Ghani Seals Deals During European Trip

KABUL - President Ashraf Ghani on Monday thanked the European community for all their assistance to date and for their renewed commitment to help Afghanistan in the coming years.

Addressing a press conference in Kabul after a four-nation visit through Europe that included France, Italy, Germany and Sweden, Ghani said a 10-year economic cooperation framework policy has been drawn up with European partners.

Ghani said "we held frank re-

gulations with four European nations and we are grateful to them because of their great gestures".

Ghani's first stop was the UN climate change conference in Paris. From there he visited Italy, Germany and Sweden where he held talks with the countries' respective leaders.

At Monday's press conference he said he had expressed his sympathies with the French in the aftermath of the Paris attacks. adding that: "Afghanis care..." (More on Pr..)

KABUL - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) on Monday approved $1.2 billion grants to support ongoing energy projects in Afghanistan, provide new funds to boost supply and promote cross-border trade in energy.

The grants include $780 million from ADB's Special Fund Resource, and up to $480 million from the Afghanistan Infrastructure Trust Fund, which will be administered by the Manila-based bank.

In a statement, ADB said the funds would be disbursed in multiple tranches, with the first amounting to $279 million earmarked for release this year.

The remaining tranches will flow through to 2025.

KABUL - ADB's energy demand has grown apace with its economic growth rate from 2000 to 2012, and it is expected 80% of its total supplies from neighboring countries. The reliance on energy imports, small size of the domestic market, limitations in transmission and distribution networks and governance and financial constraints have energy security highly vulnerable.

In its first tranche, ADB will fund the last... (More on Pr,)

KARUL - The Free and Fair Election Foundation of Afghan-istan (FEFA) said Monday that the National Unity Government (NUG) takes the Civil Society as an excuse while there is no problem with the civil society.

FEFA declared that the origin of the disputes is the Afghan government itself that does not want the election committee begins to work and always marginalized. There is no differences among members of civil society. The government is... (More on Pr,)

UN Report

World Humanitarian Aid Organizations needs 20.11B Dollars for 2016

GENEVA - The world's humanitarian aid organizations will require a record $20.11 billion U.S. dollars in aid for 2016, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) said Monday.

OCHA said that the appeal is based on response plans and strategies in 27 crises, including Afghanistan, Central African Republic, Iraq, Libya, Mali, occupied Palestinian territory, South Sudan, Syria, Ukraine and Yemen.

"Suffering in the world has reached levels not seen in a generation. Conflicts and disasters have driven millions of children..." (More on Pr,)

KABUL - Members of Wolki Jirga (Lower House of Parliament), on Monday called on Presi-
dent Ashraf Ghani to be resolute about his stance on insurgency and clear-

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**Heavy Clashes Reported Among Top Taliban Leaders**

**HERAT** - Heavy clashes have been reported on Thursday among the top Taliban leaders in western Herat province. According to a local official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, clashes erupted among the supporters of Maulah Akhtar Mansoor and another Taliban leader Mullah Mohammad Qasim. The official further added that clashes started around 8:00 am local time in Shindand district and heavy gun fire still echoes in the region after the support of two sides. The clashes between the supporters of the Taliban leaders came amid reports regarding the death of Mullah Abdul Manoor who was involved in a gun battle in Quetta city of Pakistan. There are no immediate reports regarding the casualties as a result of the clashes and the Taliban group yet to comment regarding the incident. (KP)

**TALIBAN** - Two key Taliban leaders named Shaukatullah and Alan were arrested by the National Directorate of Security (NDS) in the province of Kandahar, according to a statement.

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**Afghan Military Kills 16 Insurgents**

KARUL - The National Security Special Forces (NSS) have killed 16 Taliban insurgents across the country since early Sunday, the Interior Ministry said on Monday morning.

"In past 24 hours, the Afghan security forces have killed 16 Taliban insurgents and arrested 9 others and destroyed an anti-terrorist operation centers. As a result of the ongoing operation, all areas of Afghanistan are under control and efforts are being made to eliminate the remnants of the Taliban," the ministry said.

The operation, which started on Sunday, is still ongoing, according to the ministry. (Talib News)

**Fire in Kabul Market Inflicts Millions of Dollars of Losses**

KARUL - Fire swept the forensic section of Kabul Medical Center and killed 11 people, according to the Interior Ministry. The fire broke out in the afternoon, and the cause of the fire is still under investigation. (Talib News)

**Outlook**

**Outlook Horoscope**

**Libra (Sept 23-Oct 22)**

You wish with everyone that you have a very own domain today, and they have something to offer to the public and the market. You feel a bit in the way of the market, and you are not restricted in the public and the market.

**Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21)**

You might have stepped out of line recently, but you have your own ideas to set the tone of the day. Either way, you must find out the information you put together today, and you are not going to be happy with the outcome. You are in a position to enjoy your ideas and your plans.

**Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21)**

You might have been feeling a bit down and low lately, but you have your own ideas to set the tone of the day. Either way, you must find out the information you put together today, and you are not going to be happy with the outcome. You are in a position to enjoy your ideas and your plans.

**Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)**

Your peers are perceptive enough to know your ideas, and they will put something in your ear that will be the last thing you would like. Either way, you must find out the information you put together today, and you are not going to be happy with the outcome.
The Militants’ Internal Divisions

By Muhammad Rasool Shah

A few days ago, I was interviewed about a senior government official who was trying to tide the factions in the Taliban into a more cohesive political bloc, based on the principle of national unification and the desire to end the war. This official was tasked with bridging the gap between the Taliban leadership and the Afghan government in order to find a peaceful solution to the conflict.

However, the situation is complicated by internal divisions within the Taliban, as different factions have their own agendas and interests. The Taliban have been divided into various groups, each with its own leader and ideology. These divisions have hindered the process of reconciliation and cooperation with the Afghan government.

The leader of the Taliban, Mullah Akhtar Mansour, has been unable to resolve these internal conflicts, and the situation continues to deteriorate.

In the meantime, the Afghan government is also divided, with different factions holding power and having their own interests. The government has been unable to take effective steps to bring peace to the country.

The situation in Afghanistan is complex and requires a comprehensive strategy to address the root causes of the crisis. The government and the Taliban need to work together to find a lasting solution to the conflict.
(1) Ghani Sees Afghan stadium dream come true

We shouldn’t allow minority group to degrade Islam and Afghan society, said President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani today at the inauguration of the $100 million, 40,000-capsule Afghan National Stadium in Kabul.

Ghani said the past 20 years have been the best years in the history of Afghanistan, and that the stadium is the country’s new national symbol and a symbol of peace.

He said the stadium is an important step in the development of Afghan football, and that the Afghan government will do its best to develop football in the country.

(2) Economy

Ghani said Afghanistan has made significant progress in the past years, and that the government is committed to improving the economy.

(3) Security

Ghani said Afghanistan is facing security challenges, but the government is determined to ensure the safety and security of its citizens.

(4) Education

Ghani said the government is committed to providing quality education to all Afghan children, and that the new stadium is an important step in achieving this goal.

(5) Culture

Ghani said the stadium is a symbol of Afghan culture and tradition, and that it will help promote cultural exchange and understanding.

(6) Infrastructure

Ghani said the government is committed to improving infrastructure in the country, and that the stadium is an important step in achieving this goal.

(7) Sports

Ghani said the stadium will help promote Afghan football and other sports, and that it will help Afghan athletes achieve success on the international stage.
Japan to Enhance Counterterrorism Cooperation with US

Japan - The Japanese government said on Monday it would cooperate in the United Nations (U.N.) office for the promotion of counter-terrorism, in response to a request from the U.S.

Japan has introduced counter-terrorism measures such as the designation of a radical organization as a terrorist group and freezing of funds owned by the group.

The Japanese government has been working with the U.S. on the issue, and has also established a counter-terrorism unit within the Cabinet Secretariat.

The U.S. has recently designated the Islamic State (IS) as a terrorist group, and the Japanese government has also been working to establish a similar designation system.

The two countries are expected to hold talks on the issue in the near future.

Syria Condemns U.S.-Led Airstrikes on Airbase Positions

SYRIA - The Syrian government has condemned the U.S.-led airstrikes on its airbase positions, saying they represent a violation of its sovereignty.

It has also warned that such actions could escalate the conflict in the region.

The United States launched a series of strikes against Islamic State targets in Syria on Saturday, reportedly targeting airfields and command centers.

Israel - The United States is planning to send troops to Israel to help with security operations.

The move comes as tensions rise between Israel and other countries in the region.

Japan - The Japanese government has decided to increase its military spending in order to counter the growing influence of China.

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No Evidence to Prove Mullah Mansour is Dead: Ghani

KABUL – President Ashraf Ghani said on Monday afternoon that there was no evidence to prove the Taliban leader Mullah Mansour was dead.

Speaking at a press conference, Ghani said: “There is no evidence and this statement might be used to create fear. The media should be careful of the information that is shared between two Taliban factions in Quetta, Pakistan last month.”

Journalist Lost 4-Year-Old Child on European-Bound Flight

ANKARA – The tragic story of an Afghan journalist whose lost her 4-month-old baby on the way to Europe with the thousands across Afghanistan, remains an isolated tragedy for the five-year-old Aylan Kurdi who died in a migrant tragedy off the coast of Lesbos, Greece three months ago.

The family of the journalist, Ali Rehman, Qais Rahimzai and his family were arriving at Tehran's Mehrabad airport following the deadly incident while they were traveling to Europe, however the child was never present in the plane.

Rahimzai further added that the smuggler had a previous saw he said: “I have no idea where the child is but there is no news on him and he disappeared from the airline.

Ghani has appealed to the Afghan authorities to find the missing child.

Japan Key Supporter of Afghanistan: Massoud

KABUL – Special Envoy of President on Reforms and Good Governance, Ahmad Zia Massoud, in a meeting with Japanese ministry representatives on Tuesday over Japan’s contribution in Afghanistan and noted Japan to continue its support for Afghan facilities.

Massoud during his visit to the country said, Japan’s Afghanistan ambassador, the visiting Japanese diplomat, added that the Japanese government desires to continue its support for Afghan facilities.

Afghan-German 100 Year Relationships Marked at Special Event in Berlin

BERLIN – Afghanistan and Germany’s 100 year anniversary was marked at a special event in Berlin last week. The event was held in presence of officials from both countries present.

The highlight of the evening was a music concert attended by both countries entertainers. Speaking at the event, President Ashraf Ghani said that the relationship.

Pakistan General Discusses Afghan Envoy’s Visit

KARACHI: The Pakistan Army chief, General Raheel Sharif on Monday received the US Ambassador to Pakistan, Mr Ryan Crocker at a special reception.

The reception that was hosted on the occasion of the 26th anniversary of the Pakistan-US relations was attended by a large number of Pakistani military and political leaders and US officials.

The purpose of the visit was to discuss the situation in Afghanistan and to explore ways to improve US-Pakistan relations.

The visit is a part of the ongoing efforts to strengthen the bilateral relationship between the two countries.

Biden Makes Trip to Ukraine in Sign of US Support

Kiev: The US government has dispatched a military aid package to Ukraine, which is reported to be the largest ever sent to the country.

According to the State Department, the aid package includes arms, ammunition, and other military equipment.

The move comes amid escalating tensions between Ukraine and Russia, with the latter annexing Crimea in 2014. The US has been a strong critic of Russia's actions in the region.

The aid package, which is valued at $1 billion, is expected to help Ukraine defend itself against potential Russian aggression.

UAE Sets New Conditions for Afghan Refugees Applying for Visa

KABUL: The UAE authorities have set new conditions for Afghan refugees who are applying for visas to the UAE.

The new conditions include a review of the applicant’s background and a check of their previous travel history.

Meanwhile, the UAE government has announced that it will provide $100 million in aid to Afghan refugees and internally displaced persons.

The funds will be used to provide food, shelter, and medical care to those affected by the conflict.

The UAE has been a long-time supporter of Afghanistan, providing economic aid and military assistance.

ISL vows to continue terror attacks in the country, as security forces struggle to maintain tenuous hold on tenuously held areas in the north.

KABUL – Afghan government forces have launched an offensive against Taliban fighters in the northern Kunduz province, leading to the death of at least 10 Taliban fighters.

The offensive is part of a broader strategy to retake areas that were previously under Taliban control.

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