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NATURAL CALAMITIES

NEWS HEADLINES

'Burning agricultural waste, vehicles' exhaust lead to smog'

DAWN News, November 14, 2016

Brief respite: Rain clears out residual smog cloud

Express Tribune, November 13, 2016

Dengue cases in Tharparkar soar to 261

Daily Pakistan, November 13, 2016

Dengue cases continue to rise in Rawalpindi

Pakistan Observer, November 13, 2016

DETAILS

ISLAMABAD: The recent rains in some parts of Punjab has reduced smog for the time, but the issue will persist and intensify every year due to changes in agriculture trends, the increase in the number of vehicles on the road and the burning of solid and agriculture waste.

Smog is produced when various substances like dust, chemicals, carbon, sulfur and lead dissolve in humid air, which is caused by lower temperatures. Inhaling smog can lead to a number of lung diseases and can create eye, nose and chest problems.

Environmentalists suggest existing laws regarding pollution should be implemented without differentiation, that mass transit systems should be introduced in the cities and that solid waste be used for the production of energy.

Talking to Dawn, Chairman of the Environment Science Department at the International Islamic University Dr Mohammad Irfan Khan said that in the past, after the would reap crops, people would use the crop waste to feed animals and the waste from wheat would be used in constructing mud houses. "But trends have changed now, mud houses are not that common anymore and people buy prepared food for animals. So farmers on both sides of the border burn agricultural waste, which leads to an increase in pollution," he said. "Agriculture is more common in Punjab, in both Pakistan and India, and hence the provinces of Punjab in both the countries are more affected. Delhi was the capital of Punjab till 1905 and some areas of Islamabad were part of Punjab will 1963 as well," he said.

If the waste were to be left in the fields, it would lead to an increase in the fertility of the soil, he said, but when it is burned, the waste transforms into pure carbon, which is dangerous for health. He suggested the burning of agricultural waste should be stopped, that more trees be planted and a mass transit system be introduced in the cities in order to reduce the use of vehicles. "New technology should be adopted in industries for reduced pollution. Some plants, such as aloe vera, absorb pollution so these kinds of plants should be planted more," he said.

Dr Khan said there was a lot of dust in the twin cities of Rawalpindi and Islamabad, which does not settle down due to the lack of rains in the last many weeks. Talking to Dawn, environmentalist Dr Jawad Chisti said there is no proper waste management system in the country.

"Every morning, one can see waste being burnt in various places outside the city, due to which the chances of contracting asthma and other diseases are increased. Because the city is covered in smog and other pollutants, water vapours do not reach the sky and those that do, cannot rain down as pollution stops them from transforming into water droplets, which is why we have not had rains in the city recently," he explained.

"If we have to burn waste, we should do it for the production of energy. If we use organic waste properly, we can produce enough gas to meet a large portion of the country's energy requirements," he said, "Between 300 and 500 vehicles get registered in the federal capital everyday and some 1,000 are registered in Lahore. In developed countries, older cars are scrapped after a certain time, but in Pakistan, we even use very old cars. According to the law, the vehicles which emit smoke are to be impounded for 60 days, but this law is hardly implemented," he said.

LAHORE: A brief spell of rain helped clear the slight smog enveloping Lahore on Saturday 12 Nov 2016, with the Met Office predicting the prevailing smog in the adjoining districts would also dissipate in the coming days.

According to the Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD), rain and thunderstorm were recorded in several districts of Punjab, including Gujranwala, Chakwal, Sialkot, Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujrat, Mianwali, Jhelum, Lahore, Sahiwal and Kasur districts.

Lahore received 2mm of rain in scattered areas of the city while Gujranwala and Chakwal received 4mm of rain. Sialkot, Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin and Gujrat also received 2mm of rain while 1mm rainfall was recorded in Mianwali and Jhelum.

The smog covering the north-eastern districts of Punjab since November 2 had resulted in an abnormal increase in deaths in road accidents as well as triggering health problems among a large number of people. The rain, however, cleared out the remaining smog and also pushed the mercury down.

THARPARKAR: The outbreak of dengue virus could not be controlled in Tharparkar as four more patients were contracted virus and toll reached to 261. The local residents said that the authorities have failed to conduct anti-dengue spray in different affected localities including Chachro, Islamkot, Mithi and dozens of people contracted dengue virus on daily basis.

On the other hand, District Health Officer Chandar Gormani has said that we have set up special dengue ward in Civil Hospital Mithi where dengue patients treatment is underway and mosquito nets have been provided in all rural areas. — Online

RAWALPINDI: Dengue virus continues to swell despite fall in mercury as 69 people affected by the virus were under treatment in various hospitals of Rawalpindi.

According to health department, 3200 dengue cases surfaced across Rawalpindi district since January 01, 2016. At present of total 69 dengue affected people, 44 were under treatment at Holy Family Hospital, 19 at Benazir Bhutto Shaheed Hospital and six were under treatment at District

Three more children die of malnutrition in Tharparkar

The Nation, November 12, 2016

Policymakers 'oblivious' to climate change impacts

Daily Times, November 12, 2016

Pakistan Red Crescent launches disaster risk reduction, climate change adaptation projects in GB

Daily Pakistan, November 12, 2016

Hospital Rawalpindi.

Dr. Tariq Niazi said that the dengue situation has worsened due to lack of interest of the health authorities. He said that immediate and solid steps were needed to overcome the further spread of disease and treatment of the existing patients.

THARPARKAR: Three children expired due to malnutrition in drought hit Tharparkar after which the death toll during the current year has climbed to 440.

The health department sources said that three children affected of various diseases caused due to malnutrition and under treatment at Civil Hospital Mithi and Tahaluqa hospital Nagarparkar died.

The children who died during treatment were aged four days, 15 days and 45 days. With the recent deaths, toll during the month of November has reached to 18 while since January 01, 2016, 440 children have expired due to malnutrition related diseases.

The malnutrition has engulfed the lives of about 900 children during last couple of years but despite the deteriorating situation the health department and the provincial governments have taken any solid steps resulting in loss of more precious lives. The people of Tharparkar have appealed the international NGO's for taking notice of the situation in the drought hit district and for appropriate measures to save the lives of innocent children.

ISLAMABAD: As Pakistan has made it to the list of the most affected countries worldwide due to climate change; it seems policymakers are not in a hurry to chalk out a comprehensive policy to ameliorate the sufferings of millions, which is increasing with each passing day. Official sources told Daily Times that people had no idea about the climate change and its impacts. They consider natural disasters as divine punishment.

Pakistan has been one of the major victims of natural calamities in the world. According to the Pakistan Economic Survey, more than 3,000 people were killed and \$16 billion loss incurred due to floods of 2010, 2011, and 2012. Bridges were swept away, infrastructure was damaged and people were displaced from their homes and villages. Communication channels were lost in many areas. In 2014, floods in Punjab and AJK destroyed thousands of developmental projects costing the government billions of rupees.

According to the research, millions of people in Pakistan suffer from heavy floods every year... with victims mainly from rural areas whose basic source of income is agriculture. The capricious rain patterns and freakish weather are also harming agriculture. Farmers are mostly ambivalent about which crop to grow in order to avoid high losses. Earthquakes have become a norm in most parts of the country. More than 1,200 people lost their lives in Karachi heatwave last year. Flash floods in Chitral and drought in Thar cost many more lives. With each passing year glaciers are shrinking at a faster rate, making the flow of rivers more unpredictable downstream. Sources said that instead of turning to renewable energy resources like sunlight, wind, geo-thermal, the government has expedited work on coal power projects and nuclear power plants.

The Thar power plant, Arifwala power station, Jhang (RLNG based) power project, Balloki power plant and Kanupp (I, II, III) are some of the examples.

Pakistan has the potential to generate 90,000MW of electricity from wind energy and sunlight and more than 60,000MW from hydro energy. Being exposed to climate change related calamities the government should have turned its focus to such environment-friendly energy sources to meet ever-growing demand. But, unfortunately, that isn't happening, added sources.

The World Met Office (WMO) has disclosed in its recent report that the world has witnessed the hottest ever years during the last five years and the current year is nearing to set a new record in terms of hottest weather. This report has triggered grave concern among the circles related to environmental protection.

The major cause behind this intensity is human activities. The way the use of fossil fuel has been increased enormously, experts have expressed apprehensions that possibility of heatwave spells may increase manifold in the coming years.

According to a report, 258,000 casualties caused due to drought in East Africa during 2011 were outcome of hot climate. According to official statistics, 4,100 deaths were caused due to heatwave in India and Pakistan during 2015.

SKARDU: Pakistan Red Crescent (PRC) in collaboration with German Red Cross (GRC) has undertaken special efforts to provide assistance to the people of Gilgit-Baltistan, more prone to natural disasters like earthquakes, frequent landslides, avalanches, flash floods and GLOF.

Over 15,000 residents in 10 villages of Shigar Valley will benefit from Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation program. This was stated by the Chairman PRC Dr Saeed Elahi during the launch of DRR and Climate Change Adaptation program here today.

Dr Saeed Elahi said that Pakistan is adversely affected by both natural, man-made disasters and climate change, this off the course calls forth dire need of building disaster resilience capacity of residents so that they could better cope up with disaster effects and help themselves before the arrival of external aid. "This is why PRC has been investing time and money to incapacitate potential affectees to be better prepared to withstand with disaster impacts", said Saeed Elahi.

He said that PRC being the largest Humanitarian Organization in the country has a mandate to complement disaster response efforts of Government, PRC provincial branch was established in 2007 at Gilgit which has so far successfully responded to disasters occurring in the region.

Dr Saeed said that PRC has already offered to Director General GB DMA for propositioning of Disaster Preparedness stock (NFIs) for 200 families in forward locations of 10 most vulnerable districts of GB besides PRC's available stock at PHQ and district branch Skardu. This would help

Karachi among world's least liveable cities: World Bank report

Geo News, November 11, 2016

World Food Programme, Dawood Foundation launch nutrition awareness campaign in Tharparkar

Daily Pakistan, November 11, 2016

in initiating a prompt and timely joint response event of a disaster.

Speaking at the occasion, Senior Minister GB Haji Akbar Taban said that PRC and GRC projects such as DRR and Climate Change Adaptation are the dire need of vulnerable people living in disaster-prone areas of GB.

"It is matter of immense satisfaction for me that today this project is being launched and I assure that PRC will have the full support of GB government for the implementation of this project", he said. While expressing his thoughts, Secretary General PRC Ghulam Muhammad Awan said that another project with the financial support of CRC of CAD 2.3 million is already being implemented for capacity building of PHQ-GB and communities of Ghizer District.

He requested to all concerned state departments to facilitate PRC's provincial and district branch in every possible manner during the implementation of this project. "Needless to say that without close coordination of all stakeholders especially states departments, the success of a project is far cry", he added.

KARACHI: A World Bank report released Thursday highlights the plight of Pakistan's biggest city and suggests measures needed to be taken to preserve its position as the country's main growth driver.

The report titled 'Pakistan Development Update – Making growth matter', launched in collaboration with the Sindh government, devotes an entire chapter to Karachi's problems. It states that Karachi continues to rank among the bottom 10 cities in the 2015 Global Liveability Index. Karachi's security and liveability face threat from regional conflicts, organised crime, and social and ethnic tensions arising from an incoming tide of immigrants, the report states.

Despite it being Pakistan's economic and industrial hub, Karachi's infrastructure and institutions are in dire condition, making it prone to natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes, tsunamis, water scarcity and heat waves, it adds. "Karachi faces a complex political environment, ad hoc planning, poor governance, and weak financial and institutional capacities," the report states.

Water scarcity and garbage

The report declares water scarcity as the most serious and imminent problem facing Karachi. According to the report, the available water supply meets only 55% of the city's needs. The city lacks infrastructure to treat and dispose of sewerage water. Every year 47,50,00,000 gallons of sewerage water is released directly into the open sea without treatment.

The report holds bad governance responsible for the water scarcity, stating that the city has no formal policy for water supply and sanitation. It further notes that only 50% of the garbage that the city produces is sent off to the landfill sites.

Prone to disasters

The report states that Karachi is vulnerable to diseases linked to environmental degradation, especially those stemming from pollution and sewage. Lack of urban planning, poor infrastructure and inadequate emergency rescue services make the city extremely vulnerable in the event of natural disasters such as earthquakes.

Poor transportation

There is no central public transport network in the city and no transport policy, the report states. Approximately 42% of residents rely on public transport yet the city has only 5% of vehicles.

Nutrition shortage

The World Bank report also draws attention to the problem of chronic malnutrition in Pakistan. It notes that the country has the third-highest stunting (low height for age) rate in the world.

According to data from several rural districts in Punjab, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, drinking water is contaminated with E-coli and is unfit for consumption.

ISLAMABAD: The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) in Pakistan, in collaboration with The Dawood Foundation (TDF), has launched a fresh effort to change the way people approach nutrition in the impoverished district of Tharparkar, in Sindh province.

Tharparkar has suffered from severe drought for more than four years – often with fatal consequences. Malnutrition and acute food shortages compound the lack of adequate medical facilities, transportation and road infrastructure.

The new campaign – consisting of messages distributed in Sindhi through radio programmes, banners and awareness workshops – aims to encourage individuals and communities to ensure that malnourished children, pregnant women and nursing mothers have access to diversified, nutritious diets. It also emphasizes the importance of breastfeeding, supplementary feeding, hygiene practices and the need to monitor children's growth.

Speaking at the launch, Irfan Malik, Head of Programme- WFP's provincial office in Sindh said malnutrition was not just a health issue. "It needs to be addressed across sectors, and prioritized in all development programmes from the community to the national level. This strategic collaboration with The Dawood Foundation demonstrates the private sector's positive role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals in Pakistan".

For her part, TDF's Chief Executive Officer, Sabrina Dawood, conveyed of the Foundation's pivotal role in bringing about positive social change. "The campaign to educate the people of Tharparkar about hygienic and dietary practices, she said "will contribute to achieve the Government's nutrition priority goals set for Vision 2025." In his closing remarks, TDF's Manager Services, Amir Shabbir said that "nutrition targets can be achieved if all stakeholders work together to address issues pertaining to malnutrition in Sindh".

Dengue cases tops 3200 figure in Rawalpindi

Dunya News, November 10 ,2016

WFP has taken the lead in providing technical and policy support to Sindh's Planning and Development Department and Nutrition Support Programme. It has also played a key role in the establishment of Sindh's Provincial Fortification Alliances (PFA) – a platform for the implementation of all national nutrition policy and programmes. And recently, in close coordination with the Government of Sindh, WFP has opened a Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) secretariat in Karachi to help combat malnutrition at the local level – a further step towards delivering the nutrition goals contained in Vision 2025.

RAWALPINDI: The horrible outcome of the bite of Aedes mosquito has risen to horribly high numbers as 150 more patients have fallen prey in the last 24 hours inside Rawalpindi.

The sources have also confirmed that room is not spacious enough for the new patients that are admitted at different Allied hospitals of the city. Owing to the precautionary measures not being made properly by Rawalpindi district administration, the total number of patients within the last 10 months has reached to 3200 while medical tests of as many as ten thousands patients has been done meanwhile. In addition, four people have died owing to dengue in Rawalpindi division during this year. However, the measures taken by the administration is almost negligible.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

NEWS HEADLINES

CPEC's enemies are enemies of Pakistan and China: Prime Minister

Business Recorder, November 14, 2016

DETAILS

Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif on Sunday said the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) had become a reality with starting off the first shipment of trade cargo from the Gwadar Port to international destinations. Terming the arrival of the first trade convoy at Gwadar Port 'a watershed event', the Prime Minister said the CPEC project, conceived by the leadership of China and Pakistan, had materialised, bringing a dawn of immense trade and commerce opportunities for the whole region.

Addressing a ceremony of the launching of the first mega pilot trade cargo, he said Pakistan was a proud partner of China and assured that his government would leave no stone unturned to complete all the development projects under the aegis of CPEC on time. He underscored the significance of the political stability and said the CPEC was a leapfrog in this regard. The Prime Minister said the CPEC was a national programme and its enemies were the enemies of Pakistan and China. He said the CPEC also manifested the desire of the leadership of two countries for shared prosperity through a broader and solid cooperation. He also lauded the Chinese President for his vision of regional prosperity which coincided with Pakistan's vision of development of 2020. He said President Xi's vision of shared prosperity through greater connectivity was need of the hour in the conflict ridden and increasing polarised world.

The CPEC was the fusion of Chinese President's concept of 'one belt and one road' project which came as integrating the trade and commerce activities of various regional countries through enhanced connectivity, thus transforming Pakistan into a major hub of trade and commerce, he added. The Prime Minister said Pakistan enjoyed the unique geo-strategical location, standing at the crossroads of three major engines of growth, including South Asia, China and the Central Asia, and changing fate of three billion people of the region and in future would serve as the hub of a major trade zone.

Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee General Rashad Mahmood, Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif, Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal Sohail Aman, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Zakauddin Khan, federal ministers Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Ahsan Iqbal and Abdul Qadir Baloch, Advisor on National Security Nasir Khan Janjua, Maulana Fazlur Rehman, Mir Hasil Khan Bizenjo, a number of ambassadors, FWO officials, Chinese dignitaries, Sino Trans company officials, members of provincial assemblies, notables and elders were present on the occasion.

The Prime Minister said today they had gathered to witness the dream of CPEC turning into reality and further strengthening of bilateral ties between the two countries that stood the test of times. He reiterated that the CPEC was going to be a reality and would open a world of opportunities for both the countries and the region. Terming the Gwadar Port a 'jewel in the CPEC crown', he expressed the confidence that due to its geo-strategic prime location, it would play a pivotal role in future trade and cargo activities. He said the vision of exclusive and sustained development must reach to those who had been mired in poverty and backwardness and in that regard, the CPEC would provide benefits to the all the under-developed areas of the country, including Balochistan, KPK, FATA, AJK and Gilgit-Baltistan. He assured that no area of the country would be deprived of the fruits of prosperity from various CPEC development projects. He expressed the hope that with the execution of various development projects, bilateral relations between China and Pakistan would reach further heights. He said a new era of prosperity had not only ushered in Balochistan but also spanned the length and breadth of the country. The Prime Minister said the construction of new roads had brought peace and prosperity in the province linking the major coastline of the country, which had been erstwhile virtually inaccessible due to lack of road network. He said the government and the armed forces rendered efforts to make local people as the main stakeholders of the project, adding faces of residents would now gleam with prosperity. He said the federal government was spending Rs 74 billion for numerous development projects in the province whereas projects, including Khuzdar-Quetta and D I Khan road dualization, worth Rs 200 billion would be launched soon. He lauded the services of Frontier Works Organization (FWO) for the operationalizing of Gwadar Port by laying three major road networks through the rough and difficult terrains of the province over which the federal government spent Rs 49 billion. He paid tribute to the brave 40 FWO men who laid down their lives in the construction of the road projects.

The Prime Minister also commended the personal support and indulgence of the Chief of Army Staff and Balochistan Chief Minister for executing the development projects, adding the maritime security was being looked after by the Pakistan Navy. He announced that Khuzdar-Gwadar-Ratodero road would be made operational in 2017 whereas Chaman-Khyber road had been rehabilitated. The federal government, he said, had allocated land for the Free Trade Zones whereas a project worth Rs 25 billion was being executed for the development of Gwadar city, keeping in view its importance. The federal government had given a free hand to the provincial government in that regard that designed the project, considering Gwadar's basic requirements, he said. The provincial government was implementing the project and the resources were being provided by the federal government, he added. The Prime Minister said his government was pursuing uniform development policies for the whole country and endeavouring to preserve harmony in the socio-economic uplift of the people. He said an amount of Rs 11.5 billion was being spent for the clean drinking water supply to Gwadar. In that regard, Shadi Kaur dam was completed whereas work on Basol dam was underway. The existing 50-bed hospital, he said, was being upgraded to 300-bed facility, while a university, and a technical and vocational training institute were also being set up in Gwadar to produce required manpower. He said under the CPEC, the government had prioritised energy and road infrastructure. To meet the electricity needs, a 300-megawatt power plant was being installed in Gwadar, he added. The Prime Minister

UN chief supports Pakistan in fight against terror

The News, November 14, 2016

Terrorism to be eliminated from Karachi: Kamran

Pakistan Observer, November 14, 2016

PUC to launch drive against extremism

The News, November 14, 2016

said the government had already allocated land for the Gwadar Free Trade Zone with special concessions. Moreover, he said, the projects of Exclusive Industrial Park Processing Zone and Mineral Economic Zone were also being executed on priority basis. Referring to the tragic terrorist attack at Shah Noorani shrine, the Prime Minister said their hearts were saddened and their thoughts and sympathies were with the families of the victims.

Such cowardly attacks, he resolved, could not weaken their determination to completely eliminate the menace of terrorism from the country. He said the Operation Zarb-e-Azb had broken the back of terrorists with countless sacrifices by the personnel of armed forces. He said they would not rest till Pakistan was brought back to the Quaid's vision where all people, irrespective of their religion, race or ethnicity, lived in harmony.

Balochistan Chief Minister Sanaullah Khan Zehri termed the event a landmark development towards operationalization of the CPEC for which he commended the Prime Minister and the Chief of Army Staff for their dedication. He said the Free Trade Zone had been established whereas exemptions in the customs and taxes were granted. With the support of security institutions and people of the province, his government succeeded in curbing the anti-state elements and improving the law and order, he added. He expressed the hope that massive development projects would usher in socio-economic uplift of the area. The land route in future would increase massive vehicular traffic, besides generating huge revenue, he said, adding the CPEC would provide a rare fate changer reality for the people of Balochistan and Pakistan.

Speaking on the occasion, FWO Director General Major General Muhammad Afzal said the first pilot trade convoy had reached Gwadar after covering a distance of 3000 Kms from Kashghar. He said under the concept of modern times maritime trade activities, the CPEC would usher in socio-economic transformation of the whole region. Terming the CPEC a classical example of the time-tested bilateral ties between the two countries, the FWO DG said the CPEC would be a harbinger of socio-economic uplift of the three billion people of the region in which Gwadar would have the pivotal role as it would serve as the shortest and economically viable trade route. He said it was the legacy of Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif, who, after taking over the command of armed forces of Pakistan, initiated the operation Zarb-e-Azb against terrorism, thus ultimately making possible the commencement of the mega project. He said the personnel of the armed forces had rendered countless sacrifices for realising that dream into reality and making it a successful story of 'toil, sweat and blood'. The FWO DG also lauded General Raheel's personal indulgence and devotion in the completion of development projects.

Major General Muhammad Afzal said the Prime Minister's patronage was vital for the realisation of the project. He said Pakistan army provided security to the trade convoy from China to Gwadar and would ensure security of all the trade routes in future. He thanked the Sino-Trans, a Chinese company, for lending help and cooperation to the FWO and said the synergy among all the stakeholders proved to be a catalyst in operationalizing the port.

Executive member of the Sino Trans company, in his remarks, said the completion of the CPEC would have far reaching effects upon all the countries of the region.

Chinese Ambassador Sun Weidong conveyed the warm felicitations on behalf of the Chinese government to the Pakistani nation and the government on the commencement of first trade cargo. He said it was a significant development as for the first time, a trade convoy had passed through the western route to the south and north of the country, showing the greater connectivity. It proved the capacity of the port to handle the shipment of the trade cargo to international destinations, he added. Weidong said it was 'the win-win opportunity' for both the countries and commended the security and law enforcement agencies for providing security to the convoy. He said about 60 different projects of the CPEC were under construction, creating jobs for the tens of thousands of local people. A new beginning of journey had started, the giant ship of CPEC would break the wind and embark on the global destinations, he added. Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif presented a souvenir to the Prime Minister.

A duet was also presented by the Pakistani and Chinese singers to celebrate the occasion.

NEW YORK: UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon has condemned as depraved the terrorist attack against worshippers at the Shah Noorani shrine in Balochistan. In a statement, he extended his heartfelt condolences to the families of the victims and to people of Pakistan and wished a speedy recovery to the injured. The secretary general expressed support to the Government of Pakistan in its fight against terrorism in full respect of international and human rights norms.

KARACHI—Federal Minister for Human Rights, Senator Kamran Michael, has said that terrorism will be eliminated from Karachi and elsewhere.

Addressing the Minorities Peace and Prayer Festival at Jinnah Park Ground here, he said people from all the religions sacrificed their lives for the freedom of Pakistan and now this is our duty to work together for peace and prosperity of the country. A large number of people from all religions participated in the festival. Christians, Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs and leaders of other religions prayed for the sovereignty and peace of the country. He said that PML-N government has embarked upon the plan to eliminate terrorism from all over the country, especially Karachi. "We all stand with the Pakistan Army in the war against terrorism," he added. Senator Mushahidullah Khan also addressed the festival and said that people from all religions are free to perform their religious duties and prayers in Pakistan.—APP

LAHORE: Pakistan Ulema Council will carry out countrywide campaign for eradication of extremism, terrorism, sectarian violence and to express solidarity for defense and security of Harmain al-Sharifain. According to a press release issued on Sunday, Pakistan Ulema Council Punjab executive body meeting was held here. The meeting chaired by Pakistan Ulema Council Chairman Hafiz Muhammad Tahir Mehmood Ashrafi decided unanimously to carry out "Muslims Awareness Caravan" from Lahore to Rahimyar Khan to create awareness among people of

Register FIR against Modi for destabilising Balochistan, ex-interior minister urges govt

Express Tribune, November 14, 2016

'Contradictory and unsatisfactory'

Pakistan Today, November 14, 2016

Shah Norani shrine attack kills 62, injures 102

Pakistan Today, November 13, 2016

Pakistan about the challenges faced by the Muslim world on November 27 to Nov 30.

ISLAMABAD: Strongly condemning Saturday's suicide attack on a Sufi saint's shrine in Khuzdar district, Pakistan Peoples Party Senator Rehman Malik on Sunday called for registering an FIR against India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi. "The attack on Dargah Shah Noorani was an attack on CPEC [China-Pakistan Economic Corridor], so the role of India should not be ignored," Malik said at a news conference at his residence before leaving for Dubai where he was summoned by PPP Co-Chairman Asif Ali Zardari. "Narendra Modi should be named in the FIR for his anti-CPEC and anti-Balochistan statements," he added.

The PPP senator said CPEC was making India nervous which is why Modi – whom he called the 'chief of terrorists' – had tasked his country's agencies to sabotage it. He said India's Research and Analysis Wing, in collaboration with Afghan intelligence and the agencies of some other countries, was using terrorism to destabilise the region. "An attack in Balochistan just a few hours before a Chinese mega trade convoy arrived at Gwadar port is not just alarming but an administrative and intelligence failure," Malik said. He demanded the attack be probed by a high-level commission.

Pakistan to account for violations in Balochistan: Modi

The senator also asked Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to call an all parties conference to review implementation of the National Action Plan across the country. Malik stressed the need for an offensive policy to counter India and called for trying and executing arrested RAW agent Kulbhushan Yadav. He said Pakistan's feeble foreign policy had pushed it into international isolation. The senator expressed great grief on behalf of PPP Chairman Bilawal Bhutto Zardari and Co-Chairman Asif Zardari over the loss of precious lives in Balochistan.

With more than 50 people dead and over a 100 injured, the Khuzdar blast has now become the third major terrorist attack in Balochistan in the past four months alone. With the government quickly dismissing ISIS's claims of responsibility and blaming malevolent, foreign hands pitted against CPEC for this tragedy, it is in a precarious position. No one's denying CPEC's importance – its development is key to not only providing trade and revenue to the nation, but also in overcoming our regional and international isolation – especially in the face of possible tightening of the reins by the looming Trump administration. However, there are problems with this statement.

First, for the government to allude to a "foreign hand's" involvement with every attack that has occurred – particularly in Balochistan – is detrimental to the people's faith in the PML-N administration (to say nothing of the thoughts of the international community). The implication is obvious: if this foreign hand has yet again managed to attack what should (in light of CPEC) technically be the most secured province in the country, it means it is continuing to outsmart our government and intelligence agencies. If the government's hope is to deflect criticism, then such statements achieve the opposite, because they call its ability to govern in to question.

Secondly, such statements cannot deflect the blame from the government's failure to provide security, including steps to implement the NAP. Grieving families will not accept placations, because this isn't the first time this has happened. Even in the first attack, which killed several key lawyers of the province, the Supreme Court's inquiry tribunal had choice words on the government's handling of the matter, calling the statements contradictory and unsatisfactory.

As we offer our support to the families of those injured and killed in these attacks, it is important to remember that the fight against terrorism is a long and hard one, but it must continue to be fought. And while Zarb-e-Azb is going a long way in curbing the menace, its success also depends on the government responsibly playing its role.

At least 62 people were killed and 102 were injured on Saturday evening in a bombing at the shrine of Shah Norani in Khuzdar district of Balochistan.

Earlier, Balochistan Home Minister Mir Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti confirmed, "52 people have died and dozens injured in the incident." Bugti also hinted towards foreign involvement in the attack. It was not confirmed whether the bombing was a suicide attack or a remote detonation.

What we know so far

Blast within the premises of the shrine

At least 52 killed, 102 people injured

Difficulty in reaching site of incident due to its remote location

No major hospital nearby

50 ambulances dispatched from Karachi

Emergency declared in Karachi hospitals

The explosion took place at the spot where the dhamaal (Sufi ritual) was being performed, within the premises of the shrine. "At the time of the blast, there were at least 500 people gathered at the spot to view the performance," said Abdul Hakim Lasi, a senior Edhi official in Khuzdar district.

Security forces reached the spot of the incident and established a cordon around it. Emergency services faced difficulty in reaching the site of the bombing due to its remote location and poor communication infrastructure. The shrine is also located in hilly terrain, which further added to the difficulties faced by emergency services. A control room was also established in Quetta to coordinate rescue efforts.

Army teams dispatched

On orders from the Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif, army troops and medical teams were dispatched to the Shah Norani shrine to provide medical and rescue services to the injured,

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said a tweet from the Inter-Services Public relations. Army medical teams treated the wounded at the location.

Lack of medical facilities

Two platoons of the Frontier Corps reached the shrine with medical and rescue equipment and were one of the first teams to initiate rescue operations. No major hospital is located near the shrine, reportedly the injured were being shifted in private vehicles.

An emergency was also declared in hospitals of Khuzdar and Karachi. The only hospital in the district is Civil Hospital Khuzdar, which was not equipped to handle the scope of the emergency.

On instructions of Sindh Chief Minister Murad Ali Shah, around 50 ambulances were dispatched from Karachi to the Shah Norani shrine. He also condemned the attack and expressed grief over the lives lost. The injured began to arrive in Karachi hospitals hours after the bombing took place.

President Mamnoon Hussain and Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif strongly condemned the bombing in separate statements.

Following the attack on the Shah Norani shrine, security was tightened across major Sufi shrines in the country. The shrine is frequented by a large number of devotees on Friday and is visited by people from across the country. Iranian nationals also frequent the shrine. It is approximately 150 kilometres from Karachi.

IS claim responsibility

Pakistan Army spokesman Lieutenant General Asim Bajwa said troops and medical teams had been dispatched but that "difficult terrain and long distance" were hampering their progress. Bajwa said that 20 ambulances and 50 soldiers were about to reach the site, while a further 45 ambulances 100 troops were also on their way, along with medical teams.

A military helicopter would attempt evacuations at night, he added, but medical teams could not access the area by plane as there were no air strips close by.

President Mamnoon Hussain and Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif strongly condemned the bombing in separate statements. "The government is determined to eliminate terrorism and extremists from the country," Hussain said in a statement expressing sympathy with the victims and their families.

A statement from Sharif's office said the prime minister called for the "best medical treatment" to be given to the wounded.

Up to 600 people were at the shrine at the time of the attack, according to local official Tariq Mengal, who said that many devotees travelled to the site from Karachi during weekends.

The Islamic State (IS) group claimed responsibility for the attack via Amaq, its affiliated news agency.

"35 dead and 95 wounded Shiite visitors in a martyrdom operation attack by the Islamic State fighter that targeted a shrine in a city in Balochistan," the agency said.

The bombing follows the killing of Amjad Sabri, a renowned Sufi singer, by two gunmen in Karachi in June.

Some observers have said that Sabri may have been assassinated because he was a high-profile Sufi.

Sufism, a mystic Islamic order that believes in living saints, worships through music, and is viewed as heretical by some hardline groups including the Taliban. Local militants claimed to have worked with the Islamic State group to attack a police academy in Balochistan last month, killing 61 people in the deadliest assault on a security installation in Pakistan's history.

In August, a suicide bombing at a Quetta hospital claimed by the Islamic State group and a faction of the Pakistani Taliban killed 73 people.

Balochistan has been experiencing incidents of violence and targeted killings for over a decade. More than 1,400 incidents targeting the minority Shia and Hazara community have taken place in the province during the past 15 years.

BEIJING: The second joint working group meeting of Quadrilateral Cooperation and Coordination Mechanism (QCCM) – comprising Afghanistan, China, Pakistan and Tajikistan – to counter terrorism was held in Beijing.

The Chinese defence ministry sources said all the parties at the meeting unanimously agreed that as the terrorism posed serious threats to the region and the QCCM member countries. It was necessary to conscientiously implement the important consensus reached by the heads of state of the four countries on strengthening anti-terrorism cooperation, deepen the pragmatic cooperation under the QCCM and continue enhancing anti-terrorism capability and exchange information so as to jointly maintain the regional peace and stability, they added.

According to the sources, the four-party working group through candid and friendly consultation has reached consensus on the text of the QCCM Agreement which is scheduled to be signed by high-level military leaders of the four countries at the 2nd QCCM High-Level Military Leaders Meeting in 2017. The working group also discussed the possible QCCM cooperative projects in 2017 and agreed to actively coordinate and formulate implementation schemes of these specific cooperatives projects.

KARACHI—Mayor Karachi, kjoned months has only one more case for release on bail, which is likely to be decided on Nov 16. He was granted bail by an anti-terrorism court Saturday in two more cases. That means that of the total 39 cases against him, he has been given bail in 38.

Issuing non-bailable warrants of other accused including, MQM Pakistan Chief, Dr. Farooq Sattar

8 martyred, several protesters injured in troops' actions in IHK

Pakistan Observer, November 12, 2016

ATC rejects bail plea of Allama Yousaf in hate speech case

Pakistan Today, November 12, 2016

'Sabri killers' make startling disclosures

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LEAs kill TTP Sindh chief-designate, one operative

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and Haider Abass Rizvi in the same case the court adjourned hearing till first of next month. There were 39 cases filed against Waseem Akhtar in different cases including May 12 riots and for facilitating hate speech. He has been granted bail in 38 cases and he needs bail in one more case, related to facilitating medical treatment of terrorists, to get out of jail.

SRINAGAR—In occupied Kashmir, scores of people were injured when Indian troops fired pellets, bullets and teargas shells to prevent people from staging anti-India demonstrations and conducting a march towards the Jamia Masjid in Srinagar, Friday.

Call for the march was given by the joint resistance leadership comprising Syed Ali Gilani, Mirwaiz Umar Farooq and Muhammad Yasin Malik to observe Youm-e-Istiqlal, today. The puppet authorities imposed curfew and other restrictions in Srinagar and other towns to stop people from conducting the march. The authorities also sealed Jamia Masjid disallowing people from offering Juma prayers on 18th successive Friday, today.

Indian police locked the gates of the Hyderpora residence of Syed Ali Gilani from outside to stop him from leading the march. The police whisked away Mirwaiz Umar Farooq in a police jeep when he stepped out of his Nigeen residence and tried to march towards the Jamia Masjid. The police also arrested Hurriyet leader, Abdul Ahad Parra, in Rajbagh area of Srinagar. The occupation authorities continued to put other Hurriyet leaders including Muhammad Yasin Malik, Shabbir Ahmed Shah, Agha Syed Hassan Al-Moosvi Al-Safvi, Masarrat Aalam Butt, Aasiya Andrabi, Bilal Siddiqui, Zafar Akbar Butt and Ayaz Muhammad Akbar under house arrest or in custody to prevent them from leading the march. They were not even allowed to offer Juma prayers. Despite curfew and restrictions, people took to the streets in Srinagar, Badgam, Ganderbal, Baramulla, Bandipora, Kupwara, Islamabad, Pulwama, Shopian, Kulgam and other areas and tried to conduct the march. They shouted pro-Pakistan, pro-freedom and anti-India slogans. They also waved Pakistani flags. Indian troops and police personnel subjected the demonstrators to brute force at various places injuring scores of them.

Meanwhile, complete shutdown continued on 126th consecutive day, today, against the civilian killings and other brutalities of Indian police and troops in the Kashmir Valley. A 14-year-old girl, Munazah Rashid, succumbed at a hospital in Srinagar, taking the death toll in the ongoing uprising to 113. Munazah Rashid, the 6th standard student, suffered acute breathlessness when Indian paramilitary forces fired PAVA and teargas shells on protesters at Anchar in Soura area of Srinagar on November 2. Since then, she was on a ventilator but breathed her last, yesterday. Indian troops, in their fresh act of state terrorism, martyred three youth at Torna Rampur in Uri area of Baramulla.

Senior Hurriyet leader, Professor Abdul Ghani Butt, speaking at a function held at his residence in Srinagar to release his autobiography "Beyond me" urged India and Pakistan to devise a mechanism for result-oriented talks to settle the Kashmir dispute.

Speakers at a conference in the Hague, the capital of Holland said that India could not defeat the brave Kashmiri people, who were committed to achieve their inalienable right to self-determination. The speakers included the AJK Prime Minister, Raja Farooq Haider, Ali Raza Syed, and Raja Zeb Khan and Pakistan Ambassador to Netherlands, Ms Effat Imran Gardezi.

The Anti-Terrorism Court (ATC) has rejected the bail plea Majlis Wahadat-ul-Muslameen (MWM) leader Allama Mirza Yousaf in hate speech case.

During the hearing, the investigation officer (IO) informed the court through his statement that Allama Yousaf was alleged of delivering hate speech and an FIR has been lodged against him with Sharifabad Police Station. The court after hearing the arguments of parties rejected the bail plea of the accused. It is worth-mentioning here that the IO had adopted on last hearing of the case that Allama Yousaf delivered a hated speech at the funeral prayer of Zaki in May, 2016, and case was also registered against him. The IO prayed the court to grant the 14 days physical remand of the accused. The court has ordered to send the accused to jail on 14 days judicial remand.

KARACHI—Two militant suspected of affiliation with the outlawed Lashkar-e-Jhangvi have disclosed information during investigation regarding their motives and modus operandi, a senior Counter-Terrorism Department official said on Friday.

The two 'LJ militants' Ishaq, alias Bobby, and Asim, alias Capri, from Liaquatabad were arrested earlier this week for involvement in 28 cases, including the high-profile murder of renowned qawwal Amjad Sabri, who was gunned down in Karachi in June.

The CTD's Raja Umer Khattab, officer in-charge of Transnational Terrorism Intelligence Group (TTIG), told media that during an initial interrogation, Capri confessed the men had targeted the famous qawwal as he used to attend majalis in the month of Muharram. Capri also claimed that Sabri had done a programme on TV channel in which slain activist Khurram Zaki allegedly uttered some questionable words that the qawwal had supported. According to Khattab, Capri, originally a resident of Karachi's Gulbahar area, shifted to Amjad Sabri's neighbourhood with the intention of targeting him. The CTD claimed that Capri's two brothers are also militants who are languishing in jails, whereas his third brother was killed in a sectarian attack. Bobby, considered a 'computer expert,' told the investigators that he had collected material from the internet regarding the activities of the qawwal, Khattab claimed. According to the CTD, Bobby, considered an 'expert shooter' was the one to hit Amjad Sabri. A resident of Karachi's Orangi Town, Bobby is a Hafiz-i-Quran who joined LJ in 2012, the CTD said.

The Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan's nominated chief for its Sindh chapter, who was also operating as the Jundullah Karachi ameer and also had ties with al-Qaeda, Jamaat-ul-Ahrar and Daesh, was killed by Rangers in a shootout on the outskirts of the city near Hub on Friday. He was identified as Saqib alias Arif alias Anjum alias Abbas.

A Rangers spokesperson said the paramilitary force's anti-terrorist force with the assistance of an

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intelligence agency had conducted a raid at a hideout of TTP terrorists who were also associated Daesh. In the ensuing shootout, Saqib was injured while his associates fled. Later, Saqib expired.

Saqib was involved in the attack on then Karachi corps commander Lt-Gen Ahsan Saleem Hayat in 2004. He had also attacked Maulana Fazalur Rehman in Quetta. He had also carried out the attack that killed Bilal Shaikh, the chief security officer of former president Asif Ali Zardari. Saqib was also involved in the killing of people belonging to minority communities and attacks on churches. Saqib was presently planning to attack the Rangers Sindh headquarters in Karachi and the office of the police's Special Security Unit.

The spokesperson while searching the hideout of the terrorists, the Rangers found a basement which was being used as a bomb-making factory. They found automatic weapons, ammunition, grenades, improvised explosive devices and equipment used for them.

'TTP terrorist' killed

The Sohrab Goth police in a raid conducted in Quetta Town in the morning gunned down an alleged TTP terrorist.

SHO Rana Haseeb said police had received information about the presence of TTP terrorists in the area. The police raided their hideout and in the ensuing encounter, one terrorist was injured while his two associates managed to escape. The injured terrorist, identified as Saqib Salman, later expired. A 9mm pistol and two grenades were found on him.

Slain terrorist identified

Rangers have announced that the three terrorists killed in an encounter on Wednesday night in Manghopir were affiliated with the TTP, Daesh, and al-Qaeda and were involved in several acts of terrorism, including the Safoora Goth bus attack. They were identified as Salman alias Yasir, Mohammad Hussain alias Mistary Pathan and Mohammad Suleman Khan alias Sharmila Pathan.

Sharing details of the shootout, the Rangers spokesperson said just as the paramilitary force were closing in on the hideout, the terrorists opened fire on them, injuring a soldier. The raiding team cordoned off the place and fired back, killing one of the terrorists.

Later, reinforcements were called in and two other fleeing terrorists were gunned down. Weapons and ammunition were found at their hideout.

Giving details of each individual, the spokesperson said Salman alias Yasir was a hardcore militant of the TTP Swat and also a local leader. In 2008, he was involved in carrying out attacks on security forces in Swat and the abduction of four soldiers. He was also involved in staging suicide attacks on security forces, including an attack on the Rangers Headquarters in North Nazimabad in 2013 in which three soldiers were killed. He had killed more than 10 people, including political workers and police officials. He was also involved in bomb attacks in which 12 people were killed. He had carried out an attack on Awami National Party leader Bashir Jan using an IED-fitted rickshaw, in which nine people lost their lives. Salman provided suicide jackets and training to militants and extorted and kidnapped traders. In 2015, he had kidnapped Hasan, the owner of a leather factory, and released him after taking an amount of Rs3 million. The spokesperson said Mohammad Hussain alias Mistary Pathan was among the attackers who killed 46 passengers of a bus in Safoora Goth. He had entered the bus from the driver's door.

In September 2014, he had targeted two policemen in Hyderabad and was also involved in robberies and extortion. In October 2014, he had robbed a bank in Hyderabad taking away Rs1.9 million. The spokesperson said Suleman Khan alias Sharmila Pathan worked for al-Qaeda and TTP Swat and also had ties with other Taliban factions. He trained terrorists and was involved in killing police officials and carrying out an attack on a police van with a grenade. In 2014, he had lobbed a grenade at an imambargah near Ayesha Manzil and was also involved in extorting traders and bank heists in Hyderabad.

The army's refusal to provide troops for security during the national census has once again put the fate of this constitutional obligation in the doldrums. Reportedly, the Military Operations Directorate of Pakistan Army has informed the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) that it could not make available a large number of army personnel to hold a census citing a reason that a large number of troops are engaged in the war against terrorism.

Almost all countries across the world regularly partake in collecting a "snapshot of their entire population" so that broad specificities on national demography in conjunction with its social, economic and housing characteristics can be gathered. For a country that already suffers from an unchecked population growth, it is of utmost importance that Pakistan ascertains the rapid changes taking place in its working-age population. The much-needed exercise is likely to have profound implications both for the distribution of federal resources as well as the allocation of legislative power in the National Assembly. The last census was held in 1998 during the last regime of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif. Pakistan was due to conduct a census in 2008 and then 2010 but political unrest, conflict and natural disasters contributed to delays. Still the non-availability of required armed forces personnel due to their preoccupation in security-related tasks is being speculated as a key obstacle in census collection. The federal administration should have addressed these concerns directly instead of delaying the much-needed census.

The delayed census highlights the inherent flaws in the working of civilian institutions that always look for pretexts to avoid responsibilities. The PBS needs to use alternate methodology for conducting the census without taking help from the army, as there is a need of having a will to complete the process. There are other options that can be used to complete the national census. Government can involve members of various communities as volunteers in carrying out this task. In this regard, help can be sought from students as well as the private sector, while the police personnel can be deputed to provide security to enumerators.

Jundullah chief killed in Hub raid

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20 suspects held in 'combing' operation around Shahbaz airbase

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City Patrol Force launched in Peshawar

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For every modern country, a population census carries great importance because all planning for development, allocation of resources and formulation of policies to cater for different needs of citizens hinge upon the data collected through this exercise. It should be held once every 10 years, but in Pakistan all the development planning over the last 18 years has been done without knowledge about the actual number of citizens. It is also necessary because the representation of the provinces in the National Assembly is decided on the basis of population, and it is helpful in the determination of provincial shares in the federal tax revenue. The census will give a comprehensive picture of the social and living conditions of people. An accurate census is in everyone's interest. It provides the data that allows public resources to be equitably shared across the country, and to ensure that services at local level are relevant to all the people who live there. A reliable census is important for Pakistan to adequately plan growth, deliver services and solve the country's problems. It is hoped that the government soon will find a formula to complete this much-needed exercise.

KARACHI/HUB: Law enforcement agencies killed the chief of outlawed militant group Jundullah on Friday in a successful operation in Hub, ARY News reported. Arif alias Saqib Anjum who was emir of Jundullah was killed during a raid in Hub.

Rangers sources said that it was a major success in the fight against terrorism. The law enforcement personnel have also claimed to capture around 1000 kilogrammes of explosive material from the hideout of the slain militant.

Arif alias Saqib Anjum was the mastermind of suicide attacks in Karachi and other parts of Sindh and Balochistan, security sources claimed. He used to collaborate with Al-Qaeda, Daesh, Lashkar-e-Jhangvi and Jamaat-ul-Ahrar militant groups for attacks. He was the mastermind of a number of suicide attacks in Karachi and Balochistan, sources added. Moreover, a member of outlawed Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) was killed in an encounter with police in Sohrab Goth. Two terrorists were escaped from the scene during the attack, police sources said. Two hand grenades and a 9mm pistol recovered from the slain terrorist, sources claimed.

SUKKUR: More than 20 suspects were rounded up and detained at various police stations in what was described as a 'combing' operation carried out in different villages around the Shahbaz airbase in Jacobabad, police said on Thursday. They said that officers and personnel of the district police and other law enforcement agencies carried out raids on houses, hotels and other places to apprehend suspects late on Wednesday evening and the following day. A house-to-house search was also conducted during the operation, they added.

Jacobabad SSP Sajid Hussain Khokhar, who led the operation, told Dawn that the operation was aimed at pre-empting acts of terrorism amid reports about movement of suspected elements in certain areas of Jacobabad district, which had already witnessed some of the worst ever terrorist attacks in Sindh.

MIRPURKHAS: At least seven suspects were picked up during a search operation, said to carried out under the National Action Plan, in Kot Ghulam Mohammed and Digri towns on Thursday. Police sources said that the Digri police arrested Aijaz Wattu and Waseem Wattu, cloth merchants by profession, in raid on a house in the town. They are said to be residents of Bhawalpur town of Punjab. The Kot Ghulam Mohammed police raided a house and arrested Aqeel Qaimkhani. Four other suspects were picked up in raids on other houses for interrogation.

PESHAWAR: The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa police on Thursday launched the 'City Patrol Force' in Peshawar as the first responder in case of any criminal activity, road accident and emergency situation.

The force's launching ceremony was held at the Malik Saad Shaheed Police Lines here with Chief Minister Pervez Khattak in the chair.

As disclosed in an official statement issued here, the CPF with the motto of triple S i.e. safety, security and service has the functions of the 'first responder to all calls, hot pursuit of trouble shooters, prevention of street crimes, surveillance of anti-social elements, door knocking of persons released from jails and proclaimed offenders, snap checking, information getting, public facilitation and help, responding to 15 calls and SOS alerts and coordination with emergency services.'

It will function in Peshawar city and cantonment areas divided into 20 beats with 160 city patrol officers working in two shifts of eight hours each. Well-equipped force will be first responder in case of criminal activity, road mishap, emergency situation.

According to the statement, the force has 22 vehicles equipped with modern gadgets and facilities i.e. video camera, wireless system and computers. In every vehicle, four personnel i.e. a sub inspector, two elite force personnel and a driver will perform duty. A proper monitoring mechanism has been worked out for the force. A command desk has been established in Peshawar's command and control centre in the East Cantonment police station, where the activities of each vehicle and staff are recorded. A special SIM card had been installed in every vehicle to help show the duty position of every vehicle. No vehicle will go out of the areas under its jurisdiction.

On the occasion, the CM said the CPF would be equipped with GPS (global positioning system) and modern sophisticated weapons to avert any untoward incident. He appreciated the police's role in the province and claimed the provincial police were far better than those of other provinces. "The city patrol force will be extended to other parts of the province," he said. The CM said the government didn't interfere with transfer and posting of its employees and that the recruitment was made purely on the basis of merit. He praised the police for sacrifices in fight against terrorism and crimes. The CM said the PTI government had introduced police reforms and established police training centres and schools.

Provincial police chief Nasir Khan Durrani, who was also present in the ceremony, said the CPF

Terrorists involved in hospital, PTC carnage arrested

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Terrorists killed in Manghopir shootout 'belonged to Daesh'

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equipped with all latest facilities would prove as a milestone to serve as a 'first responder' force. He said the 'first responder' concept in any incident and emergency particularly in urban cities was in effect all over the world where the police reached the spot in the shortest possible time. "Keeping in view this concept, the City Patrol Force has been introduced. It will work as the first responder. Initially, it is being launched in Peshawar city and cantonment areas. Later, it will be extended to other districts keeping in view its performance," he said. The police chief said in other countries, that kind of force reached the place within 12 minutes of untoward incident. Our force will respond even in less than 12 minutes," he said. He said the CPF vehicles had the facilities of identity verification system, incident tagging, surveillance of persons released from jail, Tenants Information System and traffic updates. The police chief said the provincial police were being equipped with the modern facilities. He said approximately all activities of the force along with pictures and conversation of personnel would be recorded along scientific lines. He said the KP police were the bravest force of the world and that its personnel were always ready to meet any eventually. "Besides controlling crime, the force will also serve humanity," he said.

Provincial ministers, MPAs, provincial chief secretary, home and tribal affairs secretary, additional IGPs, DIGs and other senior civil and police officers attended the function. Earlier, the chief guest also administered the oath to the CPF personnel.

QUETTA—Chief Minister Balochistan, Nawab Sanaullah Khan Zehri has disclosed that mastermind of acts of terrorism happened in Sandemand Civil Hospital Quetta and Police Training Center Quetta which claimed lives of a number of lawyers and police cadets, has been arrested. 'It is good news that our law enforcement agencies have successfully apprehended mastermind and facilitators who were behind terrorists attacks on Sandeman Civil Hospital Quetta and Police Training Center Quetta, respectively, which claimed lives of several lawyers and police cadets and injured others,' he said. He was addressing an award distribution ceremony of Kyokushin Karate, here on Thursday. The Chief Minister said that few years back, teachers were being killed by terrorists and law and order situation was deteriorated even shopkeepers were forced to shut down shops in evening. 'Terrorists attacked my convoy and killed my son, brother and loved ones in 2013,' he said, adding that but terrorists could not affect his passion to fight terrorism. 'I will continue my fight against terrorism until complete peace is restored, he said. He said that his government had set up a Joint Investigation Team (JIT) to conduct probe into PTC Quetta carnage. He said that he has vision of a peaceful and educated Balochistan. 'My vision is getting goal of making Balochistan, a peaceful, educated and economically thriving province,' he said. He said that law and situation in Balochistan is better than past. He announced constructing Sikandar Shaheed Complex on Prince Road. He also announced Rs 01 million financial assistance for participants children of Kyokushin Karate program.

The paramilitary force announced on Thursday the three terrorists killed in an encounter overnight in Manghopir belonged to the banned Daesh, Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan and al-Qaeda and were involved in several incidents of terrorism, including the Safoora bus attack. Salman alias Yasir, Mohammad Hussain alias Mistary Pathan and Mohammad Suleman Khan alias Sharmila Pathan were killed by paramilitary soldiers in retaliatory gunfire during a late-night intelligence-driver raid on their hideout.

Sharing details of the shootout, the spokesman for the Sindh Rangers said that just as the soldiers were closing in on the hideout, the terrorists opened fire on them, injuring a law enforcer. The raiding team cordoned off the place and returned fire, killing one of the suspects, he said, adding that the law enforcers then called in reinforcements and shot dead two fleeing terrorists. Arms and ammunition were said to have been seized during the raid.

Salman alias Yasir

He was said to be a hardcore militant of the TTP Swat and also a local leader. In 2008 he was involved in carrying out attacks on the security forces in Swat and the abduction of four army troops there. Salman was also allegedly involved in staging suicide attacks on security forces, including an attack on the Rangers Headquarters in North Nazimabad in 2013, leaving three soldiers dead. The terrorist killed more than 10 people, including political workers and police officials. He was also involved in bomb attacks in which 12 people were killed. He was alleged to be involved in a terrorist attack on Awami National Party leader Bashir Jaan through an IED-fitted rickshaw, in which nine people lost their lives. Salman provided suicide jackets and training to militants, extorted money and kidnapped traders. In 2015 he kidnapped Hasan, owner of a leather factory, and released him after taking a ransom amount of Rs3 million.

Mohammed Hussain alias Mistary Pathan was among gunmen who attacked passengers on a bus in Safoora Goth, killing 46 people, including 16 women. He entered the bus from the driver's side. In September 2014 he targeted two policemen in Hyderabad and was also involved in robberies and extortion. In October 2014 he robbed a bank in Hyderabad and looted Rs1.9 million.

Salman Khan

He worked for the outlawed al-Qaeda and TTP Swat and had close association with other Taliban groups. He was responsible for giving training to terrorists. He was also involved in killing police officials and carried out an attack on a police mobile with a grenade.

In 2014 he lobbed a grenade into an imambargah near Ayesha Manzil and was also involved in extortion and bank heists in Hyderabad.

KARACHI: The Pakistan Rangers Sindh on Thursday claimed to have seized 190 bulletproof jackets during a raid near Azizaabad area of the city, said a press release issued by the paramilitary force. The statement said the raid was conducted on a tip off in Federal B Area where the jackets were found hidden at a house. It said the bulletproof jackets were being used by the "militant wing of MQM". It said the jackets were used as shields during acts of terrorism. The

CTD arrests mastermind of 2009 deadly masjid blast in Lower Dir

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Two more Indian High Commission staffers leave Pakistan

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statement didn't mention whether any arrest was made during the raid.

Meanwhile, Sindh Police also claimed to have unearthed buried cache of arms in old Clifton area of the city. "This was disclosed by IG Police AD Khawja during his meeting with Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah today at CM House," said a statement issued here on Thursday.

The IG said that the police excavated a piece of land near National Bank of Pakistan and recovered huge cache of arms which include 3695 rounds, 61 magazines, 23 rifles different boars, four pistol, 230 rounds and four magazine, according to the statement. The IG also told the chief minister that the Boat Basin police have registered FIR No.764/2016 against unidentified men.

Alleged mastermind militant of the deadly suicide bombing in the masjid in Lower Dir in the way back 2009 wherein 33 people were killed including 12 children, was arrested by Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) Malakand Range from Chakdara area, Lower Dir on Thursday.

According to an official Ayaz Khan of Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) Malakand Range, the CTD police party in an operation carried out arrested an alleged terrorist involved in a deadly suicide bombing. He said the Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) had carried out a targeted operation in Sheringal area after receiving inputs from secret agencies about the presence of wanted terrorist in the area.

Following the raid, CTD arrested an alleged terrorist identified as Sheraz alias Sheherzada. According to CTD, he was the facilitator in a suicide attack on a masjid in the Haya Gai area of Upper Dir in 2009 in which 33 people, including seven children, were killed. He is associated with a banned outfit, said CTD. He was shifted to undisclosed location for further interrogation. At least 33 people were killed and another 70 injured during Friday prayers on June 5, 2009, when a suicide bomber blew himself up outside a mosque in Hayagai Sharqai village in Upper Dir District.

A local court granted bail to Sultan Qamar Siddiqui, vice chairman of the Fishermen Cooperative Society, and his accomplice, Sajid Naeem alias Pena, in an illegal arms case against a sum of Rs200,000 (each) on Wednesday. A case was registered against them with the Sharae Faisal police for allegedly facilitating the Safoora bus attack case. Sultan Qamar Siddiqui, his brother Hussain Qamar Siddiqui and another associate Sajid Naeem alias Pino were among over 10 people arrested on charges of financing the attackers.

Sultan Qamar Siddiqui was picked up by the Sindh Rangers in July and detained for 90 days under the Pakistan Protection Act. He was later remanded to the police along with his accomplices on September 15. The weapons used in the attack were said to have been purchased in the name of Hussain Qamar Siddiqui, while Sajid Pino and another accused Zahid Motiwala were said to have provided licenses for them. Initially said to be a member of al Qaeda and one of the key financiers of the Safoora bus attackers, Sheeba Ahmed was later granted bail against a sum of Rs200,000 by an anti-terrorism court (ATC) over a lack of evidence linking him to the attack. The two accused have now been granted bail by the court of the additional district and sessions judge (East).

Ahmed was arrested from his bungalow located in DHA, Karachi, by officials of the Counter-Terrorism Department (CTD), on the basis of information disclosed during interrogation by Saad Aziz and Azhar Ishrat - two of the six suspects said to have attacked the bus. However, he was granted bail due to a lack of evidence against him. The detained accused had claimed that Ahmed was not only their preacher, but had also financially assisted them in carrying out the attack.

An official had said that Ahmed had connections in neighbouring countries and financed terrorists using the money he earned through his export business. He added that Ahmed was a hate preacher and had incited the men involved in the Safoora bus firing to attack the Ismaili community. However no connection could be proved and that accused was also granted bail.

Saad Aziz alias Tin Tin, Tahir Hussain Minhas alias Sain, Asad-ur-Rehman alias Malik, Hafiz Nasir alias Yasir and Mohammad Azhar Ishrat alias Majid had been charge-sheeted for the attack that claimed the lives of over 45 members of the Ismaili community. Onboard a community bus, they were passing through the Safoora Chowrangi on the morning of May 13, 2015 when they were attacked by gunmen.

ISLAMABAD: Two more staffers of the Indian High Commission on Thursday left Pakistan, after being declared 'persona non grata' for spying for the neighbouring arch-rival, diplomatic sources told Geo News. The two staffers turned out to be officials of India's Intelligence Bureau (IB), diplomatic sources said. They included First Secretary Press Balbir Singh and Jiabalan Sainthal. Singh was reportedly the Indian IB's station chief while Sainthal too was a member of the same agency, guised as staff officer. The two officials left for India in wee hours of Thursday from Islamabad airport through a foreign flight. Earlier on November 8, three out of seven Indian High Commission officials, declared persona non grata by Pakistan, had left for home. They included First Secretary Commercial Anurag Singh, Vijay Kumar Varma and Mandhawan Nanda Kumar. Pakistan had ordered expulsion of the eight Indian High Commission officials from Pakistan on charges of spying. The remaining three officials of the Indian High Commission are also expected to leave Pakistan this morning through the Wagah border crossing. On November 2, Pakistani authorities had claimed to have uncovered a spy network of Indian diplomats, who were said to be involved in activities to destabilise Pakistan by facilitating and funding terrorism.

A history of spying

Prior to this a number of Indian spies have been spotted and arrested in Pakistan during the course of the country's enmity with its neighbour. Earlier this year Kulbhushan Yadav, a serving Indian navy officer, was arrested from Balochistan while spying for RAW. Another high-profile Indian spy caught in Pakistan was Ravindra Kaushik (1952-1999), who was sent across the border in 1975 on a mission after extensive training in Delhi for two years. He had kept on passing valuable information to RAW from 1979 to 1983. In September 1983, Indian intelligence agencies had sent a low-level operative, Inayat Masih, to get in touch with Kaushik. But the agent was

CTD gets powers to monitor fourth schedulers

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caught by Pakistan's intelligence agencies and had revealed Kaushik's true identity during probe.

LAHORE: The Punjab home department issued a notification on Tuesday giving powers to the Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) of police to keep an eye on the suspects placed under the Fourth Schedule. As per the notification, the CTD will look into all the matters pertaining to the Fourth Schedule of the Anti-Terrorism Act (ATA). There are some 1,600 terror suspects on the list of the Fourth Schedule in Punjab. The Fourth Schedule lists contain names of all known suspects belonging to banned militant or sectarian organisations, who by their disposition could pose a threat to public peace and security. Such suspects have to submit an affidavit to the government, pledging they would no more be associated with any banned organisation in future or engage in any criminal activity.

Earlier, Punjab government, on the recommendation of law enforcement agencies, planned to install electronic surveillance chips on the ankles of the fourth schedulers in the province to monitor their movement.

Under the law, a fourth scheduler cannot leave a specific area without informing the authorities concerned. Such suspects have also to report to the authorities concerned in an area the visit and in case of failing to do so, they can be taken into custody.

A senior police officer on condition of anonymity said the plan of installing electronic devices to monitor the fourth schedulers was dropped. "The high cost of these devices could have burdened the national exchequer," he said.

RAWALPINDI: Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) General Raheel Sharif on Tuesday spent a night in the field near Kharian and witnessed troops from Central Command carry out operations as part of the Army Field Exercises. The exercises were aimed at validating the operational plans involving infantry and mechanised troops and their support elements from the Central Command, said an Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) press release. Apart from first-ever use of a virtual Command and Control Room, the exercises saw the first formal employment of indigenously developed Mine Dispensing System. The Special Service Group's free-fall paratroopers performed a high-altitude drop.

Speaking to officers on the occasion, the COAS said the Army Field Exercises achieved its objectives integrated with the latest communication concepts and cyber technology to reduce reaction time for quick response. "Successful culmination of the exercise has boosted our confidence in our combat readiness," he said. "Induction of numerous indigenously prepared systems manifests our growing technical prowess and self-reliance. While we have been occupied in a determined fight against terrorism across the country especially the western border, we have kept ourselves prepared to take on any misadventure or strategic miscalculation by our adversary," he added. Commending combat efficiency of the troops, he said: "The resilience, resolve and heroic deeds of our men against odds have earned international acclaim for our audacity as a nation."

A judge of the anti-terrorism court (ATC) indicted the key accused, Rahim Swati, in the murder case of Orangi Pilot Project (OPP) director Perween Rahman, on Tuesday. He, however, denied all charges and pleaded not guilty, upon which the court ordered the prosecution to produce its witnesses at the next hearing.

According to prosecution, Swati along with five accomplices had murdered Perween in March 13, 2013, near her office while she was on her way back home.

Two of the accused, Noor Muhammad and Ahsanuddin, were declared proclaimed offenders in the murder case. An architect, urban planner and social activists, Perween had been working against the land and water mafia in the city. The under detention accused, Swati, had already been provided with copies of the allegations levelled in the charge-sheet. The absconders, Noor Muhammad and Ahsanullah, were also facing cases pertaining to police encounter, possession of illicit weapons and attempted murder. The court was informed that both the accused were at large and despite all efforts they could not be arrested as yet. The court then ordered to initiate proceedings against the two accused (for confiscation of movable and immovable properties) since they had now been declared offenders.

Another two absconding accused were said to have had previous associations with the Awami National Party (ANP), they later joined the banned Tehreek-e-Taliban. It was said, that Perween was killed by the men because of her strong opposition to illegal occupation of lands of the OPP. The ATC had on a previous hearing directed the officer investigating the murder to submit a report in connection with Swati's arrest. Police produced Swati before the administrative judge of the ATC amid tight security. He was arrested after an encounter in Manghopir and had been in custody since then. He was found in possession of illicit weapons. He was initially kept in custody for attacking police and possessing illicit arms and later implicated in Rehman's murder case. Swati is believed to be affiliated with the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP).

An anti-terrorism court directed the officer investigating the murder of Orangi Pilot Project director Perween Rahman on Saturday to submit a report in connection with the arrest of a suspect, Rahim Swati.

Police produced Swati before the administrative judge of the ATC amid tight security. He was arrested after an encounter in Manghopir last month and has been in custody since then. He was found in possession of illegal weapons. He was first kept in custody for attacking police and possessing illegal arms and later implicated in Rehman's murder case. Swati is believed to be affiliated with Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan. The administrative judge of the ATC had sent Swati to jail on a judicial remand and had directed the investigating officer to submit a report at the next hearing.

SSP Omar Shahid Hamid to head probe team that includes ISI, Rangers, MI and IB officials;

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JIT formed to interrogate

two 'LeJ terrorists'

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suspects Ishaq alias Bobby and Asim alias

Kapri remanded in CTD's custody for 14 days

The Sindh government formed a joint interrogation team on Tuesday to interrogate the two Lashkar-e-Jhangvi terrorists believed to be involved in the killing of qawwal Amjad Sabri, army, police and Rangers personnel and other major attacks.

A notification issued for this purpose read, "On the recommendation of Inspector General of Police (IGP) Sindh AD Khawaja vide letter dated November 8, 2016, a joint interrogation team (JIT) is hereby constituted for the purpose of interrogation in respect of the involvement in heinous high profile cases including incidents of terrorism, murder of army and rangers and police personnel in Karachi, resulting in the arrest of two persons namely Ishaq alias Bobby and Asim alias Kapri."

The joint interrogation team will be headed by the SSP Intelligence CTD Omar Shahid Hamid. Its other members include SSP Special Branch Sindh Younus Chandio, a representative of Pakistan Rangers Sindh (not below the rank of a major), a representative of the ISI (not below the rank of a major), a representative of 202 Survey (MI) (not below the rank of a major) and a representative of the IB Sindh (equal to a rank of an SP). The team will investigate the matter within seven days and submit a report to the department within two days of the date of the completion of the interrogation.

On Monday, Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah had announced the arrest of the two LeJ terrorists, who were allegedly involved in high-profile killings. The chief minister said the intelligence wing of the CTD, led by Transnational Terrorists Intelligence Group in-charge Raja Umer Khattab, had raided a hideout in Liaquatabad and facing resistance, arrested two men, Ishaq alias Bobby and Asim alias Kapri, and shifted them to their headquarters. A huge cache of weapons was seized while searching the hideout.

During preliminary interrogation, the two men admitted to their involvement in 20 target killings over the past year, including the murder of five people at a majlis in Nazimabad No. 4 on October 29. They also confessed to lobbing a grenade on a majlis in FC Area on October 17, killing an 11-year-old boy injuring a dozen other people. They further admitted that they had gunned down two Military Police personnel near the Saddar Parking Plaza on July 26, renowned qawwal Amjad Sabri on June 23, and two traffic police officers at Ayesha Manzil on May 21. The LeJ terrorists are believed to be involved in the murder of seven policemen who were deployed to protect polio vaccinators in Orangi Town on April 20. They had killed two Military Police personnel near Tibet Centre on December 1, 2015, four Rangers personnel in Ittehad Town on November 20, 2015, and Advocate Syed Ameer Haider of the Supreme Court at Hassan Square on August 29 last year. They had murdered four policemen in Korangi G-Area, three policemen in Bangoria Goth, Azizabad, a policeman in Karimabad, two policemen near Minaar Chowk, Bahadurabad, and two policemen in Hyderi Market. Besides, they had killed two Shia community members in Tori Bangash, Orangi Town, a man and his son of the Shia community in Raees Umrao Colony, Orangi Town, and two other members of the community in Nazimabad and Sabri Chowk.

Raja Umer Khattab said the arrested men were affiliated with the LeJ's Naeem Bukhari group. After the arrest of their commander Naeem Bukhari, they met Saleh Rehmani, Bukhari's cousin, who provided them with weapons and explosive material. After receiving the weapons, they went underground for some time and travelled to Wadh, Baluchistan, where a man named Maaz gave them shelter. The two men disclosed that learning from the past they had turned their group into smaller ones comprising two individuals for terrorist activities. Khattab said the two terrorists were planning to use new weapons in each killing to confuse the law enforcement agencies. They were also using poach-fitted weapons so that the law enforcers could not find spent bullet shells. The official said the terrorists were holed up in a flat in a densely populated area of Liaquatabad and had informed the residents of the area that they were running a business of plastic bags. They had also rented a shop where they planned terrorist attacks.

Suspects remanded

The two men held for the murder of famed Qawwal Amjad Sabri, military police personnel and also five people in an attack on a Majlis at a house in North Nazimabad were, on Tuesday, handed over to the Counter-Terrorism Department (CTD) on a 14-day physical remand by an administrative judge of the anti-terrorism court (ATC). The accused, Ishaq alias Bobby and Asim alias Kapri, were arrested a day earlier were produced before the court by the CTD where the judge was informed of the other heinous crimes allegedly committed by the two. The court directed the Investigation Officer (IO) to produce the two in court after expiration of the remand period. It may be mentioned that the Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah, on Monday, announced that the two terrorists were arrested by the law enforcers for the murder of Sabri and other high-profile cases.

Referring to their arrests, Murad while addressing a press conference said, the CTD's Transnational Terrorists Intelligence Group in-charge Raja Umar Khattab led the operation that resulted in a major breakthrough; they were arrested from Liaquatabad. "Their weapons were also recovered and after a probe and forensic investigation, they were found to be linked with 28 cases," he added. The men were affiliated with the proscribed Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ) Naeem Bukhari group, he stated, clarifying, that they were not affiliated with any political party. The men were also said to have killed two army personnel near the Saddar parking plaza, and had also carried out the May 21 attack on police constables near Aisha Manzil. The April 20 attack which claimed the lives of seven policemen, December 1, 2015 attack in which two traffic policemen were killed, November 20, 2015 attack on Rangers in which four personnel were killed and August 29, 2015 attack claiming the life of Supreme Court Advocate, Amir Haider, were also reportedly carried out by them. Weapons recovered from their possession included three SMGs, 27 pistols and an MP5 snatched from a police official.

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LAHORE: Pink Ribbon Campaign, in collaboration with Canal Cyclist's Community (CCC) and Masoom's Pancake Lounge, arranged a ride on Sunday to raise awareness about breast cancer in Pakistan and to show solidarity with breast cancer patients and survivors. The rally, in which more than 100 cyclists participated, started from the main entrance of Model Town Park. Following the routes of Main Boulevard Gulberg and crossing Siddique Trade Centre, M M Alam Road and Hussain Chowk, the rally concluded at Masoom's Pancake Lounge. On the occasion, the Pink Ribbon Campaign CEO thanked all the participants for their enormous support for the cause. He said such high spirit and enthusiasm, which has been shown today by the youth, was necessary to spread awareness on the disease. He added that Pink Ribbon Campaign aims to bring breast cancer in mainstream in order to urge the policymakers take up this issue as priority.

KARACHI: November 14 marks World Diabetes Day which is observed all over the world, including Pakistan, to increase awareness of the effects of diabetes and its complications among the general population and preventative measures. Every year three million people die from diabetes-related causes, and the burden is particularly harsh in low and middle income countries like Pakistan, where diabetes is rising by 180 percent every year. At present, every 19 seconds a limb is lost somewhere in the world due to a diabetes-related complication, whereas every six seconds a person dies due to diabetes-related complications. At the same time, two new persons develop diabetes. Medical experts have underlined the need for widespread screening of diabetes to check the growing incidence of this metabolic disorder. Speaking at the World Diabetes Day ceremony organized by the Sindh Institute of Urology and Transplantation (SIUT) in Karachi on Saturday, doctors informed the audience that currently there are some 10 million diabetes patients in the country and the figure is projected to rise approximately to over 14 million by 2040. SIUT on the occasion arranged for screening and advisory facilities and urged people to get tested early. The theme for the current year is 'Eye on Diabetes' which stresses the need for screening and early diagnoses.

KARACHI: Asma Khan, a student of Bachelor of Arts at the Federal Urdu University, searched universities' program brochures and asked questions from Omar Khan, manager at Fulbright Outreach & Education USA who is advising at an educational fair organised by the United States Educational Foundation in Pakistan (USEFP) at a local hotel in Karachi. Asma is one of several students with questions about their respective academic disciplines who are directing their queries at more than 30 counters of representatives from US colleges and universities. According to Omar Khan, it's the 4th alumni fair in Karachi. "We provide consultancy and try our best to guide students who wish to study at US institutes," he said. "The representatives of the universities are alumni of the universities as well, so they are able to share their own personal experiences with the students," Khan added. John Warner, Public Affairs Officer at US Consulate General Karachi, said financial support including full scholarships are also provided by many institutions. "Schools in the United States are looking for foreign students to provide them with quality education and boost their future prospects," Warner added. After Karachi, the fair will also be organised in Lahore, Islamabad and other parts of Pakistan. Students from different government and private universities and colleges have participated in the fair and urge the authorities to organise more events like this.

PESHAWAR: Three-day anti-polio drive in Shangla and Kohistan will kick off today (Monday). Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa Polio Emergency Operation (PEO) Coordinator Muhammad Akbar Khan said that the children less than five years of age will be immunised during the drive. In this regard, 586 teams have been constituted, including 503 mobile teams, 59 fixed teams, 21 transit teams and three roaming teams. The campaign will be supervised through 134 area incharges. The coordinator said that a total of 150,883 children will be immunised during the three-day campaign. He added that tight security arrangement has been made to make the campaign successful in Shangla and Kohistan districts, adding that each team will be escorted by police personnel to provide security to the polio workers. He revealed that the decision to start polio immunisation drive in these districts was taken after surfacing of a polio case in the Daso area of Kohistan. The polio affected girl was identified as Sadia. He added that people living in the two districts have been appealed to immunise their children and to cooperate with polio teams to protect their children against the disease. Mobile hospital treats 3,446 patients in Fata: Mobile hospital program has provided treatment to over 3,446 patients in the Federally Administrated Tribal Area (Fata) so far, said a press release on Sunday. The hospital, working under the Fata Directorate of Health Services, has been providing health services to inaccessible and deserving people in the areas at their doorsteps. The health directorate organised free medical camps in different areas of Dera Ismail Khan to provide health facilities to the people belonging to far flung areas, a press release said. The camps were conducted in the peripheral areas of Dera Ismail Khan including Kohi Bahar, Kohi Pewar, Malak Umar Korona. Of total 3,446 patients, 525 were eye patients, and 115 needy people were given free X-ray facility. The patients at these camps were not only provided free medical consultation, but diagnostic facilities were also provided to the patients suffering different diseases. The press release stated that eye glasses were also given to 225 patients during the three-day camps. People of Dera Ismail Khan thanked the health services department Fata for providing such medical facilities.

LAHORE (Dunya News): A cycle rally was organized in Lahore on Sunday as part of the breast cancer prevention campaign. The participants wearing pink shirts took out the rally from Model Town and concluded it at Liberty. The rally gave a message that breast cancer can be prevented through cycling. The participants vowed that they will end breast cancer from the country through their awareness campaign. "We want to promote the campaign and give message that cycling can be helpful in preventing the disease," said one male participant. "Breast cancer is a serious issue and

First CPEC cargo shipment launched from Gwadar Port

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its awareness is really important so that women can adopt preventive measures," explained a female cyclist. The campaigns are a vital source to convey knowledge and techniques to detect breast cancer at an early stage. It also urges policy makers to take up this issue as a priority.

GWADAR (Dunya News): Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has inaugurated the first mega pilot trade cargo at Gwadar Port today (Sunday). Federal Ministers Khawaja Asif, Ahsan Iqbal, Army Chief General Raheel Sharif and National Security Advisor Nasser Khan Janjua, JUI-F chief Maulana Fazlur Rehman and other officials were present on the occasion. The first mega trade cargo convoy which reached Gwadar from China departed for Middle East and African countries. Earlier addressing a ceremony regarding departure of the first mega pilot trade cargo at Gwadar Port, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said Pakistan will leave no stone unturned to materialize the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) in time. It is an historic day marking the materialization of the vision and idea of one belt one road, he said. The premier said CPEC is aims at integrating development and commerce of various regions across Asia and Europe. He further stressed that CPEC is now going to be a reality. He assured that the CPEC is for the entire Pakistan and no region or province is left out of it. Speaking on the occasion, Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Sun Weidong said the day is very significant for CPEC and to China Pakistan relations. He said it is for the first time that a convoy successfully passed through the western part of Pakistan from north to the South. He said it is also for the first time that the Gwadar Port is exporting containers to the overseas destinations. Addressing the gathering, Chief Minister Balochistan Sanaullah Zehri welcomed the Chinese mega trade convoy and termed it a landmark in implementing the grand China Pakistan Economic Corridor project. He said Gwadar Port is the base of CPEC which will bring prosperity to the country and particularly Balochistan.

Four Lesco employees sacked over death of lineman

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LAHORE (Dunya News): Atleast four employees including two officers were suspended on Sunday over the death of a lineman in Kot Radha Kishan area of Lahore. The lineman identified as Abdul Sattar died two days back due to electrocution. An inquiry was made into his death after which Chief Executive Lesco Wajid Ali Kazmi dismissed four workers from duty over showing negligence. The suspended employees include XEN Kot Radha Kishan Manzoor Hussain, sub-divisional officer (SDO), Line Superintendent and sub-station operator grid station.

BZU okays 'one time dispensation' for students

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MULTAN: Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU) syndicate, the top governing body, approved in principal 'One Time Dispensation' for controversial Lahore sub-campus students here on Saturday. The Lahore sub-campus issue has been pending for the last four years, a participant of the meeting who wished not to be named told this agency. He claimed that the decision has been made in line with the High Court, Punjab government and BZU Chancellor directives. For this purpose, a road map has been devised, he said and added that the decision could only be implemented when writ petitions and stay order on the issue would be withdrawn by the Lahore sub-campus administration. The participant informed that a special examination of the students of the campus would be conducted by the varsity, adding that degrees would be awarded to those who would get through it. The failing students would be given another chance, he pointed. He stated that the decision would not be valid for the cases being investigated by the National Accountability Bureau (NAB), nor it would give exemption to any person. He said that the syndicate is stick to its guns on illegality of Lahore sub-campus. Among others ED HEC Dr Arshad Ali, Dr Ghulam Raza Bhatti, Dr Ashiq Durrani, Dr Imran Sharif, Dr Masood Akhtar, Prof M Hussain Azad and Nighat Sultana attended the meeting.

Allama Iqbal university launches inquiry after embarrassing question in matric paper

The Express Tribune November 13, 2016

ISLAMABAD: The Allama Iqbal Open University (AIQU) has launched an inquiry to find out how an "embarrassing question" found its way into the English language paper in recently-held exams. Functional English paper of matric level carried a question requiring students to describe the personality of their elder sisters in terms of age, physique, height, looks and attitude. The exam was held a few days ago. However, the university ordered an inquiry into the matter after an image of the question paper went viral on social media.

10,000 PhDs to be produced under Pak-US knowledge corridor: Ahsan

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KARACHI: The Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reform, Prof Ahsan Iqbal has said that for the promotion of higher education in the country the Pak-US Knowledge Corridor is being initiated. He expressed these views while inaugurating the 800 MHz Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) machine at the International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences (ICCBS) at Karachi University on Friday. The Minister also pointed out that concrete measures are also being undertaken along with the provinces for enhancing the academic standard. He said that modern technology has a critical role in the process of development. Ahsan Iqbal said that it is our endeavour that the academic system in the country is improved and there will be substantial increase in the number of PhDs in Pakistan. For this very purpose, he added, Pak-US Knowledge Corridor is being initiated in collaboration with the United States. Under this 10,000 PhDs would be produced. The Minister said that the Hussain Ebrahim Jamal (HEJ) Institute of Chemistry was the best research centre in the country. Students from various parts of the world come here to undertake PhD studies. He pointed out that higher education was a federal subject and its control is with the Higher Education Commission (HEC). The control of the universities is with the provinces. Ahsan Iqbal said that a coordinated strategy is being determined among the provinces and the Centre for the promotion of the higher education and realizing the HEC Vision 2025. He stated that we are also working on the disciplines of technology, engineering, science and arts and that impartation of quality education at primary level be also ensured besides provision of academic facilities in the back-ward areas of the provinces. At the ceremony, the new international book entitled 'Solving Problems with NMR Spectroscopy, Second Edition', was also launched. Prof. Dr. Atta-ur-Rahman, former Federal Minister for Science & Technology and ex Chairman Higher Education Commission Pakistan, Director ICCSB University of Karachi Prof. Dr. M. Iqbal Choudhary and Dr. Atia-tul-Wahab from ICCBS-UoK, have written this book. Vice Chancellor UoK Prof. Dr. Muhammad Qaiser, former Federal Minister for Science & Technology and ex Chairman Higher Education Commission Pakistan, Prof. Dr. Atta-ur-Rahman,

Viral diseases increase in Sindh

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Ulema role sought to make polio drive success

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Fire gutted 5 garment shops in Sargodha

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Young doctors continue sit-in on fourth day in Lahore

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COAS lays foundation for military base, school in Swat

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Water tanker falls from bridge in Karachi

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Protesting nurses to be terminated, doctors warned to clear Mall Road

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Director ICCBS Prof. Dr. Muham-mad Iqbal Choudhary, Prof. Dr. Daniel C. Hoessli from Switzerland, Chairman H.E.J. Foundation Aziz Latif Ja-mal and Chairperson Dr. Panjwani Memorial Trust Nadira Panjwani also expressed their views on the occasion.—APP

SUKKUR: The number of patients with viral diseases like flu, chest infection and pneumonia has increased during the last one week. The government and private hospitals and clinics witnessed a rush of patients especially infants and children. According to the doctors, the current weather change is the cause of viral infections especially chest infection and fever in rural and urban parts of the interior Sindh. Most of the patients especially children contracted viral diseases like influenza, bronchitis, nasal allergy, asthma, soar throat, chest infection, pneumonia, dry cough and scabies. Flu-related diseases have caught a large number of people particularly children and infants as patients with such diseases are seen in great number at the government as well as private hospitals. Dr. Erum Khokhar said that common cold and flu in children should not be taken lightly as these might lead to lower respiratory tract infections including pneumonia.—APP

MUZAFFARGARH: District Coordination Officer Shaukat Ali has said that all departments concerned should work together for complete elimination of polio from the country. Presiding over a meeting in connection with the anti-polio drive, he directed officials to seek Ulema cooperation to make the campaign successful. He said that there was dire need for creating awareness among masses about the crippling disease. Earlier, EDO Health Dr Shahid Magsi said that the three days polio drive would commence from Nov 23, while drops would be administered to 816,054 children under five years of age. He said that 1,793 teams have been constituted which would administer drops to kids to protect them from the crippling disease. Meanwhile, Deputy Commissioner, Sukkur, Dr Waheed Asghar Bhatti on Friday has asked the health department to effectively run awareness campaigns to educate parents to administer anti-polio drops to their children during every national drive.—APP

SARGODHA (Dunya News): According to details, fire broke out at a garment shop in a plaza in Block No-3 area of Sargodha on Thursday. The fire spread very quickly and engulfed four more shops in the plaza, Dunya News reported. The blaze was so severe that it destroyed garments and cloths, stored in the shops, worth millions of rupees very quickly. Rescue 1122 teams reached the spot and brought the fire under control in one hour after a hectic effort. Rescue sources said that the fire broke out due to short circuit.

LAHORE (Dunya News): The protest of Young Doctors Association (YDA) seeking the restoration of two doctors and a nurse has entered fourth day at Lahore's Mall Road today (Friday). According to sources, the doctors have announced to continue demonstration until their demands are met while the local administration is remain silent over the matter. On the other hand, Punjab Water Management employees along with their children staged sit-in at Club Chowk, demanding to make them regular. Earlier, Punjab government while taking action against the protesters suspended 15 doctors and five nurses whereas 30 nurses were directed to report to Primary Health Care Department. A child and a cardiac patient also died in Mayo hospital over not receiving timely treatment as the emergency ward has been locked in the aftermath of doctors' protest. While talking to Dunya News, Adviser to Chief Minister on Health Khwaja Salman Rafique had said that the government has no reservations with young nurses and doctors. "The doctors were suspended after found guilty however, the protesters have now become aggressive and insensitive", he added. Meanwhile, hospital authorities said that they are trying hard to control the situation but the shortage of doctors is causing difficulties.

SWAT: The Chief of Army Staff General Raheel Sharif laid foundation for an Army Public School and military base. During the ceremony, the army chief said that peace in Swat had become possible due to the sacrifices of Pakistan Army and the residents.

KARACHI: A water tanker fell from a bridge near the Sher Shah Paracha Chowk area in the city on Friday. The water tanker overturned and fell from the bridge due to over speeding. One person was killed and six injured as the water tanker fell in front of a Mosque where people were standing outside.

LAHORE: Authorities have finally taken action against the protesting nurses and doctors who have been staging a sit-in at Lahore's Club Chowk for four days. The Department of Health Punjab on Friday issued instructions for action against 10 of the nurses who boycotted their duties and joined the protest. Four contract nurses will be terminated with immediate effect while the other six will be dealt with in accordance with the PEEDA Act, officials said. The Department has also issued orders to take action against Medical Officer Mayo Hospital Dr Hannan. According to sources from the Department of Health, the Medical Officer forced shut the Emergency ward at the hospital. Action will be taken against him under the PEEDA Act. Medical Superintendent Dr Amjad Shahzad said that these nurses marked their attendance and left their duties to join the sit-in. He said that the hospital has recruited 44 new doctors, of whom 36 have already started their duties. 50 new nurses have also been recruited and assigned to different wards. Meanwhile, authorities have decided to intervene and clear the city's Mall Road, which has been the venue of the protesting doctors and nurses since this week. Sources told Geo News that the protesting doctors would be arrested and cases would be registered against them. The protestors would not be allowed to block the roads, the sources added. Protest. Young Doctors Association (YDA) Punjab continued their sit-in protest at Lahore's Club Chowk on Friday for the fourth day, boycotting duties as patients faced immense distress due to absence of medical treatment. The young doctors and nurses boycotted OPDs at the Mayo Hospital and have been protesting on Mall Road throughout this week. YDA spokesman Dr. Khurram Shehzad said the strike would continue till the restoration of sacked doctors at the Mayo Hospital. Authorities said that the doctors were sacked because they misbehaved with patients. Two patients die, residents suffer. A one-year-old girl who had been in the hospital for the past four days died on Thursday. Her

Two medical universities to be set up in Rawalpindi, Multan

Pakistan Observer November 10, 2016

AIOU web TV, radio special transmissions on Iqbal Day

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Toll reaches nine as another polio case surfaces in KP

Geo News November 9, 2016

Khattak wants Health Cards distribution thru MPAs

Dunya News November 8, 2016

YDA protests on

family claimed that she did not receive medical care. Another patient died on Thursday, allegedly due to not having received timely medical care. The Mayo Hospital administration had to call over medical students and senior faculty to tend to patients in the Emergency ward, after failing to summon the protesting doctors and nurses to the hospital.

LAHORE: On the orders of Chief Minister Punjab Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif two medical universities in Rawalpindi and Multan would be set up very soon. The establishment of medical universities would promote medical education in the province, besides strengthening and developing the public health sector, nursing as well as allied health sciences. It was announced by the Advisor to Chief Minister on Health Kh. Salman Rafique while presiding over a meeting to deliberate on the setting up of new medical universities in the province. Besides, Secretary Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education Najam Ahmed Shah, Vice Chancellor King Edward Medical University Prof. Faisal Masood, Pro-Vice Chancellor University of Health Science Prof. Junaid Sarfraz Khan, Principal Rawalpindi Medical College Prof. Muhammad Umer, Principal Nishtar Medical College Multan Prof. Kamran Salik, Additional Secretary Technical Dr. Salman Shahid and Deputy Secretary Medical Education Dr. Nasir Shakir attended the meeting. Principals of Rawalpindi Medical College and Nishtar Medical College gave presentations regarding the setting up of medical universities in their respective districts. It was informed that in Sindh province there are 8 medical universities in public sector whereas in Punjab there are only three medical universities in public sector while population of the province has reached 120 million.

ISLAMABAD: Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU) on Wednesday broadcast and telecast live programmes on Dr. Muhammad Iqbal, over its web TV and FM radio network to celebrate his birth anniversary. Special programmes were presented whole of the day to educate and update its students on philosophy and thoughts of the great poet, particularly in references to his message to youth and resurgence of Islamic values and traditions. A quiz completion was also held on the occasion among the schools' children to enhance their knowledge and know-how about Dr. Iqbal. The programs included recitation of his heart-warming and inspiring poems. Floral wreath was laid on mausoleum of the great Muslim philosopher by the officials of the AIOU, Lahore region on behalf of the Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Shahid Siddiqui. A special delegation of the University's main campus will also be visiting Lahore to pay homage to Dr. Iqbal in recognition of his glorious contribution towards creation of an independent homeland and development of an Islamic society. Meanwhile, Dr. Shahid Siddiqui in his message on the occasion said that the AIOU will continue to project and disseminate Dr Allama Muhammad Iqbal's thoughts through its academic programs and activities for character-building of its students. The University has been fulfilling its academic responsibilities by doing extensive research work on his thoughts. The University's academic activities at higher education level are highly popular. So far, it issued 38 PhD and 400 MPhil degrees on Iqbaliyat. It is also laying special focus on research and in-depth study on various aspects of Iqbal's message for the new generation, and the Muslims in general. The University has also decided to regularly hold conferences to highlight the message of the great poet, motivating the youth to follow in his footsteps, he added. In the academic pursuits, the AIOU's Department of Iqbal Studies was offering two courses at Intermediate, three courses at BA. level, full programme with thirty six credit hours at MPhil level and PhD Iqbal Studies Programme.

PESHAWAR (Dunya News): Another polio case on Wednesday surfaced in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP), taking toll to nine in current year. According to health department, polio virus has been diagnosed in Abdul Wahid's nine-month-old daughter Sadia in Kohistan's Dassu area. The total number of polio patients in the country has escalated to 17 in which nine people are from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP), two from FATA, five from Sindh while one case was reported in Balochistan. Sources told that six cases were surfaced in Bannu, two in Kohistan while Nowshera, Hangu, Peshawar and Dera Ismail Khan have one, one each. Polio is a highly infectious disease that invades the nervous system and can cause irreversible paralysis in a matter of hours. A \$5.5 billion global eradication plan was launched in April with the aim of vaccinating 250 million children multiple times each year to stop the virus finding new footholds, and stepping up surveillance in more than 70 countries. It is now endemic in only two countries, Pakistan and Afghanistan. Pakistan's polio cases are declining, with just 54 cases of polio virus reported last year, down more than 80 percent from 2014, when the country suffered a large spike in cases. Efforts to eliminate polio in Pakistan have been complicated in recent years, as polio workers have faced attacks by militants who say the health teams are Western spies, or that the vaccines they administer are intended to sterilise children. In January, a suicide bomber killed at least 15 people outside a polio eradication centre in the restive western city of Quetta, with two militant groups claiming responsibility.

PESHAWAR: The Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Pervaz Khattak directed to prepare proposals for the establishment of hospitals in the province by the Federal Government, a joint venture of Provincial and Federal Government. He said the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa wanted to provide best facilities to the poor masses for which it is ready to cooperate at the provincial level. The meeting was also attended by the Senior Minister for Health Shahram Khan Tarakai, Advisor to CM for Information Mushtaq Ahmad Ghani, Chief Secretary, Health Secretary and other concerned authorities. Meanwhile the Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Pervaz Khattak has directed to fulfill all legal formalities in the process of establishing new tehsils in the province. He said this in a meeting attended by Senior Minister for Local Government Inayatullah Khan, SMBR Afzal Latif, Principal Secretary to Chief Minister and other high authorities. The Chief Minister said the rapid increase in population is doubling the difficulties of people however the present government was taking concrete steps to redress the problems of people at their doorsteps. The Chief Minister, on this occasion was informed that summaries for the establishment of new tehsils would soon be sent for approval. The chief minister directed to computerize all land record in the province immediately, on which the chief minister was told that work on computerizing the land record was in progress.

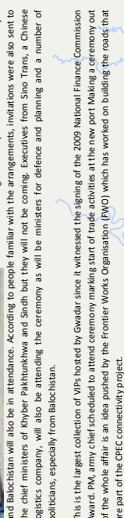
LAHORE (Dunya News): Young Doctors Association (YDA) has protested on Mall Road on Tuesday seeking reinstatement of doctors and nurses who allegedly assaulted a patient and his family. Doctors

**Lahore's Mall Road
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belonging to Mayo Hospital burnt tyres and blocked roads causing severe traffic jam and pressure across Mall Road. A protest walk was led by the medics from Mayo Hospital that ended at Club Chowk on Mall Road where a sit-in was staged. Traffic on different roads was affected including Hall Road, Charing Cross and Davis Road among adjoining streets.

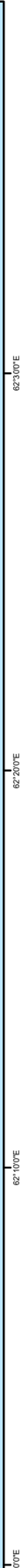
ISLAMABAD (Dunya News): Power load-shedding across the country will be reduced to half from today (Tuesday) on the directives of the Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, Dunya News reported. According to Ministry of Water and Power, electricity load-shedding in urban areas will be reduced from six hours to three hours and in rural areas from eight hours to four hours on the directives of the Prime Minister. The Ministry of Water and Power further informed that in areas where majority does not pay electricity bills or low recovery areas, load-shedding will remain the same. The Prime Minister has tasked the Secretary Water and Power to effectively implement the decision.

With Gwadar set to go operational, CPEC dreams come true



We pushed it to counter the despondency that was coming to surround the project," says FWO director general Maj Gen Muhammad Afzal in a chat with Dawn. "Too many people were airing views that this project is not viable or is not going to materialise."

The convoys that joined up at Quetta took diverse routes. Convoy came from China, carrying almost 150 containers, were then shifted onto Pakistani trucks at the Sui border crossing south of Durratpur in the Northern Area. Containers were then shifted onto the bulk of the cargoes to be loaded onto the two vessels, berthed at Gwadar port, consisted of trucks as long as 7 feet and travelled down the Karakoram Highway, then turned East towards Jund on the shoulder paths of the Indus river about 1000m south of Attock. At Jund, it was met by another convoy that originated in Sialkot – with 50 trucks carrying around 150 containers – and together they drove across the Indus river to Kohat where they stayed the night before moving on to Islamabad via Rawal, Zhob and then Quetta, where it stopped for another night. They were joined by a third convoy originating in the Peshawar area, and then they drove to Quetta. From Quetta, this convoy moved down the N-5 highway that runs through Khat and Jugral to Isphah where it intersects the M4 highway that runs through Turbat to Gwadar. The M4 highway then runs through Khat and Jugral to Isphah where it intersects the M4 highway that runs through Turbat to Gwadar. M4 was the road where the famous picture of the premier and his army riding together in a jeep was taken. The containers carry cargoes ranging from rice and cotton, to Chinese machinery, some of which is destined for Gwadar for the ongoing development works here, and the rest going abroad, two ships – Al Hassan Zindabar and Cosco Wellington – are berthed at Gwadar to receive the cargoes. They are set up for ports in Pakistan, Sri Lanka, the USA and the Gulf on Sunday, according to information provided by the IMO. Around \$35 billion has been spent on road infrastructure for the CRC project in Baluchistan since 2002. The CRC has two other, very capable and experienced contractors, the Chinese and the Russian, working on the project. The CRC has also set up a very capable and experienced construction company of its own.

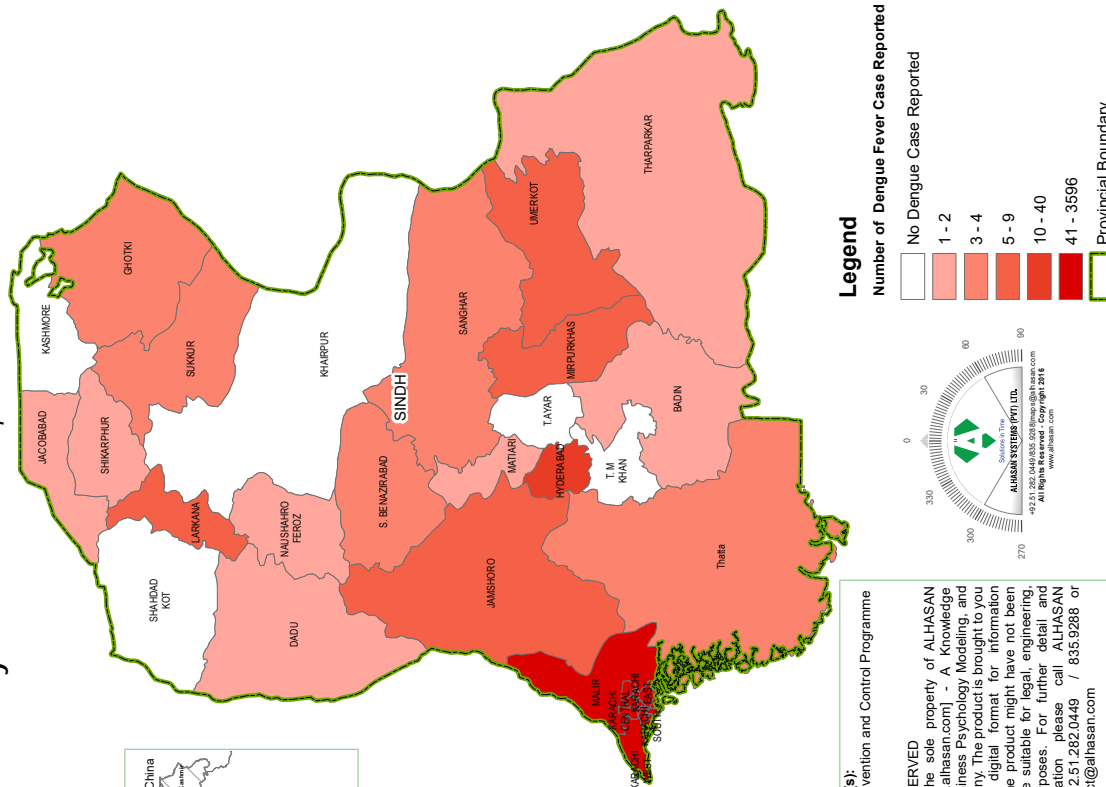
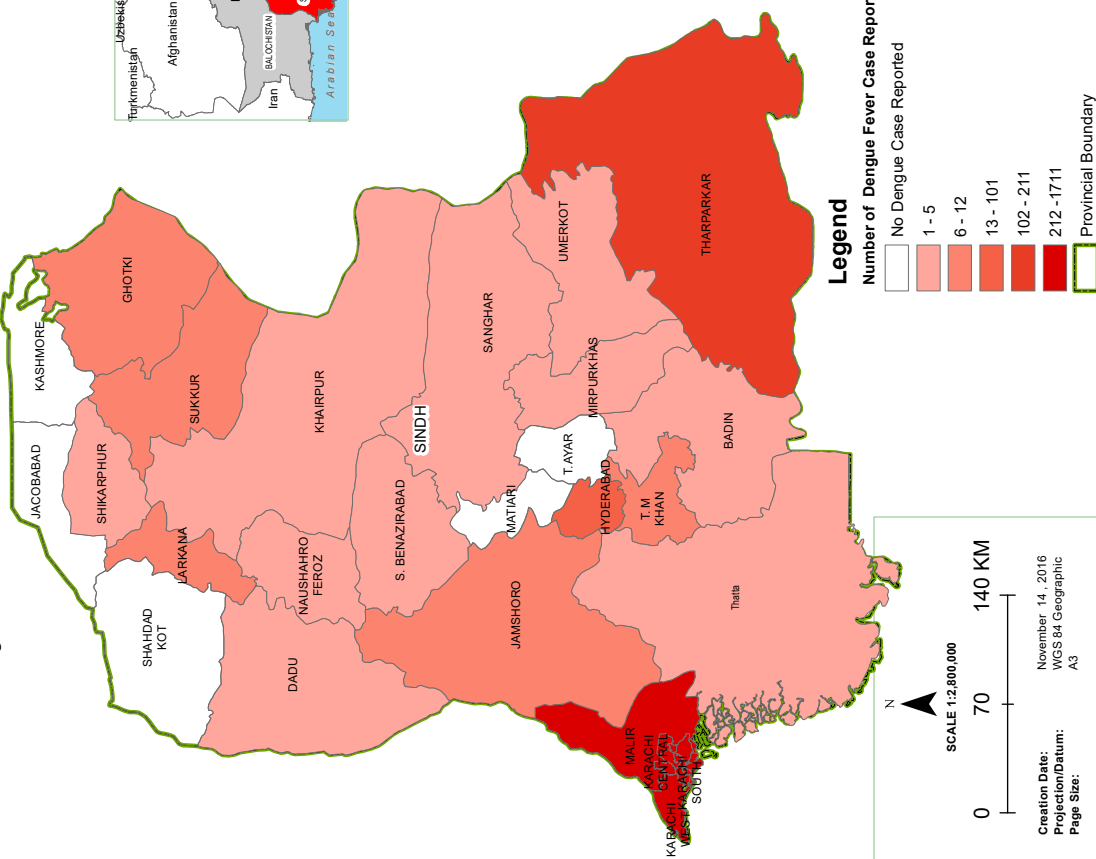


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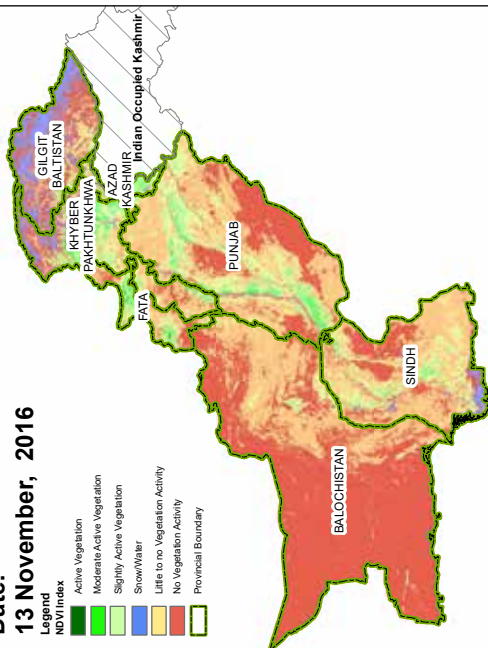


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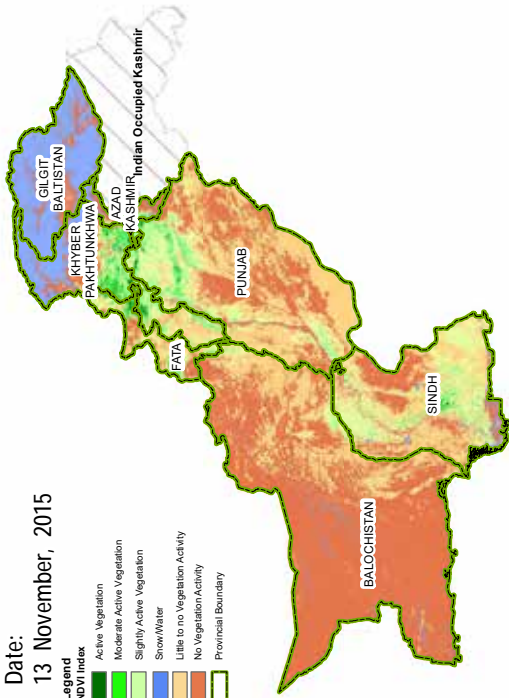
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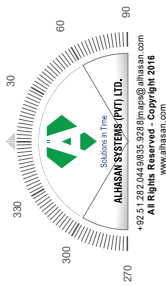
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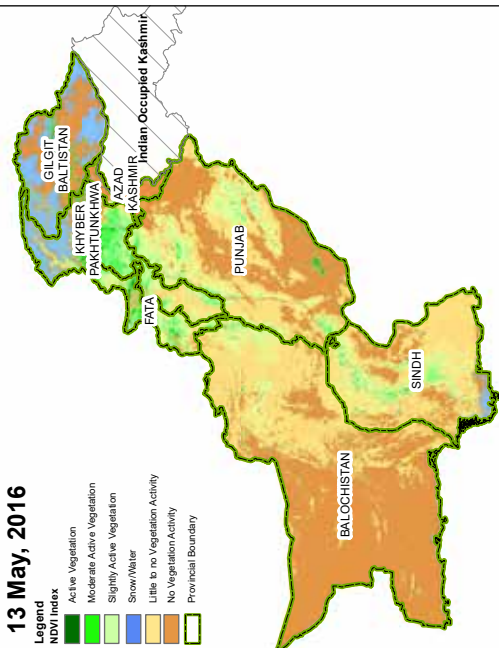
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بعد ہی موسمی بیماریوں میں کمی آجائے گی۔

لاہور کے کلب چوک پر بیگ ڈاکٹر کا دھڑا جاری ہے، شہر کی مصروف ترین شاہراہ مال روڈ اور ملحقہ سڑکوں پر ٹریفک کی روانی متاثر ہو رہی ہے، جس سے شہریوں کو شدید پریشانی کا سامنا ہے۔ بیگ ڈاکٹروں اور نرسوں کے احتجاج کے باعث اسپتالوں میں مریض اور سڑکوں پر عوام رل گئے ہیں، علاج کے بجائے احتجاج کرنے والے میسجوں کے آگے لاہور کے شہری بے بس اور لاچار ہو گئے، دو ادینے والے ہی لاہور والوں کے لیے وبال جان بن گئے ہیں۔ بیگ ڈاکٹر کی ہڑتال کے باعث اسپتال آنے والے مریض ہی نہیں اس دھرنے کی سزا لاہور کی سڑکوں پر سفر کرنے والے شہریوں کو بھی بھگتنی پڑی۔ شہری روز گھنٹوں ٹریفک جام میں پھنسے رہتے ہیں، لیکن ڈاکٹروں کو کوئی فکر نہیں، وہ بوریا بستر لے کر دھرنے کے نام پر سکون سے پکنک منانے میں مصروف ہیں۔

لاہور: راوی روڈ کے قریب گارمنٹس فیکٹری میں آگ لگنے سے 2 مزدور جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق لاہور کے راوی روڈ پر واقع کپڑے کی ایک فیکٹری میں علی الصبح اپنا کپڑا آگ بھڑک اٹھی جس نے دیکھتے ہی دیکھتے فیکٹری کے بڑے حصے کو اپنی لپیٹ میں لے لیا۔ واقعے کی اطلاع ملتے ہی ریسکیو اہلکاروں کی ٹیمیں موقع پر پہنچ گئیں جن کی جانب سے مسلسل آگ بجھانے کی کوشش کی جا رہی ہے۔ ریسکیو اہلکاروں نے واقعے میں دو مزدوروں کے جاں بحق جب کہ ایک کو زخمی حالت میں نکالنے کی تصدیق کی ہے، جاں بحق مزدوروں کی شناخت جاوید اور جہانزیب کے نام سے ہوئی ہے جب کہ زخمی خضر کی حالت تشویش ناک ہے۔

بیگ ڈاکٹر نے میو اسپتال لاہور کی ایمر جنسی میں سروسز بحال کرنے کا اعلان کیا ہے، یہ ڈاکٹر دو ہفتے سے احتجاج کر رہے تھے جس کیلئے انہوں نے تمام طریقے اختیار کیے۔ بیگ ڈاکٹر کا کہنا ہے کہ دو ہفتے تک کسی نے ہماری بات نہیں سنی، محکمہ صحت کے مسائل سڑکوں پر حل کیے جا رہے ہیں۔ بیگ ڈاکٹر نے مطالبہ کیا ہے کہ جن ڈاکٹروں کو انتقامی کارروائی کا نشانہ بنایا گیا ہے انہیں بحال کیا جائے۔

کوٹری میں ڈینگی کے متاثرہ افراد کی تعداد میں بتدریج اضافہ ہوتا جا رہا ہے۔ گزشتہ ایک ہفتے کے دوران 10 سے زائد افراد "ڈینگی" سے متاثرہ ہوئے ہیں۔ گزشتہ دنوں کوٹری بند پر رہائش پذیر دو سنگے بھائی عبدالہادی بلوچ اور ضیاء بلوچ بھی ڈینگی سے متاثر ہوئے ہیں، اس طرح ڈینگی سے متاثرہ افراد کی تعداد 18 ہو گئی ہے۔

میو اسپتال لاہور میں اے ایم ایس کی جانب سے آؤٹ ڈور کھولنے کی کوشش پر بیگ ڈاکٹر نے جھگڑا شروع کر دیا، بیگ ڈاکٹر نے پنجاب کے سب سے بڑے اسپتال کی ایمر جنسی بھی بند کر دی، مریض اور ان کے لواحقین پریشان ہوتے اور زار و قطار روتے رہے۔ ویرانی، پریشانی، آہ و بکا کے مناظر پنجاب کے سب سے بڑے میو اسپتال لاہور کی ایمر جنسی کے ہیں جو ہر وقت چلتی رہتی ہے، پنجاب بھر سے مریض حادثات و بیماری کی صورت میں یہاں علاج کیلئے آتے ہیں۔ بیگ ڈاکٹر کے احتجاج کی وجہ سے دو ہفتے سے آؤٹ ڈور بند ہے، اے ایم ایس نے اسے کھولنے کی کوشش کی تو بیگ ڈاکٹر نے ہاتھ پائی شروع کر دی اور ایمر جنسی بند کرادی، مریضوں اور لواحقین کی پریشانیوں میں اضافہ ہو گیا، ایمر جنسی خالی ہو گئی اور مریض در بدر ہو گئے۔ اس صورتحال پر ایم ایس میو اسپتال لاہور نے خود ایمر جنسی کا چارج سنبھال لیا، سینئر ڈاکٹر کو بلا کر انتہائی نگہداشت وارڈ میں مریضوں کو طبی امداد کی فراہمی شروع کرادی۔ مریضوں اور ان کے لواحقین کا کہنا تھا کہ ایسے میسجوں کے خلاف سخت کارروائی کی جانی چاہیے تاکہ مریضوں کی زندگیاں بچائی جاسکیں۔

لاہور: میو اسپتال میں بیگ ڈاکٹر ز ایسوسی ایشن اپنے 2 ساتھی ڈاکٹر کی معطلی پر احتجاج کر رہے ہیں۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق لاہور کے میو اسپتال میں بیگ ڈاکٹر ز ایسوسی ایشن کے ایک گروپ نے مریضوں کے علاج کے بجائے احتجاج کی راہ اختیار کر رکھی ہے۔ احتجاجی مظاہرین کا مطالبہ ہے کہ ڈاکٹروں کے خلاف کارروائیاں بند کی جائیں جبکہ معطل کئے گئے ڈاکٹر کو فوری بحال کیا جائے۔ احتجاجی مظاہرین نے سیون کلب کے سامنے مال روڈ پر ٹائز جلائے اور مال روڈ سے ہوتے ہوئے وزیر اعلیٰ ہاؤس کے سامنے دھڑا دے دیا ہے۔ دھرنے کے باعث مال روڈ اور جیل روڈ سمیت متعدد سڑکوں پر ٹریفک متاثر ہو گئی ہے جس سے عوام کو شدید پریشانی کا سامنا کرنا پڑ رہا ہے۔ واضح رہے کہ میو اسپتال کے دو ڈاکٹروں کو لواحقین کے ساتھ نامناسب سلوک پر انکوائری کے بعد معطل کیا گیا تھا۔ بیگ ڈاکٹر ز ایسوسی ایشن کے دوسرے دھڑے اور احتجاج میں شریک نہیں ہوئے۔

لاہور: بیگ ڈاکٹر کا دھڑا جاری، ٹریفک

متاثر، شہری پریشان

جیو اردو

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لاہور میں فیکٹری میں آگ لگنے سے 2

مزدور جاں بحق

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میو اسپتال لاہور، بیگ ڈاکٹر کا ایمر جنسی میں

سروسز کی بحالی کا اعلان

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کوٹری: 7 دن میں 18 افراد ڈینگی وائرس

سے متاثر

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10 نومبر 2016

میو اسپتال لاہور، اوپی ڈی کھولنے کی کوشش پر

بیگ ڈاکٹر کا جھگڑا

جیو اردو

9 نومبر 2016

لاہور میں بیگ ڈاکٹر کا احتجاج، وزیر اعلیٰ ہاؤس

کے سامنے دھڑا

ایکسپریس نیوز

08 نومبر 2016

امداد فراہم کرنے کے بعد ان کے گھروں کو روانہ کر دیا گیا ہے۔ ڈینگی بخار کے شبہ میں لائے گئے 3 مریضوں میں وباڑی کے رہائشی 35 سالہ علی رضا، ملتان کے 23 سالہ فیصل اور 22 سالہ نسیم شامل ہیں، جن کے خون کے نمونے لیبارٹری کو ارسال کر دیے گئے ہیں۔

کراچی میں ڈینگی سے متاثرہ افراد کی تعداد رواں سال 1700 سے تجاوز کر گئی ہے جبکہ 2 افراد اس مرض کے ہاتھوں جان کی بازی ہار گئے۔ انسداد ڈینگی سیل کے سربراہ ڈاکٹر مسعود سولنگی کے مطابق کراچی سمیت اندرون سندھ ڈینگی سے رواں سال متاثرہ افراد کی تعداد 2099 تک جا پہنچی ہے، جس میں سے 1700 افراد کا تعلق صرف کراچی سے ہے۔ ڈاکٹر سولنگی کے مطابق رواں سال ڈینگی نے 3 افراد کی جان لے لی ہے، جن میں 2 تعلق کراچی اور ایک بینظیر آباد کار ہائشی ہے

تھر میں ڈینگی وائرس پر قابو نہیں پایا جاسکا ہے، مزید 4 افراد ڈینگی میں مبتلا ہو گئے۔ اسپتال ذرائع کے مطابق مٹھی اسلام کوٹ اور چھاچھر میں مزید 4 افراد ڈینگی کا شکار ہو گئے ہیں جبکہ ضلع کے سرکاری اسپتالوں میں روزانہ درجنوں افراد ڈینگی کے شبہ میں لائے جا رہے ہیں۔ گزشتہ 72 دنوں کے دوران ڈینگی سے متاثرہ افراد کی مجموعی تعداد 261 ہو گئی ہے۔ مقامی افراد کا کہنا ہے کہ متاثرہ دیہات میں مجھڑ مار اسپرے نہیں کرایا گیا جبکہ نہ کوئی عملی اقدامات کئے گئے ہیں۔ دوسری جانب ڈی ایچ او ڈاکٹر چندر گومانی کا کہنا ہے سول اسپتال مٹھی میں ڈینگی وارڈ قائم کر کے علاج معالجہ جاری ہے اور دیہات میں مجھڑ داناں بھی تقسیم کی جا رہی ہیں۔

لاہور کے کلب چوک میں ننگ ڈاکٹروں اور نرسوں کا دھرنایا پانچویں روز بھی جاری ہے، مصروف ترین مال روڈ اور ملحقہ سڑکوں پر ٹریفک شدید متاثر ہونے کے باعث شہریوں کو پریشانی کا سامنا ہے۔ لاہور میں 5 روز سے مال روڈ پر ڈاکٹروں کی ہٹ دھرمی اور حکومتی بے بسی کے درمیان جاری مقابلے نے عوام کو کراہٹ پریشان کیا۔ ڈاکٹر اپنے ان ساتھیوں اور نرس کی بحالی چاہتے ہیں، جو مریض اور اس کے لواحقین کے ساتھ مار پیٹ میں ملوث پائے گئے۔ ڈاکٹروں نے ساتھیوں کی بحالی کے لیے دھرنادے دیا، مال روڈ بند ہوئی تو شہر کی اہم ترین شاہراہیں روزانہ گھنٹوں بند رہنے لگیں، شہری مسیحائی کے دعوے داروں کو کوسے رہے۔ دھرنے میں شامل نرسیں اسپتال انتظامیہ کو ہی چمکے دیتی رہیں، اسپتال آتیں، حاضری لگاتیں اور مال روڈ کے دھرنے میں بیٹھ جاتیں۔ دھرنہ گویا ان کے لیے پکنک پوائنٹ بن گیا ہے۔ میونسپل انتظامیہ نے مریضوں کے علاج معالجے کے لیے چند ڈاکٹروں اور نرسوں کی خدمات حاصل کر لیں۔

خام تیل کی قیمت میں کمی کا اثر پاکستان بھیجی جانے والی ترسیلات پر ہونے لگا، گلف ممالک نے مالی سال کی پہلی سہ ماہی میں 6 فیصد کم ترسیلات پاکستان بھیجیں۔ سیٹ بینک آف پاکستان کے اعداد و شمار کے مطابق ستمبر میں ترسیلات زر کا حجم ایک ارب ساٹھ کروڑ ڈالر رہا جو اگست کے مقابلے میں آٹھ فیصد کم ہے۔ عرب امارات سے 9 جبکہ امریکہ سے 5 فیصد کم ترسیلات وطن بھیجی گئیں۔ یورپی یونین سے خارج ہونے کے فیصلے کے باوجود برطانیہ میں مقیم پاکستانی افرادی قوت نے 9 فیصد زائد زر مبادلہ پاکستان بھیجا۔

میونسپل لاہور کی 19 نرسوں کو برخاست کرنے کا فیصلہ کر لیا گیا ہے اور فہرست تیار ہو گئی ہے۔ انچارج نرسنگ ڈپارٹمنٹ کا کہنا ہے کہ نرسز کے ٹرینیشن لیٹر ز گھروں کو بھیجے جا رہے ہیں، ایم ایس ڈاکٹر امجد شہزاد کا کہنا ہے کہ ہڑتالی نرسیں حاضری لگا کر دھرنے میں شریک ہو جاتی ہیں۔ ڈاکٹر امجد شہزاد نے مزید بتایا کہ 44 نرس ڈاکٹر بھرتی کر لیے گئے جبکہ 36 نے ڈیوٹی سنبھال لی ہے، اس کے علاوہ 50 نئی نرسیں بھرتی کر کے مختلف وارڈز میں تعینات کر دی گئیں۔ ادھر نوٹس گھروں میں پہنچنے تو نرسوں کے گھر والے اسپتال پہنچ گئے۔

دیامر میں بابوسرناپ، ناگا پربت پر موسم سرما کی پہلی بر فباری کے بعد سردی مزید بڑھ گئی، مختلف شہروں میں خشک سردی کے باعث شہری مختلف بیماریوں کا شکار ہو رہے ہیں۔ ادھر وادی کوئٹہ اور بلوچستان کے مختلف شہروں میں سردی کی لہر نے موسم کو مزید سرد کر دیا ہے، تاہم خشک موسم کے باعث موسمی بیماریوں نے سر اٹھانا شروع کر دیا ہے۔ کوئٹہ میں کم سے کم درجہ حرارت ایک ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ قلات میں کم سے کم درجہ حرارت منفی 3 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ، دالہ دین میں 5 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ، خضدار میں 10 اور ڈوب میں 11 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا۔ محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق آئندہ 24 گھنٹوں کے دوران صوبے کے بیشتر علاقوں میں موسم خشک اور سرد رہنے کا امکان ہے۔ ملتان میں بھی موسم کی تبدیلی نے شہریوں پر خوشگوار اثرات مرتب کئے ہیں، تاہم خشک سردی کے باعث لوگ موسمی بیماریوں میں بھی مبتلا ہو رہے ہیں۔ ملتان میں آج صبح کے وقت درجہ حرارت 14 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا جبکہ دن میں زیادہ سے زیادہ درجہ حرارت 30 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ رہے گا۔ محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق موسم میں اب آہستہ آہستہ تبدیلی متوقع ہے اور سردیوں کا آغاز ہو رہا ہے، جس کے ساتھ دھند کا سلسلہ بھی جاری ہے۔ آج ملتان میں دھند کی حد نگاہ 5 سو میٹر رہی، جس سے شہریوں کو آمد و رفت میں پریشانی کا سامنا نہیں کرنا پڑا، تاہم شہر میں سموگ کا سلسلہ ختم ہو گیا ہے۔ دوسری جانب خشک موسم سے شہریوں میں نزلہ، زکام اور کھانسی جیسی شکایات بڑھ رہی ہیں تاہم پہلی بارش کے

جیو اردو

13 نومبر 2016

کراچی: ڈینگی سے متاثرہ افراد کی تعداد

1700 سے تجاوز

جیو اردو

12 نومبر 2016

تھر پارک: ڈینگی سے مزید 4 افراد متاثر، تعداد

261 ہو گئی

جیو اردو

12 نومبر 2016

لاہور: ڈاکٹروں کی ہٹ دھرمی اور حکومتی بے

بسی سے عوام پریشان

جیو اردو

12 نومبر 2016

خام تیل کی گرتی قیمت، ترسیلات زر میں 8 فیصد

کمی وہ گئی: سیٹ بینک

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

11 نومبر 2016

لاہور: میونسپل کی 19 نرسیں برخاست کرنے

کا فیصلہ

جیو اردو

11 نومبر 2016

کئی شہروں میں خشک سردی، شہری مختلف

بیماریوں کا شکار

جیو اردو

11 نومبر 2016

پبلک سروسز

تفصیلات

سرخیاء

رائے ونڈ / لاہور (نامہ نگار + خبر نگار) رانیو نڈ روڈ پر الیکٹر انکس کی فیکٹری میں گیس لیک ہونے سے اچانک دھماکے سے پائپ پھٹ گیا اور آگ لگ گئی جس کے باعث 2 مزدور زندہ جل گئے۔ وزیر اعلیٰ پنجاب نے واقعہ کا نوٹس لیتے ہوئے انتظامیہ سے رپورٹ طلب کر لی ہے۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق رائے ونڈ روڈ پاجیاں پر پاک چائنہ الیکٹرو انکس فیکٹری میں گیس کے پریشر پائپ پر نوید شہزاد اور محمد نوید صبح چھ بجے کام کر رہے تھے کہ اچانک کیمیکل روم کے پائپ میں گیس کا پریشر بڑھ گیا اور گیس لیک ہونے پر اچانک دھماکے سے پائپ پھٹ گیا اور آگ لگ گئی جس کے باعث دونوں مزدور جھلس کر موقع پر ہی دم توڑ گئے۔ دونوں جھلس کر کوئلہ بن گئے۔ نوید آرائیاں جبکہ شہزاد پشاور کارہائشی تھا۔ وزیر اعلیٰ پنجاب محمد شہباز شریف نے واقعہ کا نوٹس لیتے ہوئے انتظامیہ سے رپورٹ طلب کر لی ہے اور واقعہ کی تحقیقات کا حکم دیا ہے۔ وزیر اعلیٰ نے ہدایت کی کہ واقعہ کی ہر پہلو سے انکوائری کر کے ذمہ داروں کے خلاف کارروائی کی جائے۔ علاوہ ازیں صوبائی وزیر محنت و انسانی وسائل راجہ اشفاق سرور نے گیس لیکج سے ہونے والے دھماکے کے نتیجے میں جاں بحق ہونے والے مزدوروں کے ورثاء کے لئے حکومت پنجاب کی طرف سے 9 لاکھ روپے فی کس مالی امداد کا اعلان کیا ہے۔ ورثاء کو چار لاکھ روپے فی کس رقم فیکٹری مالکان کی طرف سے بطور ازالہ جبکہ پانچ لاکھ روپے پنجاب ورکرز ویلفیئر بورڈ کی طرف سے ڈیٹھ گرانٹ کے طور پر دئے جائیں گے۔ راجہ اشفاق سرور نے ڈسٹرکٹ لیبر آفیسر لاہور چودھری نصر اللہ کو ہدایت کی کہ اس واقعے کے تمام حقائق اور وجوہات بارے مکمل تحقیقات کر کے انہیں 24 گھنٹے میں رپورٹ پیش کی جائے۔ ڈسٹرکٹ لیبر آفسر کی طرف سے ابتدائی طور پر فراہم کی جانے والی تفصیلات کے مطابق اموات سی پی پلائٹ میں گیس لیکج کی وجہ سے ہونے والے دھماکے سے ہوئیں۔

لاہور: رانیو نڈ روڈ پر فیکٹری میں گیس لیکج سے دھماکہ، دو مزدور زندہ جل گئے

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

14 نومبر 2016

تھر کے صحرائیں ڈینگ کی پراب تک قابو نہ پایا جاسکا، 24 گھنٹوں میں مزید 2 افراد ڈینگ میں مبتلا ہو گئے، جس کے بعد 74 دنوں کے دوران متاثرہ افراد کی مجموعی تعداد 265 ہو گئی ہے۔ اسپتال ذرائع کے مطابق مٹھی اسلام کوٹ میں مزید 2 افراد ڈینگ کا شکار ہو گئے ہیں جبکہ ضلع کے سرکاری اسپتالوں میں روزانہ درجنوں افراد ڈینگ کے شہ میں لائے جا رہے ہیں۔ ڈی ایچ او ڈاکٹر چندر گومانی کا کہنا تھا کہ سول اسپتال مٹھی میں ڈینگ وارڈ قائم کر کے علاج معالجہ جاری ہے، 74 دنوں کے دوران ڈینگ سے متاثرہ افراد کی مجموعی تعداد 265 ہو گئی۔

تھر پارکر، 2 مزید افراد ڈینگ کا شکار، تعداد

265 ہو گئی

جیو اردو

14 نومبر 2016

پینل میڈیکل یونیورسٹی اسپتال نوابشاہ میں داخل مریض غلام حیدر میں ڈینگ وائرس کی تصدیق ہوئی ہے جسکے بعد ڈاکٹر امانیئر میں دس ہڈ پر مشتمل آکسولیشن وارڈ قائم کر کے متاثرہ مریض کو وہاں منتقل کر دیا گیا ہے۔ اس سلسلے میں فوکل پرن ڈاکٹر غلام مصطفیٰ بھالی نے بتایا کہ 2016 میں ڈینگ وائرس کا پہلا مریض سامنے آیا ہے۔ دوسری طرف امیر جماعت اسلامی ضلع نوابشاہ کنور راشد کرم نے بلدیہ نوابشاہ کی جانب سے نامعلوم وجوہات کی بنیاد پر چھ مہم کو ختم کرنے پر سخت احتجاج کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ شہر میں موسم کی تبدیلی کے ساتھ ہی چھروں کی بہتات ہو گئی ہے۔ اس حوالے سے محکمہ صحت نے خصوصی ہدایت بھی جاری کیں لیکن نہ تو بلدیہ نوابشاہ کی جانب سے کوئی خصوصی اقدام دیکھنے میں آئے اور نہ ہی سول اسپتال کی کارکردگی قابل ذکر ہے مریض کو سول اسپتال میں داخل کرنے کے بعد آکسولیشن روم بنائے گئے۔

نوابشاہ کے اسپتال میں داخل مریض میں ڈینگ

کی تصدیق

جیو اردو

14 نومبر 2016

پاکستان کے وزیر اعظم محمد نواز شریف کا کہنا ہے کہ پاکستان اپنے جیو سٹریٹجک مقام کو جیو اکنامک حب بنانا چاہتا ہے۔ انھوں نے یہ بات بلوچستان کے ساحلی شہر گوادر میں تجارتی بندرگاہ کے افتتاح کی تقریب سے خطاب کے دوران کہی۔ اس تقریب میں گوادر کے ذریعے بندرگاہ سے برآمدات کا سلسلہ باضابطہ طور پر شروع ہو گیا ہے۔ یاد رہے کہ گذشتہ روز پاکستان اور چین کے درمیان اقتصادی راہداری کی مناسبت سے چین سے کنٹینروں کے قافلے انتہائی سخت سیوری میں بلوچستان کے ساحلی شہر گوادر پہنچے تھے۔ کنٹینروں کا یہ قافلہ یکم نومبر کو چین سے پاکستان میں داخل ہوا تھا۔ اس موقع پر اپنے خطاب میں وزیر اعظم محمد نواز شریف کا کہنا تھا کہ پاکستان اور چین کی اقتصادی راہداری کے ہر پروجیکٹ کو جلد از جلد مکمل کرنے کے لیے ان کی حکومت ہر ممکن کوشش کرے گی۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ چین پاکستان اقتصادی راہداری کے دشمن، پاکستان کے دشمن ہیں۔ وزیر اعظم کا کہنا تھا سی پیک تمام صوبوں کا منصوبہ ہے اور اس میں کسی بھی صوبے کو نہیں نظر انداز نہیں کیا جائے گا۔

سی پیک منصوبے کے تحت گوادر پورٹ کا

افتتاح، پہلا قافلہ روانہ

بی بی سی

13 نومبر 2016

ملتان کے نشتر اسپتال میں ڈینگ کے شہبے میں مزید 3 مریضوں کو لایا گیا ہے گزشتہ 4 ماہ سے اب تک لائے گئے، مریضوں کی تعداد 190 ہے۔ محکمہ صحت کے مطابق ملتان کی مختلف سرکاری اسپتالوں میں لائے گئے، مریضوں 15 افراد میں ڈینگ بخار کی تصدیق ہو چکی ہے، جنہیں طبی

ملتان نشتر اسپتال: ڈینگ کے شہبے میں مزید 3

مریض داخل

9 نومبر 2016

سیکیورٹی خدشات؛ کونسل میں تمام تعلیمی

ادارے ایک ہفتے کے لئے بند

ایکپریس نیوز

08 نومبر 2016

چرس اور 5 کلوہیر وٹن چھپائی تھی جسے اسمگل کرنے کی کوشش کی جارہی تھی تاہم بروقت کارروائی کرتے ہوئے ملزمان شاہ حسین اور خیال محمد کو گرفتار کر کے ان سے منشیات برآمد کر لی گئی ہے جب کہ گرفتار ملزمان کا تعلق نوشہرہ سے ہے۔

کونسل: محکمہ داخلہ بلوچستان کی جانب سے سیکیورٹی خدشات کے پیش نظر صوبائی دارالحکومت کے تمام تعلیمی اداروں کو ایک ہفتے کے لئے بند کر دیا گیا ہے۔

محکمہ داخلہ بلوچستان کی جانب سے جاری نوٹی فکیشن کے مطابق مخصوص تعلیمی اداروں کو دہشت گردوں کی جانب سے نشانہ بنایا جاسکتا ہے اس لئے تمام تعلیمی اداروں میں تعلیمی سرگرمیاں ایک ہفتے کے لئے معطل کر دی جائیں۔ ڈی ای او کونسل کی جانب سے تعلیمی اداروں کو بھجوائے گئے مراسلے میں ہدایت جاری کی گئی ہیں کہ امن و امان کی خراب صورتحال کے پیش نظر اسکولوں کی سیکیورٹی ناگزیر ہے، اس لئے اسکولوں کی حفاظت پر مامور اہلکار ارد گرد کے ماحول پر نظر رکھیں اور بغیر شناخت کسی بھی شخص کو اسکول میں داخل نہ ہونے دیا جائے، اسکول میں داخل ہونے کے بعد کسی بھی طالب علم کو باہر جانے کی اجازت نہ دی جائے۔ دوسری جانب کیتھولک بورڈ آف ایجوکیشن نے بھی تمام تعلیمی اداروں کو بند کرنے کا اعلان کر دیا ہے جبکہ آئی ٹی، اور ویمن یونیورسٹی کی انتظامیہ کے مطابق تدریسی عمل کو جزوی معطل کر دیا گیا ہے اسی لئے طلبہ و طالبات کے لیے یونیورسٹی بسیں نہیں چلائی گئیں۔

کمپنیوں اور انوائسٹریجیویشن اور آگاہی فنڈز کے حوالے سے بھی شقیں شامل ہیں۔ آرڈیننس میں غیر ملکی کمپنیوں میں غیر ملکی سرمایہ کاری کرنے والے پاکستانیوں کو پابند بنایا گیا ہے کہ وہ مقامی ریگولیٹری اتھارٹی کو زیادہ سے زیادہ معلومات فراہم کریں۔ سیوریٹی اینڈ ایجنسیز کمیشن آف پاکستان اس قانون کے تحت کمپنیز گلوبل رجسٹرڈ آف مینیفیشٹل آنرز شپ کو قائم کرے گا جس کے تحت مقامی اور غیر ملکی کمپنیوں جو کہ پاکستان میں کام کر رہی ہیں ان کے سٹیک ہولڈرز اور دیگر افسران کی معلومات دینا ہوگی۔ مزید برآں پاکستان میں کام کرنے والی غیر ملکی کمپنیوں کو ڈائریکٹرز آفیسرز اور مینیفیشٹل آنرز کی معلومات دینا ہوگی۔ فراڈ، منی لانڈرنگ اور دہشتگردوں کو مالی معاونت کے حوالے سے بھی کمپنیز آرڈیننسز میں اقدامات کئے گئے ہیں جس کے تحت ایس ای سی پی کو اختیارات دیئے گئے ہیں وہ ان معاملات میں مشترکہ تحقیقات کر سکتا ہے۔ وزیر خزانہ نے کہا کہ کمپنیز آرڈیننس سے کارپوریٹ سیکٹر کو مراعات اور ریلیف فراہم کیا گیا ہے۔ 32 سالوں سے پرانے سسٹم میں بہتری کی گنجائش تھی تاکہ پاکستان کے کارپوریٹ سیکٹر کو عالمی معیار کے مطابق لایا جاسکے۔

کراچی: انسداد دہشتگردی کی عدالت نمبر ایک نے میسر کراچی و سیم اختر کی دو مقدمات میں رہائی کے احکامات جاری کر دیئے۔ عدالت نے و سیم اختر کی اشتعال انگیز تقریر کے مقدمات میں ایک، ایک لاکھ روپے کی ضمانت منظور کی تھی۔ میسر کراچی و سیم اختر کے 37 مقدمات میں رہائی کے احکامات جاری ہو چکے ہیں۔ و سیم اختر پر دہشت گردوں کے علاج معالجے کے مقدمے میں درخواست ضمانت پر فیصلہ 16 نومبر کو ہو گا۔ میسر کراچی پر کل 39 مقدمات ہیں جن میں 38 مقدمات میں پولیس نے انہیں گرفتار کیا تھا جبکہ ایک مقدمے میں گرفتاری ظاہر نہیں کی جس کے پیش نظر و سیم اختر نے ضمانت کے لیے ہائیکورٹ سے رجوع کر لیا ہے۔ علاوہ ازیں انسداد دہشت گردی کی عدالت نمبر تین نے میسر کراچی و سیم اختر کے چار مقدمات میں رہائی کے احکامات جاری کر دیئے۔ عدالت نے بارہ مئی کے تین مقدمات میں و سیم اختر کی تین، تین لاکھ روپے کی ضمانت منظور کی تھی جبکہ اشتعال انگیز تقریر کے ایک مقدمے میں ایک لاکھ روپے کے عوض ضمانت منظور کی تھی۔

کوئٹہ: بلوچستان کے علاقے حب میں رینجرز نے کارروائی کر کے کالعدم جند اللہ پاکستان کے امیر عارف عرف ثاقب کو گزشتہ روز ہلاک کر دیا۔ بھاری مقدار میں اسلحہ اور گولہ بارود بھی برآمد ہوا۔ رینجرز ذرائع کے مطابق ملزم عارف عرف ثاقب کالعدم جند اللہ پاکستان کا امیر تھا اور القاعدہ، جماعت الاحرار، داعش کے ساتھ مل کر کارروائیاں کرتا تھا۔ ذرائع کا کہنا ہے کہ عارف عرف ثاقب لشکر جھنگوی کے ساتھ بھی دہشت گردی کی کارروائیاں کرتا تھا اور کراچی اور بلوچستان میں ہونے والے خود کش دھماکوں کا ماسٹر مائنڈ تھا۔ رینجرز ذرائع کے مطابق کارروائی میں ملزم کے قبضے سے بھاری تعداد میں اسلحہ اور بارود برآمد ہوا ہے۔ سیکیورٹی ذرائع نے کہا ہے کہ ہلاک دہشتگرد کے مزید ساتھیوں کی تلاش کیلئے سیکیورٹی فورسز کے چھاپوں کا سلسلہ جاری ہے۔

کراچی: سی ٹی ڈی نے منگھوپیر میں کارروائی کے دوران 3 دہشت گردوں کے گرفتار کر لیا جن کے قبضے سے اسلحہ بھی برآمد کیا گیا ہے۔ ایس ایس پی کاؤنٹر ٹیررازم ڈیپارٹمنٹ حفیظ جونیجو کے مطابق سی ٹی ڈی نے کراچی کے علاقے منگھوپیر میں کارروائی کی جس میں 3 دہشت گردوں کو گرفتار کر کے ان کے قبضے سے اسلحہ بھی برآمد کیا گیا ہے۔ ایس ایس پی کے مطابق گرفتار دہشت گردوں میں تاج الدین، اکبر اور آصف شامل ہیں جن میں دہشت گرد تاج الدین کا تعلق وزیرستان سے ہے جو خود کش بمبار تیار کرتا ہے۔ ایس ایس پی حفیظ جونیجو کا کہنا تھا کہ تینوں دہشت گرد وزیرستان میں دہشت گردی کی تربیت حاصل کرتے تھے۔

کراچی: ترجمان رینجرز کے مطابق منگھوپیر میں دہشت گردوں سے مقابلے میں 3 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے جن کے قبضے سے اسلحہ بھی برآمد کیا گیا ہے۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق رینجرز نے کراچی کے علاقے منگھوپیر میں دہشت گردوں کی موجودگی کی اطلاع پر چھاپا مارا تو علاقے میں موجود دہشت گردوں نے رینجرز ہلاکوں پر فائزنگ کر دی جس کے بعد دونوں جانب سے فائزنگ کا تبادلہ ہوا جو کافی دیر تک جاری رہا جب کہ اس دوران رینجرز نے علاقے کا محاصرہ کر لیا اور پولیس کی نفری بھی طلب کر لی۔ ترجمان رینجرز کے مطابق دہشت گردوں سے فائزنگ کے تبادلے میں رینجرز کی جوابی کارروائی میں 3 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے جب کہ اس دوران دہشت گردوں کی فائزنگ سے ایک رینجرز ہلاک بھی زخمی ہوا جسے فوری طبی امداد کے لیے قریبی اسپتال منتقل کر دیا گیا۔ ترجمان نے بتایا کہ ہلاک دہشت گردوں کے ٹھکانے سے اسلحہ اور گولہ بارود بھی برآمد ہوا ہے، ہلاک ہونے والے دہشت گردوں کی لاشوں کو ضابطے کی کارروائی کے لیے تحویل میں لے لیا گیا ہے جب کہ ان کے دیگر ساتھیوں کی گرفتاری کے لیے علاقے میں سرچ آپریشن جاری ہے۔

راولپنڈی: اینٹی ناکو کس فورس نے انک اقبال شہید ٹول پلازہ کے قریب کارروائی کے دوران منشیات اسمگلنگ کی کوشش ناکام، 2 ملزمان گرفتار کے قریب چوہڑچوک پر کارروائی کی جس میں 2 ملزمان کو گرفتار کر لیا گیا۔ اے این ایف حکام کے مطابق گرفتار ملزمان نے مسافر ویگن میں 10 کلو

انسداد دہشتگردی عدالت نے میسر کراچی کی دو مقدمات میں رہائی کے احکامات جاری

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

11 نومبر 2016

حب: رینجرز کی کارروائی کا کالعدم جند اللہ پاکستان کا امیر ہلاک

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

11 نومبر 2016

کراچی کے علاقے منگھوپیر سے 3 دہشت گرد گرفتار، سی ٹی ڈی

ایکسپریس نیوز

10 نومبر 2016

کراچی کے علاقے منگھوپیر میں کارروائی کے دوران 3 دہشت گرد ہلاک، ترجمان رینجرز

ایکسپریس نیوز

9 نومبر 2016

راولپنڈی میں منشیات اسمگلنگ کی کوشش ناکام، 2 ملزمان گرفتار

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گئے ہیں۔

بی بی سی

13 نومبر 2016

ہوئے ہیں۔ انھوں نے عندیہ دیا کہ اس دھماکے کے پیچھے بیرونی ہاتھ ملوث ہو سکتا ہے۔ پاکستان کے وزیر اعظم میاں محمد نواز شریف نے ہلاک شدگان کے ورثا کے لیے پانچ، پانچ لاکھ روپے امداد کا اعلان کیا ہے جبکہ شدید زخمی ہونے والوں کو دو لاکھ اور معمولی زخموں کو ایک ایک لاکھ روپے امداد دی جائے گی۔ سرکاری ٹی وی کے مطابق وزیر اعلیٰ بلوچستان ثناء اللہ زہری نے درگاہ شاہ نورانی کو عارضی طور پر بند کرنے کا حکم دیا ہے۔ ان کا کہنا ہے کہ سکیورٹی کے انتظامات تک درگاہ بند رہے گی اور اسے محکمہ اوقاف کے سپرد کیا جائے گا۔ اس واقعے میں زخمی ہونے والے افراد کو بمبلی کاٹروں کے ذریعے ہسپتالوں میں منتقل کیا گیا۔ بعض شدید زخموں کو کراچی لے جایا گیا ہے۔

حب میں مزار شاہ نورانی پر دھماکے کی جگہ پر دھماکے میں خواتین بچوں سمیت 40 سے زائد افراد جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ تحصیلدار شاہ نورانی جاوید اقبال نے بتایا دھماکہ میں 110 افراد زخمی ہوئے، زخمیوں کو طبی امداد کیلئے ہسپتال منتقل کر دیا گیا ہے۔ شاہ نورانی درگاہ پھاڑ پر ہونے اور رات کے اندھیرے کی وجہ سے امدادی کاموں میں شدید مشکلات پیش آئیں علاقے میں پی ٹی سی ایل اور کوئی بھی موبائل نیٹ ورک کام نہیں کرتا، زخمیوں کو ابتدائی طور پر مقامی ڈسپنسری میں منتقل کیا گیا، ایدھی کے سربراہ فیصل ایدھی ایسولینسوں کے ہمراہ شاہ نورانی پہنچ گئے۔ سول ہسپتال کراچی میں ایمر جنسی نافذ کر دی گئی کراچی سے حب شاہ نورانی کا فاصلہ 200 کلومیٹر ہے، ہر روز مغرب کے بعد دھماکے ہوتے ہیں جس وقت دھماکہ ہوا بڑی تعداد میں زائرین دھماکے ڈال رہے تھے۔ خوفناک دھماکہ ہوتے ہی انسانی اعضاء دور تک بکھر گئے اور دھماکے کے بعد افراتفری مچ گئی ایسولینسوں کی کمی کی وجہ سے زخمیوں کو ہسپتال منتقل کرنے میں مشکلات پیش آئیں۔ کشترفات کے مطابق ابتدائی طور پر 25 افراد کے جاں بحق ہونے کی اطلاع تھی وزیر اعلیٰ بلوچستان امدادی کاموں کی نگرانی کرتے رہے۔ ابتدائی اطلاعات کے مطابق دھماکہ خود کش تھا افغان دہشت گرد نے خود کو دھماکے دوران دھماکہ سے اڑایا دھماکہ ہوتے ہی افراتفری پھیل گئی مزار پر سیوریج کے کوئی انتظامات نہیں تھے انچارج ایدھی سنٹر حکیم لاسی کے مطابق درگاہ کے خلیفہ نے اطلاع دی کہ دھماکے میں 30 سے زائد افراد جاں بحق اور 100 سے زائد زخمی ہو گئے ہیں، ایس ایس پی لسیبلہ نے بھی بتایا کہ دھماکے میں 30 افراد جاں بحق ہو گئے۔ صوبائی وزیر داخلہ بلوچستان میر سرفراز بگٹی نے کہا کہ دھماکہ میں بڑی تعداد میں زائرین جاں بحق ہوئے دو دراز علاقہ ہونے اور اندھیرے کی وجہ سے ریسکیو آپریشن میں مشکلات پیش آئیں، ہسپتالوں میں ایمر جنسی نافذ کر دی گئی امدادی کاموں پر ساری توجہ ہے اندھیرے کی وجہ سے ہیلی کاپٹر استعمال نہیں کر سکتے صوبے بھر میں سیوریج ہائی الارٹ کی گئی ہے زخمیوں کو خضدار، لسیبلہ اور کراچی منتقل کیا گیا ہے۔ وزیراعظم نواز شریف نے درگاہ شاہ نورانی میں دھماکے کی شدید مذمت کی ہے اور فوری امدادی سرگرمیوں کی ہدایت کر کے کہا کہ قیمتی جانوں کے نقصان پر انتہائی دکھ ہے جاں بحق افراد کے لواحقین اور زخمیوں کے غم میں برابر کے شریک ہیں، واقعہ میں ملوث افراد کو جلد کیفر کردار تک پہنچایا جائے انسانی جانوں کو بچانے کیلئے امدادی سرگرمیاں تیز کی جائیں۔ علاقے میں سرچ آپریشن شروع کر دیا گیا۔ ترہمان بلوچستان حکومت انوار الحق کا کڑے سماجی رابطے کی سائٹ ٹویٹر پر اپنے ٹویٹ میں کہا کہ دشمن مایوسی کا شکار ہیں اور خواتین اور بچوں پر حملے کر رہے ہیں۔ انہوں نے درگاہ شاہ نورانی میں ہونے والے دھماکے کو بلوچستان اور اقتصادی راہداری پر حملہ قرار دیا۔ ان کا مزید کہنا تھا کہ ہم دھماکے کی پرزور مذمت کرتے ہیں۔ صوبائی وزیر داخلہ نے کہا ہے کہ پورے صوبے کی سیوریج کو انتہائی سخت کیا گیا تھا، غفلت کے مرتکب افراد کے خلاف کارروائی کی جائے گی۔ دھماکے وقت 500 سے 600 افراد مزار پر موجود تھے۔ کشترفات نے دھماکہ خود کش ہونے کی تصدیق کر دی۔

صدر ممنون حسین نے کمپنیز آرڈیننس 2016ء کی منظوری دیدی جبکہ آرڈیننس فوری نافذ العمل ہو گیا ہے۔ کمپنیز آرڈیننس 2016ء کے تحت ایس ای سی پی فراڈ، منی لانڈرنگ اور دہشتگردوں کو مالی معاونت کے کیسز میں مشترکہ تحقیقات کر سکتا ہے، قانون کے تحت غیر ملکی کمپنیوں میں سرمایہ کاری کرنے والے پاکستانی مقامی ریگولیٹری اتھارٹی میں زیادہ سے زیادہ معلومات دینے کے پابند ہونگے، کمپنیز گلوبل رجسٹرڈ آف سٹیفیشل آنرز شپ کے تحت پاکستان میں کام کرنے والی غیر ملکی کمپنیوں کو ڈائریکٹرز، آفیسرز اور سٹیفیشل آنرز کارپیکارڈ ایس ای سی پی کو دینا ہوگا۔ وزارت خزانہ سے جاری بیان کے مطابق صدر پاکستان نے گیارہ نومبر 2016ء کو نئے کمپنیز آرڈیننس 2016ء کو نافذ کرنے کی منظوری دیدی جس کے بعد کمپنیز آرڈیننس 1984 ختم ہو گیا ہے۔ اس موقع پر وزیر خزانہ اسحاق ڈار نے کہا کہ کمپنیز آرڈیننس دو ہزار سولہ متعلقہ سٹیک ہولڈرز کے ساتھ تفصیلی بات چیت کے بعد نافذ کیا گیا ہے اور اس کو عالمی معیار کی پالیسیوں کو مد نظر رکھتے ہوئے تیار کیا گیا ہے۔ کمپنیز آرڈیننس میں ٹیکنالوجی کا استعمال کرتے ہوئے کمپنیوں کو رجسٹرڈ کرنے کے طریقے کو آسان بنانے، غیر رجسٹرڈ کمپنیوں کے فزیکل شیئرز کو دستاویزی شکل میں تبدیل کرنے اور تمام لیول میں کاغذ کے استعمال کو ختم کرنے کے ماحول کو پروان چڑھایا جائے تاکہ کمپنیوں کے فیصلہ سازی میں زیادہ سے زیادہ ممبران کی شرکت یقینی بنائی جاسکے۔ اس کے علاوہ آرڈیننس میں کمیونیکیشن کا استعمال جدید الیکٹرانک ذرائع سے کیا جاسکے گا۔ کمپنیز آرڈیننس دو ہزار سولہ میں چھوٹے اور درمیانے کمپنیوں کے حوالے سے بھی تشقیں شامل کی گئی ہیں۔ شریعہ سرٹیفیکیٹ اور ریکل سیٹ کی کمپنیوں میں سرمایہ کاروں کے تحفظ کے حوالے سے بھی چیزیں شامل کی گئی ہیں۔ اس کے علاوہ کمپنیز آرڈیننس آزاد اور نان ایگزیکٹو ڈائریکٹرز کی بورڈ میں شمولیت کو بھی تحفظ فراہم کرے گا۔ اس کے علاوہ اقلیتی اسٹیک ہولڈرز اور قرض دینے والے کے مفاد کا بھی تحفظ کرنے کی چیزیں شامل ہیں۔ آرڈیننس میں فری زون کمپنیوں، زرعی

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سمندری آلودی پر قابو پانے سے متعلق پاکستان میری ٹائم سیکورٹی ایجنسی کی مشقیں باراکوڈا سیون آج سے شروع ہو رہی ہیں جو 17 نومبر تک جاری رہیں گی۔ پاکستان میری ٹائم سیکورٹی ایجنسی کے ترجمان کے مطابق باراکوڈا سیون مشقیں سمندر میں تیل کے اخراج کو روکنے سے متعلق ہیں۔ ترجمان کے مطابق ان مشقوں کے دوران آئل ٹینکروں سے حادثاتی طور پر تیل کے اخراج کی صورت میں تیل کو پھیلنے سے روکنے اور سمندر میں گرنے والے تیل کی صفائی کرنے کے سلسلے میں میری ٹائم سیکورٹی ایجنسی کی صلاحیت کو جانچا جائے گا

وفاقی وزیر برائے مذہبی امور سردار یوسف نے کہا ہے کہ دہشت گردی کے خاتمے کے لیے سیاسی اور عسکری قیادت ایک بیچ پر ہے، قوم نے پہلے بھی دہشت گردی کا مقابلہ کیا اب بھی کرے گی۔ جامع مسجد القادسیہ لاہور میں میڈیا سے گفتگو میں وفاقی وزیر مذہبی امور نے کہا کہ پاکستان کو معاشی لحاظ سے بہتر بنانے کے لیے سی پیک کا آغاز ہو گیا ہے، سی پیک کی کامیابی سے دشمن کے دانت کھٹے ہو گئے ہیں۔ انہوں نے درگاہ شاہ نورانی پر دھماکے کی مذمت کی۔ اس سے قبل مرکزی جمعیت اہلحدیث کے دفتر کے دورے کے موقع پر سردار یوسف کا کہنا تھا کہ پاناما لیکس کا معاملہ عدالت میں ہے، معاملہ عدالت میں ہو تو اس پر بات کرنا درست نہیں ہوتا

پاکستان میں وفاق کے زیر انتظام قبائلی علاقے مہمند ایجنسی میں حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ طالبان مخالف سابق امن کمیٹی کے سربراہ ایک بم دھماکے میں ہلاک ہو گئے ہیں۔ پولیٹیکل انتظامیہ کے مطابق یہ حملہ اتوار کی صبح مہمند ایجنسی کی تحصیل صافی میں چینیاری کے مقام پر ہوا۔ مہمند کے ایک سرکاری اہلکار نے بی بی سی کو بتایا کہ تحصیل صافی میں سابق امن کمیٹی کے سربراہ اور قبائلی سردار ملک درخان صبح کے وقت گھر سے نکل کر کہیں جا رہے تھے کہ اس دوران ایک زوردار دھماکا ہوا جس میں قبائلی مشر ہلاک ہوئے۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ دھماکا خیز مواد قبائلی سردار کے مکان کے سامنے نصب کیا گیا تھا۔ ان کے مطابق اس واقعے کے بعد سکیورٹی فورسز نے علاقے میں سرچ آپریشن کے دوران کئی مشتبہ افراد کو حراست میں لیا ہے۔ ادھر اس حملے کی ذمہ داری کا عدم تنظیم تحریک طالبان پاکستان کے دھڑے جماعت الحرار نے قبول کر لی ہے۔ مہمند ایجنسی میں پچھلے چند ماہ کے دوران سکیورٹی فورسز، حکومت حامی قبائلی مشران اور امن کمیٹیوں کے رضاکاروں پر حملوں میں مسلسل تیزی دیکھی جا رہی ہے۔ پولیٹیکل انتظامیہ اور مقامی ذرائع سے حاصل کی گئی معلومات کے مطابق اس عرصے کے دوران مختلف واقعات میں درجنوں افراد مارے جا چکے ہیں جبکہ زخمیوں کی تعداد اس سے زیادہ بتائی جاتی ہے۔ تقریباً ڈیڑھ ماہ قبل انبار کے علاقے میں مسجد پر ہونے والے ایک خودکش حملے میں کم سے کم 36 افراد ہلاک ہو گئے تھے۔ مرنے والوں میں اکثریت حکومت حامی امن کمیٹیوں کے رضاکاروں اور عام شہریوں کی تھی۔ اس کے علاوہ ایجنسی بھر میں ٹارگٹ کلنگ کے متعدد واقعات پیش آئے ہیں جس میں غیر سرکاری تنظیموں کے اہلکاروں کو نشانہ بنایا گیا۔ مقامی لوگوں کا کہنا ہے کہ ایجنسی بھر میں بڑھتے ہوئے بم حملوں کے واقعات کے خوف کے باعث اب عام شہریوں نے دور افتادہ علاقوں کی طرف جانا چھوڑ دیا ہے۔ مقامی ذرائع کہتے ہیں کہ سکیورٹی اہلکار روزانہ ایجنسی کے کسی نہ کسی علاقے میں سڑک کے کنارے بم ناکارہ بناتے ہیں جس سے علاقے میں خوف کی کیفیت بڑھتی جا رہی ہے۔ واضح رہے کہ چند دن پہلے مہمند ایجنسی میں پولیٹیکل انتظامیہ اور مقامی قبائل نے تحصیل پنڈیالی کے علاقے میں ایک کارروائی کرتے ہوئے مشتبہ شدت پسندوں کے پانچ مکانات کو مسمار کر دیا تھا۔ اس سے پہلے بھی ایجنسی میں سکیورٹی فورسز کی طرف سے عسکریت پسندوں کے کئی مکانات کو تباہ کیا جا چکا ہے۔ ادھر خیبر پختونخوا کے ضلع ٹانک میں پولیس کا کہنا ہے کہ دو گروپوں کے مابین فائرنگ کے نتیجے میں کاعدم تنظیم تحریک طالبان پاکستان کے سابق امیر عصمت اللہ شاہین کے فرزند سمیت تین افراد ہلاک ہو گئے ہیں۔ ٹانک پولیس کے مطابق یہ واقعہ سنچری شام نیم خود مختار قبائلی علاقے ایف آر ٹانک کے سرحد کے قریب تھانہ ملائی کی حدود میں پیش آیا۔ تھانہ ملائی کے انچارج آدم خان نے بی بی سی کو بتایا کہ دو مسلح گروپوں کے مابین کسی بات پر تلخ کلامی ہوئی جس پر دونوں نے ایک دوسرے پر فائرنگ کر دی، جس میں تین افراد ہلاک ہوئے۔ مرنے والوں میں کاعدم تحریک طالبان پاکستان کے سابق سربراہ عصمت اللہ شاہین کے صاحبزادے کمانڈر عثمان بھی شامل ہیں۔ یاد رہے کہ عصمت اللہ شاہین تقریباً دو سال قبل شمالی وزیرستان میں فائرنگ کے ایک واقعے میں مارے گئے تھے۔

پاکستان کے صوبہ بلوچستان کے وزیر داخلہ سرفراز بگٹی نے کہا ہے کہ ضلع خضدار میں دربار شاہ نورانی میں دھماکے کے نتیجے میں ہلاک ہونے والے زائرین کی تعداد 54 ہو گئی ہے۔ بی بی سی اردو سے بات کرتے ہوئے سرفراز بگٹی نے کہا کہ اس دھماکے میں ایک سو سے زیادہ زائرین زخمی بھی

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جیو اردو

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ایک بیچ پر ہے، سردار یوسف

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سربراہ ہلاک

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دھماکے کے نتیجے میں 54 افراد ہلاک ہو

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سرمایہ پہلی بارش سے سردی بڑھ گئی،
سموگ ختم

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لاہور/پشاور (خبرنگار + لیڈی رپورٹر + آئی این پی) پنجاب اور خیبر پٹی کے مختلف علاقوں میں موسم سرمائی پہلی بارش سے سردی بڑھ گئی، شہریوں نے سکھ کا سانس لیا اور سموگ ختم ہو گئی جبکہ وادی نیلم کی بالائی وادی کے علاقے گریز میں رات بھر برف باری جاری رہی جس کے بعد پنج بستیہ ہواؤں نے موسم کو مزید ٹھنڈا کر دیا۔ محکمہ موسمیات نے مزید بادل برسنے کی نوید سنائی۔ لاہور میں بوند باندی نے خشکی بڑھادی۔ چکوال، تلہ گنگ، پنڈی پھنیاں، ننکانہ صاحب، ڈسکہ، حافظ آباد، کاموکی، ساہیوال، سرگودھا اور پنجاب کے دیگر علاقوں میں بارش ہوئی جس سے خشکی بڑھ گئی۔ محکمہ موسمیات کا کہنا ہے کہ ملک کے بالائی علاقوں میں جزوی طور پر مطلع ابر آلود رہیگا۔ کوہاٹ، بنوں ڈویژن، فانا، گلگت بلتستان اور کشمیر میں کہیں کہیں جبکہ مالاکنڈ، ہزارہ، پشاور، مردان، راولپنڈی، گوجرانوالہ، لاہور، سرگودھا، فیصل آباد میں چند مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں کے ساتھ ہلکی بارش اور پہاڑوں پر برف باری کا امکان ہے۔ محکمہ موسمیات نے بالائی علاقوں میں بارش اور پہاڑوں پر برف باری کی پیش گوئی کی۔ اسکے علاوہ محکمہ موسمیات نے فانا، گلگت بلتستان، کشمیر، کوہاٹ، بنوں، راولپنڈی، مالاکنڈ، ہزارہ، پشاور، گوجرانوالہ اور لاہور میں بھی مزید بارش کی نوید سنائی ہے۔ فیصل آباد، سرگودھا اور ساہیوال ڈویژن میں بھی چند مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں کے ہلکی بارش کا امکان ہے۔ دوسری جانب لاہور بچاؤ تحریک کے زیر اہتمام لبرٹی گول چکر پر سول سوسائٹی نے لاہور سمیت پورے پنجاب میں سموگ اور بڑھتی ہوئی آلودگی کیخلاف مظاہرہ کیا۔ مظاہرین نے ہاتھوں میں پلے کارڈ اٹھار کھے تھے جن پر سموگ اور بڑھتی ہوئی آلودگی کے خلاف نعرے درج تھے۔ مظاہرین نے ”لاہور بچاؤ“ رنگ برنگی ٹرینیں بند کرو، درختوں کی کٹائی بند کرو، لاہور کو کھودنا اور تباہ کرنا بند کرو، ترقیاتی منصوبے فوراً مکمل کرو، اور دیگر نعرے لگائے، علاوہ ازیں عوام میں شعور اجاگر کرنے کیلئے ماسک بھی تقسیم کئے گئے۔ مظاہرین سے عائشہ شاہنواز اور عمرانہ ٹوانہ نے خطاب کیا۔

لاہور (دنیا نیوز) گجرات اور چکوال سمیت پنجاب کے مختلف شہروں میں موسم سرمائی پہلی بارش ہوئی، لاہور میں بوند باندی نے خشکی بڑھادی، محکمہ موسمیات نے مزید بادل برسنے کی نوید سنائی۔ چکوال، تلہ گنگ، پنڈی پھنیاں، ننکانہ صاحب، ڈسکہ، حافظ آباد، کاموکی، ساہیوال، سرگودھا اور پنجاب کے دیگر علاقوں میں بارش ہوئی جس سے خشکی بڑھ گئی۔ موسم کا حال بتانے والوں کا کہنا ہے کہ آج کوہاٹ، بنوں ڈویژن، فانا، گلگت بلتستان اور کشمیر میں کہیں کہیں جبکہ مالاکنڈ، ہزارہ، پشاور، راولپنڈی، اور فیصل آباد میں چند مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں کے ساتھ بارش کا امکان ہے جبکہ پہاڑوں پر برف باری کی پیش گوئی بھی کی گئی ہے۔

پنجاب میں موسم سرمائی پہلی بارش سے سردی کی انٹری ہو گئی۔ گجرات اور چکوال سمیت پنجاب کے مختلف شہروں میں موسم سرمائی پہلی بارش ہوئی، گوجرانوالہ حافظ آباد، کاموکی، چکوال، تلہ گنگ، پنڈی۔ لاہور میں بوند باندی نے خشکی بڑھادی، محکمہ موسمیات نے مزید بادل برسنے کی نوید سنائی موسم سرد ہونے سے شہریوں نے پھنیاں، ننکانہ صاحب، ڈسکہ، ساہیوال، سرگودھا اور پنجاب کے دیگر علاقوں میں بارش ہوئی جس سے خشکی بڑھ گئی لہذا اور گرم کپڑے نکال لئے۔ طبی ماہرین کے مطابق بارش سے فضائی آلودگی کم ہوگی جس سے زکام، کھانسی اور دیگر موسمی بیماریوں میں کمی آئے گی۔

پنجاب کے مختلف شہروں میں موسم سرمائی
پہلی بارش

دنیا نیوز

12 نومبر 2016

پنجاب کے مختلف شہروں میں موسم سرمائی
پہلی بارش، خشکی بڑھ گئی، شہریوں نے لحاف
اور گرم کپڑے نکال لئے

روزنامہ نوائے وقت

12 نومبر 2016

قدرتی آفات

تفصیلات

اسلام آباد (روزنامہ اوصاف) ملک کے مختلف علاقوں میں زلزلے کے جھٹکے محسوس کیے گئے جن کی شدت 3.5 ریکارڈ کی گئی۔ زلزلے نے محکمہ موسمیات کے حوالے سے بتایا کہ زلزلہ مقامی وقت کے مطابق نو بج کر 36 منٹ پر ہوا جس کی گہرائی 25 کلومیٹر زیر زمین تھی۔ ابتدائی طور پر کسی قسم کے جانی یا مالی نقصان کی اطلاع نہیں ملی۔

سرخیاں

اللہ اکبر، پاکستان کے مختلف علاقوں میں زلزلہ

روزنامہ اوصاف

13 نومبر 2016

مختلف شہروں میں بارش، سموگ میں کمی

اردو وائر

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لاہور، کاموکی، فیصل آباد، قصور، شیخوپورہ، گجرات، قلات (نمائندگان خبریں) صوبائی دارالحکومت لاہور میں وقفے وقفے سے بارش اور آسمان پر بادلوں کے ڈیرے اور ہلکی ہلکی سرد ہائیں چلنے سے موسم خوشگوار ہو گیا ہے اور ٹھنڈک میں اضافہ ہو گیا۔ وادی نیلم کے پہاڑوں پر رات بھر برف پڑنے سے سردی نے مزید زور پکڑ لیا، دوسری طرف لاہور، ساہیوال، ننکانہ صاحب، شیخوپورہ حافظ آباد اور گجرات سمیت پنجاب کے کئی شہروں میں ہلکی بارش نے موسم کو ایک دم تبدیل کر دیا، جس پر لاہور کے شہریوں نے سکھ کا سانس لیا، جنہیں سموگ ختم ہونے کی امید ہو گئی ہے۔ پنجاب میں حافظ آباد میں بادل گرے اور زوروں سے برے، تو سب جل تھل ایک ہو گیا اور سردی میں اضافہ ہو گیا، ادھر گجرات اور میانوالی میں بھی صبح سے ہی وقفے وقفے سے بارش کا سلسلہ جاری ہے۔ جبکہ بالائی علاقوں میں بھی سردی بڑھ گئی وادی نیلم کی بالائی وادی کے علاقے گریز میں رات بھر برف باری جاری رہی، جس کے بعد پنجاب بھر میں موسم کو مزید ٹھنڈا کر دیا ہے۔

ادھر محکمہ موسمیات کا کہنا ہے کہ بالائی علاقوں میں جزوی طور پر مطلع ابر آلود رہے گا۔ تاہم کوہاٹ، بنوں ڈویژن، فانا، گلگت بلتستان اور کشمیر میں کہیں کہیں جبکہ مالاکنڈ، ہزارہ، پشاور، مردان، راولپنڈی، گوجرانوالہ، لاہور، سرگودھا، فیصل آباد میں چند مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں کے ساتھ ہلکی بارش اور پہاڑوں پر برفباری کا امکان ہے۔ قلات اور گردنواح کے علاقے شدید سردی کی لپیٹ میں آگئے ہیں سائبریا سے آنے والے سرد اور برف بستہ ہواؤں کی وجہ سے قلات میں درجہ حرارت ایک دم نیچے چلا گیا ہیں محکمہ موسمیات قلات کے مطابق قلات اور گردنواح میں گزشتہ 24 گھنٹوں کے دوران کم سے کم درجہ حرارت منفی 4 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ ریکارڈ کیا گیا ہے۔

محکمہ موسمیات قلات کے مطابق اگلے چوبیس گھنٹوں میں سردی کی شدت میں مزید اضافہ ہونے کا امکان ظاہر کیا ہے، دوسری جانب قلات میں سوئی گیس کی مکمل بندش اور بجلی کی پندرہ گھنٹوں کی طویل لوڈ شیڈنگ کی وجہ سے لوگوں کے مشکلات میں اضافہ ہو گیا ہیں شدید سردی میں سوئی گیس پر بیٹر مکمل غائب ہونے سے شہری ٹھہرنے پر مجبور ہیں قلات میں سوئی گیس حکام کی جانب سے گیس کی مکمل بندش پر قلات کے شہریوں میں شدید غم و غصہ پایا جاتا ہے جبکہ کیسکو حکام بھی قلات کے شہریوں پر ظلم زیادتی بھی جاری ہیں اور قلات شہر میں چابیس گھنٹوں میں صرف نو گھنٹے بجلی فراہم کیا جا رہا ہے چوبیس گھنٹوں میں بجلی صرف نو گھنٹے کیسکو کی ظلم و زیادتی کا ثبوت ہیں جبکہ شدید سردی کی وجہ سے نزلہ و کام لگے اور سینے کی بیماریاں عام ہو گئے ہیں خصوصاً بچے اور عمر رسیدہ لوگ ان بیماریوں سے تیزی سے متاثر ہو رہے ہیں۔ کاموکی میں موسم سرما کی پہلی بارش نے ہی سروس روڈ کی تعمیر کا پول کھول دیا، نکاسی آب کا انتظام نہ ہونے کی وجہ سے ساڑھے چھ کروڑ روپے کی لاگت سے نو تعمیر شدہ سروس روڈ پر پانی کھڑا ہو گیا، قوم کے ساڑھے چھ کروڑ روپے کھوکھاتے جانے کا خدشہ۔ محکمہ موسمیات نے بالائی علاقوں میں بارش اور پہاڑوں پر برفباری کی پیش گوئی کی۔ اس کے علاوہ محکمہ موسمیات نے فانا، گلگت بلتستان، کشمیر، کوہاٹ، بنوں، راولپنڈی، مالاکنڈ، ہزارہ، پشاور، گوجرانوالہ اور لاہور میں بھی بارش کی نوید سنائی۔ فیصل آباد، سرگودھا اور ساہیوال ڈویژن میں بھی چند مقامات پر تیز ہواؤں کے ہلکی بارش کا امکان ہے۔ گزشتہ 24 گھنٹوں کے دوران ملک کے بیشتر میدانی علاقوں میں موسم خشک اور بالائی علاقوں میں سرد رہا تاہم گوجرانوالہ، سرگودھا اور ملتان ڈویژن میں کہیں کہیں بارش ہوئی جبکہ سب سے زیادہ بارش پنجاب: چکوال 04، ساہیوال، سرگودھا، منڈی بہاؤالدین 02، میانوالی سیالکوٹ اور گوجرانوالہ میں 01 ملی میٹر بارش ریکارڈ کی گئی۔ ان کا مزید کہنا تھا کہ آج ریکارڈ کیے گئے سرد ترین مقامات کے درجہ حرارت: قلات منفی 04، سکرو منفی 03، کوئٹہ، ہنزہ منفی 01، جبکہ آج لاہور میں کم سے کم 13، اسلام آباد 09، کراچی 17، پشاور 11، گلگت 01، چترال 02، کوئٹہ اور ہنزہ میں منفی 1 ریکارڈ کیا گیا۔

کراچی (صبح بوز) شہر قائد میں شال سے چلنے والی گرد آلود ہواؤں نے ڈیرے بجالے ہیں جس کے بعد دھول اور گرد کی وجہ سے حد نگاہ متاثر ہوئی ہے۔ محکمہ موسمیات کے مطابق موسم سرما کی آمد کے ساتھ ہی کراچی میں ہواؤں نے بھی رخ تبدیل کر لیا ہے۔

کراچی میں گرد آلود ہواؤں نے ڈیرے

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