے مطابق دنیا کے ساڑھے 5 ہزار بہترین اسپتالوں میں پاکستان کا کوئی بھی اسپتال شامل نہیں۔ اسپتالوں کی رینٹنگ کے عالمی ادارے ”رینٹنگ ویب آف ورلڈ ہسپتال“ نے سرکاری اسپتالوں کی رینٹنگ جاری کی ہے جس کے مطابق پاکستان کا کوئی اسپتال بھی دنیا کے ساڑھے 5 ہزار بہترین اسپتالوں میں بھی شامل نہیں جبکہ جنوبی ایشیا کے 20 بہترین اسپتالوں میں بھارت کے 19 اور بنگلادیش کا اسپتال شامل ہے تاہم پاکستان کا ایک اسپتال بھی ان ٹاپ ٹوٹی میں شامل نہیں ہے۔ عالمی سطح پر جاری کردہ اس رینٹنگ میں پاکستان کے لیے انتہائی شرمندہ کردینے والی صورت حال ہے اور پاکستان کا بہترین ہسپتال بھی دنیا میں 5 ہزار 911 نمبر پر ہے۔ ویب آف ورلڈ ہسپتالز کی جانب سے جاری کردہ رینٹنگ کے مطابق اسلام آباد کا پز اسپتال پاکستان کا سب سے بہترین اسپتال ہے جس کے بعد لاہور کا جناح اسپتال اچھے اسپتالوں میں شامل ہے جبکہ سرسبز اسپتال تیسرے نمبر پر ہے۔ رینٹنگ کے مطابق پاکستان میں طبی سہولیات کی فراہمی کے لحاظ سے چوتھا نمبر پشاور کے لیڈی ریڈنگ اسپتال کا ہے۔ واضح رہے کہ ادارہ کی جانب سے یہ درجہ بندی اسپتال میں موجود سہولیات، میڈیکل ایکوپمنٹ، اسپیشلسٹس کی تعداد، صفائی کے معیار سمیت اس بات پر دی جاتی ہے کہ اسپتال کے ساتھ کتنے اسکالرز تحقیق کر رہے ہیں جبکہ یہ رینٹنگ اس قدر اہمیت کی حامل ہے کہ عالمی بینک، عالمی ادارہ صحت اور ایشین ڈویلپمنٹ بینک اسی کی بنیاد پر گرانٹس اور فنڈز جاری کرتے ہیں۔

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نے کے الیکٹرک کے خلاف نعرے لگائے۔ مظاہرین کا کہنا تھا کہ کے الیکٹرک کی جانب سے لاکھوں روپے کا بل بھیج دیا جاتا ہے اس کے باوجود کئی دن تک بجلی کی فراہم معطل رہتی ہے۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ کے الیکٹرک منصفانہ بل اور بجلی کی فراہمی یقینی بنائے۔ بعد میں الیکٹرک انتظامیہ کی جانب سے مطالبات کی منظوری کے بعد مظاہرین نے احتجاج ختم کر دیا۔

لاہور: وزیر تعلیم پنجاب رانا مشہود کے اوپر ان کے گھر کی چھت کا پتکھا گر گیا جس کے نتیجے میں وہ زخمی ہو گئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق لاہور میں رانا مشہود سرکاری رہائش گاہ میں اپنے کمرے میں موجود تھے کہ ان کے اوپر چھت کا پتکھا گر گیا جس کے نتیجے میں ان کی ٹانگ زخمی ہو گئی تاہم رانا مشہود کا کہنا تھا کہ زخم معمولی نوعیت کے ہیں جس کے باعث پریشانی کی ایسی کوئی بات نہیں۔

اسلام آباد: حکومت نے اوگر کی جانب سے پیٹرولیم مصنوعات کی قیمتوں میں اضافے کی سفارش مسترد کرتے ہوئے جولائی کے مہینے میں قیمتیں برقرار رکھنے کا فیصلہ کیا ہے۔ اسلام آباد میں میڈیا سے بات کرتے ہوئے وفاقی وزیر خزانہ اسحاق ڈار نے جولائی کے مہینے میں پیٹرولیم مصنوعات کی قیمتیں نہ بڑھانے کا اعلان کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ اوگر نے پیٹرولیم مصنوعات کی قیمتوں میں اضافہ نہیں ہو گا جس کے بعد پیٹرول کی فی لیٹر قیمت 64.27 روپے ہی رہے گی۔ وزیر خزانہ اور آئندہ ماہ کے لیے پیٹرولیم مصنوعات کی قیمتوں میں اضافہ نہیں ہو گا جس کے بعد پیٹرول کی فی لیٹر قیمت 64.27 روپے ہی رہے گی۔ وزیر خزانہ کا کہنا تھا کہ حکومت نے پیٹرول، ہائی آکٹین، مٹی کے تیل کی قیمتیں برقرار رکھنے کا فیصلہ کیا ہے جس کے باعث وزارت خزانہ 3 ارب روپے کا بوجھ برداشت کرے گی۔ واضح رہے اوگر کی جانب سے وزارت پیٹرولیم کو بھجوائی گئی سمری میں پیٹرول کی قیمت میں ایک روپے 93 پیسے فی لیٹر، ہائی اوکٹین ساڑھے 3 روپے اور ڈیزل 3 روپے 75 پیسے فی لیٹر مہنگا کرنے کی سفارش کی ہے۔

کراچی: کے الیکٹرک نے مون سون کی بارشوں کے پیش نظر کراچی میں بجلی کی فراہمی کیلئے کسی قسم کے انتظامات نہیں کیے جس کے نتیجے میں بارشوں کا سلسلہ شروع ہونے کے 24 گھنٹے بعد بھی شہر کے متعدد علاقوں میں بجلی کی فراہمی بحال نہیں کی جاسکی۔ کراچی میں بارش سے کے الیکٹرک کے ڈسٹرکٹ بوشن سسٹم میں آنے والے ہزاروں فالٹس کو دور کرنے میں مینٹی ننس کا نظام مکمل طور پر فیل ہو گیا، بارشوں کے دوران مجموعی طور پر ایک ہزار سے زائد فیڈرز ٹرپ ہوئے، 2 درجن سے زائد کیبل فالٹس جب کہ تاریں ٹوٹنے، جپر لوز ہونے، پی ایف ٹی میں فنی خرابی اور سب اسٹیشن میں پانی بھر جانے سمیت ہزاروں شکایات درج کرائی گئیں۔ کے الیکٹرک کا مرکزی شکایتی نمبر 118 نے صارفین کی شکایات درج کرنا بند کر دیں اور نمبر مسلسل مصروف ملتا رہا۔ شہر میں مون سون کی پہلی بارش کے ساتھ ہی تقریباً نصف کراچی بجلی کی فراہمی سے محروم ہو گیا اور 700 سے زائد فیڈرز ٹرپ کیے جب کہ ہزاروں کی تعداد میں آنے والی دیگر خرابیوں کی وجہ سے بھی شہر کا ایک بڑا حصہ متاثر ہوا، متاثرہ علاقوں کی ایک بڑی تعداد منگل اور بدھ کی درمیانی رات بجلی کی فراہمی سے محروم رہی اور بدھ کی دوپہر ہونے والی بارش نے رہی سہی کسر بھی پوری کر دی اور ایک مرتبہ 300 فیڈرز ٹرپ کر گئے، تقریباً 24 گھنٹوں سے بجلی کی عدم فراہمی کا شکار علاقوں میں ڈیفنس فیز، 6، کاشن کے کچھ علاقے، کورنگی، انڈسٹریل ایریا، بلال کالونی، لائڈھی، قائد آباد، ملیر، شاہ فیصل کالونی، گلشن اقبال، ناتھ کراچی، ناتھ ناظم آباد، نئی کراچی، اورنگی ٹاؤن، قصبہ کالونی، فیڈرل بی ایریا، گلشن اقبال، محمود آباد، لائنز ایریا، کیمائی، ماڑی پور، شیریں جناح کالونی اور دیگر علاقے شامل ہیں۔

اسلام آباد (این این آئی) قائم مقام صدر مملکت میاں رضاربانی نے کہا ہے کہ حکومت کی کوششوں کی وجہ سے پولیو کے مرض میں خاطر خواہ کمی آئی ہے۔ یہ بات قائم مقام صدر نے روٹری انٹرنیشنل کے نمائندگان سے بات چیت کرتے ہوئے کہی۔ قائم مقام صدر نے امید کا اظہار کیا کہ پاکستان جلد ہی پولیو سے مکمل طور پر چھٹکارا پالے گا۔ اس سلسلے میں روٹری انٹرنیشنل کی معاونت پاکستان کے لیے بہت مددگار ثابت ہوئی ہے۔ قائم مقام صدر نے کہا کہ کامیابی سے جاری ضرب عضب آپریشن کی وجہ سے 6 لاکھ سے زائد بچوں کو پولیو کے قطرے پلانا ممکن ہوا ہے۔ یہ بات خوش آئند ہے کہ پولیو کی روک تھام کے لیے فائنا میں بھی کامیابی حاصل ہوئی ہے۔

اسلام آباد (آئی این پی + صباح نیوز) وزیر مملکت وفاقی تعلیم و تربیت بلوچ الرحمن نے پرائمری تعلیم تک ناظرہ قرآن کی تعلیم کو لازمی قرار دے دیا ہے اور چھٹی جماعت سے بارہویں جماعت تک قرآن پاک بمع ترجمہ لازمی قرار دے دیا۔ سیکرٹری تعلیم غلام قدیر خان نے کہا ہے کہ گزشتہ تین سال میں تعلیم کا فنڈز 43 کروڑ روپے سے کم کر کے صرف 10 کروڑ روپے کر دیا گیا ہے اور تعلیمی مسائل میں اضافے کی اہم وجہ فنڈز کی کمی ہے، اس بجٹ میں ہم طلبہ کو چاک اور ناٹ فراہم کرنے سے بھی قاصر ہیں کیونکہ گزشتہ سال تعلیم و پیشہ ورانہ تربیت کے لئے 1329 ملین روپے مختص کئے گئے تھے جبکہ رواں مالی سال کے لئے ہم نے اس سے زیادہ بجٹ کی تجویز دی تھی جبکہ ہمیں پچھلے فنڈز سے بھی تقریباً 25 فیصد کم دیئے گئے کہ 1025 ملین روپے ہیں جس کی وجہ سے سکولوں میں تمام تر سہولیات دینے سے قاصر ہیں۔ قومی اسمبلی کی قائمہ کمیٹی برائے وفاقی تعلیم اور پیشہ ورانہ تربیت کا اجلاس گزشتہ روز چیئر مین کمیٹی کرنل (ر) ڈاکٹر امیر اللہ مروت کی زیر صدارت پارلیمنٹ ہاؤس میں ہوا۔ بلوچ الرحمن نے برفنگ دیتے

فراہمی کے خلاف احتجاج

جنیوا روڈ نیوز

1 جولائی 2016

وزیر تعلیم پنجاب رانا مشہود کے اوپر چھت

کاپتکھا گر گیا

ایکسپریس اردو

30 جون 2016

حکومت کا آئندہ ماہ کیلئے پیٹرولیم مصنوعات

کی قیمتیں برقرار رکھنے کا فیصلہ

ایکسپریس اردو

30 جون 2016

کراچی میں بارش سے بجلی کا نظام درہم برہم

ایکسپریس اردو

29 جون 2016

پولیو سے جلد مکمل چھٹکارا حاصل کر لیں

گے: رضاربانی

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

29 جون 2016

پرائمری میں ناظرہ قرآن پاک، بارہویں

تک مع ترجمہ لازمی قرار دیدیا

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

29 جون 2016

پبلک سروسز

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سرخیاں

کراچی کے علاقے نیو کراچی میں برف خانے میں سیلنڈر دھماکے میں ایک شخص جاں بحق ہو گیا جب کہ دو افراد کی حالت نازک بتائی جاتی ہے۔ واقعے کے نتیجے میں برف خانے کی چھت گر گئی، ریسکیو ذرائع کے مطابق چھت گرنے سے متعدد افراد کے بلے تلے دبے ہوئے کا خدشہ ہے۔ نیو کراچی انڈسٹریل ایریا میں برف خانے کا بوائے چھت سے چھت گری۔ ریسکیو ذرائع کے مطابق جاں بحق شخص برف لینے وہاں آیا تھا۔ دھماکے کے بعد امونیا گیس کا اخراج جاری ہے۔ ریسکیو ادارے امدادی کارروائیوں میں مصروف ہیں۔

لاہور (این این آئی) چیئر مین واپڈا نے تربیلا کے چوتھے توسیعی پن بجلی منصوبے کے پراجیکٹ حکام سے تین دن کے اندر شریک کرنے کی وجوہات کے بارے میں تفصیلی رپورٹ طلب کر لی۔ واپڈا کی طرف سے جاری بیان میں کہا گیا ہے کہ 1410 میگاواٹ پیداواری صلاحیت کے حامل تربیلا کے چوتھے توسیعی پن بجلی منصوبے کی تکمیل کے لئے ”تیز تر تعمیر پروگرام“ کے تحت 24 گھنٹے تعمیراتی کام جاری رہتا ہے۔ دو جولائی کو رات تقریباً 11 بجے منصوبے پر تعمیراتی کام کے دوران یونٹ نمبر 17 کی زیریں جانب کنکریٹ ڈالنے کا عمل جاری تھا کہ کنکریٹ ڈالنے کے لئے لگائی گئی شریک گر گئی۔ شریک کرنے کے فوراً بعد امدادی کارروائی کا آغاز کر دیا گیا۔ بد قسمتی سے اس حادثہ میں 2 چینی اور 2 پاکستانی کارکن ہلاک جبکہ 4 کارکن زخمی ہوئے۔ زخمی ہونے والوں میں 2 چینی بھی شامل ہیں۔ زخمیوں کو فوری طور پر کبائٹنڈ ملٹری ہسپتال (سی ایم ایچ) تربیلا لے جایا گیا، جبکہ ایک شدید زخمی چینی کارکن کو علاج کے لئے اسلام آباد منتقل کر دیا گیا ہے۔ چیئر مین واپڈا نے پراجیکٹ حکام سے شریک کرنے کی وجوہات کے بارے میں تفصیلی رپورٹ تین دن کے اندر طلب کی ہے۔

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) اسلام آباد کے پولی کلینک ہسپتال میں مبینہ کرپشن اور ادویات کی چوری کا انکشاف ہوا ہے۔ چیف جسٹس انور ظہیر جمالی نے معاملے کا نوٹس لے لیا۔ سیکرٹری کیڈ سے دو ماہ میں رپورٹ طلب کر لی ہے۔ ذرائع کے مطابق چیف جسٹس نے نوٹس ہیومن رائٹس سیل میں دائر نوجوان ڈاکٹر عمر کی درخواست پر لیا۔ سپریم کورٹ نے سیکرٹری کیڈ سے دو ماہ میں کرپشن، ادویات چوری، ادویات کی غیر قانونی خریداری پر رپورٹ طلب کی ہے۔

کراچی (آن لائن) گورنگی نمبر 3 میں تین ڈاکوؤں کی نیت سے ایک دکان میں گھسے تاہم دکاندار کی طرف سے مزاحمت کرنے پر فائرنگ کر دی جس پر اہل علاقہ اکٹھے ہو گئے اور ڈاکوؤں کو پکڑ کر آگ لگا دی جس کے نتیجے میں 1 ڈاکو ہلاک جبکہ دوسرا شدید زخمی ہو گیا۔ کراچی کے علاقے کورنگی ڈیڑھ نمبر میں 3 ڈاکو ایک دکان کو لوٹنے کے لیے گھس گئے، دکاندار کی جانب سے مزاحمت پر ڈاکوؤں نے فائرنگ کر دی، فائرنگ کی آواز سن کر عوام جمع ہو گئے جس پر ایک ڈاکو فرار ہو گیا تاہم 2 ڈاکو عوام کے ہتھے چڑھ گئے۔ عوام نے پہلے تو ڈاکوؤں کو تشدد کا نشانہ بنا کر اپنا غصہ نکالا اور پھر پٹرول چھڑک کر آگ لگا دی۔ پولیس نے موقع پر پہنچ کر دونوں ڈاکوؤں کو عوام سے چھڑایا اور رسول ہسپتال منتقل کر دیا جہاں ایک ڈاکو ہلاک ہو گیا جبکہ دوسرے زخمی ڈاکو کی حالت انتہائی تشویشناک بتائی جا رہی ہے۔

فانا میں رواں سال کے دوران پولیو کا پہلا کیس سامنے آ گیا ہے۔ پولیو وائرس کا شکار ہونے والے بچے کا تعلق شمالی وزیرستان سے ہے۔ محکمہ صحت فانا کے مطابق رواں سال کے دوران فانا میں پولیو کا پہلا کیس سامنے آ گیا ہے۔ محکمہ صحت کے مطابق پولیو وائرس کا شکار ہونے والے بچے بخت اللہ کی عمر 24 ماہ جبکہ تعلق شمالی وزیرستان کے علاقہ موزارہ سے ہے۔ محکمہ صحت فانا کے مطابق جس علاقہ میں بچہ پولیو کا شکار ہوا ہے وہ ناقابل رسائی علاقہ ہے۔ محکمہ صحت فانا کے مطابق فانا میں بہتر منصوبہ بندی کے باعث پولیو کا وائرس قابو میں ہے۔

گو جرانوالہ میں وین نہر میں گرنے سے 4 افراد جاں بحق ہو گئے، حافظ آباد سے منڈی بہاؤ الدین جانے والی تیز رفتار مسافر وین قادر آباد بیراج کے قریب بے قابو ہو کر نہر میں جا گری۔ نہر میں ڈوب کر 2 بچوں سمیت 4 مسافر جاں بحق ہو گئے، واقعے میں ڈرائیور، دو خواتین سمیت 6 افراد زخمی بھی ہوئے، جنہیں ریسکیو اہلکاروں نے بروقت کارروائی کرتے ہوئے نہر سے نکال لیا۔

ابراہیم حیدری کے مکینوں نے بجلی کی عدم فراہمی کے خلاف کے الیکٹرک کے دفتر کے باہر احتجاج کیا۔ اس موقع پر مشتعل مظاہرین کی بڑی تعداد

کراچی: برف خانے میں سیلنڈر دھماکہ، ایک شخص جاں بحق

جیو اردو نیوز

4 جولائی 2016

چینی شہریوں کی ہلاکت، چیئر مین واپڈا نے پراجیکٹ حکام سے شریک کرنے کی تفصیلی رپورٹ طلب کر لی

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3 جولائی 2016

اسلام آباد پولی کلینک ہسپتال میں مبینہ کرپشن کا چیف جسٹس نے نوٹس لے لیا سیکرٹری کیڈ سے 2 ماہ میں رپورٹ طلب

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3 جولائی 2016

کراچی، شہریوں نے دو ڈاکوؤں کو تشدد کے بعد آگ لگا دی، ایک ہلاک، دوسرے کی حالت نازک

روزنامہ پاکستان

3 جولائی 2016

فانا میں پولیو کا کیس سامنے آ گیا

جیو اردو نیوز

2 جولائی 2016

گو جرانوالہ: وین نہر میں جا گری، 4 افراد جاں بحق

جیو اردو نیوز

1 جولائی 2016

کراچی: ابراہیم حیدری میں بجلی کی عدم

سے امن و امان کے مسائل بھی پیدا ہو رہے ہیں۔ افغان مہاجرین کے حوالے سے وفاق اور اقوام متحدہ کے درمیان 30 جون کو معاہدہ ختم ہو رہا ہے اس لئے وہ مطالبہ کرتے ہیں کہ اس کے بعد وفاق ان مہاجرین کو باعزت طریقے سے واپس بھجوانے کے انتظامات کرے۔ مشتاق غنی کا کہنا تھا کہ اگر وفاق نے افغان مہاجرین کے حوالے سے اقوام متحدہ سے کوئی معاہدہ کیا ہے تو اسے فوری طور پر ختم کرے اور اگر وفاق ایسا نہیں کر سکتا تو پھر ان افغان مہاجرین کو تمام صوبوں میں تقسیم کر کے انہیں کیپوں تک ہی محدود کیا جائے۔ دوسری جانب اقوام متحدہ کے ادارے برائے مہاجرین کے ہائی کمشنر فلپو گرانڈی کا کہنا ہے کہ پاکستان میں 15 لاکھ سے زائد افغان مہاجرین رجسٹرڈ ہیں اگر مہاجرین اپنے ملک رضاکارانہ طور پر واپسی کا اعلان کریں تو انہیں امدادی رقم دی جائے گی، رضاکارانہ واپس جانے والے فی خاندان کو 3 لاکھ روپے بطور امداد دئے جائیں گے اور پہلے مرحلے میں ہمارا ہدف 2 لاکھ 14 ہزار خاندان ہیں جبکہ 7 افراد پر مشتمل فی خاندان کو یہ امداد دی جائے گی۔

پوری دنیا کا ماننا ہے کہ جب بھی دو ممالک میں کوئی مسئلہ ہو تو انہیں مذاکرات کرنا چاہئیں جب کہ اس دوران ہماری کوشش رہی کہ اگر دونوں ممالک کے تعلقات بہتر نہیں ہو سکتے تو خراب بھی نہ ہوں اور ہم اس میں کامیاب بھی ہوئے۔ پاک امریکا تعلقات کے بارے میں سرتاج عزیز کا کہنا تھا کہ یہ ایک حقیقت ہے گزشتہ پانچ سالوں میں پاک امریکا تعلقات میں اتار چڑھاؤ آیا ہے اور بعض اوقات بہت مشکل دور بھی رہا جب کہ اب بھی پاک امریکا تعلقات میں تناؤ ضرور ہے لیکن کوئی ایسی بحرانی کیفیت نہیں۔ مشیر خارجہ کا کہنا تھا کہ دہشت گردوں کے خلاف جاری کارروائی میں بہت سے خطرات ہیں لیکن پاکستان دہشت گردوں کے خلاف بلا تفریق کارروائی کر رہا ہے جب کہ دہشت گردوں کے خلاف کارروائی مزید تیز کرنے کی صورت میں دہشت گردی کی کارروائیوں میں اضافہ ہو سکتا ہے۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ پاکستان میں دہشت گردوں کا کوئی ایک گروہ سرگرم نہیں ہے جب کہ فنانس بھاگنے والے دہشت گردوں نے مختلف شہروں کے قریب پناہ لے رکھی ہے لہذا ابھی اس سلسلے میں بہت کچھ کرنا باقی ہے۔

خیبر پختونخوا کے جنوبی ضلع ڈیرہ اسماعیل خان میں نارگٹ کلنگ کے تین مختلف واقعات میں ہلاک ہونے والے ڈی ایس پی اور پولیس اہلکار سمیت تینوں افراد کی تدفین سخت حفاظتی انتظامات میں کر دی گئی ہے۔ تینوں افراد کو گزشتہ روز نامعلوم افراد نے فائرنگ کر کے ہلاک کر دیا تھا۔ انسداد دہشت گردی کے محکمہ کے ڈپٹی سپرنٹنڈنٹ پولیس نور محمد کو گزشتہ روز تھانہ چھاؤنی کی حدود میں خیر آباد کے علاقے میں فائرنگ کر کے ہلاک کر دیا تھا۔ ڈی ایس پی نور محمد مغرب کی نماز ادا کرنے کے بعد گھر جا رہے تھے جب ان پر حملہ کیا گیا تھا۔ انھیں جمعہ کو ڈیرہ اسماعیل خان شہر سے 35 کلومیٹر دور پنیالہ میں سپرد خاک کر دیا گیا۔ اس سے پہلے دوپہر کے وقت نامعلوم موٹر سائیکل سواروں نے ایک پولیس سپاہی کو فائرنگ کر کے ہلاک کر دیا تھا۔ سپاہی شاہ زیب محسود مدینہ کالونی میں موجود تھے کہ اس دوران ان پر فائرنگ کی گئی۔ یہ واقعہ جمعرات کو پیش آیا تھا لیکن ان کی تدفین جمعہ کو کی گئی ہے۔ شاہ زیب محسود کے والدین کراچی میں تھے جہاں انھیں یہ اطلاع دی گئی۔ پولیس اہلکاروں نے بتایا کہ تیسرے واقعے میں ڈیرہ اسماعیل خان شہر کے کمشنری بازار میں دودھ اور کھوئے کی دکان میں موجود ندیم حسین کو نامعلوم افراد نے فائرنگ کر کے ہلاک کر دیا تھا۔ ندیم حسین کے بھائی جاوید حسین کو بھی چند سال پہلے نامعلوم افراد نے فائرنگ کر کے ہلاک کر دیا تھا۔ نوجوان ندیم حسین کا تعلق اہل تشیع سے تھا۔ ڈیرہ اسماعیل خان میں یہ کوئی پہلا موقع نہیں ہے کہ ایک ہی دن میں نارگٹ کلنگ کے اتنے واقعات پیش آئے ہوں۔ دو ماہ پہلے ڈیرہ اسماعیل خان میں علیحدہ علیحدہ واقعات میں چار وکلاء کو نامعلوم افراد نے فائرنگ کر کے ہلاک کر دیا تھا۔ چاروں وکلاء کا تعلق اہل تشیع سے بتایا گیا تھا۔ اس کے علاوہ گزشتہ روز پشاور کے چنگی روڈ پر گاڑی کے قریب دھماکے میں ایک پولیس اہلکار ہلاک اور سات افراد زخمی ہو گئے تھے۔ دھماکے خیز مواد سڑک کنارے نصب کیا گیا تھا۔

کراچی: ریجنل پولیس نے شہر کے مختلف علاقوں میں کارروائیاں کرتے ہوئے 55 افراد کو حراست میں لے لیا جب کہ ریجنل پولیس نے مقابلے میں کالعدم تنظیم کے 3 کارندے مارے گئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق کراچی میں قیام امن کے لئے ریجنل پولیس کی کارروائیاں جاری ہیں جب کہ ایک مرتبہ پھر مشترکہ کارروائی میں 55 افراد کو گرفتار کیا گیا ہے جب کہ ذرائع کا کہنا ہے کہ ریجنل پولیس نے مقابلے کے دوران کالعدم تنظیم کے 3 کارندے بھی مارے گئے ہیں۔ پولیس و ریجنل پولیس کی جانب سے ملزمان کی موجودگی کی خفیہ اطلاع پر گلستان جوہر، چاکاڑہ اور ملیر میں مشترکہ کارروائی کی گئی۔ واضح رہے کہ گزشتہ روز بھی ریجنل پولیس نے شہر قائد کے مختلف علاقوں میں کارروائی کرتے ہوئے 50 سے زائد افراد کو حراست میں لے لیا تھا۔

کراچی: شہر قائد میں ریجنل پولیس نے مشترکہ کارروائی کرتے ہوئے 58 جرائم پیشہ افراد گرفتار جب کہ ان کے قبضے سے اسلحہ، منشیات اور دیگر سامان برآمد کر لیا۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق کراچی میں ریجنل پولیس کی جانب سے مختلف علاقوں میں مشترکہ کارروائی کی گئی، کارروائی میں 58 جرائم پیشہ ملزمان گرفتار کیے گئے جن کے قبضے سے اسلحہ، منشیات اور دیگر سامان برآمد کر لیا۔ گرفتار ملزمان میں نارگٹ کلر، بھتہ خور، اغوا برائے تاوان، اشتہاری اور مفروضہ بھی شامل ہیں۔ ترجمان ریجنل پولیس کا کہنا ہے کہ ملزمان کو مسان روڈ، اسٹیل ٹاؤن، پاک کالونی، لیاری، موچکو، گلشن اقبال، گڈاپ، ملیر، ماڈل کالونی اور دیگر علاقوں سے گرفتار کیا گیا ہے۔

پشاور: خیبر پختونخوا حکومت نے وفاق کو مراسلہ بھیجا ہے جس میں مطالبہ کیا گیا ہے کہ صوبے میں موجود افغان مہاجرین کو فوری طور پر واپس بھجوایا جائے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق خیبر پختونخوا حکومت کی جانب سے بھجوائے گئے مراسلے میں کہا گیا ہے کہ وفاق اور اقوام متحدہ کے درمیان افغان مہاجرین کے حوالے سے معاہدہ 30 جون کو ختم ہو رہا ہے۔ جس کے بعد وفاق انہیں باعزت طریقے سے ان کے ملک واپس بھجوائے۔ مشیر اطلاعات خیبر پختونخوا مشتاق غنی نے ایکسپریس نیوز سے بات کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ دنیا کے کسی بھی ملک میں اتنی بڑی تعداد میں مہاجرین نہیں بستے جتنے ہمارے شہروں میں آباد ہیں، ہم افغان مہاجرین کی مزید مہمان نوازی نہیں کر سکتے کیونکہ یہ ناصرف ہماری معیشت پر بوجھ ہیں بلکہ ان کی وجہ

ڈی آئی خان: نارگٹ کلنگ میں ڈی ایس پی

سمیت تین ہلاک

بی بی سی اردو

1 جولائی 2016

کراچی میں ریجنل پولیس کی کارروائی، کالعدم

تنظیم کے 3 کارندے ہلاک اور 55 افراد

گرفتار

بی بی سی اردو

30 جون 2016

کراچی میں ریجنل پولیس کی مشترکہ

کارروائی میں 58 جرائم پیشہ افراد گرفتار

ایکسپریس اردو

29 جون 2016

خیبر پختونخوا حکومت نے 30 جون کے بعد

افغان مہاجرین کی میزبانی سے انکار کر دیا

ایکسپریس اردو

28 جون 2016

سیفشی اور سیکورٹی

تفصیلات

سرخیاں

اسلام آباد: امریکی سینیٹر جان مک کین نے اپنے دورہ پاکستان کے دوران سیاسی و عسکری قیادت سے ملاقاتیں کیں جن کا کہنا تھا کہ دہشت گردی کے خلاف جنگ میں پاکستان کا کردار اہم ہے۔ سماجی رابطے کی ویب سائٹ ٹوئٹر پر اپنے دورہ پاکستان کی تفصیلات سے آگاہ کرتے ہوئے سینیٹر جان مک کین نے وزیراعظم کے مشیر برائے امور خارجہ سرتاج عزیز، آرمی چیف جنرل راجیل شریف اور دیگر اہم شخصیات سے ملاقاتوں کی تصاویر ٹوئٹ کیں۔ جس میں ان کا کہنا تھا کہ پاکستانی آرمی چیف کے ساتھ ملاقات بہت اچھی رہی جس میں علاقائی سلامتی کے امور پر تبادلہ خیال کیا گیا جب کہ وزیراعظم نواز شریف کے مشیر برائے امور خارجہ سرتاج عزیز سے بھی وفود کی سطح پر ہونے والی ملاقات مفید رہی۔

پاکستان کے صوبہ بلوچستان کے تین مختلف علاقوں میں پر تشدد کے واقعات میں دو سیکورٹی اہلکاروں سمیت تین افراد ہلاک اور پانچ زخمی ہو گئے۔ زخمیوں میں سیکورٹی فورسز کے چار اہلکار شامل ہیں۔ سنیچر کو دونوں سیکورٹی اہلکاروں کی ہلاکت کا واقعہ کوسٹ سے متصل ضلع مستونگ میں پیش آیا۔ مستونگ پولیس کے ایک اہلکار نے بتایا کہ ہلاک ہونے والے دونوں اہلکاروں کو نامعلوم موٹر سائیکل سواروں نے نشانہ بنایا۔ ہلاک ہونے والوں میں سے ایک پولیس ہیڈ کانسٹیبل جبکہ دوسرا لیویز فورس کا اہلکار تھا۔ لہڑی کے علاقے گھوڑی میں بارودی سرنگ کے دھماکے میں ایک شخص ہلاک ہو گیا۔ لہڑی میں انتظامیہ کے ذرائع نے بتایا کہ نامعلوم افراد نے اس علاقے میں بارودی سرنگ بچھائی تھی۔ بارودی سرنگ اس وقت زوردار دھماکے سے پھٹ گئی جب ایک موٹر سائیکل اس سے ٹھکرائی۔ بارودی سرنگ پھٹنے سے موٹر سائیکل پر سوار دو افراد میں سے ایک ہلاک اور دوسرا زخمی ہو گیا۔ ادھر ایران سے متصل ضلع کچ میں ہونے والے بم دھماکے میں سیکورٹی فورسز کے چار اہلکار زخمی ہوئے۔ کچ میں انتظامیہ کے ذرائع کے مطابق نامعلوم افراد نے ضلع کے علاقے بل گور میں سڑک کے کنارے دھماکے خیز مواد نصب کیا تھا۔ دھماکے خیز مواد اس وقت پھٹ گیا جب سیکورٹی فورسز کا ایک قافلہ وہاں سے گزر رہا تھا۔

پاکستان کے صوبہ خیبر پختونخواہ کے ضلع سوات میں حکام کے مطابق سیکورٹی فورسز نے سات روپوش شدت پسندوں کی سروں کی قیمت فی کس دس لاکھ روپے مقرر کی ہے۔ تحصیل کبل کے مختلف علاقوں میں مختلف مقامات، بازاروں، مساجد اور مقامی مقامات پر ایسے پوسٹر چسپاں کیے گئے ہیں جس میں سات روپوش شدت پسندوں کے نام، تصاویر اور پتہ درج ہے۔ صحافی انور شاہ کے مطابق یہ پوسٹر زارڈو اور پشتو زبان میں شائع کیے گئے ہیں جن میں بتایا گیا ہے کہ ان شدت پسندوں کے بارے میں اطلاع دینے والوں کو دس لاکھ روپے انعام دیا جائے گا اور ان کے نام بھی پوشیدہ رکھے جائیں گے۔ پوسٹر میں یہ بھی تحریر ہے کہ 'سوات کا امن تباہ کرنے اور معصوم لوگوں کے قتل میں ملوث ان دہشت گردوں کی شکلوں کو پہچان لو اور ان میں سے کسی بھی کے متعلق اطلاع دینے والے کو دس لاکھ روپے انعام ملے گا۔' ان شدت پسندوں میں محب عرف عرفان سکنہ برہ بانڈی، قادر عرف یاسین استاد ساکن کوزہ بانڈی، علی سبحان عرف معاذ عرف فرمان عرف عباس سکنہ غوریچہ، زاہد حسین قاری سکنہ ڈھیری، اسحاق عرف صابر عرف سوات سکنہ کوزہ بانڈی، ریحان علی سکنہ غوریچہ، محمد زمان عرف احمدی سکنہ ٹنگوٹی شامل ہیں۔ پوسٹر میں روپوش شدت پسندوں کے بارے میں کسی بھی قسم کی معلومات اور اطلاع دینے کے لیے آرمی کے ہیلپ لائن نمبر کے علاوہ برہ بانڈی کے یونٹ کا نمبر بھی دیا گیا ہے۔ خیال رہے کہ سوات میں حالیہ کچھ عرصے سے شدت پسند کارروائیوں میں اضافے کے بعد سیکورٹی انتظامات نہ صرف سخت کر دیے گئے ہیں بلکہ گزشتہ روز سیاحتی علاقے مالم جبہ میں سیکورٹی فورسز نے ایک کارروائی کے دوران دو شدت پسندوں کو بھی ہلاک کیا تھا۔

اسلام آباد: سرتاج عزیز کا کہنا ہے کہ پاکستان امریکا کی جانب سے شارٹ ریٹج ٹیکنیکل جوہری ہتھیاروں کے ڈویلپمنٹ پروجیکٹ کو بند کرنے کے دباؤ کو برداشت نہیں کرے گا۔ غیر ملکی خبر رساں ایجنسی کو دیئے گئے انٹرویو میں سرتاج عزیز کا کہنا تھا کہ بھارت سمیت ہمسایہ ممالک کے ساتھ بہتر تعلقات کے بغیر ہم اپنے معاشی اہداف حاصل نہیں کر سکتے لہذا پاکستان اپنے ہمسایہ ممالک کے ساتھ بہتر تعلقات کو ترجیح دیتا ہے لیکن بھارت کی جانب سے اس سلسلے میں کوئی پیش رفت نہیں ہوئی جب کہ پاکستان بھارت کی دفاعی حکمت عملی کے جواب میں امریکا کی جانب سے شارٹ ریٹج ٹیکنیکل جوہری ہتھیاروں کے ڈویلپمنٹ پروجیکٹ کو بند کرنے کے دباؤ کو برداشت نہیں کرے گا۔ سرتاج عزیز نے کہا کہ پاکستان کبھی مذاکرات سے پیچھے نہیں ہٹا یہ بھارت ہی ہے جو مسئلہ کشمیر جیسے مسئلے سے بچنے کے لئے مذاکرات سے کتراتا رہا ہے لہذا دونوں ممالک کے درمیان مذاکرات کی عدم بحالی میں یہ ایک مسئلہ ہے لیکن ہم مذاکرات کی بحالی پر زور دیتے رہیں گے تاکہ ہمارے معاشی اور غیر معاشی تعلقات بہتر ہوں۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ پٹھان کوٹ واقعہ کی وجہ سے دونوں ممالک کے درمیان خارجہ سیکرٹری سطح کے مذاکرات معطل ہوئے تاہم ایسا نہیں ہونا چاہیے تھا کیونکہ

دہشت گردی کے خلاف جنگ میں پاکستان کا کردار انتہائی اہم ہے، امریکی سینیٹر جان مک کین

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بلوچستان: پرتشدد واقعات میں سیکورٹی اہلکاروں سمیت پانچ ہلاک

بی بی سی اردو

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سوات: روپوش شدت پسندوں کی گرفتاری میں مدد پر انعام

بی بی سی اردو

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فوجی آپریشن میں تیزی سے دہشت گردی بڑھ سکتی ہے، مشیر خارجہ

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اور سون میں شدید بارش کی وجہ سے ندی نالوں میں طغیانی پیدا ہو گئی ہے۔ جس کے بعد سیلابی ریلے میں مقامی مسجد اور کچھ مکانات بہہ گئے ہیں۔ عمران خان کا چترال میں سیلابی صورتحال پر تشویش کا اظہار کیا وزیر اعلیٰ خیبر پختونخواہ نے جاں بحق افراد کے لواحقین کو 3 لاکھ روپے امداد کا اعلان کر دیا۔ ضلعی انتظامیہ نے امدادی سرگرمیوں کیلئے این ڈی ایم اے سے ہیلی کاپٹر مانگ لیا

چترال میں طوفانی بارش کے باعث مسجد کی چھت منہدم ہونے سے 10 نمازی زخمی ہو گئے، جبکہ ریسکیو اہلکاروں نے نمازیوں کی تلاش شروع کر دی۔ ملک کے بالائی علاقے چترال میں نماز تراویح کے دوران مسجد کی چھت منہدم ہو گئی۔ جس سے دس افراد زخمی ہو گئے ہیں۔ مقامی افراد کا کہنا ہے کہ چھت سیلابی ریلے کے باعث منہدم ہوئی ہے، جبکہ خدشہ ہے کہ زخمی ہونے والے تمام نمازی سیلابی ریلے میں بہہ گئے ہیں۔

ہفتہ کو شمال مغربی صوبہ خیبر پختونخواہ اور پنجاب کے مختلف علاقوں میں سمیت وفاقی دارالحکومت اسلام آباد میں بھی موسلا دھار بارش شروع ہوئی تھی۔ پاکستان کے شمال مغربی صوبہ خیبر پختونخواہ کے ضلع چترال میں شدید بارشوں سے پیدا ہونے والی طغیانی میں بہہ جانے والے 40 سے زائد افراد میں متعدد کی لاشیں برآمد کر لی گئی ہیں۔

ہفتہ کو دیر گئے ارسون کے علاقے میں موسلا دھار بارشوں کے باعث سیلابی صورتحال پیدا ہو گئی اور اس ریلے کی زد میں ایک مسجد بھی آگئی جہاں لوگ نماز تراویح ادا کر رہے تھے۔ سیلابی ریلے سے درجنوں مکانوں کو بھی نقصان پہنچا ہے اور حکام کے مطابق علاقے میں امدادی سرگرمیاں شروع کر کے متاثرہ لوگوں کو محفوظ مقام پر منتقل کیا جا رہا ہے جب کہ بہہ جانے والے افراد کی تلاش بھی شروع کر دی گئی۔

چترال کے ڈپٹی کمشنر اسامہ وڑائچ نے ایک بیان میں بتایا کہ اتوار کی دوپہر تک سیلابی ریلے کے باعث لاپتہ ہونے والوں کی تعداد 41 تک پہنچ گئی۔ ان کے بقول 37 مکانات مکمل طور پر جب کہ 48 جزوی طور پر تباہ ہوئے۔

سیلاب کی زد میں سکیورٹی فورسز کی ایک چوکی بھی آگئی اور شائع شدہ اطلاعات کے مطابق اس میں آٹھ اہلکار لاپتہ ہو گئے۔

ہفتہ کو شمال مغربی صوبہ خیبر پختونخواہ اور پنجاب کے مختلف علاقوں میں سمیت وفاقی دارالحکومت اسلام آباد میں بھی موسلا دھار بارش شروع ہوئی تھی۔ محکمہ موسمیات یہ پیش گوئی کر چکا تھا کہ رواں برس مون سون کے موسم میں معمول سے دس سے بیس فیصد تک زیادہ بارشیں ہوں گی اور ندی، نالوں اور دریاؤں میں سیلابی صورتحال پیدا ہو جائے گی۔ گو کہ پاکستان کو غیر معمولی موسمی تغیرات کی وجہ سے 2010ء کے بعد سے سیلابوں کا سامنا رہا ہے جس میں اب تک ہزاروں افراد جان کی بازی ہار چکے ہیں جب کہ سیکڑوں مکانوں کی تباہی کے ساتھ ساتھ لاکھوں ایکڑ پر کھری فصلیں بھی تباہ ہو چکی ہیں۔

اس سال مارچ اور پھر اپریل میں بھی ملک کے شمال مغربی حصے میں شدید بارشوں کے باعث ایک سو سے زائد مارے جا چکے ہیں۔ آفات سے نمٹنے کے قومی ادارے نے مون سون کا موسم شروع ہونے سے پہلے ہی تمام متعلقہ اداروں کو کسی بھی ہنگامی صورتحال سے نمٹنے کی ہدایت کرتے ہوئے انتظامات مکمل کرنے کا کہا تھا اور ادارے کے مطابق اس ضمن میں تیاریاں مکمل کی جا چکی ہیں۔

چترال: بارش سے مسجد کی چھت منہدم،

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چترال میں بارشوں سے طغیانی، 40 سے

زائد افراد لاپتہ

وائس آف امریکہ اردو

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طور پر متاثرین کی امداد کے لیے کارروائیاں کریں۔

دورس کے علاقے میں ایک مکان سیلابی ریلے میں بہہ جانے سے دو خواتین سمیت پانچ افراد تاحال لاپتہ ہے۔ افغان حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ پاکستان کے ضلع چترال میں بارش کے بعد آنے والے سیلابی ریلوں میں بہہ جانے والے 12 افراد کی لاشیں افغان صوبے کنڑ کے مختلف علاقوں سے ملی ہیں۔ دوسری جانب چترال کی ضلعی انتظامیہ کے مطابق سیلابی ریلوں میں بہنے والے 28 افراد لاپتہ ہیں جبکہ چھ کی لاشیں مل افغانستان سے ملی ہیں۔ خیال رہے کہ سنیچر کی شب چترال کے علاقے ارسون میں دو گھنٹے تک جاری رہنے والی تیز بارش کے بعد آنے والے سیلابی ریلے سے ایک مسجد، سکیورٹی فورسز کی چیک پوسٹ سمیت متعدد مکانات کبہ گئے تھے۔ گلگت بلتستان اور چترال میں دوبارہ سیلاب کا خطرہ سیلاب سے آفت زدہ قرار ضلع چترال میں ہلاکتیں 31 ہو گئیں۔ کابل میں موجود بی بی سی کے نامہ نگار سید انور نے ہیلتھ ڈیپارٹمنٹ کے سربراہ ڈاکٹر فضل نے بتایا کہ چترال کے سیلابی ریلے میں بہہ جانے والے افراد میں سے کم از کم 12 کی لاشیں افغانستان کے صوبہ کنڑ سے ملی ہیں جنہیں ہسپتال منتقل کیا گیا۔ تمام لاشوں کو کفن اور تابوت کر کے ان کے لواحقین کے حوالے کیا ہے یہ ہماری ذمہ داری تھی۔ ڈپٹی کمشنر چترال اسامہ وڑائچ نے بی بی سی کو بتایا ہے کہ سیلابی ریلوں میں کم از کم 28 افراد لاپتہ ہو گئے جبکہ چھ افراد کی لاشیں افغانستان کے علاقے سے ملی ہیں۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ اتوار کو مطلع صاف تھا اور امدادی کارروائیاں جاری رہیں۔ ان دونوں گرمی کے موسم میں پہاڑوں کی برف پگھلنے سے بھی ندی نالوں میں پانی کا بہاؤ بڑھ جاتا ہے (فائل فوٹو) بی بی سی کے نامہ نگار عزیز اللہ خان کا کہنا ہے کہ سیلابی ریلے سے سکیورٹی فورسز کی ایک چیک پوسٹ بھی بہہ گئی ہے جس میں موجود اٹھ ہلاک لاپتہ ہیں اور چار زخمی ہیں۔ ڈپٹی کمشنر چترال کے بقول صورتحال سے نمٹنے کے لیے ہنگامی حالت نافذ کر دی گئی ہے جبکہ متاثرہ علاقے دور افتادہ ہونے کی وجہ سے امدادی کاموں میں مشکلات بھی درپیش ہیں۔ چترال میں 35 مکان مکمل طور پر تباہ ہوئے ہیں جبکہ 47 کمزوری طور پر نقصان پہنچا ہے۔ این ڈی ایم کے متاثرہ علاقوں میں فوج نے بھی امدادی سرگرمیاں شروع کر دی ہیں اور اس حوالے سے آئی ایس پی ار کا کہنا ہے کہ فوج کی جانب سے ریسکیو اینڈ ریلیف آپریشن جاری ہے اور متاثرین کو کھانا، خیمے، کمبل اور ادویات فراہم کر دی گئی ہیں جبکہ ہیلی کاپٹر کے ذریعے زخمی کو نکالنے اور لاپتہ افراد کی تلاش جاری ہیں۔ قدرتی آفات سے نمٹنے کے لیے بنائے گئے ادارے نیشنل ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ اتھارٹی کے مطابق چترال میں 35 مکان مکمل طور پر تباہ ہوئے ہیں جبکہ 47 کمزوری طور پر نقصان پہنچا ہے۔ صحافی انور شاہ کے مطابق تھانہ دورس کے پولیس اہلکار امیر اللہ نے بی بی سی کو بتایا کہ ارسون گاؤں میں سیلابی ریلے مسجد میں داخل ہونے سے دس نمازی بھی سیلاب میں بہہ گئے ہیں جبکہ 20 نمازی زخمی ہوئے ہیں۔ تھانہ دورس کے علاقے میں ایک مکان سیلابی ریلے میں بہہ جانے سے دو خواتین سمیت پانچ افراد تاحال لاپتہ ہیں۔ ادھر محکمہ موسمیات نے آئندہ چوبیس گھنٹوں کے دوران خیبر پختونخوا میں تیز بارشوں کی پیش گوئی کی ہے جس کے بعد سوات میں انتظامیہ نے دریا کے کنارے آباد لوگوں کو محتاط رہنے کی ہدایت جاری کر دی ہے۔ صوبائی وزیر اطلاعات مشتاق غنی نے بتایا ہے کہ حکومت نے امدادی سرگرمیوں کے لیے ڈیڑھ کروڑ روپے جاری کر دیے ہیں جنہیں سیلاب میں ہلاک ہونے والوں کے لواحقین کے لیے تین تین جبکہ زخمیوں کے لیے ایک ایک لاکھ روپے دئے جائیگے یا درہے کہ گذشتہ سال بھی چترال میں بارشوں کے بعد سیلاب آیا تھا۔ جس میں کئی افراد ہلاک ہوئے تھے اور املاک کو بھی نقصان پہنچا تھا۔ سیلاب کی وجہ سے کئی سڑکیں اور پل پانی میں بہہ گئے تھے۔

چیزمین پی ٹی آئی عمران خان نے سیلابی صورتحال سے نمٹنے کے لیے ہنگامی حکمت عملی نافذ کرنے کا اعلان کر دیا۔ دوسری جانب وزیر اعلیٰ خیبر پختونخوا پرویز خٹک نے چترال میں جاں بحق افراد کے لواحقین کیلئے فی کس 3 لاکھ روپے امداد کا اعلان کیا ہے۔ چیزمین پی ٹی آئی عمران خان نے سیلابی صورتحال پر اظہار تشویش کرتے ہوئے کہا ہے کہ حکومت متاثرین کی فوری مدد کیلئے اقدامات کرے اور اس مشکل گھڑی میں لوگوں کو اکیلا نہ چھوڑا جائے۔ عمران خان کا کہنا تھا کہ صوبائی حکومت ہر حالت میں عوام کے جان و مال کی حفاظت کے لئے اقدامات کرے، ان کا کہنا تھا کہ شہریوں کی سلامتی پر کوئی سمجھوتہ نہ کیا جائے۔

وزیر اعلیٰ خیبر پختونخوا پرویز خٹک نے چترال میں سیلابی صورتحال کا نوٹس لے لیا۔ زیر اعلیٰ پرویز خٹک نے سیلابی ریلے میں جاں بحق ہونے والے افراد کے لواحقین کیلئے فی کس 3 لاکھ روپے امداد کا اعلان کرتے ہوئے متعلقہ اداروں کو امدادی کام جلد از جلد مکمل کرنے اور لاپتہ افراد کی تلاش کا حکم دیدیا ہے۔ جبکہ خیبر پختونخوا حکومت نے امدادی سرگرمیوں کیلئے این ڈی ایم اے سے ہیلی کاپٹر مدد بھی مانگ لی۔ دوسری جانب گورنر خیبر پختونخوا نے ہلاکتوں پر گہرے دکھ اور رنج کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے متعلقہ اداروں کو امدادی کارروائیاں تیز کرنے کی ہدایت کر دی ہے۔

چترال کے علاقے ارسون میں شدید بارش کی وجہ سے ندی نالوں میں طغیانی پیدا ہو گئی ہے۔ سیلابی ریلے چترال کے علاقے ارسون میں داخل ہو گیا جس نے بڑے پیمانے پر تباہی مچادی۔ سیلابی ریلے سے کئی مکانات بھی تباہ ہو گئے۔ ضلعی ناظم چترال مغفرت شاہ کے مطابق سیلابی ریلے میں بہہ کر 30 افراد جاں بحق ہوئے۔

بارش کے بعد آنے والے سیلابی ریلے ایک مسجد، سکیورٹی فورسز کی چیک پوسٹ سمیت تقریباً 70 مکانات کو بھی بہا کر لے گیا۔ چترال کے علاقے

سیلابی ریلے میں بہنے والے 12 افراد کی لاشیں کنڑ سے ملیں

بی بی سی اردو

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سیلابی صورتحال سے نمٹنے کیلئے ہنگامی اقدامات کئے جائیں، عمران خان

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چترال میں سیلابی ریلے نے تباہی مچادی، کئی مکانات بہہ گئے

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تفصیلات

پاکستان کے ضلع چترال میں حکام کے مطابق سنیچر کی شب آنے والے سیلابی ریلوں میں بہہ جانے والے 15 کی لاشیں مل گئی ہیں جبکہ علاقے میں امدادی کام جاری ہیں۔ خیبر پختونخوا کے قدرتی آفات سے نمٹنے کے ادارے کے چترال میں قائم کنٹرول روم کے اہلکاروں نے بی بی سی اردو کے شیراز حسن کو بتایا ہے کہ اس قدرتی آفت کے نتیجے میں ہلاک ہونے والے افراد کی تعداد 29 ہے۔ گلگت بلتستان اور چترال میں دوبارہ سیلاب کا خطرہ ☆ سیلاب سے آفت زدہ قرار ضلع چترال میں ہلاکتیں 31 ہو گئیں ان کا کہنا تھا کہ یہ تمام افراد سیلابی پانی میں بہہ گئے تھے اور ان میں سے 15 کی لاشیں برآمد کی جا چکی ہیں جبکہ دیگر 14 کی تلاش جاری ہے۔ خیال رہے کہ افغان حکام نے اتوار کو بتایا تھا کہ ان میں سے 12 افراد کی لاشیں بہہ کر افغان صوبے کنڑ میں پہنچ گئی تھیں جنہیں پاکستانی حکام کے حوالے کر دیا گیا ہے۔ چترال کنٹرول روم کے اہلکاروں کے مطابق سیلاب میں جو آٹھ سکیورٹی اہلکار ہلاک ہوئے تھے ان میں سے تین کی لاشیں تاحال برآمد کی جاسکی ہیں۔ خیال رہے کہ سنیچر کی شب چترال کے علاقے ارسون میں دو گھنٹے تک جاری رہنے والی تیز بارش کے بعد آنے والے سیلابی ریلے سے ایک مسجد، سکیورٹی فورسز کی چیک پوسٹ سمیت متعدد مکانات بہہ گئے تھے۔ قدرتی آفات سے نمٹنے کے لیے بنائے گئے ادارے نیشنل ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ اتھارٹی کے مطابق چترال میں 35 مکان مکمل طور پر تباہ ہوئے ہیں جبکہ 47 کو جزوی طور پر نقصان پہنچا ہے۔ ڈپٹی کمشنر چترال کے مطابق علاقے میں سیلاب کے بعد کی صورتحال سے نمٹنے کے لیے ہنگامی حالت نافذ کر دی گئی ہے جبکہ متاثرہ علاقے دور افتادہ ہونے کی وجہ سے امدادی کاموں میں مشکلات بھی درپیش ہیں۔ متاثرہ علاقوں میں فوج کی جانب سے امدادی سرگرمیاں جاری ہیں اور اس حوالے سے آئی ایس پی آر کا کہنا ہے کہ فوج کی جانب سے ریسکیو اینڈ ریلیف آپریشن میں متاثرین کو کھانا، خیمے، کبل اور ادویات فراہم کر دی گئی ہیں جبکہ ہیلی کاپٹروں کے ذریعے لاپتہ افراد کی تلاش جاری ہے۔ صوبائی وزیر اطلاعات مشتاق غنی کے مطابق حکومت نے امدادی سرگرمیوں کے لیے ڈیڑھ کروڑ روپے جاری کیے ہیں جس میں سیلاب میں ہلاک ہونے والوں کو لواحقین کو تین تین جبکہ زخمیوں کو ایک ایک لاکھ روپے دیے جائیں گے۔ یاد رہے کہ گزشتہ سال بھی چترال میں بارشوں کے بعد سیلاب آیا تھا جس میں متعدد افراد ہلاک ہوئے تھے اور املاک کو بھی نقصان پہنچا تھا۔

چترال میں سیلابی ریلے میں بہہ جانے والے 37 افراد کی لاشیں نکال لی گئیں۔ پی ایم ڈی اے کے مطابق پاک فوج کے 8 جوانوں سمیت 18 افراد اب بھی لاپتہ ہیں۔ متاثرہ علاقے میں امدادی کارروائیاں جاری ہیں۔

چترال: سیلابی ریلے میں بہہ جانے والے

37 افراد کی لاشیں نکال لی گئیں

بی

4 جولائی 2016

چترال میں طوفانی بارش نے قیامت ڈھادی نواحی علاقے ارسون میں آسمان لگا رہا تھا برساتی پانی نے پھر گئے درجنوں جیتے جاگتے۔ انسان منہ زور ریلے میں بہہ گئے۔ تباہی بن کر آنے والے پانی نے کئی مکانوں کو صفحہ ہستی سے مٹا دیا

مسجد میں نماز پڑھنے والے نمازی اور سکیورٹی فورسز کی چوکی بھی محفوظ نہ رہی اور سیلابی ریلے کی زد میں آ گئی۔ پی ایم ڈی اے کے مطابق سیلابی ریلے میں بہنے والے 37 افراد کی نعشیں نکال لی گئی ہیں۔ جبکہ پاک فوج کے 8 جوانوں سمیت 18 افراد اب بھی لاپتہ ہیں۔ متاثرہ علاقے میں امدادی کارروائیاں جاری ہیں 500 خیمے اور خوراک کا ذخیرہ بھی پہنچا دیا گیا ہے۔ آئی ایس پی آر کا کہنا ہے کہ پاک فوج نے ہیلی کاپٹر کے ذریعے ارسون اور متاثرہ علاقوں میں امدادی اشیاء، کبل، اور خیمے پہنچا دیے گئے ہیں۔ ضلع بھر میں ہنگامی حالت نافذ کر دی گئی ہے متاثرہ علاقے میں پاک فوج، چترال اسکواڈ، بارڈر پولیس اور پولیس کی امدادی کارروائیاں جاری ہیں۔ وزیر اعلیٰ پرویز خٹک نے اپنا سرکاری ہیلی کاپٹر بھی امدادی سرگرمیوں کے لئے پی ڈی ایم اے کے حوالے کر دیا ہے

سابق صدر آصف زرداری نے چترال میں بارشوں سے تباہی پر افسوس کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے کہا ہے کہ مشکل وقت میں انکی تمام دعائیں متاثرہ خاندانوں کے ساتھ ہیں، جبکہ چیلنجز پارٹی کے کارکن متاثرہ افراد کی بحالی کے لئے ہر ممکن مدد کریں۔

کارکنان سیلاب سے متاثرہ افراد کی بحالی

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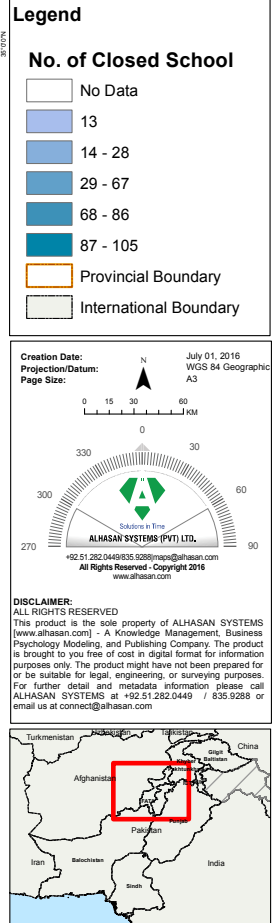
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Education Facilities Closed Under Rationalisation Plan

Around 500 Fata schools closed under rationalisation plan

PESHAWAR: As a campaign in favour of access to education is going on around the world, authorities in the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (Fata) are going in the opposite direction by closing down 497 schools in the region. The closure of a large number of schools, majority of them primary schools both for boys and girls, is part of the Civil Secretariat Fata's rationalisation plan prepared in November 2015. The list obtained from the Directorate of Education Fata shows that 13 schools have been closed down in Bajaur Agency, 105 in Mohmand Agency, 86 in Orakzai Agency, 58 in Kurram Agency, 28 in Khyber Agency, 23 in Frontier Region (FR) Kohat, 11 in FR Bannu, five in FR Lakki Marwat, 101 in FR Tank and 67 in FR Dera Ismail Khan.

North Waziristan and South Waziristan agencies have been exempted due to militancy although Orakzai Agency and parts of Khyber Agency were also badly affected by militancy. Officials say schools were 'unfeasible', used as hujras, cattle pens. The self-perceived rationale behind the policy is that students and resources of the schools with less than 70 boys and 65 girls are to be shifted to the nearest schools in the area in a bid to improve their standard. 'Instead of wasting resources at a school having low enrolment, we have decided to shift the funds and teaching staff of that school to another government-run school which will ultimately boost the quality of education at that school,' said an official of the Directorate of Education, who deals with the plan. Some critics in the secretariat call it an irrational plan, said another official, adding that the government should hold accountable all those officials, who had approved such 'unfeasible' schemes. Zaf Ali Afridi, a rights activist from Fata, said the government should take that policy back because it was against the children's rights. He argued that the terrain, the local culture and tribal rivalries demanded that if the government had the resources, it would be ideal to have a school on every doorstep. 'Instead of closing down schools, there is need to increase enrolment of more children in schools,' he said. Interestingly enough, the implementation of the rationalisation plan has coincided with the announcement of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa governor, the chief executive Fata, vis-a-vis education emergency, having the sole objective to enrol around 400,000 out-of-school children in the next three years. The enrolment drive was launched in April last and 45,000 students were enrolled against the set target of 150,000 out-of-school children. Officials said those schools were not constructed on 'need basis' and instead, the reason behind their construction was just to bribe local elders. They said majority of the shortlisted schools were used as 'hujras', while in some schools, enrolment was very low. The officials said those schools had been closed down for a period of one year and the plan could be restored provided that local communities enrolled the required number of students. Students enrolled in the now abandoned schools have been shifted to the nearest schools in their respective areas. Teachers have also been posted to schools that were under staff. Under the plan, a primary school for boys is required to have 70 students, while a primary school for girls has to enrol 65 students. 'In fact, this is a merger plan and schools with low enrolment have been abandoned temporarily. The directorate will reopen if enrolment criterion is fulfilled,' said the official. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has a policy of one teacher for 40 students at the primary level. The KP government introduced rationalisation plan few years ago instead of closing schools surplus teachers were posted in schools that were under staff, but schools were not closed. But the Civil Secretariat Fata instead of taking action against officials for approving infeasible schemes apparently handed over these abandoned buildings to the land owners who were already misusing government properties. Political agents have key role in approval of schemes in the annual development plan particularly schools, basic health units, drinking water schemes and livestock centers. Another official in the directorate said those schools had been closed down for one year. He said if local communities enrolled the required number of students, then those schools would be restored. Unlike settled areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and other areas, local people provide land for construction of schools and other buildings free of charge. In return, the landowners are provided Class-IV jobs like watchmen and water carriers. Officials in the civil secretariat admitted that schools were not feasible and the purpose of opening them was to bribe elders. They said in most cases, schools were used as hujras or cattle pens. The officials said scrutiny of basic health facilities and livestock centers was also underway and that unfeasible buildings would be closed down.



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