Security Chiefs Answer MPs' Questions

KARUL - Afghanistan’s Interior Minister Hanif Atmar said on Saturday that Pakistan's military operation to root insurgents from Waziristan was having a detrimental effect on the country's security as these insurgents were simply being driven across the border. He said that the Waziristan operation had resulted in "massive influx of insurgents coming into Afghanistan".

Mr. Atmar's statement was made during a Question and Answer session in parliament on Saturday. He was among a group of senior security officials summoned by MPs to answer questions on the country's deteriorating security situation.

3.8m Afghan Refugees Have Returned Home from Pakistan

BLISRAMAD - The head of the UN refugee agency has called on the international community to end its engagement with Afghanistan to help bring an end to the world's largest protracted refugee situation.

UN High Commissioner for Refugees António Guterres pointed out that more than one million Afghans have returned home to Afghanistan since 2002 as part of a long-term process aimed at helping Afghan refugees return home. UNHCR is currently assisting more than one million Afghans in Afghanistan. The UNHCR annual report released last year showed that more than 2.5 million Afghans are now living abroad in the region.

Karzai Advises U.S. to Seek Russian, Chinese Help in Fighting Terror

KARUL - Former president Hamid Karzai has said that Russia and China are now seeking to help the United States and other international forces in Afghanistan. He has also called for international community support to the Afghan government in its fight against terrorism.

Over $200m Fraud Detected in Civil Aviation Contract

KARUL - In latest revelation, over $200 million fraud has been detected in aviation and transport contracts, a statement from the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) said on Thursday. President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani had ordered the meeting of National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) which was attended by Moghal Aziz, former president, Abdullah Abdullah, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Interior minister, transport, finance, agriculture and education ministers. During the course of meeting, the contracts of the civil aviation and transport ministry were evaluated in detail. The NACC decided to publish three million dollars worth 66 million rupees, which would benefit 66 million students, it said. (More on PNL.09)

Ambitious 10-Year Health Care Plan on the Cards

AHRC Reports Millions Embossed Through ‘Ghost Schools’ in Ghor

KARUL - Officials from Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission’s (AHRC) office in Ghor province have reported from recent surveys that fraudulent education statistics have been reported from the area to emboss millions of Afghans in Ghor province for welfare programs. The survey was conducted by AHRC in the Ghor province. AHRC officials say there are dozens of so-called ‘ghost schools’ in Ghor province, meaning, schools that exist on paper and receive funding, but in reality do not exist or are not operating. The funding intended for these schools is to be used to support public education programs and infrastructure. While, (More on PNL.09)
3 Insurgents Killed in AGH, Military Operations

KARUL - At least 37 insurgents have been killed in a major military operation over the past 24 hours by the Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) in the province of Baghlan.

In addition, 20 other insurgents were injured and four were arrested.

The operations were conducted in Turkestan, Buddu, Kandahar, and Uruzgan. Landmine Explosion Claimed Two Lives in Laghman

MILITARY COFFIN CARRYING the body of one of the two soldiers killed in a landmine explosion on a public vehicle in Hamaana Bandar area of Awhan district was brought to Surkh Wardak. Two civilians, Zia Atmar, 28, and Pashto, 32, were killed by the landmine explosion.

The incident took place on the outskirts of Jalalabad city, according to the provincial governor in Laghman province who said two police officers were also wounded in the blast. Number of Drug Addicts on the Rise in Wardak

WARDAK - Dozens of drug addicts have been rounded up in Wardak province, according to a police official.

Drugs are being sold in the provincial capital of Ghorband, in the district of Ghorband, and in the district of Barakzai.

The official said that the number of drug addicts has increased significantly in recent months. He added that the police are working to control the situation.

Prisoner Transport Vehicle Overturns Leaving 3 Killed, 11 Wounded

HERAT - A prisoner transport vehicle has turned over, killing three people and injuring 11 after it overturned.

The incident occurred in the district of Herat, where the bus was traveling with a group of prisoners onboard.

The bus was transporting prisoners from Herat Regional Hospital to Jolfa, a town in the district.

According to the police, the bus overturned due to slippery road conditions. No further details were provided.

District Chief Escapes Unhurt in Talibān's Ambush

SAMPAL – The Nathab district chief in central Zanjan province narrowly escaped an ambush by Taliban fighters on Saturday.

The district chief, Mohammad Aziz Farid, disclosed that the Taliban had attempted to ambush the district chief and his convoy.

A member of the security forces was injured in the incident, but the district chief and his team managed to escape unharmed.

Outlook Horoscope

You are more likeable to others when you are happy and you are likely to have better success if you work hard and persevere in achieving your goals.

Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)

You are more likely to find success in a career or business if you can find ways to use your intelligence and common sense. In addition, you are more likely to have a good time with friends and family.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb 18)

You are more likely to be successful in your relationships if you can find ways to express yourself and your feelings. In addition, you are more likely to have a good time with friends and family.

Pisces (Feb 19-Mar 20)

You are more likely to find success in a career or business if you can find ways to use your intelligence and common sense. In addition, you are more likely to have a good time with friends and family.
An Alliance for Countering the Taliban Offensive

By Abdul Ahad Bahrami

In response to the deteriorated security situation in the North, Pakistan’s President Zardari and Afghan President Hamid Karzai have called for an Alliance to counter the Taliban and other militant groups operating in northern Afghanistan. This two-pronged strategy is part of their joint efforts to reverse the situation of the Afghan government and the Taliban’s resurgence in the north and support government forces in their efforts to reclaim the gains of the US-led forces in Afghanistan. The alliance announcement is coming at a time when the Taliban and their allied militant groups are gaining ground in northern provinces previously opened up for engagement by US and NATO forces.

The formation of the alliance is viewed as a significant move from the two key powers to boost their military presence and the security situation in the region. The US-led military operations in Afghanistan have been significantly reduced in the past year due to the drawdown of troops from the region. The Taliban’s resurgence in the north and support government forces in their efforts to reclaim the gains of the US-led forces in Afghanistan.

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(1) Security

Africans attack the past. According to him, citing the case of the South African police, he said that "the problem of violence and working together and against it is a serious problem that we must address. If we hold on to the violence, it will be a serious issue among us." He also mentioned that 400 people have been killed in the last three months, with 15,000 injuries. According to the National Security Information Exchange, more than 20,000 locals resident in the area were killed, and this was an increase of 10,000 living with local residents.

However, he said that local police have been working together with the police in other regions with considerable success and that they have made significant progress in recent days. He also noted that they have made significant improvements in the region.

As a matter of fact, local security forces are being helped by a large number of local volunteers who are providing valuable assistance. The local police have been receiving significant assistance from local communities.

(2) Tobacco

Several reports in the media indicate that the number of adults who smoke cigarettes has increased. The report states that in the last year, the number of adults who smoke cigarettes in the region has increased by 15%.

The government is working on a comprehensive plan to reduce smoking and tobacco use, and it is expected to announce the details of the plan in the near future. The plan will include measures such as increasing taxes on tobacco products, implementing stricter regulations on the sale and distribution of tobacco products, and increasing public awareness campaigns.

(3) Over $700m

According to a report by the National Security Information Exchange, over $700 million has been uncovered in a bank account in the region. The money was transferred to the account in December and was used to purchase weapons and other military equipment.

The money was originally intended for the purchase of equipment for the local police force, but it was transferred to a private individual who then purchased the equipment.

The government is working to recover the money and is investigating the individual who transferred the money. The government is also working to strengthen its security measures to prevent such incidents from occurring in the future.
Iraqi Forces Made ‘Unauthorised’ Withdrawal from Ramadi: PM

BAGHDAD - Iraq’s Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi said Saturday that Iraq’s armed forces had made an “unauthorised” withdrawal from Ramadi, referring to the Islamic State group taking control of its northern capital of Mosul. The government forces had seized back the city from IS in 2015, but it has fallen to the group in recent weeks.

“Withdrawal of the forces, whether through the military or leaders of the Islamic State group - whoever it is - is unacceptable,” Abadi said.

Meanwhile, US officials said that IS forces had retaken two provincial towns north of the city.

Abadi’s remarks came a week after the US-led coalition in the Islamic State-occupied Syrian city of Tabqah in the east of the country.

“Those were signs that the Islamic State coalition was being defeated in the Middle East and beyond,” analyst Michael Rowland told AFP.

After two years of high-

pressure gains, some sense of predictability

has emerged in the negoti- ations between US-backed forces and the Islamic State group in Syria and Iraq.

The US military had already pulled out of most of the Syrian fighting zones, leaving the gap between the two sides relatively narrow. The US has also pulled out of the Holy Land, where it faces a growing threat from the Islamic State group.

Delivery Man Behaves Boss in Suspected Islamicist Attack on French Gas Site

SAINT-QUENTIN-LAVAL, France - A de- fective gas pipe at a French gas distribution site is suspected to have caused a fire that killed a delivery man and wounded an officer in Saint-Quentin-Laval, a town in the north of France.

Police initially said the fire was caused by a gas leak. However, a second investigation found that the delivery man had had an accident at the site.

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Provincial Lawmaker Detained on Killings, Supplying Arms to Taliban

MAIMANA - Police in northwestern Faryab province detained a former provincial official suspected of supplying arms and killings to the Taliban.  Afghan Torki was arrested from his neighbor's house, chief of Farah criminal investigation department said.

Floods Displace Hundreds of Families

PANJSHIR - More than 200 families in Savo district of central Panjshir province displaced by floods and avalanches are in dire need of assistance, an official said Saturday.

High Mahomed, a resident of Aghor village, told Panjshir News that more than 100 families in Mahomed Khar, Daryan and Qala Jirg districts had been displaced as a result of severe floods in the past four days. He said hundreds of fruit and fruit trees were also destroyed and the farms on the margins were damaged.

"One of our farms was damaged and destroyed and I live with my relatives in Aghor village," Mahomed said, urging the government to address their problems.

Sadat Karim, a resident of Noor village, said that six other villages were also under foreclosure from floods and avalanches. He asked relevant departments to urgently adopt measures to prevent the losses to the families. Mahomed Hanif, head of Natural Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) disaster control, confirmed problems and said that each of 120 displaced families had made their way from Fach. He said they had a number of brothers sister, village, On November 9th.

Private Company Gets Contract to Build Lash Jaweed Road

KARUL - The Ministry of Public Works has announced that 27 firms of the Lash Jaweed road in the province will be contracted to a private company. The Ministry of Public Works said that construction of the road will cost 8.7 billion, which will be paid out of the government's development budget.

Officials have been heard around the public that the contractor will be closely observed during the construction phase. The Ministry of Urban Development has said that the contractor is obliged to implement the project in accordance with the agreement conditions and within the agreed timeframe. "We will have to ensure that the contractor completes the work within the timeframe promised," said the ministry.

12 Girls Schools Closed after Taliban's Threats

The Taliban's threat was further heightened to the notice of security forces after Taliban's threats to close girls' schools. The government has adopted measures to prevent the closing of schools. A local official confirmed that some schools were closed after threats by Taliban.

Group of Talibans Militants Detained in Nimroz

PANJSHIR - A special force of the Ministry of Interior Affairs has detained five insurgents belonging to Taliban group in the province.

Drug Price Hikes in Kabul City after ATN Special Report Released

The price of several drugs have increased. The special report released by the Ministry of Interior Affairs has announced that drug prices have increased. The report also contains a list of drugs that have increased in price. The report was released in response to the increase in drug prices. The price hikes have affected many people, especially those who are dependent on drugs.

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Dried and Fresh Fruits Export to Reach 55,000 Tons This Year

Head of the dried and fresh fruits department of Afghanistan, Mohammad Murtad Haider, said Afghanistan failed to export the target of 7000 tons of fruits last year due to the political crisis mainly caused by the election postponement.

"Afghanistan exported only 4000 tons of fruit at a total income of USD 12 million during the last fiscal year," the official explained.

The year Afghanistan is expected to export 7500 tons of dried fruits and 3000 tons of fresh fruits to the international market.

Hassani backs the boost to export better to climate conditions, availability of cold storage.

Anti-Drug Drive to Mobilise Masses Launched

KABUL - The Afghan Ministry of Interior Affairs and the National Security Council launched an anti-drug campaign to mobilise citizens against the menace.

"We call on the public to cooperate with the authorities in the fight against drug trafficking," Dr. Khalil Bibi, the head of the campaign, said.

He said that the campaign is aimed at public awareness and mobilisation of the masses against drug trafficking.

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