Uprising if Rapists Not Hanged: Residents

12-Year-Old Girl Raped in Kapisa

MAHAMOOD RAHME - A 12-year-old girl has been allegedly raped by the Afghan Local Police (ALP) forces in Nijrab district of northeastern Kapisa, the local officials said.

Breaking down in tears, her father Abdul Rehman claimed six local policemen came into their house at midnight and raped her daughter.

“We appeal to President to bring these soldiers into justice,” he said.

The family of the victim and the tribal elders, who have come to Kabul for justice, demanded the government to bring the rapists to justice.

Protesting before the Parliament on Tuesday, the Nijrab elders complained the ALP forces harassed the people instead of ensuring their safety.

The victim's relatives claimed that in most cases, the ALP personnel misbehaved and threatened the people.

KABUL - Residents of the Nijrab district of central Kapisa province on Tuesday warned of launching an uprising against the government if it does not execute the rapists of a 12-year-old girl. The residents and relatives of the gang raped victim issued the warning during a meeting with Nadia Azizi, who heads the Women's Affairs Commission on Women's Affairs, at her office in Kabul.

Azizi said an investigation had been launched into the incident.

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Afghanis Fleeing Insurgent Violence Face Harsh Winter

FAIZABAD - Thousands of Afghans are escaping into makeshift camps in the capital where they face a harsh winter as the Taliban return to areas once drenched by foreign aid.

For the third year in a row, the Taliban have claimed responsibility for the attack.

The number of Afghanis attacked by the Taliban on the outskirts of Kabul, home to the capital, has increased by 177% as of January, according to the UN Assistance Mission in Afghanistan.

The fighting between security forces and Taliban have left scores of civilians dead and wounded.

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Rally Seeks End to Abuse

KABUL - A large number of people on Tuesday staged a protest demonstration in front of the Italian Embassy in Kabul, demanding an end to ill-treatment of Afghan refugees in the neighboring country.

The rally began at around 10:00am from the Chor Sabz roundabout in the capital.

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