7 Billion Afghanis Decline
Registered in Revenue

KARUL - The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on Monday registered seven billion Afghanis decline in revenue this year and directed customs officials to compete the target in the next three months or resign from their positions.

Finance Minister Asad Kakar during assessment of financial performance of last year and review of the first six months of the fiscal year told customs and revenue officials that they failed to achieve the target of revenue generation despite their promises with the international community.

He said that around six to seven billion Afghanis which should be collected in revenue was not achieved because the revenue was collected less than the target in some provinces.

He did not name any province but directed customs and revenue officials “You should achieve the target. You should gain more than that and those who collect more than the target will be rewarded but those who failed will be fired.”

Kakar also did not specify details about the target for each custom and the revenue collected. However MOL spokesperson Abdul Rahimzai on July 4 had said that 123 million Afghanis was revenue target for this year.

He had said that 54.68 billion Afghanis (More on Page 1)

Pakistan Sending Fighters in Name of IS: Ullomi

GHANZI CITY - Interior Minister Noorul Haq Ullomi on Monday accused Pakistan of sending armed individuals disguised as Islamic State (IS) fighters to destablize the country.

Ullomi, who arrived in southern Ghazni province to assess the security situation there, told reporters that Pakistan had recently sent Uzbeks, Chechens, Turkmen and other nationals in the name of Daesh fighters in order destabilize Afghan state’s security situation.

“They have individuals who have arrived to lower the white flags (of Taliban) and seize the black flags (of Daesh),” said the minister, who added Afghan security forces had launched operations (More on Page 2-

Afghanistan, India Hold Renewable Energy Summit

KARUL - The Afghanistan Renewable Energy Union and the Ministry of Energy and Water hosted a two day Afghanistan-India Renewable Energy Summit in New Delhi aimed at promoting Afghanistan’s energy sector.

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the Embassy of India in Afghanistan and the Federation of India Chambers of Commerce and Industries supported the event which was held on August 6 and 7, a statement from the USAID said on Monday. Representatives from the (More on Page 3)

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Dostum Railes Support, Stokes Opposition to Talibat

KARUL - First Vice-President General Abdul Rashid Dostum has increased momentum in his fight against Taliban insurgents in northern Afghanistan by rallying support from local residents.

This task has been made easier by a wave of terrorist attacks by the Taliban group in recent weeks as well as widespread denunciations of their alleged backers in Pakistan by Afghan leaders.

Gen. Dostum, who is now leading a clearing operation in Qari district of northern Farah province, made calls for support to residents in the village of Shokul on Sunday, where he received a warm welcome.

In recent weeks, Afghanistan leaders from President Ashraf Ghani to the Ulema Council have denounced the Pakistan military’s continued support for Taliban violence inside Afghanistan, citing it a betrayal of Islam’s constituents and a gross (More on Page 6)

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**RCN Wants Suspension of Pakistan “Backtalks”**

**RCN: Condemning Pak’s policy toward Afghanis, SC peace talks in march**

**Akhbar:** Sher Shah, a 7-year-old Afghan girl, died of injuries sustained in a rocket attack by the Taliban in her village in the eastern Nangarhar province on Tuesday. The attack was one of several in the region in recent days, with the Taliban intensifying their operations in the region. The Afghan government and its allies have been working to stabilize the situation in the area.

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Open Violence against Women

Recently two incidents, highlighted in social media, show the level of violence against women in our country. One of them is the video of a girl who is beaten up along with her father in an open court in Sialkot Province. According to the re- port, the girl and her father were beaten up by the head of the develop- ment council of Baldok district in Tegh village after being accused of robbery. The second video is of a man who is brutally beating two women, a man and woman, in an open court in Jhalli district. They were beaten up without any reason and without any explanation.

These incidents show how Afghan society treats its women. Although Afghan culture considers women to be the house of the family, it does nothardtodetermineinthepublicwhowillbebeatingthem. Women are not told to fight their own families with their own family members. It is the men of the family who first target the women; how can they expect better treatment from others? Women are not given the opportunity to choose their life partners, they have to stay married with loving husband and child who are not theirs. The suitability of her husband is selected for her by her parents or her in-laws. Moreover, after marriage, women are forced to be compliant and accept everything their husbands say without any question. Their entire lives are for the betterment of their husbands’ lives.

This situation has given rise to every sort of discrimination and violence against women. The report of the Afghani government in 2017 showed that 30% of women in our society have given rise to every sort of violence against the women. The whole social structure and behavior are designed in such a way that women support discrimination against them and they are expected to tolerate all of these even while raising their voice.

The incidents involving women rights in Afghanistan have not been stopped through them because there have been comparative developments made in the last two years. According to the data of the last few years, the situation is seriously deteriorating. In the view of the international community, violence against women is a serious problem. The violence against women is still a major issue in Afghan society.

The challenge of building a stable and democratic society in Afghanistan cannot be achieved without the participation of women. The peace process and national reconciliation can only be achieved without the participation of women. The participation of women is crucial for the success of the peace process.

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U.S. Military to Add Drone Flights by 2019: WSJ

WASHINGTON -- The U.S. military will increase its surveillance and firepower in conflicts worldwide, including in Ukraine and the North China Sea, under a proposal to expand use of drone flights, according to a government report (WSJ) released Thursday. The Pentagon plans to increase daily flights by 30% over the next three years, expanding from 14,500 flights in 2015 to 18,000 daily by 2018. The increase was confirmed to the Post by an official familiar with the plan. Flights could also increase on such as Iraq and Syria activist

Russian PM Appeals for New Efforts to Ease Mounting Tension in SE Ukraine

LINKU -- Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev has called for new efforts to ease mounting tension in southeast Ukraine, where Russia-backed separatists have been fighting against the Ukrainian government.

Poland’s New President to Visit Estonia in 1st Foreign Trip

WARSAW -- Poland’s new conservative president, already under criticism for his handling of the ongoing investigation into the 1970 assassination of Władysław Gomułka, will make his first foreign trip to Estonia, the country’s only Baltic neighbor, on Tuesday, according to a statement from the Presidential Office.

Pakistan Forces Kill 65 Terrorists in Tribal Regions: Army

ISLAMABAD -- The Pakistani military said Thursday that it had killed 65 militants in operations against insurgent groups in the tribal areas during the past month.

Poland’s new president will start his diplomatic visit to Estonia on Tuesday, the presidential office said. The trip will be a test of relations between Poland and the Baltic states.

The seven men are accused of being members of Grupa 42, an opposition group.

Tajikistan Visits Russia to Extradite Opposition Members

DUSHANBE -- The Tajik government has reportedly asked Russia to extradite seven men wanted on charges of plotting against the regime of President Emomali Rahmon, the Kremlin said.

President XX, however, said the draft law that would have banned imports of raw materials containing cobalt, copper, lead, and zinc would not be examined by parliament. He added, however, that the government was committed to enforcing existing laws that prohibit the import of raw materials.
25,000 Out-of-School Children Being Enrolled in Kandahar

KANDAHAR CITY — Education officials estimate that 25,000 out-of-school children both boys and girls will be brought to schools as part of the 2015-2016 academic year in southern Kandahar province. Kandahar is one of Afghanistan’s war-torn provinces with the nine-month academic year starting in September and in the colder areas in March. Kandahar education department’s spokesman Nazar Mohammad Sami atd Pashto Afghan News the enrollment drive had already been launched right away in Kandahar City and districts.

He said it was expected that about 25,000 out-of-school children would be enrolled in schools this solar year. In Kandahar to increase their number to 390,000 students, including 78,000 girls. The education official said he could not give all the reasons for the enrollment, but he said the government was taking care of the problems of the people. It was expected that the test phase will be launched on August 19 and that 390,000 children would be enrolled. The teacher was also expected.

27 Afghan Children Handled Over to Relatives

KARUL - The Ministry of Interior said it had handed over the 27 Afghan children to their relatives on Sunday. The children had been kept in a shelter in the city of Kandahar for the past year. The children were brought to the shelter by the police after they were found wandering alone in the streets. The police said they were found to be suffering from various illnesses and were taken to the hospital. The children were then kept in the shelter until they could be reunited with their families.

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