



Daikundi Woman Divorced after Giving Birth to 3rd Baby Girl

NEILI - A woman in central Daikundi province says her husband divorced her after giving birth to three baby girls in a row, something out of her control. Jamila (not a real name), a resident of the capital of Daikundi province, while talking to Pajhwok Afghan News said, "I was 17 and a high school student when I was married to someone I loved very much. I did everything to keep him and his family happy." She said her husband was an educated man and she always tried to help her husband get more education so they would have a good life in future. Jamila said soon after their marriage she got pregnant and gave birth to a baby girl, but it was the beginning of an unhappy life. "I was happy as we both were healthy, but my husband and his family members were very sad, I told my husband to be patient and we will be granted a baby boy next time," she said. Her husband was silent for a moment after hearing her suggestion and agreed, but later he told her he would marry a second woman if she did not give birth to a boy. Jamila said when her first daughter grew a little and started playing, she again got pregnant, but she did not know whether it was a boy or a girl in her womb. "My husband tried to know the gender of the baby, he took me to a hospital but the doctor told him the baby may face some kind of problem if tested for gender, my husband agreed and cancelled the test," she said. "The baby ... (More on P4)...(12)

Afghan Air Force Conducts First Nighttime Airstrikes

KABUL - The Afghan air force has conducted nighttime airstrikes for the first time in a step toward making the country less dependent on American airpower, officials said Tuesday. U.S.-supplied A-29 Super Tucano light attack aircraft were used in strikes on Sunday in central Uruzgan province that inflicted heavy casualties on Taliban insurgents in addition to destroying their munitions stores, air force spokesman Jalaludin Ibrahimkhail said. "This is a very important step that we have taken, and we will try to increase nighttime air operations carried out solely by Afghans in the future," Ibrahimkhail said. The U.S.-led coalition in Afghanistan has been training Afghans for nighttime operations on different aircraft for months. Night flights are considered safer than daytime sorties because they are more difficult for insurgents to target.



Afghan forces are also expected to start using their MD-530F Cayuse ... (More on P4)...(11)

Taliban Overrun Shebkoh District Without Security Forces Resistance

FARAH CITY - Security forces retreated from the Shebkoh district of western Farah province and currently the district control was in the hands of Taliban, the residents said on Wednesday but police rejected the claims. Hameedullah, the resident of district centre, told Pajhwok Afghan News security forces retreated from the district on Wednesday morning without resistance. Taliban Spokesman Qari Yusuf Ahmadi said the Shebkoh district which was under the Taliban's siege from the past three months was captured on



Wednesday morning. Police Spokesman Muhibullah Mohib rejected the claims of local residents and added the district was under security forces control. (Pajhwok)

Eight Taliban Killed in Uruzgan Airstrike

KABUL - The 205th Atal Corps say in a statement that the airstrike was carried out on the outskirts of Tarinkot City. At least eight Taliban militants were killed in an airstrike in Tarinkot, the capital city of Uruzgan province, on Tuesday, the 205th Atal Corps said in a statement on Wednesday. The statement said four other militants were wounded in the airstrike. The airstrike was carried out by Afghan Air Force in an area related to Tarinkot City where Taliban members had gathered, the statement said. Taliban so far has not comment-



Afghanistan's Saffron Yield 22pc up this Year

KABUL - Farmers in Afghanistan harvested 13 tons of saffron yield this season, registering a 22 percent surge over the previous year's yield, agriculture officials said on Tuesday. Akbar Rustami, spokesman for the Ministry of Agriculture, said 15.5 acres of land was brought under saffron cultivation and 2,080 pieces of land were used for experiment in 33 provinces of the country. He said this year 13 tons of saffron was produced, showing a 21

percent increase in production over last year's. Rustami said Afghanistan's saffron was of high quality and its 90 percent harvest was exported to foreign countries. He said this year 100 saffron drying machines were distributed to farmers, 25 farming schools inaugurated in 25 provinces and 6,000 saffron farmers provided necessary training. Rustami said 134 million of investment had been made in saffron cultivation ... (More on P4)...(13)



Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



A solid grounding is apt to be extremely important to you today, Aries. Hearts may be broken or won, depending on how well you play your cards. Keep in mind that the slow and steady contender is most likely going to win this race. All the talk in the world will get you nowhere. Today is about quality and action.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



Regardless of how much the storm seems to be raging out of control, you will be able to handle it, Taurus. Have confidence in your grounded nature. There's a reason why you take the time to address the details and carefully plan your moves. Today is one day when you will see the rewards of your diligent actions, especially in love, beauty.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Hold on to your hat, Gemini, and be ready for some action. You're coming to a critical point in your emotional cycle when your heart feels heavy. You may feel pinned down by a huge weight, like you're being sucked into quicksand. Grab a branch and pull yourself out. Rise above the current situation with the help of a lofty perspective.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



In a string of intense emotional dramas, the last thing you need is one more, Cancer. Unfortunately, it looks like you're going to get just that. Once again, an incredible romantic scenario is coming to a head, and your emotions are in turmoil. Hold still, wait for the hit, and then proceed. If you have the feeling that you're going to blow up at someone, simply walk away from the situation.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



- There's a great deal of grounding energy in your world today, Leo, which might work to smother your fire. Whatever happens, don't let the embers burn out. One of the assets you bring to the group is a strong dynamism that gives people the courage to change. Be a fighter in the ring. Remember that at the end of the day, you need only be satisfied with the performance.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Take pressing matters to the hilt today, Virgo, especially when it comes to romantic issues and emotional needs. You have all the data you need to make a valid point. You have a whole battalion of facts to back you up, so fire at will. Your feelings are strong and intense. Don't ignore them under any circumstances. Go with your gut instincts before you trust anything else.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



As you try to express your opinions today, you may have the feeling that someone is kicking sand in your face, Libra. Like a kid on the beach, you have nothing but the raw elements to use to defend yourself. Use one of your greatest gifts - the power of your mind - to combat the opposing force. Your ability to outsmart others will be your most powerful tool.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



Your boat is likely to be rocked today, Scorpio, to the point where you and all of your belongings could go overboard. Be prepared to swim ashore. Grounding and stability are the keys to maintaining a healthy attitude, especially when it comes to ever-fluctuating emotions. Issues regarding the home and people's possessions are likely to surface in a dramatic manner.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Calm down and get centered, Sagittarius. This is an extremely sensual day that's likely to pique your emotions. You're apt to receive input from each one of your senses, so keep these channels open and available for new information that's trying to break through. Don't be hasty. You're better off taking a reserved, receptive approach today.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Today is your day to shine in every way, Capricorn. There's a concentration of energy in your favor, so act boldly and without hesitation. Your emotions are leading the way, and your heart is barely a half a step behind. Follow these forces like the Pied Piper. Let this be the start of a wild ride on a whole new roller coaster of adventures.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

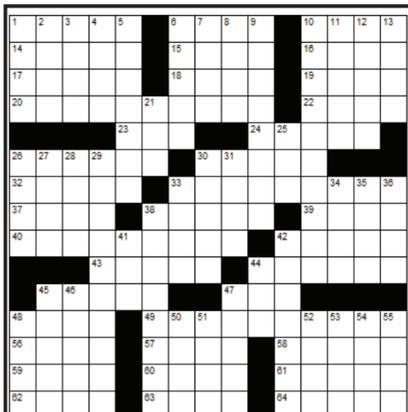


Your heart and emotions are on the same page, Aquarius, but they may not be on the page you want them to be. It could be that you're reminiscing about an event from the past. What was once a happy set of encounters now leaves you feeling like there are thorns in your side. Focus on the present and let the past become history.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



Dec 12, 2018 - Let your sensual, nurturing instincts shine through, Pisces. Rely on your sixth sense. If things start to get rough, remember that you have the ability to keep your cool. Not only is this an extremely important tool but it's also essential to maintaining any sort of stability in the situation. Keep your footing at all times. Your sanity depends on it.



Across

1. A sudden forceful flow, 6. Algonquian Indian, 10. Early 20th-century art movement, 14. Whip, 15. Adult male sheep, 16. Former lovers, 17. Ancient Roman magistrate, 18. Module, 19. A lustrous fabric, 20. Tungsten ore, 22. Camp beds, 23. Gist, 24. Swelling under the skin, 26. High-pitched, screeching noise, 30. A tart fruit, 32. Hearing-related, 33. A soft quilt, 37. Jetty, 38. Egg-shaped, 39. Wings, 40. Invoice, 42. Genuflected, 43. Whiskers, 44. Votes that block a decision, 45. Amounts owed, 47. Tavern, 48. Storage cylinder, 49. Greeting, 56. Curdled soybean milk, 57. Weightlifters pump this, 58. A type of dance, 59. Norse god, 60. Pig sound, 61. Annoyed, 62. Delay or postpone, 63. Badgers, 64. Snouts,

Down

1. Distort, 2. Annul, 3. Agitate, 4. A deep wide chasm, 5. Continuing forever, 6. Fragment, 7. Hindu princess, 8. Send forth, 9. Prized, 10. Child or grandchild, 11. Adage, 12. Triangular formation, 13. Requests, 21. Arctic bird, 25. To make a fool of (archaic), 26. Exhausts, 27. Resign, 28. Component of urine, 29. Lacking wit or imagination, 30. Kings of the jungle, 31. Modify, 33. Always, 34. Margarine, 35. Welt, 36. Catches, 38. Leaving out, 41. "Dig in!", 42. Protein in hair and nails, 44. Big wine holder, 45. Thermionic tube, 46. Spritlike, 47. Berths, 48. "Cut that out!", 50. Diva's solo, 51. Not short, 52. Tropical tuber, 53. Writing fluids, 54. Curved molding, 55. Gestures of assent,

Yesterday's Solution

AWAKE, CHAINS, SETA, FANE, ATOR, MOR, LANE, ALT, MOR, EMOTIVE, LEAPER, ROLES, AVIATOR, EDENTATE, WEEPING, THUS, AHER, NOM, NAUSEATED, RINA, WIR, NODS, CRUL, ER, CRUL, ER, RAISE, UMPED

about, birth, black cart, charm cuffs, damage, drink, election, email, enjoy event, funny, great information, inner latex, lawyer, option, pacts, paper, patient, person

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