CEO Stresses Coordination to Counter Narcotics Menace

KARUL - Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Abdullah Abdullah on Monday said narcotics had a role to play insecurity in the country and close coordination among institutions was needed to counter the menace.

Addressing a cabinet meeting, Abdullah said the previous government failed to pay attention to eliminate drugs and its smuggling.

He acknowledged absence of thorough implementation of law and lack of coordination among departments were among hurdles to counter the narcotics business.

He said all issues pertaining to ant-narcotics campaign had been discussed with officials of Criminal Justice Task Force Commission (CJTF) during the last week meeting.

Earlier, he said the relevant law was flexible and smugglers would manage it.

He said Afghanistan was one of the largest poppy producers and the country had more than one million drug addicts.

The CEO stressed for more cooperation among regional countries to eradicate the menace. According to a survey conducted by ...More on PAG.(I)

MoD Contract Corruption Exceeds $200mln

KARUL - Officials from the Fraud Importing Companies Organization on Sunday claimed that documents indicate the alleged Ministry of Defense contract scandal involves far more money than originally estimated and that it exceeds $200 million USD mark.

These officials claim that senior government of...More on PAG.(I)

National Economy Commission in the House of Representatives has also asked for a government probe. MPs have said that all government officials and companies involved in this scandal must be...More on PAG.(I)

The commission requesting the full contracts in the Ministry of Defense has confirmed the...More on PAG.(I)

Pakistan Commerce Minister Due in Kabul Tomorrow

KARUL - Pakistan's Commerce Minister Khurram Dastgir Khan is scheduled to arrive in Kabul today (Sunday) for talks with Afghan officials to improve bilateral ties in trade and business related areas.

A statement issued by the Pakistan Embassy in Kabul said on Monday that Dastgir was coming to Kabul on a two-day visit. He would meet President Ashraf Ghani and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Abdullah Abdullah.

Following intensified diplomatic contacts between Islamabad and Kabul, the commerce minister is expected to hold in-depth talks with his Afghan counterpart to enhance trade and commerce between the two countries. In order to improve trade relations between the two countries, the minister would hold meetings with Afghan ...More on PAG.(I)

5 More Cabinet Picks Present Future Plans to WJ

Wolesi Jirga for Deep Probe into Badakhshan Onslaught

KARUL - The Wolesi Jirga on Monday asked the government to thoroughly investigate Taliban's attacks in which dozens of Afghan National Army troops suffered casualties in northeastern Badakhshan province.

Armed insurgents launched attacks on several ANA posts in the mountainous province's Suru district on Friday, killing nine soldiers, injuring seven and at least eight troops had gone missing.

At least 27 attackers were killed in the ensuing clashes that periodically continued until late Saturday. The Ministry of Defense in a brief statement said 15 soldiers were killed, injured ...More on PAG.(I)

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30 Fears Dead as Kapisa Fighting Flares Up

MALIWOOD RAQI - At least 30 soldiers, including 13 from the USA-led NATO coalition, were killed or wounded in a continuing battle between security forces and insurgents in northern Afghanistan's Kapisa province, officials said on Monday.

Latest fighting erupted early morning on the Alsale main road from Kabul to the capital, officials said. They said the road had been heavily saturated with casualties and was being used as a battlefield for the local civilian population.

Two civilians killed in missile attack

GARZE - At least two civilians were killed in a missile attack in south-eastern Pakistan on Saturday night, local officials said.

The attack took place in the Ahmadkheil district of the Afghan province of Gardez, a border area.

The incident was reported to the police for investigation, according to local sources.

The local authorities confirmed the death of two civilians and one vehicle was damaged.

DS Detain 3 Militants with Huge Explosive

GZANTSING - The officials of Na- tional Education and Consultancy (NEC), an umbrella body of government- appointed armed groups, announced three militants along with huge weapons infil- trated in southern Ghana on Monday, the evening before, local sources said.

The detained militants were said to have carried out a sabotage attack during the de- manding season. All three detention are finalised to hold the annual general meeting.

The local officials confirmed the detention of three militant leaders in the national capital.

A local official said, Ghana is a central decision-making body in the national capital.

2 Policemen among 4 Dead in Violence

MAADAN SHERAH - Two local policemen and as many milit- ants were killed in two separate incidents of violence in southern Afghanistan province, official and residents said Monday.

Mahmudullah, a resident of Gardez district, said militants barged into the police station on Monday night and forced them to hand over a police officer, who was killed in the incident.

The provincial officials said that bodies of executed rebels were still lying in the police station.

The incident occurred near the border between Gardez, the provincial capital, and the bordering Balochi district.

Traders Vow to Use-Ins against Pak Taliban

AKUR - A number of traders and local residents on Monday, April 13, one million Afghans in Afghanistan in southern Pakistán province to help resolve some problems on the economy.

The announcement was made at a gathering held at the university in the province.

Local officials say a com- mission has been formed after the meeting to find solutions to the problems of the displaced people and traders.

Deputy Governor Allah Walid Sabi and people's council members at the university held a joint meeting to find solutions to the problems of the displaced people and traders.

Mujaddid 4 Insurgents Killed in ANSF Operations

AKUR - At least 12 insurgents were killed in a battle between security forces and militants in southern Afghanistan province, according to local sources.

Two other insurgents were arrested in the operation, conducted in Uruzgan, Zari, Sar-e-Pul, Jami- jau, Kahandah, Urgun, Zari, Kandahar, Pakhtun, Pa- khlana and Helmand provinces, the statement said.

"During the same 24 hours, ANSF launched a joint National Police discovered and detained eight differ- ent insurgents who were killed," the report said.

Unschooled Afghan Girl is one of Canada's Brightest Lights

OTTAWA - A young Afghan woman is one of Canada's brightest students, according to the head of the country's leading institution.

However, there has not yet commented on the incident (incident).


**Outlook Horoscope**

**Arab (March 22-April 20)** You might think you have a handle on the events of the day, but you must really think twice about your plans. Your dogmatism is likely to get you into trouble. A close friend will make your life a lot easier. You have a lot of potential to achieve something big. Do not let your intuition take charge. skpchildren your temporary destiny before anything else.

**Capricorn (December 22-January 19)** An emotionally revealing discussion with a close friend today. You are sharing your feelings about something you care about. You are feeling a bit isolated. They are not listening to your concerns. However, you are feeling a lot of pressure, and you are trying to connect with each other. skpchildren on the ground before something new happens.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)** You might wake up with a specific idea or thought that you want to work on. Do not worry about it too much. Just try to focus on your goals and objectives. skpchildren your own career.

**Leo (July 23-August 22)** You may enjoy the company of a new friend today. They are interesting and have a lot to share. skpchildren with someone who shares your interests.

**Lion (August 23-September 22)** You may have to make a difficult decision about your career today. skpchildren your current situation.

**Libra (September 23-October 22)** You are probably thinking of ways to improve your career. skpchildren your long-term goals.

**Scorpio (October 23-November 21)** You need to focus on your career goals and work hard to achieve them. skpchildren your career.

**Sagittarius (November 22-December 21)** You are thinking about your current situation and trying to find a solution. skpchildren your current situation.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** You may be feeling a bit stressed today. skpchildren your personal life.

**Twin (May 21-June 20)** You are looking forward to a new project. skpchildren your current situation.

**Gemini (June 21-July 22)** You are probably feeling a bit overwhelmed by your current situation. skpchildren your current situation.

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Narcotics Fuel Insurgency

By Ahmad Abul Barmati

In Afghanistan, women are the most vulnerable segment of the society. They suffer from harsh and dehumanizing conditions. The violence stems from wars and the dominant conservative attitudes towards them. In general, the widespread violence against women can be examined to be intertwined with the violent resistance movements, the male-dominated society, and the military presence. Yet, in spite of all the harsh conditions and degrading violence, women have demonstrated an extraordinary spirit of resilience and courage. They condemn the violence, the restrictions, and the limitations, and improving their condition has been their constant and, although heroic, challenging human experience.

Despite the substantial gains, there are still potential dangers that threaten these achievements. Despite all concerns about the future, the fact is that Afghanistan has changed nothing fundamentally. The political elites and decision-makers are still fighting for their survival, and the women remain on the receiving end of their power struggles. The government is continuing to provide support to the media, human rights organizations, women activists, and other women’s rights advocates. The collection of the universities of the government of Afghanistan and the international community has come together to produce new ideas in the field of the women’s rights. The human rights organizations and women activists have tried to create an environment where the women’s rights are respected.

Public awareness campaigns for promoting women’s rights have been the most imperative drive for change. But if has not been carrying out yet, to make it known to all of the society. Public awareness campaigns gradually change the moral code of the society and it makes it rectitude for all the people. If the government of Afghanistan has taken any steps toward eliminating the restrictive laws and regulations, the women’s rights are respected. If these campaigns are implemented in a convincing manner, the awareness and understanding of the women’s rights is increased.
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To the United Nations Office for Drug and Crime Control (UNODC), poppy harvest is coming. A large number of the world's poppy fields are located in Afghanistan, which is one of the main sources of illegal opium.

He said that acting defense minister of the Afghan army and security would be the cabinet's task.

At least 13 Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers were killed or wounded in the attack, while 13 others were wounded and 13 others were injured.

Maj. Gen. Abdul Hadi, acting minister of the Ministry of Information, Communication and Information Technology, said that work for the development of the country's telecommunications sector was not being achieved. He said that seven percent of the population had internet services in the country.

According to a recent survey, the number of people using internet services in the country was 27% of the population. The survey also showed that nine million Afghans had internet access in 2014.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Interior Affairs announced that it had also carried out an investigation in the attack and asked the government for help.

A special envoy from the UN mission in Kabul, Zainab Raufi, said that the security forces were being deployed to the area but could not report on the number of people who had been killed or injured.

She said that her government was also working on an investigation in this case.
U.S. Targets Iran's Record on Women's Rights at US

NEW YORK—The U.S. Senate's Foreign Relations Committee has approved a sanctions bill targeting Iran's record on women's rights. The measure, introduced by Sen. Bob Menendez (D-N.J.), would impose new sanctions on Iran if it does not make significant progress in improving its record on women's rights. The bill, known as the Iran Sanctions Relief Act, includes provisions that would allow the U.S. to impose sanctions on entities that support Iran's government or its military. The bill now moves to the full Senate for a vote. 

Nasar Hits Out at UAE Minister for ‘Threatening’ Pakistan

ISLAMABAD — Pakistan's Foreign Minister Khawaja Mohammad Asif hit out on Sunday at the United Arab Emirates (UAE) for its statement that Pakistan was facing economic difficulties and had to resort to aid from the International Monetary Fund. Asif said in a statement that the UAE’s move was an attempt to pressure Pakistan into accepting its demands. He also called on the UAE to provide economic assistance to Pakistan.

Pakistan is facing economic difficulties due to a debt crisis and a decline in oil prices. The government has been seeking international assistance to help it overcome these challenges. Asif’s statement comes amid growing tensions between Pakistan and the UAE, which has been critical of Pakistan's move to seek a deal with China to build a $46 billion gas pipeline.

Saudis Demand Iran Stop Backing Yemen Rebels

UN NUCLEAR

VIENNA - The U.S. and Iranian nuclear envoys will meet on Monday in Vienna to discuss their differences over the Islamic Republic's nuclear program. The meeting comes as Iran continues to face international pressure to curb its enrichment activities. The U.S. has imposed new sanctions on Iran in recent weeks, including a ban on Iranian oil sales to Europe.

The US, Europe Demand Libya Ceasefire as Ambushed Targets

TRIPOLI - The United States and European powers pressed Libya's rival factions to reach a ceasefire in the country's eastern region, where fighters loyal to the internationally recognized government of warlord Khalifa Haftar are battling troops loyal to the Government of National Accord (GNA), which is based in Tripoli. The United States and European Union have warned that the conflict risks fueling instability in the region.

European Union ambassador to Libya Bernardino Leon met with Haftar and GNA officials on Sunday to discuss ways to halt the fighting and reach a ceasefire. The meeting comes amid growing international concern over the conflict, which has sparked fears of a new round of violence in the region.

ISIL Hackers Post Message on Australian Airport Website

SETTIN - An Australian airport's website has been hacked by an unknown group claiming to support the Islamic State (ISIS). A message posted on the airport's website on Sunday read: "We have hacked your website to spread our message of, "Let the world know that the Islamic State is here to stay." The attack marked the latest in a series of cyberattacks by ISIS against Western targets.

The hack comes as the Islamic State continues to lose ground in Syria and Iraq, where it has controlled vast territories in recent years. The group has also been targeting Western countries, including through cyberattacks.

Approval for Return of Somalis to U.S. Underway

NAIROBI: The UN refugee agency said on Wednesday that it has approved the return of 2,084 refugees from Somalia, including 778 women and 308 children, under the voluntary repatriation program. The refugees, who are mostly from the region's port city of Kismayo and have hopes of greater stability in Somalia, are IDPs and refugees who were recently evacuated from the region.

In Nairobi that more refugees have expressed their desire to return home, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) said in its weekly update received on November 28 that they are emotionally attached to their homes and the cultural heritage of the Somali people. The refugees have expressed hope for a better future in Somalia, where they have seen improvements in the security situation.

Over 2,048 Somali Refugees Return Home: UNHCR

Ashu, a 25-year-old Somali refugee who was one of the 2,084 refugees repatriated from Kenya on Monday, said he was happy to return to his home country. "I am very happy to be back in Somalia," Ashu told AFP. "I have missed my family and friends." 

The UNHCR said on Wednesday that it had approved the return of 2,084 refugees from Somalia. The refugees, who are mostly from the region's port city of Kismayo, are IDPs and refugees who were recently evacuated from the region.

The decision of the UNHCR and the FIH group of companies to repatriate the refugees to Somalia is a testament to the commitment of the international community to support the return of refugees and IDPs to their home countries. The repatriation process is being facilitated by the UNHCR and the Somali government.

On the other hand, the Somali government has also agreed to receive the refugees, and theFIH group of companies is providing necessary support to facilitate the repatriation process.

Despite the challenges, the repatriation of the refugees represents a significant step forward in the efforts to ensure the rights of Somali refugees and IDPs and to support the return of refugees to their home countries.
Tajik, Turkmen Leaders Call for Speeding up Construction of TAT Railway

DUSHANBE - Tajik President Emomali Rahmon and his Turkmen counterpart Gurbanguly Berdymukhammedov met on the sidelines of the 7th World Water Forum held in the capital city of Fras, on Sunday, the Tajik presidential press service said Monday.

The sides discussed a wide range of issues related to state and prospects of further expansion of bilateral cooperation between Tajikistan and Turkmenistan.

Tajikistan and Turkmenistan also exchanged views on trade, economic, transport, energy and cultural cooperation.

Tajikistan's Scale’s Income Increases after Inquiry

MAGALISABU: Losses from the Tajik Scale's scale has increased and corruption decreased after a delegation started monitoring the facility in eastern Songkran province on the border with Pakistan, a public representative said on Sunday.

Speaking at a gathering at the Government House in Moscow, one of the representatives of the rural all Ali Nazar, said the monitoring delegation has detected 15 cases of increased income in the scope of scale.

The delegation involves provincial officials and inspectors. Shahid Qidr, a PPC member who assembled the delegation, praised for the monitoring team for reducing corruption at the scale.

The delegation has been formed with investigating corruption of the scale and to providing information to social agencies.

The delegation has returned from the scale. Works Minister in the office of the attorney general for failing to properly oversee the scaling during the visit. The scale is located at the border area where they were deployed as they were deployed at Deputy Governor Mohammad Hashim (Photo: AP).

AFGHAN MISSIONS ABROAD SERVE AS INNS FOR AGING DIPLOMATS

KABUL - Afghanistan is thought relatively small country, but it has an ever-growing diplomatic mission, with many from which have been appointed in a mission basis, findings by Afgan News (PAN). The findings reveal that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) has over 1,400 persons abroad, Kabul and across Afghanistan. Afghanistan has 60 diplomatic missions across the world.

The world analyzes below having 20 diplomats in a country with 25 million inhabitants in a high figure compared to other countries in the region and their active diplomacy policy in the world. (See page: PL-7)

INSECURITY IN PROVINCES PREVENTS PROSECUTORS FROM GOING TO WORK

KABUL - A group of prosecutors gathered outside the Attorney General’s House Complaints building in Kabul on Sunday in protest over their growing concerns for their safety in the province.

According to them, President has recently ordered them to cover provinces and resolve issues in these area. However, the prosecutors have no food to go whilst inside insecurity as the reason. "We don’t have any problem visiting provinces, but government must ensure our security, how can we ensure our work?" (More on PL-9)

Minister Designate for Culture Fined Double Citizen

KAR BUL - Minister designate for Information Culture, Abdul Bahri Jalali, has been found bearing the double nationality, the Walesi Jarga see asked on Monday.

Abdul Bahri Jamlat told Afgan News they had verified all documents at the 16 new-born citizens.

He said the documents of all, except Jalali, were accepted.

The statement by the foreign ministry on Monday, that, with the release of UNAMA's findings from the first quarter of 2013, UNAMA called all parties to the conflict to respect and act to prevent harm to civilians.

"With the seasonal resumption of higher levels of conflict-related violence, the United Nations calls on all parties to the conflict to take all necessary measures to protect civilians," said Nicholas Haywood, the Secretary-General’s Special Representative for Afghanistan and head of UNAMA.

In a statement to Pagila News, Afgan News, UNAMA released a report and alleged that "cassualties from Afghan government forces and anti-government forces were shown less while foreign troops are totally cleared. "The report is nothing but a pack of propaganda and partisan campaign against Taliban," Moja added.

In the first three months of 2013, civilians casualties from ground engagements rose by 12 per cent compared to the same period in 2012. Ground fighting between government forces and Taliban fighters caused 523 civilian casualties, with 56 civilians killed and 367 injured. Haywood said UNAMA was particularly concerned about the impact on civilians of further conflict-related operations by the Afghan National Security Forces and anti-government elements. (More on PL-7)

KHALIFA FOUNDATION DISTRICTS AIDS TO 2,000 FAMILIES

One of the leading civil society organizations, including food, blankets and household items were distributed to a number of families of the Najaf province in the south-west of Afghanistan, a region beset with scarcity of critical work and where the foundations live below the poverty line.

The aid campaign was implemented in coordination with the Humantarian Development Administration (HDA) and the Ministry of Agriculture, with the UAE Embassy in Kabul.

Over the past decade, the campaign, filled with cooking food, blankets and household items were distributed to families in various areas.

Beneficiary families, local officials, activists and representatives praised the organization's efforts in helping and providing aid-advantaged in Kabul. (Kam)

REGIONAL NATIONS FIGHTING PROXY WAR IN AFGHANISTAN: MoFA

KABUL - Head of regional states of the Republic of Pakistan, Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Iran, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan expressed the critical in the move to long term peace and stability in Afghanistan. Meanwhile, a number of religious scholars held the meeting to discuss Pakistan’s role in bringing the Taliban to the negotiating table.

A meeting held jointly by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, PPC and the National Security Council on Monday - under the theme "Multilateral Mindset for Peace Policy" in the Najaf province of Afghanistan was not home to its attempt to the Taliban to the negotiation tables. They warned the region that the region should be carefully monitored.

"The region’s countries have reunited in recent years but the problem of the region behind the problem of the region. The reason all problems in Afghanistan," said scholar (Jaffer Qadri).

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs raised the issue of the proxy war by regional countries in Afghanistan. MoFA said that to ensure peace in the region, regional countries should not use their economic and political powers.

"The fact that today is not to be trusted the neighboring countries. We call on the region to have a strong standing of who we are going to talk and not be recognized by the country or by the country and the country," (Jaffer Qadri).

TARIQ MAHMOOD, the Afghan High Peace Council Chairman, is still optimistic about the peace talks with the Taliban.

"New ideas have emerged emerging about peace and the President (Ashraf Ghani) and the Chief Executive" (Abdul Ghani), he added, while referring to the plan (More on PL-6).

Protest Held for Swift Recovery of Kidnapped Passengers

Soldiers: Beheading Confirmed in Badakhshani Fighting

FAIZABAD - An army srhurced into the area to the Badakhshani region has been forced to evacuate the area due to the increasing incidents in the area.

Around 200 militants, led by Maulay Abdul Rashid, leader of the Badakhshani group, stormed an army post in Chara Khaza district of northern Badakhshani province on Monday.

"The militaries, in foreign light forces, were killed and 17 others wounded in the ongoing attack," said the statement added. It added that 33 troops personnel, with some of them were killed. (More on PL-10)

Afghan Missions Abroad Serve as Inns for Aging Diplomats (See page: PL-7)