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The government is weak in implementing the law, as the parliament has also failed to discharge its responsibilities. The absence of judicial institutions in half of the districts has restricted law enforcement in some areas. The Constitution has 12 chapters and 162 articles and approved 14 year back.

Saifulail Hashami, a member of the Nishroho Jirga or Senate from Samangan province, accused government officials of not respecting the Constitution and said: ""(More on P4)...(2)"

KABUL - Vice-President, who addressed a gathering marking the 14th anniversary of the Constitution, said the existing supreme law had some 'shortcomings' and needed amendments. He, however, said there was no other option to amend the Constitution except the one explained by the Constitution itself.

"Choosing any other option (interim government or a Loya Jirga) is against the Constitution and would be the worse step against the supreme law." (More on P4)...(3)

Gailani Rejects Claims of Trying to Get Anas Haqqani Freed

KABUL - Hamid Gailani, Chairman of Mahaz-e-Milli party, said at a press conference in Kabul on Tuesday there was no truth in claims that his party was trying to secure the release of Anas Haqqani, who is in jail in Pakistan.

He also said insurgents have released 144 Afghan security forces members who were held captive for two days by the insurgents in Jashkel district of eastern Pakitan province. "This came about due to the mediation efforts of the Mahaz-e-Milli party, with a promise that the same will be repeated in the tribal areas," he stated.

Affifi Haqqani, one of the leaders of the Haqqani network, was captured with the leaders of another leader of the network in October 2014, Gailani said and stressed that Qahtan before being transferred to Kabul.

He was traveling in the Persian Gulf to visit the brother of Hafiz Rashid, Nabi Omari, who had been released from Guantnamo Bay prison in exchange for the only US soldier in Taliban captivity.

On Saturday, Gailani said that most Taliban leaders are in Afghanistan and that they want to negotiate, also with other countries involved.

After Gailani's claim, the National Directorate of Security (NDS) - a statement on Monday condemned his remarks and said that "such statements are inappropriate." The NDS spokesperson accused the leaders on the other side of the Durand Line and and in Afghanistan and Pakistan and the (More on P4)...(4)

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Nangarhar Deadliest Province for Past Year

KABUL - Nangarhar Province, along Afghanistan's eastern border with Pakistan, was the deadliest place in the world for US troops over the last 14 years, according to a new report. Since March, US service members have conducted hundreds of strikes and American special forces have carried out dozens of tactical operations on the ground in the province.

Nangarhar is one of the few places Americans have been routinely accompanying Afghan forces into battle. Nearly all of the 21 US civilians killed in combat last year died there, more than in any other single spot where troops were fighting in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Somalia and Niger. Combat deaths were far rarer in 2017 than at the height of the war in Iraq in 2007 and Afghanistan in 2010 - but the recent uptick in Nangarhar could foreshadow a rise in American bloodshed in the coming year as the US accelerates the fighting in its longest war.

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