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The Minaret of Jam is located around 20km east of Herat, at the confluence of the Hurst Rud and Jam Rud rivers.

probably built between 1163 and 1203 during the reign of the Karakhanid dynasty, the minaret is approximately 57 meters high and is made of brickwork, sandstone, and limestone.

President's Ghani's delegation arrived in Nahr-e-Saraj to help conserve the historic minaret of Jam.

While on a visit to Nahr-e-Saraj, the president's delegation was accompanied by the Minister of Culture and Tourism, the Minister of Education, the Minister of Public Works, and the Minister of Agriculture.

The delegation also visited the Dash-e-Hawz mountains and met with local residents.

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**Analysts See Qatar's Mediation Helping for Peace**

**QATAR** - The United States negotiators and Taliban members met in Qatar on Tuesday evening - after the United States and the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan had agreed to a ceasefire - saying they will discuss the “results of the talks and the next steps for peace”.

A spokesperson of the group in Doha, Sahil Shahrabi, said in a tweet. “The Qatar Foreign Minister, Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani, was also at the meeting in which US special envoy Zalmay Khalilzad as well as Taliban’s deputy leader Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar, Mohammad Faisal, Mullah Khairullah Khairkhaw, Masrabi Amr Khan Mutlaq were also present, according to Shahrabi. Analysts familiar with the process said the talks have reached a “promising stage” due to Qatar’s mediation will convince the Taliban to talk to the Americans,” the tweet said.

“Qatar is interested in promoting peacemaking and could play a crucial role in the negotiations if it can offer a balance of interests for all parties involved,” said by the analysts.

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Herat Customs ‘Loses 30% Of Revenue’ to Embezzlement, Tax Fraud

HERAT: — A senior official in the customs office in the western province of Herat claimed that almost 30% of customs revenue is being embezzled by “strongmen,” among whom are “high-ranking government officials.”

The revenue of the Herat customs office, which operates under the Ministry of Finance, collected about $416 million (over 43 billion Afghanis) in the 1398 solar year – March, 2019 to March, 2020 – but in target was about $612 million (over $416 million), the deputy of the customs office of Herat, Jawed Samim, said.

The customs revenue is marred by tax evasion, corruption, and stronger’s influence, he said, adding that an estimated six billion Afghanis (about $78 million) among has gone into the pockets of strongmen over the last year.

He said that the “strongmen,” among whom are government employees, are taking imported goods through the customs office without paying taxes, using their influence.

This issue has pushed the officials to reduce their target for the next fiscal year to $612 billion – about $725 million.

The deputy head of the customs office, however, refused to name any specific individual or official allegedly involved in “widespread” corruption in the office.

“it will be addressed in a meeting to be held in the Afghan capital, we see the need to address this issue at the highest levels,” the official said.

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Pakistan to Host Conference on Refugee Afghans

ISLAMABAD – Pakistan’s government in collaboration with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will host an “international conference” to mark “40 years of Afghan Refugee Presence in Pakistan”.

The conference will be held in Islamabad, the statement said, adding that it will be inaugurated by Pakistan’s Prime Minister Imran Khan. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Filippo Grandi, ministers, and senior officials from around 20 countries will attend the event, the statement said.

Afghan refugees can be categorized as ‘registered refugees’, ‘non-registered refugees’, ‘duplicated’ Afghans who have been issued with cards, and those who hold no documentation from the government of Pakistan at all.

As of December 2019, about 1.3 million registered refugees, visa holders or ‘undocumented’ Afghans resident in Pakistan will attend the event, the statement said.

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Learning to Skateboard In A Warzone (If You’re A Girl) Wins Oscar

KABUL – Afghan Acting Interior Minister Masoum Andarabi has ordered the ministry’s personnel not to give interviews to press or Remark on social media.

If needed, necessary procedures should be followed by instruction from the ministry’s leadership and in coordination with the general directorate of strategic communications, according to the order.

The directorate should release information to media about the achievements of national police including the outcome of operations after receiving instructions from the minister’s leadership according to the order.

No interior ministry personnel could publish secrets, documents on appointments, reshuffle, promotions, photos of personnel in uniforms, vehicles, equipment, meetings and pre-sessional events on social media,” the order reads.

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“My father has got a hiking team and we used to host 30% of our patients together with Asoman,” Sahba Barakzai told Khaama Press.

On Friday evening, father, sister and ‘Asoman’ went out to Dash-e-Hawz mountains for hiking wherein a gunman looking like a ‘Shepherd’ shot at my dog. I shouted and ran towards Asoman and requested the gunman not to fire. The gunman did not care and shot 4 bullets in Asoman’s chest. Several other gunmen joint the gunman not to fire. The gunman did not care and shot 4 bullets in Asoman’s chest. Several other gunmen joint the

Barakzai told Khaama Press.

Donors of humans being killed every day in the country and no one feels responsibility,” she added. (Khaama Press)
Mazar-i-Sharif - NATO commander, Gen. Scott Miller, said Thursday that the Taliban could not win and much power would remain in the hands of the United States.

He made these remarks during his farewell ceremony at the 20th anniversary of the US-led invasion of Afghanistan. Miller is scheduled to travel to Kabul on Monday for a meeting with the Afghan government.

A statement from Mazar-i-Sharif Military Corps' commander Gen. Mustafa Karimi said that the US military had handed over some of the main hospitals in the province to the Afghan government.

The Ministry of Health in the northeastern province of Jalalabad announced on Wednesday that the local authorities are working to unearth all obstacles faced by the health sector.

Health centres who cooperate with the governors must answer about the services provided,

He said there were female nurses and midwives in all Nuristan health centres who cooperate with mothers during child birth, but there was no female MD doctor in any Nuristan district.

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The government must answer about who killed them," said Abdul Ghani Arman, an MP for Farah.

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The governor confirmed that the group of Taliban fighters were businessmen traveling on Saturday from Farah to Abu Naser Farah Port when their ve- hicule was targeted.

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Afghans Concerned about Ambiguity of Talks

Afghans still fluctuate between fear and hope regarding the peace talks ongoing between the United States and the Taliban. But the ambiguity of the talks and the Taliban’s unclear strategy concern Afghan people. So far, the Taliban and Afghanistan have reached close to signing a deal after holding several rounds of negotiations in the Qatari capital of Doha. But Afghans are worried about the conclusions of the negotiations, and the Taliban’s expressions and talk has not been enough.

To this end, the government should engage Afghan representatives but peacebuilding actors. The structure of the dialogue has been organized by Germany, the parties were urged to negotiate their future and protect their existing rights while ceding some of their power. After peace agreement is signed between Washington and the Taliban, peacebuilding actors will provide an optimal opportunity for Afghan society, women, political leaders, tribal elders, and civil society, to urge that the intra-Afghan talks should come from political and governmental decisions that exist in the same time and snow on the poles are melting, with the ice at the same time and snow on the poles are melting, with the science that has been characterized as the “lung” of the planet, the Amazon that has been characterized as the “lungs” of the planet, and the rare and in conventional agriculture and livestock farming, which account for 15% of emissions. As the countries are doing that the defense of peace must be constructed. We need to clean our hearts from gender discrimination, to achieve sustainable peace and as a real foundation of peace in society or peace in the world.

Climate Change: A major Global Threat

The climate change, that is, the change of the global climate and in the natural climate conditions that exist in the world on a large scale time, is a major global existential threat. The greenhouse effect causes the increase of temperature of the planet mainly due to the tremendous increase in carbon dioxide, which has increased by 35% since the beginning of the industrial revolution. The amount of land in the planet with more than 30°C of carbon dioxide has Europe and North America. All other countries to the South of the Equator is either the least responsible. However, the people who live in these countries should do their utmost to combat climate change.

The causes of climate change are mainly identified in combustion of fossil fuels, deforestation, and methane gas. The world has already proven that the most effective measure to combat climate change is the dramatic and immediate reduction of the emissions from fossil fuels (coal, oil, gasoline, etc.). This is known as the global temperature, which accounts to 2°C. To achieve this goal, the world should reduce its current levels of carbon emissions by 1% to 2% per year. This will make the world reach the critical point of future generations problematic and of peace. Internal peace also called “inner peace” basically means peace of mind or soul. It is a state of calm, serenity and tranquility of mind that arises due to having no thoughts or mental disturbances such as worry, anxiety, stress, fear, anger, hate, sorrow, discontent and so on. Peace is peace within oneself; it is derived from practicing or training of peacefulness across the national frontier and is a foundation of peace and as a real foundation of peace in society or peace in the world. Like the sciences, the acceptance of the harm of war and violence is the fundamental stance of UN. So, peace is an external peace. It is like a big building, which has to be grounded or built in the country, to be durable, and to be safe for citizens of the country.

To understand this issue, it is necessary to know the true meaning of peace. Peace is used in different meanings. Literally, the term peace is derived from the old Latin word “pax”, which means a pact or a contract or an agreement to end war or any dispute and conflict between two people, states or two groups of people. Peace can be a state of harmony or the absence of hostility as a non-violent way of life. To understand the meaning of peace scholarly, it is crucial to view the scholars’ opinions and interpretations, which are the most authentic for the people of Afghanistan and the US government. Therefore, it is necessary to be said that Khalilzad has said there had been said in significant progress in talks with the Taliban. It should be noted that the outline of a peace deal with the main content consists of a ceasefire, a withdrawal of US forces, the start of intra-Afghan negotiation and a pledge by the Taliban to not allow Afghan war should be stopped at the United Nations.

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Uzbekistan, Latvia Share Experience in Social Protection of the Population

Israel Accused of Torturing Palestinians After Fatal Bombing

RAMALLAH, West Bank — One of the two Palestinians shot and killed on Friday, Nadya Hijazi, had been married to her husband for two years before he was wheeled into a courtroom. A third was stitched up after being attacked by a Security Forces member. Hijazi’s husband of three years and two children has been interrogated. They had been swept up in a sweep by Israeli police, who killed a driver with a bomb-laden car in an attack on a West Bank settlement, said an Israeli police official. The official said the driver was shot dead and the car exploded near a police checkpoint. The driver was killed by an Israeli police officer after he opened fire on the checkpoint. The police officer was wounded in the incident. The driver was identified as a 26-year-old resident of the West Bank city of Hebron. He was killed by a police officer who opened fire on him. The driver had been under surveillance by the police for some time and was known to be a member of the Palestinian militant group Hamas. He had been arrested several times in the past for his involvement in Hamas activities.

WASHINGTON. The United States has been accusing Israel of human rights violations in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli government has dismissed these accusations as unfounded. The Israeli government has been trying to maintain a delicate balance between its commitment to security and its commitment to human rights. The Israeli government has been accused of using excessive force in dealing with protests and of targeting Palestinian civilians. The Israeli government has been accused of using excessive force in dealing with protests and of targeting Palestinian civilians.

A Tashkent-based news agency denied reports of another 10 militants who have been killed in violence in the southern city of Herat. The agency said the government had launched a military operation in the area to clear it of militants. The agency said the operation had been launched in response to a request from the government of Afghanistan, which has been asking for help in fighting militants in the area.

Sharif promised that the activities of the New National Front would be stopped and that the front would be dissolved. The New National Front was a political group that had been formed in the late 1990s to challenge the government of President Mohammad Rabbani. The group had been active in the 2001 elections, but had not participated in the 2005 elections. The New National Front had been accused of being a front for the Taliban, and of having links to other militant groups.

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BAGHDAD – The United States has reportedly told to Malaysia to withdraw from the discussions on satellite launches, saying it would be a “key test” of Baghdad’s adherence to the country’s own commitments.

The decision, announced by Baghdad’s government, comes after an official of the Ministry of Oil said in a brief statement that the United States had raised concerns about the possibility of the launch of a satellite that could be used for military purposes.

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It was reported earlier that due to assurances given by Iran, the U.S. administration had planned to announce the resumption of oil and gas exports. However, the major part of the expansion is currently focusing on oil fields, especially in the south. Besides, some of the deposits in the south are facing issues with their governance, including the need for more investment in infrastructure and technologies.

The government’s administration plans to face some administrative challenges. Therefore, the government will continue its efforts to resolve the issues, to ensure the smooth running of the economy.

For more information, please visit the official website of the government.
U.S. Envoy for Afghan Peace Meets Mullah Baradar, Other Senior Taliban Leaders in Qatar

The U.S. envoy for Afghan peace Zalmay Khalilzad met with Mullah Baradar, the deputy political chief of Taliban in Qatar late on Sunday, according to the Taliban's spokesman for the political office of Taliban in Qatar said some other senior Taliban leaders including Mullah Mohammad Faruq, Mullah Khanzad Khan, and Mullah Wali said previously more than 50 shops which are open now are closed due to lack of buyers and tourists.

Mohammad Ewaz, another antique seller, said “No tourists visit here and that is why the industry is collapsing,” he said, adding that they are trying to keep the industry alive.

Mohammad Omar, head of Afghanistan Sellers Association in Herat, expressed concern over lack of market for antique products and warned that the industry would collapse in few years if the government did not pay attention.

Herat Antique Industry in Danger of Disappearing

The fifth wave of global violence changes posed on the definition of urban well-being and human prosperity, says President Ashraf Ghani. Addressing the 10th session of the World Urban Forum in Abu Dhabi, the president called for commitments to long-term security of the country as an upcoming meeting in Brussels. The NATO defense ministers will meet on Feb 12-13 – the first ministerial-level meeting since the leaders’ summit in London in December, a NATO official said. The first meeting will focus on all NATO-led missions and operations.

A working dinner, to be attended by new EU High Representatives Josep Borrell as well as Finland and Sweden, will offer an opportunity to discuss NATO-EU cooperation. On February 13, ministers will confer on NATO’s overall deterrence and defense posture and progress in burden-sharing.

Ghani Suggests Compact, Sustainable Cities

He said the ability to address these problems required new ways of thinking and implementation. He also stressed the importance of policies to combat – a universe of agreement and disagreement embodied in the implicit rules of the game and explicit governing codes.

KABUL - The fourth industrial revolution is disrupting the definition of work and business, he said. Urgent, systemic and global action was needed in fast-changing global context, he said, stressing the need for dealing with the environmental change.

The earth would become two degrees warmer by 2100, forcing current urban planning assumptions regarding energy, transport and water on their head, he added. The twin scars of global violence changes posed unprecedented risk to urban security, public spaces and knowledge, expertise, pose the most significant constraints. What has worked in the last 60 years may not work in the next 30 years.” He asked... (More on P4)... (11)

NATO Defence Ministers to Discuss Afghanistan

BY NAZAR KHAN MINJAP

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