

# In Nangarhar, Big-Time Land-Grabbers Remain at Large



JALALABAD - Despite president's order, major land-grabbers are yet to be dragged to court in eastern Nangarhar province over the past two years, Pajhwok Afghan News has learnt. During his trip to Nangarhar in 2015, President

Ashraf Ghani had ordered provincial officials to bring to justice -- and even shoot to death -- big land-grabbers. Nangarhar civil society organisations, provincial council members and the general public assailed

officials for failing to enforce the presidential orders against land-grabbers. Although the provincial administration has launched many campaigns for prevention of land-grab and detained ...*(More on P4)...*(16)

## Have Seen Nothing But Pain, Violence and Slavery: Nelab

KABUL - The girl, who was deceived into marriage through a mobile phone, was not allowed to take divorce by her deceiving husband and was being raped and beaten up by him every day. Article 3 of the Human Trafficking and Immigrant Trafficking Law says, "To recruit, transfer, transport, harbor or receive a person for the purpose of exploitation, using the means of deceit is human trafficking". Incidents of deception have surged in different parts of the world, especially in Afghanistan, and most



victims are women. Nelab (Not her real name), 21, from western Faryab, province, is one of the victims of human trafficking. Safe house

Nelab (not her real name) who fled home due to gender based violence from her father at home, walked into a trap laid by a stranger man. After marriage, the man ...*(More on P4)...*(18)

## Life Paralyzed in Gardez Due to Security Barriers

GARDEZ - The authorities in southeastern Paktia province have closed general roads inside the provincial capital, Gardez, and a highway that connects the city with several districts, causing a great deal of inconvenience to residents. Residents say they have to divert to uneven routes to reach their destinations as the general roads have been closed in the city. They say roads have been blocked in front of the Govern-



nor's House, police headquarters, border police and the court. The residents call the road blocks as illegal and demand the authorities immediately remove the security barricades from roads. Haji Mohammad Wali, a resident of Gardez's Shah area, said the border police had permanently closed ...*(More on P4)...*(19)

## Firewood Prices Jump in Kunduz as Winter Arrives



KUNDUZ CITY - With the advent of winter, firewood prices have almost doubled in the capital of northern Kunduz province, residents complain. Currently seven kilograms of firewood and coal is sold for 100 afghanis compared to 60 afghanis last winter. An increase of 10 and 13 afghanis per kilo was also noticed in petroleum products and liquefied gas.

A resident of Kunduz City, Humayun, said firewood prices had jumped in the city amid poor economic condition of the residents.

"People of this province are poor and cannot afford to buy seven kg of wood for 100 afghanis. Despite severe cold, many households lack fuel to

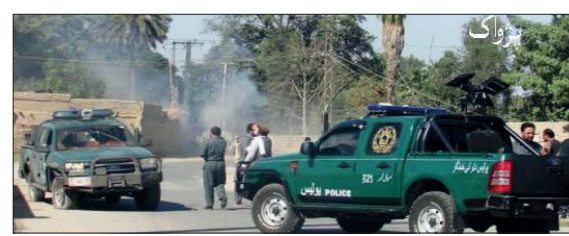
warm their homes." The resident asked the government to take serious measures about the issue otherwise a humanitarian crisis could erupt. Another resident, Rahimullah, said the government should control prices and punish those involved in profiteering. Kunduz City resident Jan Mohammad said oil prices had also increased in the province in addition to firewood rates. He said a litre of petrol was accounted for 40 afghanis last year and today the same was sold for 48 af. The price of one litre diesel climbed from last year's 38 af to 45 af and of gas from 47 af per kg to 60 af. Similar views were expressed by other residents. (Pajhwok)

## Rebels Set Alight 4 Coal Trucks in Samangan

AIBAK - Suspected militants torched four trucks transferring coal in Dara-i-Suf Bala district of northern Samangan province on Sunday, an official said. Ahmad Ali Husaini, administrative chief of the district, told Pajhwok Afghan News the trucks were carrying coal from Shabashak coalmine to Dara-i-Suf district center when militants intercepted and torched them on the way in Chahar Awlia area this morning.

He accused the Taliban of the incident and said: "This group first destroyed a Kamaz truck with a rocket attack, set another ...*(More on P4)...*(17)

## ALP Commander for Nangarhar's Khogyani District Killed



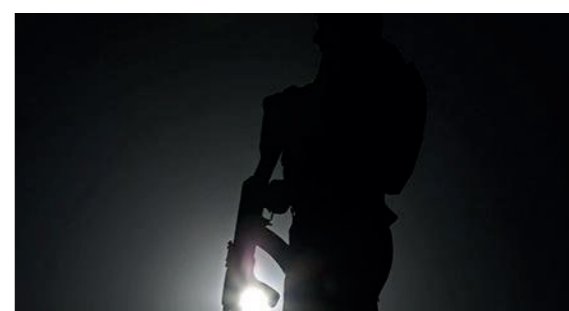
JALALABAD - Afghan Local Police (ALP) commander for Khogyani district of eastern Nangarhar province was killed and five ALP policemen and a civilian wounded in a roadside bombing on Sunday, officials said.

Governor's spokesman, Attaullah Khogyani told Pajhwok Afghan News that a roadside bombing targeted an ALP ranger pick-up in Kagay Bazaar area of the district around 1pm today.

He said the ALP commander for the district, Habib Rahman was killed and four ALP personnel and a civilian was wounded in the incident.

The civilian was slightly injured and was discharged after receiving primary treatment but ALP personnel are shifted to Jalalabad Zonal Hospital, he said, adding two ALP police were in critical condition. Nangarhar public health spokesman, Inaamullah Miakhel said that one body and two injured were shifted to zonal hospital. (Pajhwok)

## Roadside Blast Kills Nangarhar Local Police Chief



JALALABAD - A local police commander was killed and five others were wounded in a roadside mine blast in Nangarhar province on Sunday afternoon, local officials said.

Habiburrahman, a local police commander in Khogyani district of eastern Nangarhar province was killed in a roadside mine blast on Sunday afternoon, a local official confirmed. Four other local policemen and a civilian were wounded.

The incident took place in the Khogyani district of the province, a spokesman for the provincial governor, Attaullah Khogyani said. (Tolnews)

## Outlook Horoscope

### Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



Aries You want to give everyone the benefit of the doubt now by assuming they have your best interests at heart. But even if others are on your side, something unexpected may happen that could prompt you to reconsider your earlier conclusion. It might even seem as if someone you trust is working against you.

### Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Taurus You may have a wait-and-see attitude about work today, since you never know what new assignments will demand your attention. Naturally, you want to please your boss, but sometimes you must also protect your own boundaries. Although you're eager to do your job well, maintain a healthy balance between the personal.

### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Gemini Communication with your coworkers seems a bit out of whack today. Although you might initially approach others in a diplomatic manner, it's all too easy to get carried away with enthusiasm when they are supportive of your current ideas. Pay attention to the conversation if it escalates out of control because your real strength is your compassion now.

### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



Cancer You're trying to keep your unexpressed feelings from impacting a current relationship. However, in your attempt to stay calm, you may come across less emotionally available than you actually are. Nevertheless, making a commitment to be honest sets the underlying tone for the day. Don't miss this opportunity to be as real as you possibly can.

### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



Leo Presenting an overly cheery attitude might sound like a smart thing to do, but any misrepresentation of your feelings will likely lead to conflict down the road. You might think it's better to advertise your strengths at the risk of bending reality only to discover you've stepped into unknown emotional territory.

### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Virgo Fortunately, your ego is strong enough to survive a bit of criticism today, but you grow tired just thinking about the power of creativity and what you must do to protect it. Nevertheless, you're also reminded of how social protocols are so important when you're trying to fit in with the crowd. However, your attitude is a bit cocky now and can stand in the path of your progress.

### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



Libra Oddly enough, you can combine an unbridled optimism about the future with an outright pessimism for the present. However, your ability to simultaneously see the potentials and the pitfalls places you in a unique position. You want to try something different today, but all improvements in the real world are preceded by changes of your own beliefs.

### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Scorpio Your fair-mindedness is not apparent to others today because it may be overridden by more obvious planetary archetypes. You might act out the various roles you have played in the past, whether or not they fit into the current melodrama. Unfortunately, this could prompt you to overreact and create a scene while you temporarily bury your pain.

### Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Sagittarius You're full of energy today, but might be running short on confidence. You know you can finish what you start, but doubt your skill at managing all the variables and putting the disparate pieces together in a manner that works. Nevertheless, you have no choice but to roll up your sleeves and jump in. Ironically, your affirmative action is sufficient to invite assistance from other dimensions.

### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Capricorn You need to be needed today and the most efficient path to happiness is to take care of someone else. Whether it's your friend, coworker or a relative, you are eager to express your nurturing side. Nevertheless, you may encounter your own resistance to revealing your compassion.

### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



Aquarius You may have an opportunity to further your education at home or by traveling to distant lands. You recognize both the pros and cons to changing your current trajectory to learn new skills or just expand your knowledge base. But it's nearly impossible to resolve your ambivalence immediately, so you must exert self-restraint and practice patience for a while.

### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Pisces You have a busy workweek on the horizon and you're poised to make the most of it. Unfortunately, you don't yet know how you will stand up to all the demands being made of your time. Ultimately, your confidence -- even in the face of possible failure -- could make a big difference in the outcome. Thankfully, you are drawing from deep energetic reserves that enable you to save the day like a superhero.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbered squares.

Across: 1. Epic, 5. At the peak of, 9. Vats, 13. Baby's bed, 14. Cuts into cubes, 16. Dwarf buffalo, 17. Haughtiness, 18. A drama set to music, 19. Partiality, 20. Milkshakes, 22. Cotton canvas, 24. Gladly (archaic), 26. Exploded stars, 27. Pixies, 30. A southern constellation, 33. Wallboard, 35. Soft leather, 37. Consumed food, 38. A yellowish brown color, 41. Spy agency, 42. Extracted, 45. Indistinct, 48. Peculiarity, 51. A bladed medieval weapon, 52. Not married, 54. Bristle, 55. Recalcitrant, 59. Barf, 62. Hawkeye State, 63. Clobbered, 65. Anger, 66. A jaunty rhythm, 67. Sometimes, works with lions, 68. Affirm, 69. If not, 70. No, 71. Bawdy.

Down: 1. Fraud, 2. Diva's solo, 3. Romantic female friend, 4. Deny, 5. Pother, 6. Rewards for waiting, 7. Sea, 8. Ends a sentence, 9. Any dramatic scene, 10. Pearly-shelled mussel, 11. Ship, 12. Cumberbund, 15. Artillery burst, 21. Seats oneself, 23. Automobiles, 25. Make out (slang), 27. Travelled through water, 28. Terrace, 29. Comes after Mi and Fah, 31. Ornamental, 32. Ignominy, 34. Buff, 36. Convenience, 39. Beer barrel, 40. Nile bird, 43. Teach, 44. Effort, 46. End, 47. Sidelong, 49. Chubby Checker's dance, 50. Bodyguard, 53. Cathedral, 55. Dossier, 56. Agitate, 57. Cobblers' tools, 58. Stair, 60. A ball of yarn, 61. Group of cattle, 64. Before, poetically

Yesterday's Solution: FLESH, DEEL, ESSE, ROGUE, ERBE, STAG, ARARA, FASIT, PATE, UNDERBRUSH, EGIS, DIAL, ASCENT, ELSE, LIVE, IT, GIES, BITES, LASIS, HALGYN, TROLLP, OFFAL, GORE, LOFT, DEB, TAT, VEAS, SMARRY, TIRG, TAKI, PHONOGRAP, ROIL, LAME, LOIRE, ORAL, ALAR, ELDER, PILE, VENIS, DEEPS

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