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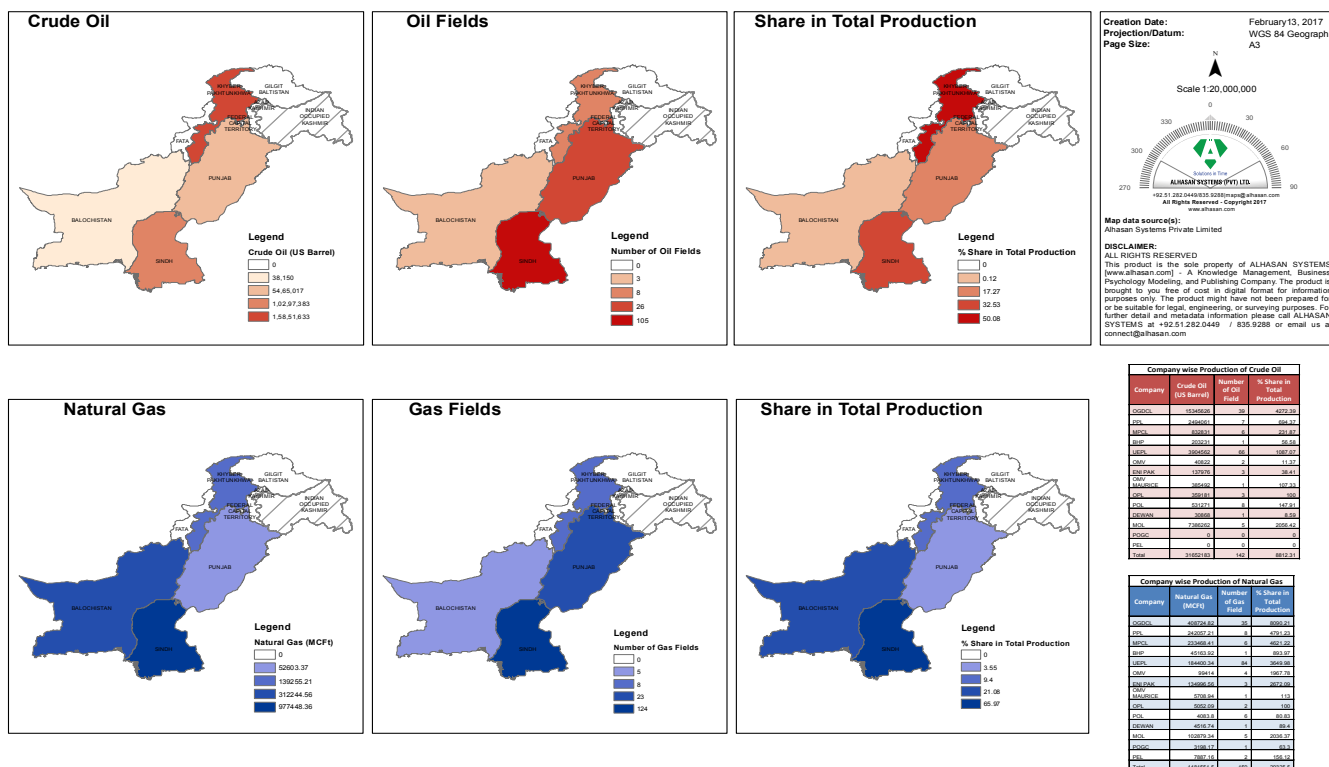
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NATURAL CALAMITIES

NEWS HEADLINES

Climate change, environmental health risks becoming greater causes of death

The News, February 13, 2017

Climate Change Policy to be in Senate next week

The News, February 10, 2017

DETAILS

RAWALPINDI: Climate change and environmental health risks associated with it are becoming greater causes of deaths around the globe claiming millions of lives every year for the last few years. Climate change is shifting patterns of disease causing extreme weather events such as heat waves, floods, severe storms, droughts and fires while degradation of air quality is affecting food and water supplies and sanitation.

According to estimates, well over 30 million deaths were caused by air pollution-related diseases in last five years around the globe making it the world's largest single environmental health risk. Millions of children are at risk of contracting deadlier diseases because of climate change including malaria, pneumonia, diarrhea and malnutrition. Head of Community Medicine at CMH Lahore Medical College Professor Dr. Muhammad Ashraf Chaudhry expressed this while talking to 'The News' on health threats becoming deadlier because of climate change. He said the heat waves, which have become more frequent, are causing more severe rashes, cramps, exhaustion and dehydration, which is common cause of hyperthermia and death among infants and young children.

Experts say that over the years, human activities have greatly increased greenhouse gas emissions such as carbon dioxide, methane, ozone, nitrous oxide and chlorofluorocarbons, etc. The increase in quantity of greenhouse gas emissions has raised the temperature of the earth, the phenomenon commonly known as Global Warming.

Human activities that produce greenhouse gases include increasing number of industrial processes, combustion of fossil fuels, emissions from power plants and vehicles. This effect has been made worse by cutting down trees and forests that help us by absorbing carbon dioxide.

Dr. Ashraf said that Pakistan has a little role to play in global warming phenomenon yet it is one of the countries that are facing its adverse effects. Climate change carries no passport; emissions released anywhere contribute to the problem everywhere. It is threat to lives and livelihoods everywhere. Economic stability and the security of nations are under threat. Projected global temperature rise of approximately 3 degree Celsius by the end of century is expected, he said. He explained that the impact of droughts on agriculture is leading to malnutrition and under-nutrition, which is responsible for half of worldwide deaths of children under five years of age. He said implementing proven interventions to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants, like black carbon and methane (Sui gas), for example achieving higher vehicle emissions and efficiency standards, would be expected to save approximately 2.4 million lives a year and reduce global warming by about 0.5 degree centigrade by 2050.

Dr. Ashraf said that strengthening health resilience to climate risks, including measures such as early warning systems for more frequent and severe heat waves, and protection of water, sanitation, and hygiene services against floods and droughts, would ensure that recent progress against climate-sensitive diseases is not slowed or reversed. He suggested that shifting to cleaner energy sources and increase in use of public transport, walking and biking can benefit health. The sooner we act, the greater the benefits for all, he said. He added that for improving health, global warming issue should be our top priority. If we do not take preventive measures, this problem is bound to devastate Pakistan. Everybody can participate in the campaign against adverse effects of climate change by reducing the non-renewable sources of energy and increase use of renewable sources, he said. He said that one can identify ways to reduce energy use and improve health through walking, cycling, using public transport, better waste management and choosing products with smaller carbon impact. When buying new appliances not only fridges, but also washing machines and dishwashers etc., choose those with high energy ratings. Many of the steps needed to prevent climate change have positive health benefits. For example, increase use of bicycles/walking and public transport instead of personal cars and it will reduce greenhouse gas emissions, he added. He said it will also improve air quality and lead to better respiratory health and fewer premature deaths. The increase in physical activity will lead to less obesity and fewer obesity-related illnesses, said Dr. Ashraf.

ISLAMABAD: Having been approved by the National Assembly, the Climate Change Policy will be introduced in the Senate next week, while the National Forest Policy has been approved by the Council of Common Interests.

This was stated by Federal Minister for Climate Change Zahid Hamid while addressing a news conference at his ministry in connection with the inauguration of the Green Pakistan Programme. The minister said the Green Pakistan Programme had been launched simultaneously in all the provinces and federating units. He said there was only five percent forest cover in Pakistan, which was very little to combat adverse effects of climate change.

"The prime minister has taken personal interest to conserve wildlife and forest sector of Pakistan and initiated this programme. The programme is based on matching grant and all the provinces responded positively on the suggestion to give matching grant of 50 per cent. "The Executive Committee of National Economic Council (ECNEC) has approved Rs3.7 billion for forestry and Rs1.3 billion for wildlife," he said. The minister said February 9 had been declared the National Green Day and more than 100 universities also inaugurated the campaign.

"The main essence of this programme is to grow indigenous trees in Pakistan. This program will be implemented through involving rural and urban population. In this regard, the Ministry of Climate Change is working very closely to civil society, international organisations and private sectors," he said. The minister said Pakistan was ranked seventh among the countries mostly

NDMA provides copter for snow covered Chitral

Pak Observer, February 10, 2017

6.3 earthquake jolts parts of Balochistan

DAWN News, February 08, 2017

Pakistan: Balochistan Floods/Snowfall 2017 Emergency Plan of Action (MDRPK013)

IFRC, February 08, 2017

NDMA holds national workshop on disaster risk insurance framework for Pakistan

NDMA, February 08, 2017

affected by climate change. Inspector General Forest Syed Mehmood Nasir, who was also in attendance, said the Federal Forestry Board was being revived under the new forest policy. Earlier in the day, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif formally launched the Green Pakistan Programme by planting a tree in the Prime Minister's Office.

ISLAMABAD: The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) on the request of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government has provided a helicopter for rescue and relief activities in snow-covered District of Chitral.

According to a private news channel, the helicopter will be used for provision of tents, blankets, medicines, food and evacuation of patients from Golian, Astore Gorian and Yarkhunlast valleys of Chitral. These valleys were cut off due to recent spell of heavy snow and need immediate relief assistance possible through air. It was reported earlier that different roads in Chitral and Dir Upper have been blocked due to heavy snowfall and land sliding with rain also lashed out Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and FATA.

The roads include Chitral-Boni, Chitral-Bamboret, Chitral-Garam Chishma and Chitral-Broghil have been blocked as scattered downpour and snowfall was recorded in parts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Fata that turned the weather further chilly.—APP

A 6.3 magnitude earthquake hit parts of Balochistan early on Wednesday 8 Feb, 2017 morning, the US Geological Survey (USGS) said. According to USGS, the epicentre of the quake was located 20 kilometres west southwest of Pasni at a depth of 25.9km.

The quake struck Gwadar, Makran and Pasni at 3:04am. However, no damage or casualties have been reported. Provincial Disaster Management Authority (Balochistan) Director General Aslam Tareen said the magnitude of the quake was 6.6.

Residents of the affected areas were woken up by the tremors and ran out of their houses in fear and shock. Commissioner of Makran Division Bashir Bangulzai told DawnNews that a complete survey of the Makran division had been conducted and no damage or casualties were found. He added that relief teams have been sent to remote areas of the region to ensure safety of residents there.

Tufail Baloch, Deputy Commissioner Gwadar confirmed that no damage had occurred in Gwadar either. The Sindh commissioner has been sent to Pasni to survey the area. A few weeks ago, a 3.6 earthquake magnitude struck Karachi. No casualties reported were reported at the time either.

Pakistan is located in the Indus-Tsangpo Suture Zone, which is roughly 200 km north of the Himalaya Front and is defined by an exposed ophiolite chain along its southern margin. This region has the highest rates of seismicity and largest earthquakes in the Himalaya region, caused mainly by movement on thrust faults.

Along the western margin of the Tibetan Plateau, in the vicinity of south-eastern Afghanistan and western Pakistan, the South Asian plate translates obliquely relative to the Eurasia plate, resulting in a complex fold-and-thrust belt known as the Sulaiman Range. Faulting in this region includes strike-slip, reverse-slip and oblique-slip motion and often results in shallow, destructive earthquakes.

Description of Disaster: Continuous heavy rains and snow fall has broken the record of many years caused widespread flooding across 3 districts of Balochistan from 17th to 22nd January 2017, Government declared the emergency in 3 most affected districts and demanded assistance for 60,000 people of affected in Balochistan. The Government also made an official request to PRCS for support of 6,000 families on 30 th January 2017.

PRCS teams did rapid assessments of over 6,000 households in the affected districts. Authorities reported 13 deaths and 650 people injured. PRCS provincial branch upgraded the disaster management response level and established disaster control room in PHQ Quetta and coordinated with other stakeholders.

The situation is evolving in most of areas, falling snow and cold weather where people are still in stranded condition and waiting for assistance. Assessments continues to be carried out in most affected districts; and 6 teams have already been deployed in affected areas and assessments are in progress and teams shared the initial information to PHQ. The findings of the PRCS assessment teams, the critical problems faced by the affected population are as under:

- Provision of basic (primary) health care services through mobile health units (MHUs).
- Provision of cash grants for immediate food needs (markets are functioning).
- Provision of safe drinking water through water purification tablet and household (HH) level water filter.

Summary of the current Response: As per the need, PRCS, Balochistan branch distributed 10,000 sleeping bags and 5000 Blankets in affected areas namely Mastung and Kalat through helicopter operation and non-food items for 7,000 people distributed in Kharan.

Provincial Disaster Management Authorities(PDMA) has also distributed food and other necessary essentials (tarpaulin, sheets, blankets etc.) and supported the districts affected by recent disaster.

NDMA in collaboration with Climate & Development Knowledge Network (CDKN), LEAD Pakistan organized a National Workshop on Disaster Risk Insurance Framework on 8th February, at Marriot Hotel, Islamabad in order to create synergies among various stakeholders in the area of disaster risk financing. Disaster Risk Insurance Framework aims at providing low-income households accessible and affordable insurance. It is in fact a unique and innovative initiative to mitigate impacts on vulnerable communities. This pioneering initiative is a significant contribution towards strengthening Disaster Risk Management (DRM) in the Country.

The Government of Pakistan is committed to protect vulnerable and marginalized communities from economic losses due to natural calamities and man-made disasters. Social safety nets and Disaster Risk Management approaches are an important component of this approach. This undertaking may serve as a stepping stone for operationalizing this mechanism in various parts of the Country. This will enable protection of vulnerable Communities from the adverse effects of extreme weather events. Modern funding approaches such as insurance of the vulnerable communities are emerging as important instruments in this regard and NDMA's initiative is in step with such thinking. Investment of private sector will not only help less burden on public sector but also help swift recovery of affected population back to life.

The proposed Framework is based on the findings of a well deliberated Demand Study in five districts (Tharparkar, Poonch, Charsadda, Rawalpindi and Ziarat) of Pakistan and AJK. The findings from the study indicate a strong prospects for setting up a disaster risk insurance mechanism in the country for low income groups. The outputs from this study will provides a solid foundation for various stakeholders to move towards implementing such frameworks in vulnerable areas of the Country. The workshop was attended by representatives of key Federal departments, Provincial/Regional departments, Embassies, UN Agencies, INGOs, Private and Insurance Sector.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

NEWS HEADLINES

Senate passes FBISE amendment bill

Daily Times, February 13, 2017

14 killed, over 100 wounded in Lahore blast

Pakistan Today, February 13, 2017

DETAILS

ISLAMABAD: The Senate on Monday passed the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (FBISE) (Amendment) Bill, 2016.

The bill moved by Nuzhat Sadiq amends the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education Act, 1975. The House also offered prayers for the departed souls of the renowned writer Bano Qudsia, famous educationist Hameeda Khuhro and mother-in-law of Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed. The House passed unanimous resolutions expressing profound grief over the sad demise of Bano Qudsia and Hameeda Khuhro. The resolutions were moved by Syed Shibli Faraz and Leader of the House Raja Zafarul Haq, respectively.

As many as five bills were introduced in the House on Monday. These are the Islamabad Capital Territory Senior Citizens Board Bill, 2017, The Control of Narcotic Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2017, The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017, The Islamabad Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, 2017 and The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Amendment of Fourth Schedule). These bills were moved by Chaudhary Tanvir Khan, Muhammad Azam Khan Swati and Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh. The chair referred these bills to the standing committees concerned for further deliberations.

While speaking on a motion moved by Sehar Kamran regarding status of implementation of the National Action and suggest ways and means for its uniform implementation in the country, Interior Minister Muhammad Balighur Rehman said that the law and order and security situation has greatly improved and economy is on upward trajectory due to effective implementation of National Action Plan (NAP) evolved by all the stakeholders unanimously. He said that the prime minister himself monitored the NAP to ensure significant progress on it, which has resulted reduction of terrorist incidents in the country. He said the government has also released Rs 1.4 billion against the demanded budget of Rs 1.8 billion by National Counter-Terrorism Authority (NACTA). He said that a number of recruitments have been made, while numerous others are underway to provide manpower to the authority. He said an exclusive helpline 1717 was established to receive people's complaints and to this affect about 250,000 calls were received, which also covered complaints regarding hate speeches. He said a number of arrests have also been made and substantial hate material confiscated so far. He said that the counter-terrorism force has been established in Sindh, Punjab, Balochistan, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Federal Capital, Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir to check militancy in the country. He said hundred percent mapping of religious seminaries has been completed in Punjab, Sindh and Federal Capital while KP and Balochistan are also in the process of completing it. He said Karachi operation was also launched after taking all the political forces into confidence. He said across the board action is being taken against terrorists, which will continue till elimination of last terrorist.

- **Jamaat-ul-Ahrar claims responsibility for attack**
- **Dead include DIG Traffic Ahmed Mobin, SSP Operations Zahid Gondal**
- **Punjab govt announces one-day mourning, national flag to fly at half-mast**

At least 14 people, including DIG Traffic Ahmed Mobeen, were killed and over 100 wounded in a deadly suicide bombing outside the Punjab Assembly in Lahore on Monday, policemen and rescuers said.

The bomber, who came on a motorbike, detonated his suicide vest next to a DSNG van at Charing Cross on Lahore's Mall Road at around 6:10 pm targeting the site of a protest, where negotiations were going on between protesting pharmacists and DIG Traffic Lahore Capt (r) Ahmad Mobin, police officials said. Among the other dead were SSP Operations Zahid Gondal and two traffic wardens.

JAMAAT-UL-AHRAR CLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY

A spokesperson for Jamaat-ul-Ahrar, a breakaway faction of the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), claimed the responsibility for the attack on social media. The group had also claimed the responsibility for an Easter Day bombing in Lahore last year that killed more than 70 people in Gulshan-e-Iqbal Park.

The outfit, in its post on social media, stated a member of theirs, Nasrullah alias Zabihullah, had perpetrated the crime. The statement read that the attack was one of the initial actions in the upcoming Operation Ghazi that they had earlier claimed they would be starting in the country. They warned officials of "Pakistan's infidel institutions" that they would be targeted. The operation is named after Maulana Abdul Ghazi, who was killed in the Lal Masjid Operation of 2007.

IG Mushtaq Sukhera, who visited the blast site, confirmed it was a suicide bombing. Sukhera told reporters that the suicide attacker blew himself up when the DIG Traffic's gunman tried to stop him from advancing. "The bomber came on a motorbike and detonated his suicide vest (while the protesting pharmacists were dancing after their successful negotiations with the DIG Traffic)," said Capital City Police Officer (CCPO) Ameen Wains, adding that the martyred police officials had succeeded in convincing the demonstrators to call off their protest and disperse peacefully. "We came along with the SSP (Operations). He directed us to stay near the police vans while he himself walked to the other side of the road, where DIG Mobin was already negotiating with the protestors. The time SSP Zahid Sahib approached them, there was a huge explosion," said a sub-inspector Pakistan Today talked to.

3 FC personnel martyred in explosion in South Waziristan
GEO TV, February 13, 2017

NACTA warned about blast in Lahore
Daily Times, February 13, 2017

Gunmen kill Pakistani TV news assistant
Newsweek Pakistan, February 13,

NACTA'S THREAT ALERT

Although security on Mall Road had been heightened in view of the protest of the Punjab Medical Stores' Association and the Chemists and Druggists' Association against the new drug act, the provincial metropolis had been on the list of an unidentified terrorist group according to an intelligence report released by the National Counter Terrorism Authority (NACTA) on February 7. Immediately after the blast, rescue officials reached the crime spot – where a significant number of law enforcers had already been present due to the protest – and ferried the injured to Sir Ganga Ram and Mayo hospitals, where the condition of more than 20 injured was stated to be critical. An emergency was declared in all hospitals across Lahore in view of the huge number of wounded.

TWO SUSPECTS ARRESTED

Two suspects were arrested from the blast site after contingents of army and Rangers were called in and a security cordon was thrown around Charing Cross. The inner cordon was taken over by army personnel, while the outer one by the paramilitary Rangers and police.

Interestingly, one of the arrested men stated that he was an actor and had worked with a prominent film director Syed Noor. But, police arrested him and later transported him to an undisclosed location.

The explosion was so powerful that it rocked the entire area and was heard even five kilometres away. The windowpanes of nearby buildings were shattered and the DSNG van of AAJ TV, the bomber had struck close to, completely wrecked. Two more DSNG vans were partially damaged. AAJ TV cameraman Abdur Rehman was injured.

EYEWITNESS ACCOUNTS

An eyewitness told this scribe that he saw a person coming on a bike and running towards the police officials who were busy in negotiating with the protestors. "Protestors were cheering, singing and dancing as if their demands were met," he said, adding the protestors were about to disperse when the bomber struck.

Another witness said that after the bombing, participants of the protest were dispersed, fearing another blast. Meanwhile, the Punjab government has announced one-day mourning in respect of the victims of yesterday's bombing. The national flag will also fly at half-mast. The Punjab government has already imposed Section-144 in Lahore.

PM, COAS CONDEMN BOMBING

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said the attacks would not weaken Pakistan's resolve in fight against militancy. "We have fought this fight against the terrorists among us, and will continue to fight it until we liberate our people of this cancer, and avenge those who have laid down their lives for us," the premier said in a statement. He directed the Punjab government to provide all possible assistance to the injured.

Army chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa also condemned the blast, and ordered the security forces and secret agencies to cooperate with Lahore Police. DG Punjab Rangers Major General Naveed Azhar also visited the blast site. Chief Minister Shehbaz Sharif also condemned the bomb blast, and ordered to ramp up security in Punjab in a hurriedly-called meeting with senior police officials.

PESHAWAR: Three Frontier Corps personnel were martyred in an explosion in Zarmelan area of South Waziristan Agency on Monday, according to the political administration officials.

The military wing Inter-Service Public Relations (ISPR) confirmed that three personnel who were injured last night in an IED blast during a search operation, embraced martyrdom.

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Governor Iqbal Zafar Jhagra condemned the incident, saying the war against terrorism will reach its conclusion. He said the entire nation appreciated the efforts of the security forces and tribesmen in their fight against terrorism. Such incidents are recurring in the tribal areas and KP.

On Sunday, a landmine explosion in Buner, KP claimed the lives of two brothers. A few days back, a truck full of goods exploded on the border in Kherlachi, Kurram Agency while in January, a suicide blast in Parachinar claimed over 25 lives.

LAHORE: National Counter Terrorism Authority (NACTA) had already warned the provincial authorities of possible terrorist attack in Lahore.

According to a notice sent to Home Secretary Punjab, Provincial Police Officer and DG Pakistan Rangers (Punjab) on February 7, NACTA had directed to put vital installations, including important buildings, hospitals and schools, under strict vigilance. "Extreme vigilance and heightened security measures are suggested to avoid any untoward incident," it said.

On Monday, a powerful bomb went off outside Punjab Assembly in Lahore, killing several people, including senior police officials, and leaving scores of others injured. The death toll is feared to go up as some of those injured are in critical condition. DIG Traffic Police Captain Ahmed Mubeen and DIG Operations Zahid Ikram Gondal have been killed in the attack. Among the injured are several policemen, women and media persons.

A sit-in was being staged by Punjab Medical Stores Association and Chemist and Druggist Association near Faisal Chowk, Mall Road when the blast occurred. The two police officials were negotiating with protestors to end the sit-in and open the road for traffic.

POLICE SAY SAMAA TV EMPLOYEE WAS SHOT DEAD WHILE REPORTING ON A GRENADE ATTACK ON POLICE VEHICLE.

Gunmen shot dead an employee of a Pakistani TV news channel in Karachi on Sunday shortly

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HRW report accuses UNHCR of inaction over 'forced repatriation' of Afghans

Daily Dawn, February 13, 2017

after launching a grenade attack on a police vehicle, officials said.

Taimoor Abbas, an assistant for privately run Samaa, had gone with colleagues to the North Nazimabad neighborhood to report on the assault on police when the van they were traveling in came under fire. The 22-year-old was taken to hospital but died from his bullet wounds, senior police official Muqadas Haider told AFP. Haider said the unidentified assailants had thrown an explosive device on a police armored personnel carrier. No one was hurt in the initial attack but when the Samaa vehicle arrived the gunmen started shooting. Nobody has yet claimed responsibility for the assault but counter terrorism department chief Raja Umar Khitab said it was a "targeted attack against both media and police."

Karachi, Pakistan's largest city and a major business and industrial hub, is rife with political, sectarian and ethnic militancy. A strategic operation in the city by security forces in recent years has brought a lull in violence, but scattered attacks still take place.

Pakistan is ranked among the world's most dangerous countries for the media. Last month unidentified attackers shot dead a newspaper journalist in Balochistan province as he returned home on his motorcycle.

IN a damning report on "forced repatriation" of Afghan refugees, the Human Rights Watch (HRW) calls on the government to avoid recreating conditions in 2017 that coerced involuntary return of refugees to Afghanistan last year.

In the report titled "Pakistan Coercion, UN Complicity: The Mass Forced Return of Afghan Refugees", the HRW asks the government to end police abuse, revert to its earlier policy of extending Proof of Registration cards by at least two years, avoid creating anxiety about deportation of Afghans and allow undocumented Afghan refugees seeking protection to request and obtain it in Pakistan.

The HRW conducted 115 interviews with refugee returnees in Afghanistan and refugees and undocumented Afghans in Pakistan. The primary research was supplemented by UN reports presenting the reasons thousands of Afghans gave for returning to Afghanistan. The findings suggest that Pakistani pressure on Afghan refugees left many of them with no choice but to leave Pakistan in 2016. The HRW also holds the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) complicit in the "coerced return" of Afghan refugees, and calls on it to "speak out as necessary and challenge any repeat in 2017 of the appalling and unlawful pressure Pakistan placed on Afghans in 2016, that coerced many to return to danger and destitution in Afghanistan in such massive numbers".

According to the report, Pakistan has hosted over a million Afghan refugees for most of the last 40 years. In the second half of 2016, 365,000 of the 1.5 million registered refugees were "pushed out by a toxic combination of deportation threats and police abuses". About 200,000 of the 1m undocumented Afghan refugees in Pakistan returned to their country over the same period. The HRW terms the exodus "the world's largest unlawful mass forced return of refugees in recent times".

Although Pakistan is bound by the universally-binding customary law of *refoulement* preventing the return of people to a place where they would face risk of persecution, torture, ill treatment or threat to life, Pakistani authorities have made it clear in public statements that they would like to see similar numbers of refugees return to Afghanistan in 2017, the report says. The statements come at a time when the Afghan conflict has killed and wounded more civilians than at any other time since 2009, displaced at least 1.5m people and left a third of the population destitute.

UNHCR spokesperson Duniya Aslam Khan, quoted by the HRW, has said the UN agency does not promote return to Afghanistan given the enduring conflict and the country's limited absorption capacity to cope with returning refugees. The 'voluntary' return of Afghan refugees was ramped up in the wake of the Army Public School attack in Dec 2014, the HRW report says. The National Action Plan (NAP) to counter terrorism includes a policy to repatriate Afghans from Pakistan despite the fact that the government's own investigations did not find "any significant Afghan involvement in acts of terrorism", and the states and frontier regions minister had stated there was no evidence that registered Afghan refugees had ever been involved in "terrorism-related" activities in Pakistan, the HRW says.

NAP also included a pledge to register all undocumented Afghans in the country in July-August 2015, which never happened, according to the report. The consequences of NAP for Afghan refugees included a wave of police abuse, such as the unlawful use of force, arbitrary arrests and detentions, extortion and demolition of houses. However, Afghans interviewed by the HRW said that police abuses had decreased significantly during the last few months of 2015.

In addition to "several deadly security incidents", deteriorating relations between Pakistan and Afghanistan sparked hostility to the Afghan people in Pakistan. Trade deals signed between Afghanistan, Iran and India in May 2016, Afghan President Ashraf Ghani and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's joint inauguration of the 'Friendship Dam' in Kabul in June 2016 and the killing of an Afghan soldier and a Pakistani major the same month at the Torkham border are cited by the HRW as political developments that hurt the Afghan people living in Pakistan. The report includes quotes from interviews detailing police abuses, arbitrary detentions and discrimination faced by refugees on a daily basis.

According to the report, under pressure from Pakistani authorities, the UNHCR increased the cash grant given to returning Afghan refugees to \$400 from \$200 in June 2016 in an attempt to incentivise Afghan refugees to return to their country. The UNHCR spokesperson denied the allegation, saying "not a single returnee — out of more than 4,500 interviewed upon arrival — has cited the cash grant as a primary factor in their decision to return". This claim, however, is countered by the HRW which says "for many returning refugees, the UNHCR cash grant increase

FIA to issue red warrant for Altaf through Interpol *Pakistan Today, February 12, 2017*

was a critical factor in persuading them to escape Pakistan's abuses".

Ms Khan also denied that Pakistani authorities pressured the UNHCR to take steps to help increase the rate of Afghan refugee returns. "The UNHCR decided to increase the cash grant to support immediate humanitarian needs of returning refugees. Refugees spent the money on transport, food and shelter."

The Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) will write a letter to Interpol on Monday (today) for the issuance of red warrant against Muttahida Qaumi Movement founder Altaf Hussain, local media reported on Sunday.

A reference from the Sindh Home Ministry will also be sent to the Interpol in this regard. The red warrants are being issued over the directives of an anti-terrorism court (ATC) in Karachi. The court has ordered to present the suspect after arresting him through the Interpol.

Altaf Hussain is the main suspect in the last year's arson attack in Karachi. After the issuance of the red warrant, the Interpol will arrest the suspect and inform the FIA. Sindh Police and FIA will depart for the UK for the extradition of MQM founder, reports added.

FIR LODGED:

Cantonment police on Sunday lodged an FIR of a police rifle stolen more than a year ago from the residence of former Sindh information minister Sharjeel Inam Memon.

The FIR was lodged against an unidentified criminal under Sections 454, 457 and 380 of the Pakistan Penal Code (PPC) on the complaint of Police Headquarters ASI Salman Momin.

According to the FIR, the rifle along with 30 bullets had been allotted to a police constable, Mithal Loond. The constable, who had been posted at Memon's residence for security, had left the rifle in his room in Memon's Hyderabad residence on December 5, 2015, but when he returned after his two-day off, he could not find it.

SRINAGAR: Indian troops in their stepped-up state terrorism killed four youth in Indian Occupied Kashmir's Kulgam district on Sunday morning, the Kashmir Media Service reported.

Indian media reported that two troops were also killed in clashes, which took place after forces cordoned off Nowpora area of Frisal in the district.

Deputy Inspector General of Police Vijay Kumar while talking to media confirmed that four youth were killed in the crackdown operation launched jointly by Indian Army and paramilitary Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) in Frisal area of the district. Two of the four martyred youth have been identified as Zubair Ahmad Butt of Nowpora, Frisal, and Ashfaq Ahmad of Shopian. The police officer said the bodies of the youth were recovered from the debris of a house where the youth were staying in. "Operation in Kulgam is still on," said the Indian Army. The incident took place when a joint team of police, CRPF and Indian Army were conducting a search operation," the police in Kulgam claimed.

Military and Congressional support for a tougher approach was expressed this week in a US Armed Services Committee hearing on Afghanistan during which General John Nicholson, the commander of US forces in Afghanistan, noted that 20 of the 98 groups designated by the United States as well as "three violent, extremist organisations" operate in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

While the key words here are "Afghanistan and Pakistan", Pakistan is the only country deemed worthy of reproach by US congressmen, because unlike Afghanistan, Pakistan is not a failed state, and unlike Afghanistan whose fragile situation is thanks to US intervention, Pakistan is easier to use as a scape goat.

The perception of state officials is that there was nothing new or significant in Gen Nicholson's statement and that messages from the Trump administration are positive. Most of this is true as Gen Nicholson advocated working with Pakistan and its military, and disagreed with the suggestion that cutting off US aid to Pakistan would force it to cooperate. However, the Pakistani government is overestimating the Trump establishment's good will, and the US in turn is underestimating ours.

There is pressure on the Trump administration to adopt a tougher position towards Pakistani support of militants in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The pressure comes the US military, members of Congress from both sides of the aisle, and influential Washington-based think tanks. This is despite a Pakistani crackdown on militants in recent months that many see as half-hearted. It also after China blocked the United Nations Security Council from listing a prominent Pakistani militant as a globally designated terrorist.

Hafiz Saeed, chief of the Jamaat Ud Dawa, is now under house arrest, however, to think the US is not watching and that it does not notice that there is scope for the JuD to change aliases and continue, is naïve. Any weakness of appeasement of militants, however pragmatic it may feel to state institutions, would be like shooting oneself in the foot.

US experts have suggested the Trump administration should wait a year with designating Pakistan as a state sponsor of terrorism while it takes steps to convince Pakistan to fundamentally alter its policies. This could be the worst thing to happen to Pakistan and Mr Trump will have no qualms about signing the executive order for this. Though it is frustrating that the US does not appreciate past efforts made to counter-terrorism, it is also true that there is much more that needs to be done - not just to improve international perceptions, but to make Pakistan safer for Pakistani citizens.

So what does President Donald Trump think about NATO? Twice during his campaign, he rubbished it publicly, saying it was "obsolete". Yet earlier this month, when he met the UK's prime minister, Theresa May, it was all hunky dory. He told her he supported NATO 100 per cent. There are some — a few — influential people who argued that NATO is indeed obsolete. One of these was William Pfaff, the late, much esteemed, columnist for the International Herald Tribune. Another

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Violent, Extremist *The Nation, February 12, 2017*

Is NATO obsolete? *Pakistan Observer, February 11, 2017*

Nisar lauds army's training to LEAs

The Nation, February 11, 2017

is Paul Hockenos, who set out his views in a seminal article in World Policy Journal. Their words fell on deaf ears.

President George H.W. Bush saw it differently and wanted to see the Soviet Union more involved in NATO's day-to-day work. President Bill Clinton had another agenda — one that turned out to be dangerous, triggering over time Russia's present-day hostility towards the West — to expand NATO, incorporating one by one Russia's former East European allies. His successors continued that approach, with Barack Obama at one time raising a red rag to a bull by calling for the entry into NATO of Ukraine and Georgia. NATO's job, as the British secretary general, Lord Ismay, said in 1957 was to "keep the Russians out, the Americans in, and the Germans down". It certainly had success with the last two. To some extent, it did find a role after the Berlin Wall came tumbling down. It led humanitarian interventions in Bosnia in 1995 and against Serbia in 1999. In 2003, it deployed its troops in Afghanistan. At one time, the NATO-led force rose to 40,000 for 40 countries, including all 27 NATO allies. Nevertheless, there are some of us who do not see its interventions as great successes.

A majority of historians who examined the evidence are convinced that Stalin had no intention of invading Western Europe. World War II was won, the Soviet Union had a ring of friends around its borders and Germany was divided. The allies had been an invaluable helpmate during it and it did not feel threatened by its former comrades-in-arms. So often overlooked is the fact that the Soviet Union bore the brunt of defeating Germany and lost by far the most fighting men and civilians. Thorough searches by Western historians through the Soviet archives — they were opened during the years of president Boris Yeltsin — revealed that Moscow had no plans to invade Europe. Today, despite its deployments in the former Yugoslavia and Afghanistan, NATO is not a truly multilateral institution of equals.

The Europeans do not initiate military action (with the exception of Libya, which led to the overthrow and killing of president Muammar Qadhafi). It is the Americans who do that and the Europeans, whatever their reservations, invariably follow. Moreover, obeying America rather than following their own convictions in former Yugoslavia, they did not seek UN Security Council permission, and then are angry that Russia follows suit with its grabbing of Crimea. NATO has no relevance to the problems that truly occupy Europe today. Its hands are tied in Ukraine; it has nothing to contribute to the massive refugee crisis; it cannot help deal with the fact, as a Europe Union study concluded, that there will be an increase in tensions over declining water supplies in the Middle East that will affect Europe's security and economic interests; nor can it do anything to contribute to the fight against global warming, in the long-run the most severe threat that confronts humanity.

When it comes to the "war on terrorism", there is little that NATO can do as a combined action force. At home, each government deals with the issue itself. In the fight against Al Qaeda and Daesh in Syria and Iraq, the Americans, British, French and Russians battle them in their own way.

In Afghanistan, NATO troops are losing territory to the Taliban year by year and the poppy crops provide ever more heroin to subvert Europe and Asia. It is difficult to believe that otherwise sensible men and women in NATO countries believe they should have stayed on in Afghanistan after their original target — Al Qaeda, as the source of the terrorist act against New York's World Trade Centre — was driven out of Afghanistan and dealt a severe body blow. This was not in their UN mandate and it led to America's longest war, with no end in sight. It is a fruitless cause and the defeat of the Taliban by these means should never have been attempted. NATO countries should have limited themselves to building schools, hospitals, clinics, water supplies, sanitation systems and roads. The EU should take over most of NATO's role: doing more of what it has done in Georgia and stabilising the Balkans, making use of its massive "soft power" and thus undergirding world security. Yes, President Trump, NATO is obsolete!

ISLAMABAD - Interior Minister Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan yesterday appreciated Pakistan Army's continuous assistance and training support for capacity enhancement of police and other LEAs for counter-terrorism operations.

Speaking as the chief guest at a joint graduation ceremony of National Integrated Counter-Terrorism Course (NICTC) 9, held at the NICTC Pabbi, he lauded the sacrifices rendered by armed forces, civil society, intelligence agencies and other LEAs in the fight against terrorism. The event was attended by Lt-Gen Hidayat-ur-Rehman, Inspector General (Training and Evaluation) and Islamabad IGP. Earlier, on arrival at NICTC Pabbi, Central Command Commander Lt-Gen Umar Farooq Durrani received the interior minister.

According to a press statement issued by the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR), a batch of 388 individuals of FC, police, Rangers and other law-enforcing agencies (LEAs) graduated from the National Integrated Counter-Terrorism Course 9. With a widespread outcry over the implementation of 20-point National Action Plan, the government is stepping up efforts to that end at least to counter terrorism by enhancing the capacity of the law-enforcement forces. As part of the efforts, the government, with the help of Pakistan Army, has launched tailor-made training courses for the FC, police, Rangers and other law-enforcing agencies (LEAs) to fight terrorism.

Thousands of personnel of these forces have been imparted counter-terrorism training at a state-of-the-art facility at National Counter-Terrorism Centre (NCTC) Pabbi, established by Pakistan Army based on the doctrine it had developed from its experiences in fighting the lengthy war against terror.

Since setting up of NCTC, over 235,000 personnel, including international military troops from different countries, have been trained by Pakistan Army at this facility. The training was organised on the direction from Chief of Army Staff General Qamar Javed Bajwa, which will continue to enhance operational efficiency of police and other law-enforcing agencies (LEAs).

Pakistan Army turned the tide in the national war against terrorism and extremism through

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Cellular jammers being used to prevent terrorist incidents

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sustained fighting and after huge sacrifices with a colossal blow to terrorists through operation Zarb-e-Azb in which hardcore terrorists, their networks and sanctuaries were smashed they had established near Pak-Afghan border, especially in North Waziristan Agency. The effort continues with Pakistan Army's unwavering resolve through intelligence-based targeted operations against the terrorists and extremist forces which had challenged the writ of the state. Nearly 200,000 troops of Pakistan Army remain deployed at Pak-Afghan border in Fata and Balochistan and efforts are underway to depute more paramilitary forces to take the national responsibility. The government has established three international border entry points at Pak-Afghan border at Chaman, Torkham and Waziristan to curb terrorists' cross-border movement. These efforts have helped restore writ of the government and keep peace in the terror-stricken regions across the country.

Under an elaborate mechanism, National Counter-Terrorism Authority (Nacta) has been set up as part of the National Action Plan to rid the country of scourge of terrorism for lasting peace and stability. The government has also geared up efforts to implement remaining part of the 20-point National Action Plan in letter and spirit.

KARACHI/ISLAMABAD: The four-day multinational Exercise Aman-2017 of Pakistan Navy participated by 37 countries started in Karachi on Friday.

Commander of Pakistan Fleet Vice Admiral Arifullah Hussaini, who was the chief guest on the occasion, inaugurated the exercise by hoisting the national flag at the Karachi Dockyard. The vice admiral, while speaking at the ceremony, said that the exercise will help in ending human trafficking, smuggling of narcotics and terrorism in the region. He said the Pakistan Navy has played a vital role in the region to ensure safe passage for cargo ships. In all, 37 countries, including Australia, China, Indonesia, Turkey, Sri Lanka, UK, US, Japan and Russia, are participating in the exercise.

In his message on the occasion of launching of Aman-2017, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif made it clear that Pakistan, being a major stakeholder in maritime security of the Arabian Sea, is fully committed to ensuring freedom of navigation and lawful maritime order. He said the maritime security challenges in the Indian Ocean are both multi-dimensional and multi-faceted. "Threats like maritime terrorism, drug trafficking and piracy have acquired international dimensions. Cooperation between international navies, therefore, is imperative to counter these emerging threats," the prime minister said. The premier said the growing reliance on maritime highways with their enormous economic benefits have accentuated the need for keeping a safe and secure environment at sea.

"I wish to extend a very warm welcome to all the participants who have travelled from across the seas to participate in Multinational Exercise Aman-17. I am glad that through Aman series of exercises, the Pakistan Navy has been able to act as a bridge in the maritime domain by bringing together the navies of east and west on one platform," he said. Nawaz said Pakistan's geo-strategic prominence capitalised with the launching of China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project will become a 'game changer' for the region. "This mega project offers multitude of regional and trans-regional economic prospects, especially in the maritime sphere," he said.

Cellular network jammers are being used by the government as a preventive security measure due to increasing incidents of terrorism across Pakistan.

These jammers are often used on occasions where large gatherings are supposed to convene. The official procedure for using jamming technology involves the Interior Ministry granting permission to the provincial home department to use jamming technology where necessary. The home department then makes the policy for when the jammers are to be used.

After this, it is the responsibility of the local administrators to collaborate with the police and decide where the jammers—which cut off any signals from mobiles and other networks in a circumference of 300 meters—are to be placed. The decision is taken on the basis of what place is the most strategically efficient.

Jammers are usually used on religious occasions such as Eid or Ashura, where they serve the purpose of blocking mobile phone signals so as to deter possible terrorist activity. Sources further informed that mobile networks in Pakistan are of two types: GSM or AIMS. The method for blocking these signals is to use jammers for these particular types of networks. This could lead to terrorists possibly using networks outside of these two to continue their malicious activity. Other than this, the jammers are also used in the VVIP motorcades of high ranking government personnel, which include the president, prime minister, chief justice and chief ministers.

Currently, the Punjab police only possess around six vehicles for the security purposes of VVIP's, none of which are equipped with the necessary jamming technology that is part of the official protocol. The Punjab police have said that the current security vehicles in their possession have become obsolete which were in urgent need of new vehicles with the necessary jamming technology to keep up with the times, and do their jobs to maximum efficiency.

A suspected terrorist, Abdullah Umar, allegedly affiliated with the Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) sought by the anti-terrorism courts (ATC) in the assassinations of minorities affairs minister Shabaz Bhatti and a Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) special prosecutor may possibly be in the custody of Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) agency.

The suspect had been in judicial custody since May 2014 but an Islamabad ATC granted him pre-arrest bail in June 2014 in the murder trial of FIA special prosecutor Chaudhry Zulfiqar Ali.

On June 24, 2015, when the case was presented before the court to frame charges against the suspects – Mr Umar, Adnan Adil and Hammad Adil – Mr Umar's father told the court he had been missing since June 20.

Mr Umar's wife, Zainab Khan, had filed a petition in the same year with the Islamabad High Court

**AJK police announce
arrest of 2009 Muharram
suicide attack 'facilitators'**
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(IHC) seeking the recovery of her husband. Suspect is held for his alleged affiliation with TTP, involved in assassinations of Shahbaz Bhatti, FIA official. It was revealed by the Margalla during the hearing of Ms Khan's petition, that Mr Umar "might have been detained somewhere by the ISI or any other intelligence agency."

IHC Justice Noorul Haq N. Qureshi subsequently issued notices to the ISI and the defence secretary seeking their replies. The police had arrested Mr Umar from the Quaid-i-Azam International Hospital in Islamabad following the May 3, 2013, attack on Ali, who was on his way to a Rawalpindi ATC to submit a charge sheet against former president Gen Pervez Musharraf in the Benazir Bhutto murder case. The case began on June 25, 2013, after Mr Umar's arrest. The other suspects in the murder were arrested by the police on Aug 31, 2013. FIR, No.223 dated May 3, 2013, accuses Mr Umar of killing Ali. In addition to the assassination of Benazir Bhutto – in which five TTP members, two high ranking police officials and Mr Musharraf were suspects, Ali was also allegedly dealing with the Mumbai attacks case, the Haj corruption case and other high profile cases. The report said Mr Umar was wanted in FIR No.94, dated March 2, 2012, for assassinating Bhatti, an advocate for the reform of Pakistan's blasphemy laws. Two assassins fired at the minister's car, shooting him eight times, before scattering pamphlets calling him a "Christian infidel" that were signed by the "Taliban al-Qaeda Punjab".

Mr Umar was arrested almost a month after the prosecutor's murder. He was paralysed below the waist at the time of his arrest, after a bullet fired by the prosecutor's guard hit his spinal column. The suspect's father, retired Lt Col Khalid Mehmood Abbasi, lodged an FIR with the Ratta Amral police in Rawalpindi saying his son was shot by robbers.

A joint investigation team which was set to locate Mr Umar claimed he was involved in terrorism in events of Shahbaz Bhatti and Chaudhry Zulfiqar Ali's assassinations. Its report, submitted before the court by Senior Superintendent of Police Sajid Kiani stated: "Abdullah Umar was active member of proscribed TTP and is involved in the above mentioned high profile cases and has been declared proclaimed as absconder by the ATC and it is apprehension that the accused has [hidden] himself at some unknown place to avoid appearance before the trial court... JIT is in constant contact with the political agents of Tribal Areas to trace [his] whereabouts."

Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) police on Wednesday announced the arrest of three men suspected of facilitating a suicide attack on a Muharram procession in Muzaffarabad in December 2009. The attack left at eight people dead and more than 60 injured.

Additional Superintendent of Police (ASP) Asif Durrani, flanked by Deputy Superintendent (DSP) Raza Gilani and DSP Waleed Gilani, told journalists that the men were suspected of providing accommodation and transportation to the attackers. The arrests were made from three different places in Muzaffarabad on Tuesday evening, Durrani said.

On Dec 27, 2009, a teenage bomber detonated his suicide jacket as a small Muharram procession from Neelum Valley's Mirpura village passed through a security barrier on a street off CMH Road leading to Imambargah Pir Alam Shah Bukhari. The head and limbs of the bomber were strewn over a radius of about 18 metres.

Five of those who were killed in the attack were Shia volunteers and the remaining three were policemen. The men arrested have been identified as Malik Mohammad Ashfaq from Sarriyan district, Muhammad Khaqan Awan from Hattian Bala district and Umer Farooq Shah from Athmuqam district in Neelum Valley. The officials claimed the men were associated with a proscribed organisation but did not identify the group.

The ASP told the media that Ashfaq, one of those in custody, had moved to North Waziristan with his family following the 2009 suicide attack.

A Joint Investigation Team has been constituted and may reveal more information in the coming days, the ASP said. DSP Waleed added that intelligence officials will also be a part of the JIT.

A long hunt

The police were able to establish links between the arrested suspects and the suicide attack after two years. The police had arrested an individual, identified as Rizwan of Charoota village near Muzaffarabad, who allegedly confessed that he had facilitated the trio and the bomber. The bomber and his masterminds had stayed at Rizwan's residence and was an active member of their group, police sources said.

"After receiving important information from him [Rizwan], we had kept a sharp lookout for the trio but their arrests became possible only after they returned to Muzaffarabad, assuming that people would have forgotten the 2009 attack," Durrani said. The suspects belonged to the group of Nazirul Islam, alias Shamil Khan, a resident of the Dhirkot sub-division in AJK's Bagh district. Shamil Khan is also wanted by law enforcers in connection with several acts of terrorism. However, Durrani said that he could not disclose any more details "lest it might alert the backers and sympathisers of the detained trio."

According to police sources, after the Lal Masjid incident of 2007, Shamil Khan and Asmatullah Muavia, leader of the Punjabi Taliban, had quit Jaish-e-Muhammad and taken upon themselves to attack law enforcers in revenge. Shamil Khan later organised activists to launch multiple attacks on army personnel, most of them in the three districts of Poonch division.

On February 2, the police arrested a man identified as Kashif Hanif from the outskirts of Rawalakot who also belonged to the Shamil Khan group. The suspect, who is named on Schedule Four of the Anti Terrorist Act (ATA), was allegedly involved in at least nine cases registered in five police stations of Poonch division since 2010.

KARACHI: More than 39,000 Pakistanis were deported from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) in the last four months, reported the Saudi Gazette on Tuesday. Referring to security sources, the

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Saudi newspaper said that the deportations were made for “violating the rules of residence and work”.

According to Dawn.com, the report also said that the involvement of several Pakistani nationals in “some terrorist actions” orchestrated by the militant Islamic State (IS) group as well as drug trafficking, theft, forgery and physical assault prompted calls for thorough scrutiny of Pakistanis aspiring to work in Saudi Arabia.

“Abdullah Al-Sadoun, chairman of the security committee of the Shura Council, called for thoroughly scrutinising the Pakistanis before they are recruited for work in the Kingdom,” the report said. Furthermore, the Shura council chairman also asked for closer coordination with the authorities concerned in Pakistan to thoroughly check those coming to work in the Kingdom due to the involvement of a number of Pakistanis in security issues.

“Pakistan itself is plagued with terrorism due to its close proximity with Afghanistan. The Taliban extremist movement was itself born in Pakistan,” the chairman was quoted as saying. Citing statistics provided by the Saudi interior ministry, the report went on to say that 82 Pakistani suspects were currently being held in intelligence prisons over charges of terror and other security related issues. “As many as 15 Pakistanis, including a woman, were nabbed following the recent terrorist operations in Al-Harazat and Al-Naseem districts in Jeddah,” the report added.

A few months ago, the Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) had released a report titled “Labour Migration from Pakistan: 2015 Status Report” which showed that 131,643 Pakistani migrants were deported from Saudi Arabia between 2012-15.

According to the report, most of the individuals deported from Saudi Arabia were job seekers and businessmen. The report also claimed that a large number of migrant workers were stranded abroad due to “lack of proper documentation and thus deported”. The largest number of stranded Pakistanis at 882,887 was deported from Jeddah during the years 2005-06 to 2014-15. Another media report suggested that Saudi Arabia deported 50,262 foreigners for violating work and residence regulations during last two months of 2014.

In 2013 alone, Saudi authorities had reportedly deported more than 700,000 foreigners for violating work and residence laws and foiled more than 290,000 attempts by infiltrators to enter the kingdom illegally.

KARACHI: A veteran leader of the Muttahida Qaumi Movement (MQM), Saleem Shahzad, was arrested on Monday as soon as he landed at Karachi airport and ended his self-imposed exile of more than two decades.

Shahzad remained associated with MQM founder Altaf Hussain and his party since its inception as a student organisation in 1978, until he was removed from the Coordination Committee in London in 2013 and was later expelled from the MQM. Announcing his plan to return to Pakistan via his Twitter account on Sunday, he stated that he would “strengthen Farooq Sattar and his Coordination Committee”.

Since August 22 last year, his statements showed that his sympathies were with Dr Sattar-led MQM-Pakistan, and there is a likelihood that he might have shared his plan to return to Pakistan with MQM-Pakistan’s leadership. However, MQM-Pakistan has ruled out the possibility.

“We did not advise him and he did not inform us (in advance),” Aminul Haq, a senior MQM leader working closely with Dr Sattar, told The Express Tribune. “In fact, he was not in contact with us.” Haq maintained that he was contacted when Dr Sattar and likeminded leaders disavowed MQM’s founder Altaf Hussain and other leaders in London after his August 22 speech. “He had expressed his intention to come back to the country but was advised against it. He was asked to first seek medical treatment for cancer,” he said.

During the brief interaction with the media, before he was whisked away by police, he said that he wanted to “unite all MQM groups under one umbrella”. Waseem Aftab, a leader of the Mustafa Kamal-led Pak Sarzameen Party, also maintained that he and his party did not know about his return. “We got to know about his return via media reports.” Saleem Shahzad had recently moved to Dubai from London and reportedly held meetings with senior leaders of MQM-Pakistan, including Dr Farooq Sattar and other political figures of the country.

According to sources, he had also been in touch with former Sindh governor Dr Ishratul Ibad and former military ruler General (retd) Pervez Musharraf, discussing a “formula for reunifying various MQM groups”.

Lawyer Ahmed Raza Kasuri, a close aide to Musharraf, said that Shahzad had been ‘sent’ to Karachi for lobbying and forging unity among MQM-Pakistan, PSP, and other groups. “The idea is to implement the ‘plus-one formula’,” Kasuri said, mentioning a video released in November last year in which he proposed Musharraf as the new MQM head. “This is the only way which the party can cleanse itself of the stain of being labelled as RAW agents.” Mentioning Dr Asim Hussain’s terror facilitation case, Kasuri said that all suspects nominated in the case had obtained bail from court. “Therefore, Shahzad will soon be released on bail,” Kasuri insisted, adding that elements who had sent him to the country wanted him to clear his name before mounting reunification efforts. The Musharraf aide said that Ibad would also be joining Shahzad soon.

Formal arrest

The Karachi police formally arrested MQM’s senior leader Saleem Shahzad over his alleged involvement in terror financing. Shahzad, who was declared an absconder by an anti-terrorism court, was arrested by a police team led by SSP Malir district Rao Anwar. Sources close to the police said that Shahzad was kept at the Gadap police station.

“Saleem Shahzad has been arrested in connection with his nomination in the Dr Asim Hussain case,” said Karachi police spokesperson. The police is also likely to formally arrest him in other

criminal cases, particularly cases registered against him in 1990s and afterwards. "He (Saleem Shahzad) is also involved in at least 20 other criminal cases. The cases are registered against him, particularly in Malir and Central districts of Karachi," said SSP Rao Anwar. Shahzad will appear before an anti-terrorism court on Tuesday (today) for securing physical remand.

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GHOTKI: At least three people were scorched where a passenger van caught fire after CNG cylinder blast here on Sunday. Police said that CNG cylinder of a passenger went off with big bang near Murid Shakh locality of Obaro in district Ghotki and the vehicle caught fire.

Three passengers travelling in the van were scorched in the incident and rushed to hospital for treatment. In Faisalabad armed men gunned down a youth over personnel grudge and escaped the scene of crime here on Sunday. Rescue sources said that armed men sprayed bullets at 20-year youth at Satiana Road in Faisalabad killing him on the spot. The murderers fled from the scene of crime and the body was shifted hospital for postmortem. The deceased used to supply clean drinking water in the houses of the locality. Police said that the incident was outcome of personal grudge, a case has been registered against the culprits and raids were being conducted to arrest the culprits. Meanwhile, in Quetta, two people were injured in armed clash between two groups over financial dispute here on Sunday.—INP

An eleven member Afghan education delegation headed by its Higher Education Minister, Farida Momand visited Faisal Masjid campus of the International Islamic University, Islamabad (IIUI) on Sunday and discussed matters pertaining to boosting bilateral educational ties with the leadership of the university. The delegation had a detailed meeting with IIUI Rector Dr. Masoom Yasin Zai and President IIUI Dr. Ahmed Yousif Al-Draiweesh. The delegation members included Deputy minister for Higher education Abdul Tawab Balakarzai, Shams ur Rehman Rehamani, Vice Chancellor Kabul Medical University, Abdul Haq Haqiq, VC Balkh University, Hazrat Totakhail, VC Qandhar university, while officials from HEC also accompanied the delegation.

"Afghan Higher Education ministry wants to build an Islamic University like at its Nangarhar province" said Farida Momand. She added that well-established education relations can help in further improving relationship between both countries. She told that visit of the delegation to Pakistan was a fruitful step as the delegation signed an MoU of 3000 scholarships with Higher Education Commission of Pakistan.

Rector IIUI focused on higher education quality and linkages of universities for sharing experiences. He said that IIUI will provide every possible cooperation to Afghan higher education ministry. He added that a substantial number of students are inducted at IIUI who have proved their abilities. IIUI Rector maintained that Pakistan has observed a mentionable improvement in higher education and said that it was result of HEC's efforts. He furthered that HEC and Pakistani universities are focusing to reach hundred percent PhD goal.

Dr. Ahmed Yousif Al-Draiweesh said that Afghanistan is a country which has splendid history and its large number of students acquired education at IIUI and were hired on mentionable positions. He apprised the delegation about the linkages of the university and told that internationalization is one of the core objectives of the IIUI and it strongly encourages bilateral cooperation with all the educational institutions of the world.—NNI

QUETTA: The Balochistan government has introduced an auto-information system in all the three big hospitals of the provincial capital to run them on modern lines. The hospitals where the new system has been introduced are Sandeman Civil Hospital, Bolan Medical College Hospital Complex and Sheikh Zayed Hospital. Provincial Health Secretary Noorul Haq Baloch disclosed this while speaking at a session on the Health Management Information System here on Saturday. Balochistan is the first province where this system has been introduced. Officials said the system would provide all information about patients, such as their diseases, medicines and tests, automatically. It would work under a computerised dashboard system.

LAHORE: Medical stores and pharmacies across the province will remain shut from Monday (today) till the government withdraws the amendments to the Drug Act 1976.

A decision to this effect was taken at a meeting attended by representatives of 13 associations of pharmaceutical companies, distributors, wholesalers, pharmacists, chain pharmacies, homeo, tib, unani and herbal medicine makers, dealers and retailers besides Pakistan Young Pharmacist Association and Pakistan Drug Lawyers Forum here on Sunday. However, Minister for Primary and Secondary Health Khawaja Imran Nazir said at a news conference he "held successful talks with the Pakistan Chemist Retailers Association which announced disassociation from the strike call by some elements." Pakistan Drug Lawyers Forum president Dr Noor Muhammad Mahar said after the meeting that pharmacists were highly qualified professionals and parliament must do legislation under which offences must be brought to the Pharmacy Council, the statutory body, under the Pharmacy Act 1967 instead of directly lodging FIRs against them. Pakistan Young Pharmacist Association general-secretary Dr Haroon Yousaf said that Pakistan's pharmacists were readily accepted world over and if derogatory laws against them were enforced the entire pharmacist community would migrate to the US, Canada, Australia and Europe.

Khawaja Nazir told reporters that nobody would be allowed to manufacture or sell substandard and spurious drugs in Punjab. He said that strict action would be taken against such elements that put human lives in danger. The minister said he held talks with a large delegation of the Pakistan Chemist Retailers Association, headed by its chairman Ishaq Mayo at the Directorate-General Health Services. The minister constituted an 11-member committee, headed by the additional secretary, drug control, to submit recommendations for resolving the issues related to the Pakistan Chemist Retailers Association within a week. Mr Mayo said that his association fully supported the government policy to regulate herbal and homeopathic medicines. He said that his association would also back government

Anti-polio campaign in FATA starts today

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Bab-ul-Ilm: charging just a Rupee for quality education

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decision to take action against such medical stores and chemists who sold life-saving medicines to addicts who used it as tranquilizers. He demanded that dispensers' licenses should not be cancelled and instead of sealing the medical store on minor negligence or mistake the action should be taken according to nature of the negligence or violation. He also expressed reservations over the schedule "G" of the Drug Act.

PESHAWAR: A three-day oral polio vaccination (OPV) campaign commencing from Monday February 13, 2017 will continue up to Wednesday February 15, 2017, followed by a catch-up of missed children.

In addition, the phase wise polio vaccination (IPV) campaign will also be launched along with oral polio vaccination (OPV) campaign from Monday. EOC FATA Coordinator, Dr. Fida Mohammad Wazir, said that "inoculation of children with both the types of anti-polio vaccines (OPV and IPV) will prove crucial in stopping the transmission of polio virus as well as saving children for a prolonged period of time from being affected by the virus." A total of 512230 children below the age of five years will be vaccinated with only oral polio vaccination (OPV) in North Waziristan, South Waziristan, Khyber, FR Tank, FR Lakki, FR DI Khan and FR Bannu, by 1911 teams, comprising 1740 mobile teams, 118 fixed teams and 53 transit teams. The campaign focuses on reaching and vaccinating every child for ultimate polio eradication. In Bajour, Mohmand, Orakzai, Kurram, FR Peshawar & FR Kohat, the polio vaccine (IPV) will also be administered to the children in addition to OPV from Monday February 13, 2017 to Monday February 20, 2017 under the first phase of the IPV-OPV campaign.

ISLAMABAD: Aiming to defeat poverty with education, there is a school operating in rural Haripur, owing a promise to provide education to street children living below poverty line for one rupee only. "Education is an ornament in prosperity and refuge in adversity," Aristotle's saying written on the outside wall of a building, turned into school, welcomes you into 'Bab-ul-Ilm' established around four months ago in the village Joriyaan, Haripur. The village is located around 50 Km north-west of Islamabad on Khanpur road linked with silk route. Slicing the meadows on both sides, newly constructed road takes you to the compound, where two merged schools are enlightening local population with education.

'Bab-ul-Ilm' is beaconing education amongst 50 students of class prep and nursery in two limited rented rooms. "These children belong to very poor families of the village and some of them were involved in child labour. We promised their parents to educate them for only one rupee," said Zahid Kazmi, owner of the school. Kazmi told The Nation, he conceived this idea around six years ago, when he travelled in different areas of Hazara division for social work and felt the suffering of people living in far-flung areas. He said there are families in this village who are in the darkness of ignorance for generations. "We want to introduce education to these generations," said Kazmi. Unconventionally, Bab-ul-Ilm is providing nursery education to the children because of the purpose to spread basic and introductory education amongst children irrespective of their age. School administration has promised the parents of the children enrolled here that it will provide all facilities including uniforms, books, bags, refreshments and transport to students. "It was necessary to promise and provide these facilities because parents cannot bear all these expenses of school going children," Zahid said.

School, according to its administrator, is being run on very limited resources utilized by the owner and donations of people. "Initially we admitted only 50 students from 100 applications because of our limited resources in which we had to fulfil our promise made with the parents," stated Kazmi.

According to him, convincing parents to send their children to school was not an easy task and they were reluctant, because they were helping hands of their parents in earning. "An underage child has very much significance for the family living below poverty line because he can add some income in the financial circle," Kazmi said. Though government schools also provides free of cost education with its wide network but what makes different his school is other facilities and attractions interesting for students. "It's a child psyche to go school in uniform, have bag, books, pocket money and transport and we are trying to provide all these things along with education," he said. Along with brining street children to school introducing education to them was also not an easy task for three female teachers. Aneeqa, the schoolteacher told The Nation that language barrier was the main problem in the beginning, as children used to speak in their different mother languages. "In the beginning we taught them in their mother language to get them familiar with subjects and now they are being taught in common language Urdu," she said.

Another teacher Iqra while sharing her experience said that all the children are intelligent but only uneducated background in families contributed in learning abilities of students in the beginning. "They required special attention both their class and homework are done at school, but in four months children have responded impressively," she said. Children are being taught the subjects of English, Urdu and Mathematics at this stage. Ayesha Bibi, mother of the Noureen, enrolled in nursery class is very much satisfied with the standard of education and facilities being provided to her daughter at Bab-ul-Ilm. She informed The Nation that though a government school is available in the area but she preferred to admit her daughter here because of easy access. "School administration ensured us that sending my daughter to school will be not a liability on family and they will try to give Noureen a good future so I didn't refuse the offer," Ayesha said.

According to Zahid Kazmi, 22 children have won the sponsorship and are being supported by philanthropists. "It is a good impact that 40 per cent of students are studying on sponsorship now, but it is not enough, more such measures taken by people and organization will be required in future," he said. He said that books and uniform were provided by the university students. Kazmi also aims to construct school's own building in three years in order to raise its standard up to secondary level but he also fears that it will be not possible without society's help and contribution. "Taking first step is always difficult but we are committed that we will fulfil our and these children's dream," said Kazmi. As per UNICEF report issued in last year around 24 million children from age 5 to 16 are out-of-school in Pakistan. And the country stands in the list of top 10 nations where problem of illiteracy

Three more bodies recovered in Indus river boat accident, death toll reaches nine

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Locals inaugurate Korangi flyover after CM fails to arrive

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Malik Riaz Hussain inaugurates Bahria Dastarkhwan in Rawalpindi

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Lahore: Rickshaw owners protest against parking tickets, unfair fines

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Penumbral moon eclipse visible in Pakistan

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Anti-polio campaign kicks off in three districts of Balochistan

Geo News, February 11, 2017

Five people, including an infant injured as truck crushes a car in Karachi

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exists. According to government official, around 6 million children in the country are deprived of primary level education and majority of them are girls. However, because of some basic measures taken by federal and provincial government of providing free education has improved the situation but still much is needed to bring out-of-school children in the circle, said official.

LARKANA (Dunya News): Death toll from boat accident in Indus River reached nine on Sunday as rescue teams pulled out three more bodies. The search operation is still underway for the missing drowned people. Three days ago, over forty people had left from Newshehro Feroze and Khairpur for Larkana but the boat lost its balance upon reaching the bank of the river and all on board fell into the river. Most reached the bank by swimming but 13 people drowned in the water. The divers of the district administration and Pakistan Navy are still searching for the four still missing. Sindh's senior minister Nisar Ahmad Khuhro also visited the area and met the affected. He directed the administration to finish the search operation as soon as possible.

KARACHI (Dunya News): The locals on Sunday inaugurated the Korangi flyover in Karachi after Sindh Chief Minister (CM) Murad Ali Shah did not arrive for the ceremony. The flyover had to be inaugurated by Sindh CM, Mayor Waseem Akhtar and Minister for Local Government Jam Shoro Khan. KMC officials and public kept waiting for them as none of them appeared on the scene. At last, one man among the public cut the ribbon and inaugurated the flyover after which the traffic started moving on it. "Sindh CM should have come for the inauguration. But the right should be given to the public as it is theirs and made for them," said the man. The flyover was constructed way before but had not become operational as it was not inaugurated causing severe problems for the people.

RAWALPINDI (Dunya News): Chairman Bahria Town Malik Riaz Hussain on Sunday inaugurated a new branch of Bahria Dastarkhwan in Rawalpindi's Faizabad area. The Dastarkhwan is a part of its Bahria's welfare initiative of providing two-square meals, free of charge, to destitute people. At least 200 people can eat meal in the Dastarkhwan at a time. While talking to media, Malik Riaz prayed that poverty and unemployment ends soon in Pakistan. He pronounced that Pakistan's situation will change only when the nation and the rulers will be on the right path. Riaz urged the government to provide education to the nation. The people also hailed Malik Riaz's effort and said that he is doing those things which should have been done by the government.

LAHORE: (Dunya News): Rickshaw drivers on Sunday protested against parking tickets and unfair fines imposed on them by the traffic wardens. They also threatened of strong protests if parking ticket system is not done away with, reported Dunya News. Awami Rickshaw Union led a rally from Faisal Town to Railway Station. They protested that there was no parking area for the rickshaws in the entire city and mafia was everywhere they'd park their vehicles. They also said that the parking mafia is strongest at Railway Station. The rally was attended by the drivers and owners in large number to raise their voice for their rights. They said that strong measures will be taken if their demands were not heeded to by the government. The rally jammed the traffic wherever it went.

KARACHI: A penumbral moon eclipse is visible in Pakistan, confirmed Pakistan Meteorological Department on Saturday. According to a press release issued by PMD, in penumbral lunar eclipse only the more diffused outer shadow of earth falls on the moon's face. At best, at mid-eclipse, very observant people will notice a dark shading on the moon's face. The visibility timings of this lunar eclipse are as followed: Penumbral eclipse begins at 03:34 PST, greatest eclipse at 05:44 PST, Penumbral eclipse ends at 07:53 PST, Penumbral magnitude at 0.9884, Umbral magnitude at -0.0354. According to an urban myth, the lunar eclipse is harmful to pregnant women, however medical science reiterates that pregnancy is solely related to nutrition.

KARACHI: A five-day anti-polio campaign targeting at least 700,000 children will kick-off from today in Balochistan's district of Quetta, Pishin and Qilla Abdullah. Emergency Operation Centre Quetta Coordinator Syed Faisal Ahmed said that the special campaign is being put into action after information of prevalence of polio virus in the aforementioned areas, further adding 113 Union Councils will be targeted in the campaign by as many as 3054 teams. Ahmed requested cooperation from media, civil society, parents and religious party figureheads to come in support of the campaign for the sake of healthy future of young generation.

KARACHI: Adding one more in a tally of accidents at University road, a speedy tanker injured five people including three women and an infant as it crushed a car in the wee hours of Saturday, confirmed rescue sources. The injured were immediately taken to a nearby hospital. Police informed that the truck driver managed to flee from the site of the accident. This was the sixth accident at the University road in the last three days, urban development experts suggest that construction and roadworks in the area has made the University road prone to dangerous accidents. Be it from Shahra-e-Faisal to MA Jinnah Road or University Road to National Highway, these days every main route of the metropolis is dug up for re-construction. Although the step has been taken to make commute easy for the citizens, it has instead been causing accidents, landing around 2,800 people in hospitals. The figures have been shared by Karachi Police Surgeon Dr Ayaz Khokar, who told Geo News the count includes women and children. The casualties took place across the city in 2016, as many main routes, such as the National Highway are dug open since then. However, this is not the first time this has happened in Karachi. The number of casualties in accidents on uneven, under construction roads, increases almost every year. In 2015, 2,700 road traffic accidents were reported to the police surgeon office. Before that, in 2014, 2,200 cases were reported for medico-legal proceedings. However, these are only the reported cases. There are many who go unreported as people do not want to register accidents, fearing legal issues. Nevertheless, earlier this week, Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah had taken notice of the hurdles faced by people of the city, saying the issue was temporary as all the roads will be constructed soon.

But those commuting daily on the bumpy roads cannot wait for the "soon" period to end. They have urged the government to construct all the roads at the earliest so that they do not have to put their lives in peril before leaving their houses or other destinations every day.

Speeding water tanker injures 5 in Karachi

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University students protest deaths due to potholed roads, block traffic

Geo News, February 11, 2017

Tech education institutions will be upgraded: Murad

The Nation, February 11, 2017

Student killed as bus runs him over in Karachi

Geo News, February 10, 2017

KP CNG stations hike gas price by Rs4.08/kg

The Nation, February 9, 2017

Earlier, students of Federal Urdu University of Arts Science and Technology (FUUAST) staged a protest at University Road over the death of four students of the varsity in recent road accidents. The students blocked University Road for traffic and threatened to stay put till their demands are met. They said that the under-construction road should be completed at the earliest. SP Gulshan Dr Fahad has reached the spot to negotiate with students. On last Friday, a university student who was injured in a road accident last week succumbed to her wounds. On Thursday, at least four people including three students were killed and nine injured when a bus overturned near Baitul Mukarram Masjid on University road. The main thoroughfare that connects NIPA till Hassan Square has been under-construction since last month, making it a nightmare for commuters.

KARACHI: At least five people including three women and an infant were injured late Thursday night in yet another traffic accident at University Road, near Safoora Chowrangi, when a speeding water tanker hit a car. The injured have been shifted to a private hospital. Police is on the lookout for the driver of the water tanker who fled the scene. Accidents at the under construction University Road have become a norm. This is the sixth accident of its kind on the thoroughfare this month. At least five people including three students have lost their lives in the accidents, while eleven people have gotten injured. On Friday, students of Federal Urdu University of Arts Science and Technology staged a protest at university road calling for the completion of the potholed road through which they had to commute daily. Meanwhile, Sindh Chief Minister Murad Ali Shah has directed relevant departments to work day and night to ensure early completion of development work in Karachi.

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KARACHI: Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah, in the light of education emergency in the province, has decided to upgrade 10 technical institutions, two in each division, to impart quality education to the youth. He took this decision while presiding over a meeting on STEVTA here at Chief Minister's House. The meeting was attended by Special Assistant on STVTA Shahid Taheem, Universities & Boards Secretary Naveed Shaikh, Colleges Secretary Riaz Memon, Social Welfare Secretary Niaz Abbasi, IT Secretary Pervaiz Sihar, STEVTA MD Rafique Buriro and others.

Buriro told the chief minister that there were 2,800 technical institutions in the province where technical education and training was being imparted to the youth in different trades.

The chief minister said that in the first phase he wanted to establish 10 state-of-the-art technical institutions to offer quality education and produce good students who could earn good name for them and their institutions. "These institutions should be like a brand – their name should be enough to get job or onward enrolment," he said. He said that these institutions were in five administrative divisions – Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Nawabshah, Sukkur and Larkana. He said that he wanted to establish 10 state-of-the-art institutions; two in each division. He directed the secretary of Universities & Boards to upgrade the existing institutions and give them good faculty, job-oriented technical courses and best facilities. The chief minister directed the secretary concerned to submit him a plan for the purpose. "I will provide necessary funds and facilities," he said. "I want good technical education," he said. The chief minister also directed the STEVTA administration to introduce Chinese language courses. Under the CPEC and non-CPEC projects thousands of Chinese are going to invest in Sindh therefore Chinese language know how would turn to be an additional qualification for jobs. Concluding the meeting, the chief minister said that he would be visiting technical centres working all over Sindh.

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ISLAMABAD: In the absence of any consumer protection mechanism, the CNG owners across Pakistan are overcharging consumers as the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations, in less than a month period, have once again increased the gas prices by Rs4.08 per kg from Rs78.82 to Rs82.90 per kg. In less than month, the CNG stations in KP have increased the prices by Rs7 per kg from Rs75.9 per kg to Rs82.9, according to the survey conducted by The Nation. The CNG stations in Punjab and Sindh are already charging Rs3 extra from their customers after getting free hand to decide their profit margin. Although Punjab and Sindh CNG association have formally announced their increased rates but the KP CNG stations have started charging, an unannounced, extra prices from their customers. Prior to deregulation, CNG stations was charging up to Rs75.82 price per kg. The maximum sale prices determined by Oil and Gas Regulation Authority (Ogra) were Rs75.82 per kg, but now the KP CNG stations have first enhanced the price to Rs78.82 per KG and now one again took it to Rs80.9. Although the consumers are making hue and cry but they don't know where to go as a government decision has barred Ogra from regulating the CNG

Students among seven nabbed for peddling drugs at Islamabad schools

Geo News, February 9, 2017

32 unauthorised private schools in Cantt area to be closed in 3 months

Geo News, February 9, 2017

prices in the country. It is pertinent to mention here that in December last year, the federal government had deregulated the CNG sector and stripped Ogra of the power to determine CNG prices for end-consumer. As a result of the decision, the Ogra has lost its control over the price regulation for the CNG sector for Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, leaving the masses at the mercy of the CNG sector. After deregulation of the sector, the government has given a free hand to the CNG owners of Sindh and KP to set its own prices and profit margin without any regulatory control. The provincial government of KP has earlier warned that they will not follow the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) decision regarding the deregulation of CNG sector and will keep the prices in the province regulated. However, the authorities now seem helpless in front of the mighty CNG associations.

Earlier in a letter, the KP Chief Minister, Pervaiz Khattak has requested Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to reverse the decision of the ECC regarding the deregulation of the CNG sector. "Deregulation of CNG sector is a major policy decision which will seriously affect the consumers of KP. It is therefore requested to please rescind the impugned notification for deregulation of CNG sector and direct ECC to desist from transgressing into the domain of CCI and call an urgent meeting of CCI," the letter said. "Alternatively the government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa will be constrained to regulate the CNG sector in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa," the letter added. Similarly Sindh government has also alleged the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the cabinet of transgressing its limit by approving CNG deregulation and has asked the federal government to place the issue in front on CCI for consideration. Beside the two provinces, the Planning Ministry and the Ogra were also against the government decision of deregulating of the CNG sector and have proposed that, in absence of the government's weak monitoring mechanism, the decision will leave the poor consumers at the mercy of CNG owners. Taking advantage of the free hand given by the federal government's decision of deregulating the CNG sector, owners of Sindh CNG stations have increased the gas price to Rs70-71 per kg from Rs67.50. Moreover, Punjab CNG association has also increased the price of CNG.

ISLAMABAD: The Islamabad Police on Thursday apprehended seven suspected drug peddlers, including two students, from various universities and adjoining areas. The alleged drug peddlers included university students, Waleed Shamim and Zamd-ul-Naas. Another suspect was identified as Mateullah. According to the police, the suspects were selling ecstasy and hashish to university students. Officials also seized a large number of pills and 200 grams of hashish from suspect, Waleed Shamim. Police have lodged a case against the suspects and an investigation is underway. In January, the Anti-Narcotics Force (ANF) arrested the leader of a gang allegedly involved in supplying marijuana, LSD, and other imported high-end drugs to students of different universities and educational institutions in the federal capital. He said the force had launched a campaign to net drug peddlers involved in supplying drugs in educational institutions. The ANF Intelligence had deployed special surveillance teams and informers to monitor activities of gangs involved in supplying drugs to educational institutions, especially in Rawalpindi and Islamabad, he said.

The Senate Standing Committee on Defence was informed on Wednesday that 32 unauthorised educational institutes operating in residential areas of Westridge, Cantonment Board of Rawalpindi, would be closed down within three months. The committee meeting chaired by Lt Gen (r) Salahuddin Tirmizi was apprised by Defence authorities that population of the Rawalpindi Cantonment was about one million, and five Cantonment Board schools, 23 government schools, and 32 unauthorised private schools educational institutes were operating there. The Defence authorities also informed that final notice would be served to the unauthorised schools by the Rawalpindi Cantonment by February 15, giving them a three-month time to close their operations and shift from the residential areas. Following which the unauthorised schools will be sealed, locked down and not allowed to operate in future.

The private schools operating in residential properties at Westridge-I, II and III include SLS School at Halli Road, International Islamic University and School at Halli Road, Smart School at Westridge-I, Beaconhouse School at Halli Road, The City School at Westridge-I, Radely Elementary School at Khursheed Alam Road, Global Educational Academy at Khursheed Alam Road, Oriental Grammar School at Westridge-I, Dar-e-Arqam School at Peshawar Road, Indus Valley School and Learning at Atta-ul-Haq Road, The Educators School at Atta-ul-Haq Road, Scholars College at Atta-ul-Haq Road, Bahria Foundation College at Westridge-I, SLS School at Abek Road, Westridge Academy at main Iqbal Road, Dar-e-Arqam School at Abek Road, Roots International School at Chairing Cross Westridge-I, Ambrose Hall School at Westridge, Bahria Foundation College at Westridge-I, The Nation School near China Hospital, The Grammar School at Old-6 Avenue-I, Bahria Foundation College at main Peshawar Road, Peak Montessori High School at Shah Piyara Road, Charter House Montessori School at Shah Piyara Road, The Westridge Academy at main Allahabad Road, Growing Years High School at main Allahabad Road, Peers School of Excellence Academy at main Allahabad Road, The Cantt Cambridge School at main Allahabad Road, Ali Foundation at Ashiyana Chowk, Albayan School System at main Allahabad Road, SLS Montessori at Raja Akram Road, and Dar-e-Arqam School at Valley Road. The committee was of the view that the schools should be given appropriate time to complete the ongoing educational session to facilitate students studying there. The action is being taken on a complaint of Senator (r) Muhammad Zahid Khan that private schools and educational institutions are operating in Westridge in violation of the Cantonment Board's commercialisation policy. The Senate Standing Committee on Defence discussed the issue of residents' eviction from Cantonment areas of Loralai in detail and formed a sub-committee to visit the site and prepare a report accordingly. Lt Gen (r) Salahuddin Tirmizi will be convener of the sub-committee. Muhammad Javed Abbasi and Atta-ur-Rehman are its members, while Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Kusakhel, and Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar will be special invitees.

The Defence authorities clarified that the residential quarters were allotted in the areas to civilians under a tenancy agreement and not on lease. The body was informed that recently the Station Headquarters initiated action against the tenants of 34 quarters who were found involved in illegal immoral activities. Out of 34 they said 31 quarters had been vacated and the vacation process of remaining three was underway adding the law abiding citizens tenants are peacefully living in

SNGPL meter readers protest 'lay-offs'

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Five people hospitalised after fire

Daily Dawn, February 8, 2017

Premier Service not being shutdown: PIA

Geo News, February 8, 2017

Nurses continue the Sindh wide protest today

Geo News, February 8, 2017

Four die in car-truck collision

Daily Dawn, February 7, 2017

remaining 263 quarters in Risala Lines and no such action has been initiated against them. Originally they said there were 258 quarters which had been sub-divided into 371 small quarters out of which 74 were with FC and Lorali Scouts and 297 were given to civilians on rent. The committee was also briefed on working of the Cantonment General Hospital (CGH) Rawalpindi where currently 67 doctors, 163 paramedical staff, three administrative staff, and 105 other workers were performing their duties. The hospital has 23 departments with collective capacity of 199 beds, the authorities said. During the last year they said surgeons carried out average five operations per day and 850 patients visited the hospital daily for treatment. The committee was apprised that a medical college would be set up in the hospital. Among others the meeting was attended by Ilyas Ahmad Bilour, Hidayat Ullah, Atta-ur-Rehman, Col (r) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Lt Gen (r) Abdul Qayyum, Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Farhatullah Babar, Sehar Kamran, Brig (r) John Kenneth Williams, Chaudhry Tanvir Khan, Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel, Muhammad Zahid, Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, and Secretary Defence Lt Gen (r) Zameer-ul-Hassan Shah.

LAHORE: A number of daily-wage meter readers from Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Tuesday staged a protest in front of SNGPL headquarters on Kashmir Road against what they said termination of their services. Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited Managing Director Amjad Latif, however, rejected demands of the protesters, saying that the management didn't terminate their services.

"We didn't remove them from job. They are exerting pressure on us for regularisation of their services that can't be done under the law," Mr Latif told Dawn. The protesters tried to enter the SNGPL headquarters by forcibly opening three main gates. Police, however, pushed them behind. As a result of the protest, many visitors were denied entry to the offices. The protesters carrying placards and banners said they wouldn't go back till receipt of confirmation orders regarding their jobs. "We had been appointed 10 to 12 years ago on daily wage. But the administration is yet to regularise our services," Najaf Ali, a meter reader told this reporter. Waqas, another daily wager, said they had been getting Rs10,000 to Rs12,000 that were even less than the minimum wage of Rs13,000. The SNGPL administration had assured them of accepting their demands, but to no avail. Arshad Ali said they would continue with their protest for their rights. "There are over 700 daily wagers working for the last 12 years in the department. And we will not go back from here despite various tactics," he added. Talking to this reporter, daily wagers action committee chief Faisal Sajjad said: "Instead of regularising our jobs, the administration has sacked us. Under the law, our services can be regularised if the company wants so." He warned the company high-ups of extending protest to various parts of Punjab and KP in future if their demands were not fulfilled. The managing director said the number of daily-wage meter readers was about 200 to 250 and not 700 or so. "They had been appointed as part-time meter readers at the rate of Rs4 per meter reading. We can't regularise their services as they will be required to apply for such jobs if advertised in future," he said.

RAWALPINDI: Another five people were hospitalised with burn injuries they sustained when a fire broke out in their single room accommodation in Dhoke Charaghadin on Tuesday.

On Monday seven members of a family, including five children, received burn injuries after a fire erupted in their home due to a gas leak in the Waris Khan police area. One of the victims was said to be in critical condition. The five victim's from Tuesday's incident were living in a rented room, and were injured when one of them lit a gas heater in the morning, causing a minor explosion followed by a fire. Although all the room's residents were injured, fire fighters from Rescue 1122 controlled the fire before it spread to neighbouring houses. The victims were identified as Mohammad Rizwan, 24, Gulab Mohammad, 60, Mohammad Qadeem, 26, Mohammad Akram, 34, and Yasir Rasheed, 25. They were taken to the Holy Family Hospital, where they were stated to be in stable condition. All the victims are from Azad Kashmir. The fire department attributed the fire to a gas leak from the heater. Police and emergency services have said the increase in fires involving gas leaks are due to negligence on the part of the victims.

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan International Airlines denied rumours on Wednesday that the airline was shutting down the recently-launched Premier Service. Terming such rumours 'baseless'

PIA Spokesman Daniyal Gilani told Geo News that the national airline's staff was successfully operating flight operations of the Premier Service that was inaugurated on August 14, 2016. Gilani said due to the success of the new venture, the service will continue. PIA had acquired a Sri Lankan airlines aircraft to include in the Premier Service last year. The Spokesman said since an aircraft cannot be wet-leased for more than six months according to the National Aviation Policy, a tender to acquire new planes had been made and new aircraft would be obtained on wet lease on lowest rates. In the meantime, PIA's flights to London would be operated using Boeing 777 aircraft. "Following PPRA rules, PIA has already shortlisted the aircraft offered against a recent tender for wet lease which is planned to be inducted in the later part of current month after completion of regulatory formalities. Till the arrival of shortlisted aircraft, PIA's flights to London will be operated by PIA's Boeing 777 aircraft," a statement issued by PIA's spokesman confirmed.

KARACHI: General-ward nurses across Sindh are boycotting their duties on Wednesday, as Sindh's Joint Nurses Action Committee stages a sit-in outside Karachi Press Club.

Six members of the committee continue their hunger strike for the second day, while hundreds from across Hyderabad and Sindh protest for their demands to be met by the provincial government. An increase in monthly stipend from Rs. 6000 to Rs. 20,000 and promotions of nursing staff are part of the demands put forward by the Joint Nurses Action Committee. The committee has also put forward the demand of nursing school principals to be appointed by order of the Supreme Court. Speaking to Geo News, Joint Nurses Action Committee member Abdul Waheed said the provincial government was notified of the problems time and again, but to no avail, resulting in the protest.

DERA MURAD JAMALI: Four people died when their car collided with a truck head-on near Dera Allahyar late on Sunday night. Police officials on Monday said the car was destroyed by the impact of the collision. "The bodies were recovered from the wreckage after cutting the car body," police

Chemists protest

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said. Haresh Kumar, Gahnwar Khan, Sheikh Ahsan Ali and Riaz Jamali were on their way to Jacobabad from Usta Muhammad when their car met with the accident. The bodies were handed over to the heirs after completion of medico-legal formalities. Police said the accident happened because of speeding, adding that a case was registered against the truck driver.

TOBA TEK SINGH: Chemists and druggists on Monday staged a protest demonstration outside the district press club on Jhang Road to condemn the Punjab government's decision to give powers of the drug control authority to private firms to issue and inspect licences of medical stores and druggists. The private firms have also been asked to act against the medical stores in case of any violation. The demonstrators were carrying banners inscribed with slogans demanding withdrawal of the decision. Addressing the demonstrators, the chemists and druggists association president, Mian Imran Manzoor, said that the decision will open a new door to corruption in the province as the private firms will violate rules to earn more money through unjustifiable action against the stores. He demanded the decision be withdrawn and warned that if their demand was not accepted, they will continue their protest. Others who spoke included Shahzad Malik, Anwar Gujar, Mahboob Akbar Kashi, Asif Farooq and Muhammad Rafiq.

Donors to renovate Mayo Hospital building

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LAHORE: The Mayo Hospital, the oldest and the biggest infirmary of Lahore, has got donors who will spend about Rs200 million on the renovation of its old building and equipment. The dilapidated condition of wards, verandas and corridors of the main building, known as Ghari Ward, and the adjacent Albert Victor Hospital, moved a group of donors who approached Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif and offered to get the old building renovated and provide it with equipment to improve medical services. After getting approval from the chief minister, the donors conducted a detailed survey of the main building and, with the help of experts, estimated that the renovation would cost approximately Rs200m. "We shall renovate the west surgical and medical, south surgical and medical, north surgical and medical wards besides corridors, verandas and washrooms," the 'friends of Mayo Hospital' informed a meeting recently held in the Specialised Healthcare and Medical Education Department. Known architect Nayyar Ali Dada, Pir Farid Ahsanuddin, Farrukh Majeed, Mian Ahmed Irfan, Begum Zahida Ahsanuddin, Dr Abbas Raza, Ambreen Irfan, Zainab Suleman and Fatima Fazal attended the meeting. Mayo Hospital Chief Executive Prof Dr Asad Aslam Khan informed the meeting that renovation of the West Surgical Ward had been started. He said Nayyar Ali Dada would prepare the master plan for the hospital renovation. After completion of renovation project, he said, the 'friends of Mayo Hospital' would also support in improvement of services in the infirmary. Punjab Institute of Cardiology was the first public sector healthcare facility that got friends who established a new emergency block of 100-bed on its premises.

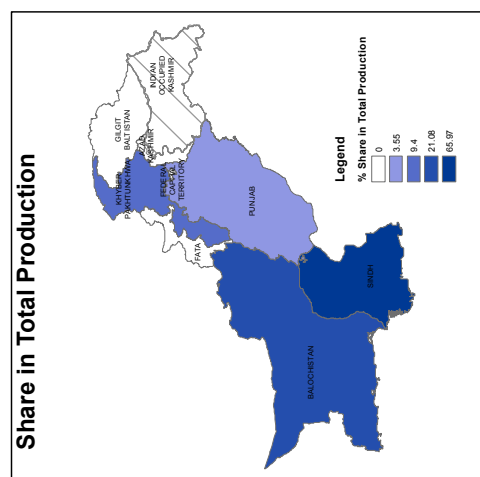
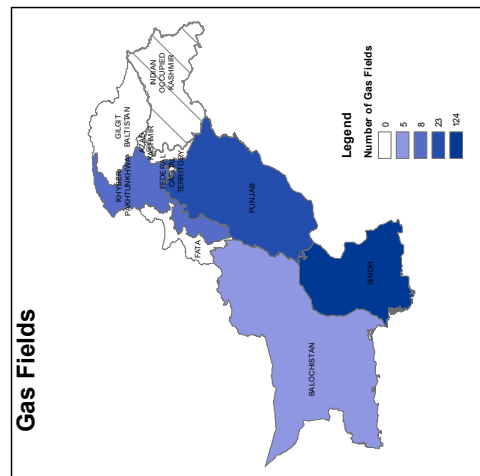
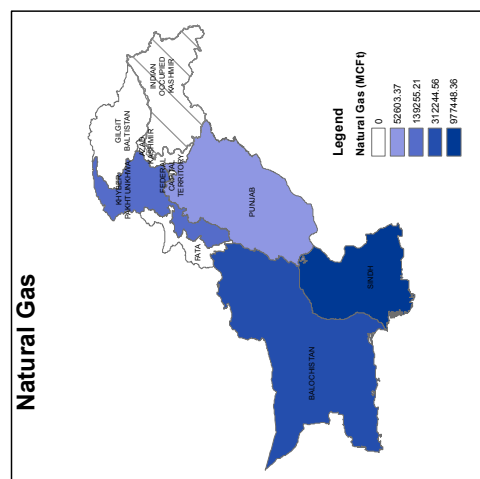
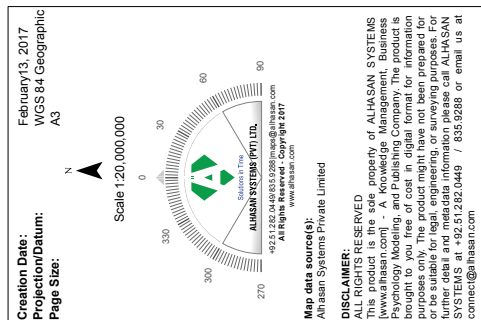
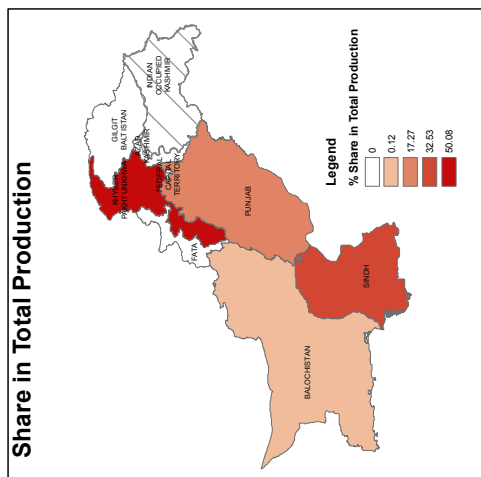
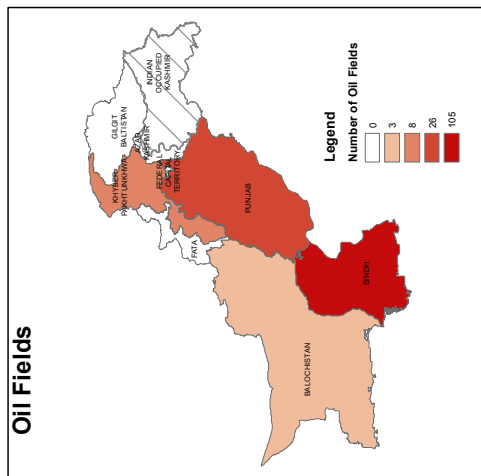
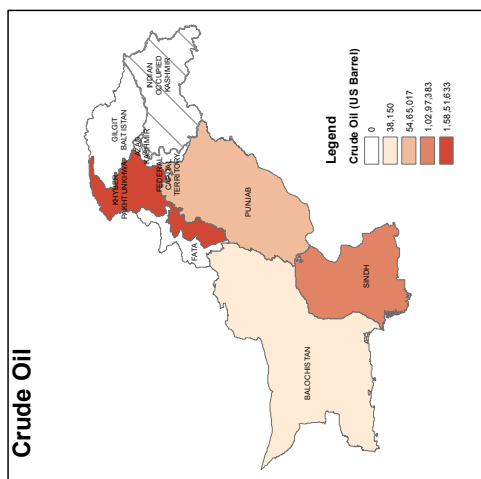
CT Scan facility at DHQ hospitals to be 'outsourced'

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LAHORE: In what appears to be a first deal of such a scale, a private company is going to install hi-tech CT Scan machines at 20 DHQ hospitals of Punjab to provide diagnostic test facility to patients. According to this agreement, the company -- Hitachi Ltd -- shall bear expenses of installation of all 20 CT Scan machines at approximately Rs900 million. It shall be responsible for maintenance of the equipments, hiring of all diagnostic staff, including radiologists, technicians and others. The company shall pay salary and other benefits to the staff designated to perform CT Scan tests, while the area allocated to them at the health facilities shall remain intact as government property. The deal seems to be the government's initiative to outsource various non-medical sections of state-run hospitals under public-private partnership. CT Scan is a critical diagnostic medical test that is said to be very expensive in the private sector and out of reach for a large number of poor patients. Primary and Secondary Health Secretary Ali Jan Khan confirmed to Dawn that the agreement had been signed and work started to materialise this scheme. According to the deal, he said, the government shall pay Rs3,900 to the company against each test. "The company shall not charge a single penny from the patients," he added.

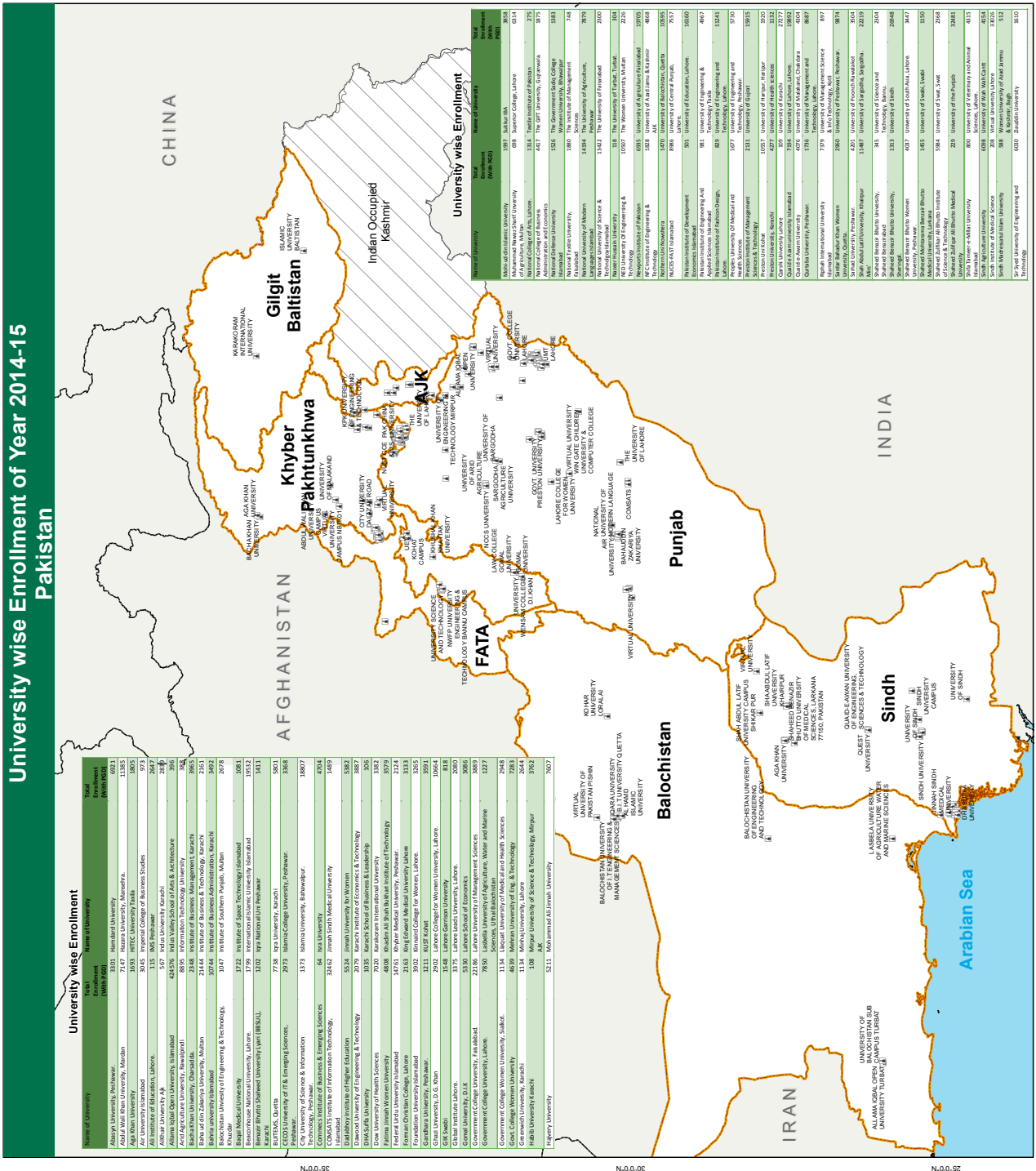
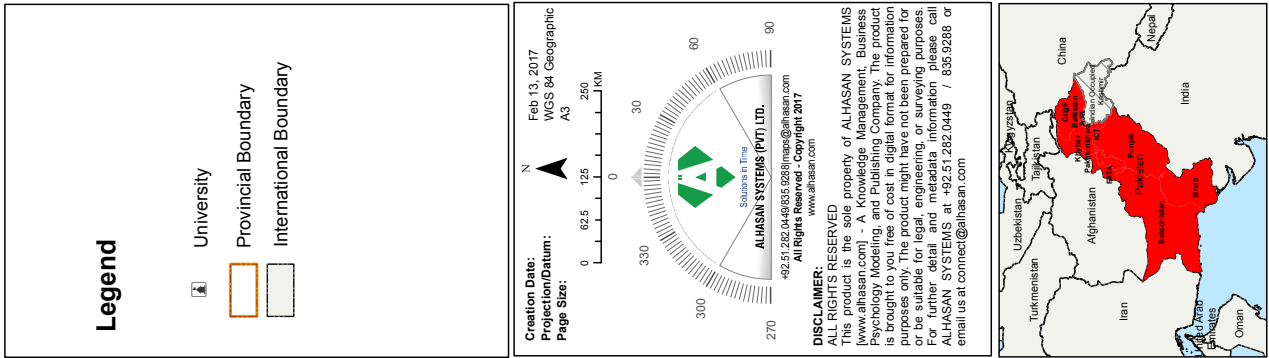
Setting a limit, both sides have agreed to perform 200 CT Scan tests at every DHQ hospital per month, the health secretary said. For the first six months, the government has guaranteed payment against all 200 tests to the company from each hospital, no matter whether the number of tests is 150 or below. However, after this period, the payment shall be made according to the number of tests, he added. There are three categories of patients who could benefit from this scheme. According to the arrangement, the indoor and emergency patients at the 20 selected DHQ hospitals would be provided this facility free of cost. However, the outpatient department visitors shall be charged Rs1,000 as minimum fee against each scan. The government shall pay Rs3 million to the company against each DHQ Hospital for the renovation and maintenance of CT Scan rooms or the area specified for the purpose. From this amount, it shall provide patient-friendly CT Scan centres equipped with spacious air-conditioned waiting areas. "The agreement was signed initially for a period of five years and the company shall provide CT Scan test facility 24 hours without any halt during this time period," the secretary said. He further said that there were 24 DHQ hospitals in Punjab, and of them four were already providing CT-Scan test facilities at government expense. Many patients had to travel for hours to get this critical test done at major health facilities. Particularly, an enormous crowd of patients was witnessed at government hospitals of the provincial capital where they had to wait for weeks to get the test done.

Province wise Production of Crude Oil and Natural Gas for the Year 2015-16



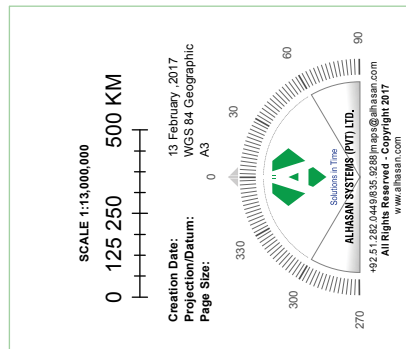
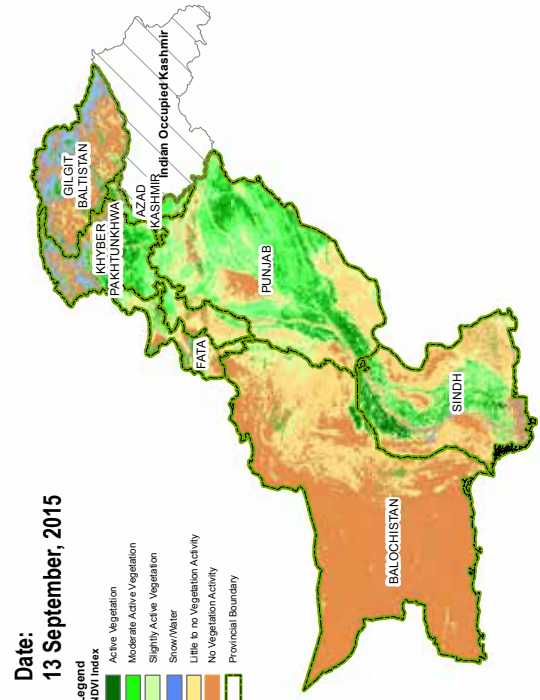
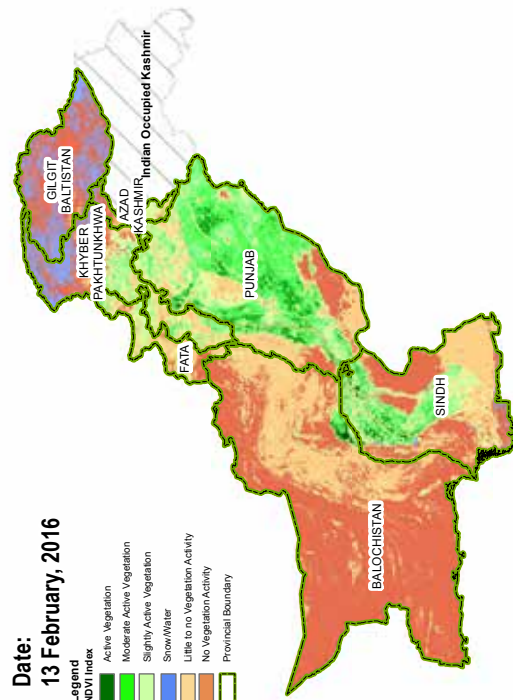
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APPL	2484031	7	694.37
BPCL	203831	6	293.82
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BPCL	3394562	66	1087.02
OMV	40522	2	11.37
ENPARK	137970	3	38.41
MAADCO	389452	1	107.53
LOPL	399193	3	100
PCOL	531277	8	147.61
DEWANA	30589	1	8.59
MOCL	7395252	5	2096.42
POCCOL	0	0	0
PECL	0	0	0
Total	31693153	152	8912.31

Company	Natural Gas (MCF)	Number of Gas Field	% Share in Total Production
GOCCOL	469794.62	35	890.21
APPL	245037.21	5	473.23
BPCL	235688.41	1	452.12
BPCL	451532	1	853.97
BPCL	1196433	84	2237.28
OMV	98414	3	186.78
ENPARK	134698.96	3	257.09
MAADCO	5709.94	1	1.11
LOPL	6092.06	2	100
PCOL	4063.6	6	80.03
DEWANA	45115.74	5	86.4
MOCL	110970.34	5	2033.37
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Total	1481951.5	159	2935.5



Vegetation Analysis Map of Pakistan

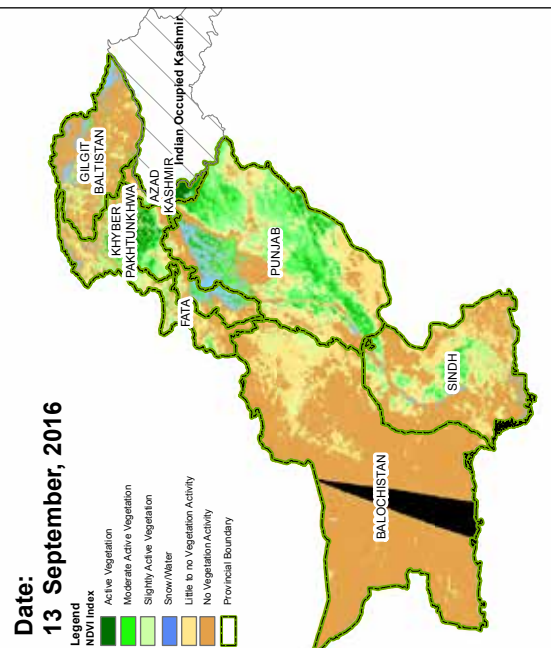
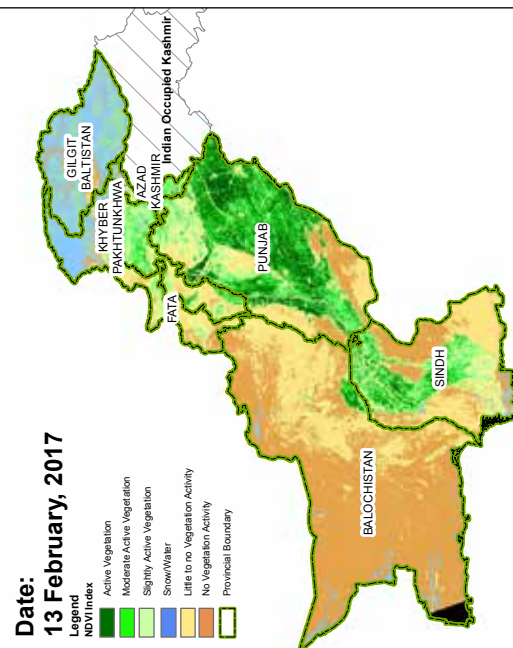
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منظفر گڑھ میں محکمہ لائیو اسٹاک نے مختلف علاقوں میں کارروائی کرتے ہوئے ڈیڑھ من مضر صحت گوشت اور 2 ہزار جانور برآمد کر لیے۔ کارروائی میں 4 قصابوں کو بھی گرفتار کیا گیا۔ ڈسٹرکٹ آفیسر لائیو اسٹاک ڈاکٹر آصف کے مطابق پولیس کے ہمراہ حملہ قیوم نگر اور گارڈن روڈ پر چھاپے مارے گئے۔ اس دوران ڈیڑھ من مضر صحت گوشت اور 2 ہزار جانور برآمد کر لیے۔ پولیس کا کہنا ہے کہ گرفتار افراد کے خلاف تھانہ سول لائن میں مقدمہ درج کر لیا گیا ہے۔

کراچی پریس کلب پر نرسنگ اسٹاف کا احتجاج دوسرے روز بھی جاری ہے۔ نرسولنے صوبائی حکومت سے ماہانہ وظیفہ اور الاؤنسز بڑھانے کا مطالبہ کیا ہے۔ کراچی پریس کلب کے باہر سیکورس کی تعداد میں سندھ کے مختلف شہروں سے سرکاری اسپتالوں کا نرسنگ اسٹاف کا احتجاج دوسرے روز بھی جاری ہے۔ نرسز کے مطالبات ہیں کہ صوبے بھر کے سرکاری اسپتالوں میں پرنسپل سپریم کورٹ کے حکم کی مطابق تعینات کیے جائیں۔ نرسنگ اسٹاف کی تیس سالوں سے کوئی پروموشن نہیں ہوئی۔ سرکاری اسپتالوں میں نرسنگ اسٹاف کا وظیفہ چھ ہزار روپے سے بڑھ کر بیس ہزار روپے کیا جائے۔ مختلف الاؤنسز بڑھائے جائیں۔ نرسز کا کہنا تھا کہ کئی بار اعلیٰ حکام کو اپنے مسائل سے آگاہ کیا ہے۔ مسائل حل نہ ہونے پر آج سراپا احتجاج ہیں۔ نرسولنے مطالبات منظور ہونے تک احتجاج جاری رکھنے کا اعلان کیا ہے۔ ادھر حیدر آباد اور نواب شاہ میں پیپلز میڈیکل اسپتال کی نرسوں نے ٹائم اسکیل، پروموشن اور خالی آسامیوں کے مطالبات کی منظوری کے لیے ریلی نکالی۔

پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی نے لاہور اور گوجرانوالہ میں چھاپے مارے۔ قلعہ دیدار سنگھ گوجرانوالہ میں 30 من مردہ مرغی پکڑی گئی۔ ایڈیشنل ڈائریکٹر جنرل لبنی رشید کے مطابق مردہ مرغی فروخت کرنے والا پولٹری یونٹ سیل کر دیا گیا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ رحمت پولٹری میں مردہ مرغی کا گوشت بیچنے کے لیے تیار کیا جا رہا تھا۔

لاہور کے سرکاری اسپتالوں میں 'ون پیشٹ ون ڈاکٹر' کی پالیسی ناکامی سے دوچار ہو گئی۔ مریضوں کی بڑھتی تعداد اور ڈاکٹروں کی کمی کی وجہ سے مریض اور ان کے اہل خانہ پریشان ہیں۔ لاہور کے سرکاری اسپتالوں میں نئی سروس، 'ون پیشٹ ون ڈاکٹر' کی پالیسی کامیاب نہ ہو سکی۔ مریضوں کی بڑھتی تعداد اور ڈاکٹروں کی کمی کے باعث ایک اچھی پالیسی ناکام ہو گئی۔ مریضوں کے اہل خانہ آج بھی ڈاکٹر نہ ملنے پر پریشان ہیں۔

2016 میں سرکاری اسپتالوں میں بہتری لانے اور مریضوں کو بہتر علاج فراہم کرنے کیلئے 'ون پیشٹ ون ڈاکٹر' کی پالیسی کا آغاز کیا گیا۔ آغاز جناح اسپتال کی ایمر جنسی سے کیا گیا لیکن صورتحال جوں کی توں رہی۔ پیادوں کے علاج کیلئے مریضوں کے اہل خانہ اسپتال میں ڈاکٹروں کو تلاش کرتے نظر آتے ہیں۔ اسپتال انتظامیہ ناکافی حکومتی فنڈز، ڈاکٹروں اور نرسوں کی قلت کو پالیسی کی ناکامی کی بڑی وجہ قرار دیتی ہے۔ پنجاب بھر سے آنے والے مریض جب لاہور کے سرکاری اسپتالوں میں علاج کیلئے آتے ہیں تو طبی امداد کی ناکافی سہولیات کا مقابلہ کرتے ہیں، جب تک ڈاکٹر تک پہنچتے ہیں تو بے چارہ مریض جان ہار چکا ہوتا ہے۔

کراچی میں سرکاری اسپتالوں کے نرسنگ اسٹاف نے پریس کلب کے باہر دھرنا دیا، اسٹاف نے مطالبات کی منظوری تک کام سے انکار کر دیا۔ پاکستان نرسنگ ایسوسی ایشن کا کہنا ہے کہ دو سال سے ہیلیتھ اور رسک سمیت دیگر الاؤنسز نہیں دیے جارہے۔ پاکستان نرسنگ ایسوسی ایشن کے تحت کراچی پریس کلب کے سامنے دھرنا دیا گیا۔ کراچی کے سرکاری اسپتال کے نرسنگ اسٹاف نے الاؤنسز نہ ملنے پر احتجاج کیا۔ رہنمائی این اے اعجاز کلہری کا کہنا ہے کہ 25 ماہ سے الاؤنسز نہیں دیے جارہے، حکومت کو 6 فروری تک کا الٹی میٹم دیا تھا۔ مطالبات کی منظوری تک اسپتالوں میں نرسیں کام نہیں کریں گی۔

شہر میں ڈینگی وائرس کے مزید 9 کیسز سامنے آگئے ہیں جس کے بعد رواں سال شہر میں ڈینگی سے متاثرہ افراد کی تعداد 61 ہو گئی ہے۔ ڈینگی پریوینشن اینڈ کنٹرول پروگرام سندھ کی جاری کردہ رپورٹ کے مطابق 29 جنوری سے 4 فروری کے دوران کراچی میں ڈینگی وائرس کے 9 مریض رپورٹ ہوئے ہیں جن میں سے 5 افراد کو مختلف اسپتالوں میں داخل کیا گیا ہے جبکہ 4 مریضوں کو اوپی ڈی میں لایا گیا۔ رپورٹ کے مطابق ضلع ملیر میں 2، ضلع وسطی میں 5، ضلع شرقی میں 1 اور ضلع کورنگی میں بھی 1 کیس رپورٹ ہوا۔ رپورٹ کے مطابق رواں سال کے ابتدائی 5 ہفتوں میں صوبے بھر میں ڈینگی سے متاثرہ مریضوں کی تعداد 68 ہو گئی ہے۔

پہنچا تو انہوں نے قافلہ بلوچستان کی طرف کر دیا تھا جہاں سے انہیں گرفتار کیا گیا۔ حمیدہ کھوڑو جام صادق کے دور حکومت میں کچھ مہینوں کے لیے وزیر تعلیم رہیں۔ بعد میں 2002 کے انتخابات میں وہ مسلم لیگ ق کے ٹکٹ پر خواتین کی مختص نشست پر سندھ اسمبلی کی رکن منتخب ہوئیں اور انہیں محکمہ تعلیم کا قلمدان دیا گیا۔

پنجاب میں دواؤں کی سپلائی کا مسئلہ بحران عارضی طور پر ٹل گیا، ریشلیئر اور میڈیکل اسٹور مالکان نے ہڑتال کی کال واپس لے لی ہے جبکہ دواساز کمپنیاں ہڑتال کی ضد پر اڑی ہوئی ہیں۔ دوائیں بنانے والی کمپنیوں نے ڈرگ ایکٹ کے خلاف ہڑتال کا اعلان کر دیا، فارماسیوٹیکل مینوفیکچررز نے الزام لگایا کہ ہڑتال واپس لینے والوں کو حکومتی سرپرستی حاصل ہے، ڈرگ ایکٹ کے خلاف کل پنجاب بھر میں احتجاج کریں گے، ہڑتال کا اعلان غیر معینہ مدت کے لیے کیا گیا ہے

کوئٹہ، پشین اور قلعہ عبداللہ میں انسداد پولیو کی خصوصی پانچ روزہ مہم آج دوسرے روز بھی جاری ہے۔ ایمر جنی آپریشن سینٹر کوئٹہ کے حکام کے مطابق کوئٹہ، پشین اور قلعہ عبداللہ میں انسداد پولیو کی خصوصی مہم کا آج دوسرا روز ہے، پولیو ٹیمیں گھر گھر جا کر پانچ سال تک کے بچوں کو پولیو وائرس سے بچاؤ کے قطرے پلا رہی ہیں، خصوصی مہم کوئٹہ، پشین اور قلعہ عبداللہ میں پولیو وائرس کی موجودگی کے باعث چلائی جا رہی ہے۔ مہم کے دوران 7 لاکھ سے زائد بچوں کو پولیو وائرس سے بچاؤ کے قطرے پلانے کا ہدف مقرر کیا گیا ہے، پانچ روزہ خصوصی مہم 15 فروری تک جاری رہے گی۔

پنجاب بھر میں میڈیکل اسٹورز کی ایسوسی ایشن نے کل سے شٹر ڈاؤن ہڑتال کا اعلان کر دیا۔ مریضوں پر ادویات نہ ملنے کے خدشات منڈلانے لگے۔ پنجاب اسمبلی نے جعلی ادویات بنانے اور بیچنے والوں کے لیے سزائیں سخت کرنے کا بل پاس کیا تھا، جو میڈیکل اسٹورز کی ایسوسی ایشن نے مسترد کر دیا۔ پنجاب اسمبلی نے 8 فروری کو ڈرگ ایکٹ 1976ء کا ترمیمی بل منظور کیا، جس کے تحت غیر معیاری ادویہ سازی پر 6 ماہ سے 5 سال تک قید اور 1 کروڑ سے 5 کروڑ روپے تک جرمانہ، جبکہ کوآلفائیڈ پرسن کے موجود نہ ہونے پر 30 دن سے لے کر 5 سال تک قید اور 5 لاکھ سے 50 لاکھ روپے تک جرمانہ کیا جاسکے گا۔ پاکستان فارماسیوٹیکل مینوفیکچررز ایسوسی ایشن نے مذکورہ بل کو ماننے سے انکار کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ 13 فروری کو ادویات سپلائی نہیں ہوگی، ہول سیل ہی نہیں، ریشلیئر اور میڈیکل اسٹورز بھی بند ہوں گے۔ ڈرگ لائسنز فورم کے صدر محمد نور کہتے ہیں کہ ڈرگ ایکٹ وفاق کا قانون ہے، صوبائی اسمبلی اس میں تبدیلی کی مجاز ہی نہیں۔ فارماسیوٹیکل مینوفیکچررز ایسوسی ایشن کا کہنا ہے کہ ترمیمی بل واپس نہ لیا گیا تو احتجاج کا دائرہ کار بڑھا دیا جائے گا۔ دوسری جانب مریضوں کو ادویات سے منسلک افراد کی ہڑتال کے اعلان نے ادویات نہ ملنے کے خدشات سے دوچار کر دیا ہے۔

لاہور (شاف رپورٹر) پنجاب یونیورسٹی نیو کیسپس کے ہاسٹل نمبر 1 میں 2 طلباء گروپوں میں تصادم سے یونیورسٹی میدان جنگ بن گئی۔ ایک دوسرے پر پتھر اٹو سے 8 طلباء زخمی ہو گئے۔ اطلاع ملنے پر پولیس کی بھاری نفری موقع پر پہنچ گئی۔ معلوم ہوا ہے کہ پنجاب یونیورسٹی میں طلبہ اور طالبات کے ایک ساتھ بیٹھنے پر ایک طلباء تنظیم کے افراد نے ایک طالب علم کو تشدد کا نشانہ بنایا جس پر دوسرے گروپ کے طلباء کی بڑی تعداد جمع ہو گئی اور دونوں گروپوں میں تصادم ہو گیا۔ لڑائیاں لگنے اور پتھر اٹو سے 8 طلباء زخمی ہو گئے جنہیں فوری ہسپتال منتقل کر دیا گیا۔ اطلاع ملنے پر پولیس کی بھاری نفری موقع پر پہنچ گئی اور آنسو گیس برساتی جس سے دونوں گروپوں کے کارکن فرار ہو گئے۔ واقعہ کے بعد یونیورسٹی میں موجود طلباء کی بڑی تعداد گھروں کو چلی گئی۔ پولیس کا کہنا ہے کہ درخواست نہیں آئی درخواست آنے پر کارروائی کی جائے گی، یونیورسٹی میں ہلکار تعینات کر دیئے گئے۔ یاد رہے کہ ایک طلباء تنظیم کی جانب سے ویلنٹائن ڈے کے موقع پر یونیورسٹی میں یوم حیا منانے کی تیاریاں کی جا رہی ہیں جس سے دونوں تنظیموں میں دوبارہ تصادم کا خدشہ ہے۔ قائم مقام وائس چانسلر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر تقی زاہد بٹ کی ہدایت پر رجسٹرار ڈاکٹر نعیم خان نے واقعہ کی انکوائری کے لئے چیئر مین ہال کونسل پروفیسر ڈاکٹر عابد حسین چودھری کی سربراہی میں تین رکنی کمیٹی قائم کر دی۔

لاہور ہائیکورٹ کی جسٹس عائشہ اے ملک نے کیس کی سماعت کی۔ درخواست گزاروں کے وکیل نے موقف اختیار کیا کہ عالمی منڈی میں پیٹرولیم مصنوعات کی قیمتیں کم ہونے کے باوجود حکومت نے عوام کو ریلیف نہیں دیا۔ وفاقی حکومت کو پیٹرولیم مصنوعات کی قیمتوں میں اضافے کی وصولی کا کوئی قانونی اور اخلاقی حق نہیں ہے، وفاقی کابینہ کی منظوری کے بغیر اضافی قیمت وصول نہیں کی جاسکتی۔ انہوں نے استدعا کی وفاقی کابینہ کی منظوری کے بغیر پیٹرولیم مصنوعات کی قیمتوں میں کیا جانے والا اضافہ کالعدم قرار دیا جائے۔ ڈپٹی انٹرنی جرنل نے وفاقی حکومت کا جواب داخل کرنے کے لئے مزید مہلت مانگ لی۔ عدالت نے وفاقی حکومت کو دوبارہ نوٹس جاری کرتے ہوئے دو ہفتوں میں جواب طلب کر لیا۔

پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی نے گوجرانوالہ میں ناقص اور ملاوٹ شدہ مرچیں، مضر صحت چاکلیٹ اور ٹافیاں برآمد کر کے پیداواری یونٹس سیل کر دیے۔ پنجاب فوڈ اتھارٹی کی ڈائریکٹر آپریشنز رافیہ حیدر کے مطابق گوجرانوالہ میں ناقص مرچیں بنانے والے کارخانے پر چھاپہ مارا گیا۔ مرچوں میں لکڑی کا براہ، چوکر اور رنگ استعمال کیے جا رہے تھے۔ 7 ہزار کلوگرام ملاوٹ زدہ مرچیں برآمد کر کے مقدمہ درج کر دیا گیا۔ فوڈ اتھارٹی نے ناقص چاکلیٹ اور

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کیسٹ ایسوسی ایشن کی ہڑتال کے باعث لاہور کے میوہسپتال کے باہر میڈیکل اسٹور بند ہیں جبکہ میڈیکل اسٹور پر ہڑتال کے ممبرز لگا دیئے گئے۔ ادھر سندھ کے دواسازوں اور دوا فروخت کرنے والوں نے بھی بحران میں کودنے کا فیصلہ کر لیا۔ کراچی میں آج ہول سیل مارکیٹ اور ڈسٹری بیوشن بند رہے گی۔ ایسوسی ایشن کے رہنما کہتے ہیں لاہور میں آج سندھ کے بارے میں اہم فیصلے ہوں گے۔ لاہور میں دوائیں تیار اور فروخت کرنے والوں کی تنظیمیں ہڑتال کے معاملے پر 2 دھڑوں میں بٹ گئیں۔ ریٹیلرز ایسوسی ایشن نے حکومت سے مذاکرات کے بعد ہڑتال 20 فروری تک موخر کر دی ہے جبکہ دواساز کمپنیاں ڈرگ ایکٹ کے خلاف ہڑتال کے فیصلے پر قائم ہیں۔ پنجاب اسمبلی نے 8 فروری کو ڈرگ ایکٹ 1976 کا بل منظور کیا تھا جس کے تحت غیر معیاری دواسازی پر 6 ماہ سے 5 سال تک قید اور ایک کروڑ سکرور روپے تک جرمانہ، کو ایلفائیڈ پرسن کے موجود نہ ہونے پر 30 دن سے 5 سال تک قید اور 5 لاکھ سے 50 لاکھ روپے تک جرمانہ کیا جاسکے گا۔ حکومت پنجاب کے اقدامات کے خلاف دواؤں کے کاروبار سے وابستہ تنظیمیں آج ہڑتال کے فیصلے پر قائم ہیں۔ دواساز اداروں کے مالکان کا کہنا ہے آج ہڑتال ضرور ہوگی۔ فارماسیوٹیکل مینوفیکچررز اور پنجاب کیمسٹس کونسل کے نمائندوں نے الزام لگایا کہ ہڑتال کی اپیل واپس لینے والوں کو حکومتی سرپرستی حاصل ہے۔ ادھر سندھ میں بھی دواساز اور دوا فروخت کرنے والوں نے بحران میں کودنے کا فیصلہ کر لیا ہے۔ صدر ہول سیل کیسٹ ایسوسی ایشن کے مطابق کراچی میں آج ہول سیل مارکیٹ اور ڈسٹری بیوشن بند رہے گی۔ ایسوسی ایشن کے رہنما سعید اللہ والا نے کہا کہ لاہور میں آج سندھ کے بارے میں اہم فیصلے ہوں گے۔

سندھ کی نامور تاریخ نویس، استاد اور سیاست دان حمیدہ کھوڑو اکیاسی برس کی عمر میں انتقال کر گئی ہیں۔ کراچی میں اپنی رہائش گاہ پر اتوار کی صبح ان کا انتقال ہوا۔ ان کے خاندان کا کہنا تھا کہ کھانے کے بعد ان کی طبیعت بگڑ گئی اور انتقال کر گئیں۔ حمیدہ کھوڑو کی پیدائش 13 اگست 1936 میں لاڑکانہ کے علاقے عاقل میں ہوئی۔ ان کی بہن رشیدہ پاشا نے بی بی سی کو بتایا کہ حمیدہ 6 بہن بھائیوں میں سب سے بڑی تھیں۔ حمیدہ کھوڑو نے پرائمری تعلیم لاڑکانہ سے حاصل کی، اس کے بعد کراچی یونیورسٹی سے گریجویشن کی اور مزید تعلیم برطانیہ سے حاصل کی۔ برطانیہ سے انہوں نے کیمبرج یونیورسٹی سے گریجویشن، آکسفورڈ یونیورسٹی سے ماسٹرز اور پی ایچ ڈی کی ڈگری حاصل کی۔ وطن واپسی پر انہوں نے کراچی یونیورسٹی کے شعبے تاریخ میں درس و تدریس کی ابتدا کی لیکن بعد میں سندھ یونیورسٹی آگئیں جہاں انہوں نے پاکستان سٹڈی سینٹر کی سربراہی کی۔ ان کی تصانیف میں 'سندھ و سہنچر'، 'دی میکنگ آف ماڈرن سندھ'، 'کراچی میگاسٹی آف اور ٹائمز' شامل ہیں۔ انہوں نے اپنے والد کی یادداشتوں پر مشتمل کتاب 'محمد ایوب کھوڑو لائف آف کریج ان پالیٹکس' بھی تحریر کی۔ حال ہی میں انہوں نے آکسفورڈ کے لیے چاروں صوبوں کی مختصر تاریخ لکھی تھی جو بچوں کے لیے شائع کی گئی ہے۔ حمیدہ کھوڑو کے والد ایوب کھوڑو سندھ کے متنازع سیاستدان رہے ہیں۔ جب پاکستان میں ون یونٹ کا قیام عمل میں آیا سندھ، بلوچستان اور خیبر پختون کو پنجاب کے ساتھ ملا کر ایک انتظامی یونٹ بنایا گیا تو وہ سندھ کے وزیر اعلیٰ تھے۔ سندھ میں قوم پرست جماعتوں کے علاوہ علی ادبی تنظیموں نے بھی ون یونٹ کے خلاف بھرپور تحریک چلائی تھی، جس میں ایوب کھوڑو پر سندھ سے غداری کے الزامات عائد کیے گئے تھے۔ جنرل ایوب خان کے دور میں انہیں بھی گرفتار کیا گیا اور بعد میں چھ سال کے لیے انتخابات میں حصہ لینے پر پابندی عائد کر دی۔

حمیدہ کھوڑو نے سندھ یونیورسٹی کی ملازمت چھوڑ کر سیاست میں حصہ لیا۔ وہ جے سندھ محاذ اور اس کے دھڑوں اور ذیلی تنظیموں کے نظریاتی ادارے سپریم کونسل کی رکن تھیں۔ بعد میں وہ قوم پرست جماعتوں کے الانس سندھ نیشنل الانس میں شامل ہو گئیں اور 1988 میں الانس کی جانب سے لاڑکانہ میں بیگم نصرت بھٹو کے سامنے انتخاب لڑیں جس میں انہیں شکست ہوئی اس کے بعد انہوں نے کبھی انتخابات میں حصہ نہیں لیا۔ سندھ کی سیاسی تاریخ کے مصنف خادم سومر کہتے ہیں کہ حمیدہ کھوڑو تاریخ کی طالبہ تھیں اس لیے حقائق جانتی تھیں اور اسی لیے والد پر جو الزامات عائد ہوئے ان کی وضاحت نہیں کرتی تھیں۔ تحریک بحالی جمہوریت میں جے سندھ نہیں تھی بلکہ پیپلز پارٹی اور دیگر جماعتیں شامل تھیں۔ لیکن حمیدہ کھوڑو فوجی کارروائیوں سے متاثر گاؤں میں جاتیں اور لوگوں سے ملتی تھیں۔ اس کے علاوہ عالمی نشریاتی اداروں سے اس پر بات بھی کرتی تھیں اس لیے ان کا ایک کردار رہا۔ 'جے سندھ تحریک کے بانی جی ایم سید اور حمیدہ کھوڑو کے والد ایوب کھوڑو کے نظریاتی اختلافات رہے لیکن ذاتی طور پر وہ دوست بھی رہے۔ جے سندھ متحدہ محاذ کو بحال کرنے کی کوشش میں ایوب کھوڑو کو شامل کرنے کی کوشش کی لیکن رسول بخش بلیجو کی سربراہی میں ان کی مخالفت کی۔ حمیدہ کھوڑو نے جی ایم سید کو نواز شریف کے قریب لانے کی بھی کوشش کی۔ 1989 میں جی ایم سید کو گرفتار کیا گیا۔ پروفیسر تاج جو یو کا کہنا تھا کہ حمیدہ کھوڑو کی پوری کوشش تھی کہ جی ایم سید پنجاب چلیں اور نواز شریف سے ملاقات کریں لیکن انہوں نے انکار کر دیا تھا۔ جب ان کا قافلہ روجھان

تاریخ نویس، استاد اور سیاست دان
حمیدہ کھوڑو انتقال کر گئیں

بی بی سی اردو

12 فروری 2017

تفتیش کے لیے نامعلوم مقام پر منتقل کر دیا گیا

کراچی کے علاقے سپربائی وے پر پولیس مقابلے میں 6 مبینہ دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے۔ ایس ایس پی میسر راؤ انوار کے مطابق سپربائی وے پر ٹول پلازہ کے قریب پولیس نے دہشت گردوں کی موجودگی پر چھاپا مارا تو ملزمان نے فائرنگ کر دی۔ پولیس کی جوابی فائرنگ سے 6 دہشت گرد ہلاک ہو گئے۔

جیو اردو

9 فروری 2017

**بھارتی سیز فائر خلاف ورزی امن کیلئے
خطرہ ہے: کور کمانڈر کانفرنس**

جیو اردو

8 فروری 2017

کور کمانڈر کانفرنس نے بھارت کی جانب سے سیز فائر معاہدے کی خلاف ورزی کو علاقائی امن و استحکام کے لیے سنگین خطرہ قرار دے دیا۔ آرمی چیف جنرل قمر جاوید باجوہ کی زیر صدارت جی ایچ کیو راولپنڈی میں ہونے والی کور کمانڈر کانفرنس میں فیصلہ کیا گیا کہ دہشت گردی کے خلاف آپریشن مطلوبہ کامیابیوں تک جاری رکھے جائیں گے، کانفرنس میں سیکورٹی کی صورت حال اور درپیش چیلنجوں کا جائزہ بھی لیا گیا۔ کانفرنس میں ملک اور خطے کی سیکورٹی کی صورت حال اور درپیش چیلنجز کا جائزہ لیا گیا اور دہشت گردی کے خلاف آپریشنز پر اطمینان کا اظہار کیا گیا۔ آرمی چیف جنرل قمر جاوید باجوہ نے کانفرنس سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ بھارت کی اشتعال انگیزیاں خطے کے امن و استحکام کے لیے خطرہ ہیں۔ کور کمانڈر کانفرنس نے فیصلہ کیا ہے کہ ملک میں امن کے قیام اور دہشت گردی کے خاتمے تک دہشت گردی کے خلاف آپریشنز جاری رہیں گے۔ کور کمانڈر کانفرنس میں افغانستان میں دہشت گردی کے واقعات کی مذمت کی گئی اور دہشت گردی کو مل کر شکست دینے کے عزم کا اظہار کیا گیا۔

پاکستان نیوی کی کثیر القومی بحری مشقیں "امن" دس فروری سے شروع ہوں گی جو 14 فروری تک جاری رہیں گی۔ کمانڈر کراچی وائس ایڈمرل عارف اللہ حسینی کہتے ہیں مشقوں میں امریکا، روس، چین کے دستے حصہ لے رہے ہیں، مشقوں سے ایک دوسرے کے تجربے سے فائدہ ہو گا۔ کمانڈر کراچی وائس ایڈمرل عارف اللہ حسینی نے کراچی میں پولیس کانفرنس کرتے ہوئے امن 2017 مشقوں سے متعلق بریفنگ دی۔ انہوں نے بتایا کہ مشق میں 36 ممالک شرکت کریں گے اس کا مقصد بحری خطرات سے نمٹنا اور بین الاقوامی سطح پر بحری فورسز کے درمیان ہم آہنگی اور روابط پیدا کرنا ہے۔ بھارت جارحانہ رویہ ترک کرے پاکستان غافل نہیں خطے میں امن کا استحکام چاہتے ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ ہمارا خطہ پوری دنیا کے لیے اہمیت رکھتا ہے، دنیا کے تیل کا بڑا حصہ اس خطے سے گزرتا ہے۔

لندن: برطانیہ کے اسٹینسٹڈ ایئرپورٹ پر ہنگامی لینڈنگ کرنے والے طیاروں کو سیکورٹی فورسز نے کٹیر قرار دے دیا جس کے بعد مسافروں کو بسوں کے ذریعے ہیتھرو ایئرپورٹ روانہ کر دیا۔ برطانوی میڈیا کے مطابق سیکورٹی خدشات کے باعث پاکستان ایئر لائن کے طیارے پی کے 757 کو ٹائیٹون جیٹ طیاروں نے اسٹینسٹڈ ایئرپورٹ پر بحفاظت اتار لیا گیا تھا جہاں سرچنگ کے عمل کے بعد سیکورٹی فورسز نے ایک مسافر کو حراست میں لے لیا اور 4 گھنٹے کی تفتیش کے بعد طیارے کو کٹیر قرار دیتے ہوئے مسافروں کو بسوں کے ذریعے ہیتھرو ایئرپورٹ منتقل کر دیا۔ پی آئی اے ترجمان کا کہنا ہے کہ حکام کو ایک نامعلوم کال کے ذریعے لاہور سے لندن کے ہیتھرو ایئرپورٹ کے لئے پرواز بھرنے والے طیارے میں بم کی اطلاع ملی جس کے بعد اسے ہیتھرو ایئرپورٹ کے بجائے اسٹینسٹڈ ایئرپورٹ پر اتارا گیا۔

لاہور: کاؤنٹر ٹیررازم ڈیپارٹمنٹ نے قائد اعظم انٹر چینج رنگ روڈ پر کارروائی کرتے ہوئے کالعدم تنظیم کے 2 دہشت گردوں کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ ایکسپریس نیوز کے مطابق کاؤنٹر ٹیررازم ڈیپارٹمنٹ (سی ٹی ڈی) نے قائد اعظم انٹر چینج رنگ روڈ سے 2 دہشت گردوں کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ ترجمان سی ٹی ڈی کے مطابق گرفتار دہشت گرد قاری احمد اور اسرار شفیق لاہور میں کالعدم تنظیم کے لیے کام کر رہے تھے اور حساس ادارے کے اعلیٰ افسر کو نشانہ بنانے سمیت حساس تنصیبات پر حملے کی بھی منصوبہ بندی کر رہے تھے۔ ترجمان سی ٹی ڈی کا کہنا تھا کہ دونوں دہشت گرد حملے کے بعد شام فرار ہونے کا منصوبہ بھی بنا چکے تھے جب کہ ان کے قبضے سے آئی ای ڈی، پیٹرن گریڈ اور دیگر بارودی مواد برآمد ہوا ہے۔

**برطانیہ میں ہنگامی لینڈنگ کرنے والا پی
آئی اے طیارہ کٹیر قرار**

ایکسپریس نیوز

7 فروری 2017

**لاہور میں رنگ روڈ سے کالعدم تنظیم
کے 2 دہشت گرد گرفتار، سی ٹی ڈی**

ایکسپریس نیوز

7 فروری 2017

رہائشی نعيم قطر ایئر لائن کی پرواز کیو آر 621 سے ڈھائی کلو گرام ہیروئن لے کر بیرون ملک جا رہا تھا۔ اے ایس ایف اہلکاروں نے شک کی بنیاد پر مسافر کے سامان کی چیکنگ کی تو معلوم ہوا کہ مسافر نے مالتوں کو اندر سے خالی کر کے ان میں ہیروئن چھپا رکھی تھی۔ اے ایس ایف کے مطابق ملزم نعيم ہیروئن لاہور سے دو قطر لے جانا چاہتا تھا 3/4 ملزم کو حراست میں لے کر تفتیش شروع کر دی گئی ہے۔

تفتیشی افسر کا کہنا تھا کہ بلدیہ پولیس نے ملزم رمیز کو بلدیہ ناؤن سے دو ہزار پندرہ کلو گرام ہیروئن لے کر گرفتار کیا۔ ملزم کے قبضے سے بھاری مقدار میں دھماکہ خیز مواد اور اسلحہ برآمد ہوا۔ عدالت نے تفتیشی افسر کا موقف سننے ہوئے جرم ثابت ہونے پر ملزم رمیز کو چودہ سال قید اور دولاکھ جرمانے کی سزا کا حکم دے دیا۔ انسداد ہشت گردی کی ایک اور عدالت نے دھماکہ خیز مواد کے مقدمہ میں ملوث چار ملزمان عمران، حیدر، اسماعیل اور سمیع کو جرم ثابت ہونے پر چودہ سال قید کی سزا کا حکم دیا ہے۔ ملزمان کے خلاف تھانہ مومن آباد میں دھماکہ خیز مواد رکھنے کا مقدمہ درج ہے۔

کراچی میں میری ٹائم کانفرنس سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے سر تاج عزیز کا کہنا تھا کہ بحری مشینیں امن و استحکام کیلئے ملکوں کے تعاون کی عکاس ہیں۔ بحر ہند کا خطہ معاشی اور سیاسی طور پر انتہائی اہمیت اختیار کر گیا ہے۔ دنیا کی چالیس فیصد تجارت بحر ہند سے گزرتی ہے۔ بحر ہند مشرق وسطیٰ، جنوبی ایشیا، افریقہ کے درمیان رابطے کا ذریعہ ہے۔ آبنائے ہرمز اور ملاکا بحر ہند کے راستے کی اہم ترین گزر گاہیں ہیں۔ انکا کہنا تھا کہ دنیا میں تیل و گیس کے تیس فیصد ذخائر بحر ہند کے خطے میں ہیں۔ پاکستان کی تجارت کا بڑا حصہ بحر ہند سے جاتا ہے، بحر ہند کے خطے کے ملکوں کی سلامتی سے براہ راست تعلق رکھتی ہے۔ مشیر خارجہ کا کہنا تھا کہ بحری قذاقوں سے نمٹنے کیلئے پاکستان دوسرے ملکوں کے ساتھ ملکر کام کر رہا ہے، میری ٹائم سکیورٹی چیلنجز سے نمٹنے کے لئے تیار ہیں۔

افغانستان سے دہشت گردوں نے مہمند ایجنسی میں سرحدی پوسٹ پر حملہ کیا ہے۔ آئی ایس پی آر کے مطابق پاک فوج نے دہشت گردوں کے حملے کا موثر جواب دیا ہے، فوج کی جوابی کارروائی کے بعد دہشت گرد واپس افغانستان بھاگ گئے۔

باجوڑ ایجنسی کی تحصیل ارنگ میں سڑک کنارے نصب بم پھٹنے سے ایک بچہ جاں بحق اور تین بچوں سمیت 14 افراد زخمی ہو گئے۔ لیویز ذرائع کے مطابق دھماکا ریوٹ کنٹرول ڈیوٹس کے ذریعے کیا گیا، زخمیوں کو ڈسٹرکٹ ہیڈ کوارٹر اسپتال تیمر گراہ منتقل کر دیا گیا ہے۔ پولیٹیکل انتظامیہ اور سکیورٹی فورسز نے علاقے کو گھیرے میں لیکر سرچ آپریشن شروع کر دیا ہے۔

کارروائیاں گڈاپ، اورنگی اور سٹی ٹاؤن میں کی گئیں۔ ترجمان سندھ ریجنرز کے مطابق گرفتار ملزمان سے بھاری تعداد میں اسلحہ بھی برآمد ہوا ہے، گرفتار ملزمان میں سیاسی جماعت کے عسکری ونگ سے تعلق رکھنے والا کارکن، لیاری گینگ وار کے کارندے اور کالعدم تنظیم کارکن شامل ہیں۔ ترجمان ریجنرز نے کراچی کے عوام سے اپیل کی ہے کہ شہر میں کسی بھی منفی سرگرمی کی اطلاع فوری طور پر قریبی ریجنرز چوکی، ہیڈ کوارٹر یا ریجنرز ہیڈ کوارٹر پر دیں۔

ڈائریکٹر ایف آئی اے کو اطلاع ملی تھی کہ نیو اعظم مارکیٹ میں غیر قانونی ہنڈی اور حوالہ کار کا کاروبار ہو رہا ہے جس پر وفاقی تحقیقاتی ادارے کے اہلکاروں نے کارروائی کرتے ہوئے ملزم خلیل کو گرفتار کر کے اس کے قبضے سے کرنسی نوٹ اور چیک برآمد کر کے مقدمہ درج کر لیا۔ ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر کے مطابق ملزم عرصہ دراز سے ہنڈی حوالہ کار غیر قانونی کاروبار کر رہا تھا۔

اسپیشل پولیس یونٹ مردان ریجن نے شب قدر میں کارروائی کرتے ہوئے بھٹاخور کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ اسپیشل پولیس یونٹ مردان ریجن نے مچنی چوک شب قدر میں کارروائی کرتے ہوئے پشاور سے تعلق رکھنے والے بھٹاخور ایتناز کو گرفتار کر لیا۔ ملزم نے 2016ء میں شب قدر کے رہائشی سے دس لاکھ روپے بھتے کا مطالبہ کیا تھا اور بھتانہ دینے پر ملزم نے شب قدر کے رہائشی شخص کے گھر پر دستی بم سے حملہ کیا تھا، جس میں جانی نقصان نہیں ہوا۔ ملزم کو

کراچی: انسداد ہشت گردی کی عدالت نے کالعدم جماعت کے کارکن کو چودہ سال قید اور جرمانے کی سزا سنائی

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تقصادی راہداری منصوبے کی اہمیت میں روز بروز اضافہ ہو رہا ہے، میری ٹائم سکیورٹی چیلنجز سے نمٹنے کے لئے تیار ہیں: سر تاج عزیز

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مہمند ایجنسی، افغانستان سے دہشت گردوں کا سرحدی پوسٹ پر حملہ

جیو اردو

10 فروری 2017

باجوڑ ایجنسی میں دھماکا، بچہ جاں بحق، 14 افراد زخمی

جیو اردو

10 فروری 2017

کراچی: ریجنرز کارروائیاں، چھ ملزمان گرفتار، اسلحہ برآمد، ملزمان کا تعلق سیاسی جماعت کے عسکری ونگ اور کالعدم تنظیم سے ہے

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لاہور: ہنڈی کا غیر قانونی کاروبار کرنے والا ملزم گرفتار، کرنسی نوٹ اور چیک برآمد

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شب قدر میں کارروائی، بھٹاخور گرفتار

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بی بی سی اردو

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پاکستان میں وفاق کے زیر انتظام قبائلی علاقے جنوبی وزیرستان میں حکام کا کہنا ہے کہ اتوار کو سکیورٹی فورسز پر ہونے والے بارودی سرنگ کے ایک حملے میں تین ایف سی اہلکار ہلاک ہو گئے ہیں۔ جنوبی وزیرستان کے پولیٹیکل ایجنٹ ظفر اسلام خٹک نے بی بی سی کو بتایا کہ یہ حملہ اتوار کو جنوبی وزیرستان کے صدر مقام وانا سے تقریباً 50 کلومیٹر دور زرملین کے علاقے میں ہوا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ سکیورٹی فورسز کے اہلکار سڑک پر جا رہے تھے کہ اس دوران انہیں بارودی سرنگ کے ایک دھماکے میں نشانہ بنایا گیا جس میں ایف سی کے تین اہلکار ہلاک ہوئے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ اس بات کی تحقیقات کی جا رہی ہے کہ بارودی مواد پہلے سے نصب کیا گیا تھا یا ایف سی اہلکاروں کو نشانہ بنانے کے لیے نصب کیا گیا تھا۔ دریں اثناء کا لعدم تنظیم تحریک طالبان پاکستان نے اس حملے کی ذمہ داری قبول کرنے کا دعویٰ کیا ہے۔ ادھر مقامی لوگوں کا کہنا ہے کہ کچھ عرصہ سے جنوبی وزیرستان کے مختلف علاقوں میں بارودی سرنگ کے دھماکوں میں اضافہ دیکھا جا رہا ہے جس میں درجنوں عام شہری ہلاک یا معذور ہو چکے ہیں۔ خیال رہے کہ جنوبی وزیرستان میں سکیورٹی فورسز کی طرف سے ہونے والے آپریشنوں کی وجہ سے وہاں زیادہ تر علاقوں میں حکومت کی عمل داری دوبارہ بحال کر دی گئی ہے۔ تاہم وہاں وقتاً فوقتاً قانون نافذ کرنے والے اداروں کے اہلکار بم دھماکوں یا دیگر حملوں کا نشانہ بنتے رہے ہیں۔

کراچی میں نجی نیوز چینل سما کی ڈی ایس این جی پر حملے میں چینل کا ایک ملازم ہلاک ہو گیا ہے اور صحافی تنظیموں نے حملے کے خلاف پیر کو احتجاج کا اعلان کیا ہے۔ یہ واقعہ اتوار کی شب کے ڈی اے چورنگی کے قریب پیش آیا ہے۔ سائی وی کے کنٹرول ریزیور عامر اسحاق سہروردی نے بی بی سی کو بتایا کہ شاہراہ نور جہاں تھانے کی حدود میں فائیو اسٹار چورنگی کے قریب اتوار کی شام ایک پولیس موبائل پر کرکٹر حملہ کیا گیا اور اس واقعے کی کوریج کے لیے ڈی ایس این جی روانہ کی گئی تھی۔ نامہ نگار ریاض سمیل کے مطابق ڈی ایس این جی جب کے ڈی اے چورنگی پر پہنچی تو موٹر سائیکل پر سوار حملہ آوروں نے پیچھے کی جانب سے فائرنگ کی، جس سے اس میں سوار تیمور عباس نامی اسسٹنٹ ہلاک ہو گیا۔ سانیوز چینل کی ڈی ایس این جی پر گذشتہ چند سالوں میں یہ دوسرا حملہ ہے، اس سے قبل لالو کھیت کے قریب اسی چینل کی گاڑی پر فائرنگ سے شیشے ٹوٹ گئے تھے۔ سائی وی کے کنٹرول ریزیور عامر اسحاق سہروردی کا کہنا ہے کہ جس طرح بعض شدت پسند گروہوں کی جانب سے میڈیا ہاؤسز کو دھمکیاں جارہا تھا، سانیوز بھی اس کا ایک حصہ ہے۔ اس کے علاوہ ایک فرقہ وارانہ گروہ کی جانب سے سوشل میڈیا پر ان کے خلاف مہم جاری تھی۔ یاد رہے کہ کا لعدم تنظیم جماعت الاحرار نے پاکستان کے سکیورٹی اداروں کے ساتھ میڈیا ہاؤسز پر بھی حملوں کی دھمکی دی تھی، یہ دھمکی آمیز بیان ایک ویڈیو میں جاری کیا گیا تھا۔ سندھ کے وزیر اعلیٰ سید مراد علی شاہ اور ائی جی سندھ اے ڈی خواجہ نے سانیوز پر حملے کا نوٹس لیا ہے اور متعلقہ افسران سے تفصیلات طلب کر لی ہیں۔ انھوں نے ہدایت کی ہے کہ چھاپہ مار ٹیموں کو خصوصی ناسک دیا جائے۔ دریں اثناء ایس ایس پی مقدس حیدر نے اس بات کا شبہ ظاہر کیا ہے کہ ملزمان نے پہلے موبائل پر کرکٹر حملہ کیا اس کے بعد جب سما کی ڈی ایس این جی پہنچی تو اس پر حملہ کیا گیا۔ کراچی میں نیوز چینلز کی سیٹلائٹ آلات سے لیس گاڑیوں پر یہ چھوٹا حملہ تھا۔ اس سے قبل 17 جنوری 2014 کو میٹرک بورڈ ناظم آباد میں موٹر سائیکل سواروں کی فائرنگ میں ڈرائیور اور ٹیکنیشن سمیت 3 ملازم ہلاک ہو گئے تھے۔ اسی طرح 8 اکتوبر 2015 کو بہادر آباد کے قریب جیو کی ڈی ایس این جی پر فائرنگ کے نتیجے میں ٹیکنیشن ہلاک اور ڈرائیور زخمی ہو گیا تھا۔ اسی سال 28 نومبر کو عیسیٰ گمری کے علاقے میں ڈان نیوز چینل کی ڈی ایس این جی پر فائرنگ کی گئی تھی جس میں ایک ٹیکنیشن زخمی ہو گیا تھا۔ کراچی اور حیدر آباد سمیت مختلف شہروں میں صحافی تنظیموں نے حملے کے خلاف پیر کو احتجاجی مظاہرہ کا اعلان کیا ہے۔

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میں سونا اور ہیر وٹن اسمگل کرنے کی

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بے نظیر بھٹو انٹرنیشنل ایئرپورٹ سے کروڑوں روپے مالیت کا سونا، ہیر وٹن اور موبائل فونز اسمگل کرنے کی کوششیں ناکام بنا کر 3 ملزمان کو حراست میں لے لیا گیا۔ میڈیا رپورٹ کے مطابق ایئرپورٹ سکیورٹی فورس نے بے نظیر بھٹو انٹرنیشنل ایئرپورٹ پر کارروائی کرتے ہوئے دہائی جانے والے مسافر ندیم اختر کے قبضے سے 35 تو لے سونے کے بکسٹ برآمد کر لئے، ملزم سونا اپنی جیکٹ میں چھپا کر دہائی اسمگل کر رہا تھا جسے حراست میں لے کر کسٹم حکام کے حوالے کر دیا گیا۔ اے ایس ایف کی جانب سے دوسری کارروائی کے دوران یوگنڈا جانے والی پرواز کے مسافر امین کے سامان سے ایک کلو ہیر وٹن برآمد کی گئی جس کی مالیت عالمی منڈی میں کروڑوں روپے بنتی ہے، مسافر کا تعلق پشاور سے ہے جو ویل چیئر پر تھا۔ بے نظیر بھٹو انٹرنیشنل ایئرپورٹ پر ہی تیسری کارروائی میں دہائی سے آنے والے مسافر کے بینڈ بگ سے 62 آئی فونز اور 5 ٹیبلٹس برآمد کیے گئے، ملزم ریڈ چینل کے ذریعے بینڈ بگ لاؤنج سے باہر لے جانے کی کوشش کر رہا تھا کہ اسے دھر لیا گیا۔ ڈی سی کسٹم کا کہنا ہے کہ ریڈ چینل پر پکڑنے جانے پر ملزم نے بینڈ بگ کی ملکیت ہی تسلیم نہ کی جس کے بعد بینڈ بگ پر لگے ایئر لائن ٹیگ سے ملزم کی شناخت کر کے اسے گرفتار کیا گیا۔ لاہور کے علامہ اقبال انٹرنیشنل ایئرپورٹ پر بھی ساہیوال کا

ڈان نیوز

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گواہ، مکران اور پسپائی میں محسوس کیے گئے۔ زلزلے کے نتیجے میں کسی قسم کے جانی و مالی نقصان کی اطلاع نہیں ملی۔ دوسری جانب صوبائی ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ اتھارٹی کے ڈائریکٹر جنرل اسلم ترین کا کہنا تھا کہ زلزلے کی شدت 6.6 تھی۔ عینی شاہدین کے مطابق وہ نیند میں تھے کہ زلزلے کے جھٹکوں کے باعث ان کی آنکھ کھلی، جس کے بعد ہر طرف خوف و ہراس پھیل گیا اور لوگ گھروں سے باہر نکل آئے۔

قدرتی آفات

تفصیلات

اسلام آباد (صباح بخیر) اقوام متحدہ کے بچوں کے ادارے یعنی یونیسف نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان میں مزید پانچ لاکھ بچے مناسب خوراک کی کمی یا قلت کی وجہ سے لاغر ہو سکتے ہیں۔

یاد رہے کہ اس سے قبل پاکستان کے 2011 کے سروے کے مطابق ملک میں 44 فیصد بچے سٹینڈیلا غریب جو اپنی عمر کے اعتبار سے قدرے کم ذہنی و جسمانی نشوونما کا شکار ہیں۔ پاکستان میں مزید پانچ لاکھ بچوں سمیت دنیا بھر 4 کروڑ 80 لاکھ بچوں کے لاغری ہونے کی اس صورتحال سے بچنے کے لیے یونیسیف نے عالمی برادری سے اپیل کی ہے کہ وہ دنیا بھر میں نقل مکانی یا قیام سے ممکنہ طور پر متاثر ہونے والوں کے لیے تین ارب 34 کروڑ ڈالر سے زیادہ عطیات جمع کریں تاکہ انھیں خوراک کی کمی کا سامنا کرنے سے بچایا جاسکے۔ راولپنڈی کے رہائشی آٹھ سالہ عاقب پیدائش کے وقت صحت مند تھے لیکن اب وہ اپنی عمر کے لحاظ سے کمزور اور لاغری ہیں۔ اس کی بڑی وجہ مناسب خوراک کی کمی ہے۔ عاقب صبح سکول جاتے ہیں اور اس کے بعد سبزی منڈی میں کام کرتے ہیں۔

ڈاکٹر نورین عاقب کے معائنے کے بعد کہتی ہیں کہ ان میں خون کی کمی ہے جس کی وجہ سے عاقب کا وزن اور قد نہیں بڑھ رہا۔ لیکن عاقب کا کہنا ہے کہ ان کے چار بھائی بہنوں کے حصے میں بھی یہی خوراک آتی ہے۔ اکثر والدین اپنے بچوں کو مناسب خوراک فراہم نہ کر پانے کی وجہ اپنی مفلسی کو قرار دیتے ہیں۔ عاقب کی والدہ کہتی ہیں 'جب تک یہ میرا دودھ پیتا تھا تو مہنتا اس کے بعد یہ عمر کے حساب سے نہیں بڑھ رہا۔ ہم روٹی کے ساتھ ٹماٹر اور پیاز وغیرہ کھاتے ہیں۔ جن کا ایک بندہ کمانے والا ہو اور کھانے والے چھ تو بس یہی کھا سکتے ہیں۔' یونیسیف کے مطابق پاکستان میں وفاق کے زیر انتظام قبائلی علاقے اور خیبر پختونخوا میں بچوں کے لاغر ہونے کی وجہ بڑے پیمانے پر نقل مکانی اور صومہ سندھ میں شدید قحط ہے۔

باجوڑ ایجنسی، پاراچنار، بینگورہ اور دیگر شہروں میں زلزلہ کے جھکے محسوس کئے گئے۔ زلزلہ پیام کز کے مطابق ریکٹر اسکیل پر زلزلے کی شدت پانچ اعشاریہ دو ریکارڈ کی گئی۔ زلزلے کا مرکز افغانستان کے کوہ ہندو کش رینج میں تھا جبکہ زلزلہ چواری کلومیٹر گہرائی سے آیا۔ زلزلے کے جھکے محسوس ہوتے ہی شہریوں میں خوف و ہراس پھیل گیا۔ شہری کلمہ طیبہ کا ورد کرتے ہوئے دفاتر اور گھروں سے باہر نکل آئے۔ کوہ ہندو کش رینج میں اس سے قبل آج تین اعشاریہ دو شدت کا زلزلہ آیا تھا۔

اسلام آباد (ڈیلی پاکستان آن لائن) محکمہ موسمیات نے آج بھی ملک کے بیشتر علاقوں میں موسم سرد اور خشک رہنے کی پیشین گوئی کر دی۔

فور کا سٹنگ آفیسر محمد فاروق کے مطابق آئندہ 48 گھنٹوں کے دوران ملک کے بیشتر علاقوں میں موسم سرد اور خشک رہے گا اور اس دوران ملک کے کسی انہوں نے مزید بتایا کہ آج ریکارڈ بھی حصے میں بارش کا امکان نہیں ہے۔ گزشتہ 24 گھنٹوں کے دوران ملک کے بیشتر علاقوں میں موسم سرد اور خشک رہا۔ کیے گئے سرد ترین مقامات کے درجہ حرارت: استور منفی 12، کالام منفی 10، گلوپل، سکر دو منفی 05، دیر، چترال، بگرٹ، مالم جبہ منفی 04، راولا کوٹ، ہنزہ، دروش منفی 03، کوئٹہ، ثوب منفی 02 ڈگری سینٹی گریڈ جبکہ لاہور میں 08، اسلام آباد 04، کراچی 13، پشاور 06، کوئٹہ منفی 02، چترال منفی 04 اور ہنزہ میں منفی 03 رہنے کا امکان ہے۔

پنجاب کے مختلف شہروں میں دھند کے باعث ہونے والے ٹریفک حادثات میں 15 افراد جاں بحق اور 18 افراد زخمی ہو گئے۔ جمہوریت کا کاموکی ٹول پلازہ کے قریب تین گاڑیاں آپس میں ٹکرائیں حادثے میں ایک شخص جاں بحق جبکہ چار زخمی ہو گئے۔ راجن پور کے قریب کار اور ٹریکٹر ٹرائی کے درمیان ہونے والا تصادم میں دو افراد جاں بحق جبکہ متعدد زخمی ہو گئے حادثے کا شکار ہونے والی کار ڈیرہ اسماعیل خان سے کراچی جا رہی تھی۔ گوجرانوالہ کے علاقے قلعہ دیدا میں دو ٹریکروں کے درمیان ہونے والے تصادم کے نتیجے میں ایک ڈرائیور جاں بحق اور کنڈیکٹر زخمی ہو گیا۔ دوسری جانب بہاولپور کے علاقے حاصل پور میں ہونے والے ٹریفک حادثے میں ایک شخص جاں بحق جبکہ دو زخمی ہو گئے۔ لاشوں اور زخموں کو قریبی اسپتالوں میں منتقل کر دیا گیا۔

صوبہ بلوچستان کے مختلف علاقوں میں علی الصبح 6.3 شدت کا زلزلہ محسوس کیا گیا۔ امریکی جیولوجیکل سروے (یو ایس جی ایس) کے مطابق زلزلے کا مرکز پٹنی کے جنوب مغرب میں تھا جسکے اس کی گہرائی 25.9 کلومیٹر تھی۔ بشکریہ امریکی جیولوجیکل سروے — زلزلے کے جھٹکے رات 3 بجکر 4 منٹ پر

سُر خیاں

غذائی قلت، پاکستان میں 5 لاکھ بچوں کے
لاغر ہونے کا خطرہ

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کے پی میں مختلف علاقوں میں زلزلے کے
جھٹکے محسوس کئے گئے، ریکٹر اسکیل پر
زلزلے کی شدت پانچ اعشاریہ دور یکارڈ کی
مہنی

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رواں ہفتے ملک کے کسی حصے میں بارش کا

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ٹرینفک حادثات، 15 افراد جاں بحق، 8 زخمی

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بلوچستان کے مختلف علاقوں میں 6.3

شدت کازلزله

