Pakistan Rejects Passage to Indian’s Cargo Rights to Afghanistan

KABUL - Pakistan’s Civil Aviation Authority has denied passage to cruise passenger ships to Afghan-istan three times in the last week of December and on January 14, a media report said on Wednesday accusing Islamabad of violation of civil aviation norms.

According to the Indian media, New Delhi raised the matter with Isla-mab during a meeting with Minister of External Af-fairs sending a “note verbal” to Pakistan.

The development comes even as New Delhi has been trying to con-vert landlocked Afghanistan into a land-locked nation with India and rest of the world.

Pakistan has blocked the land route for trade between Afghanistan and India.

The India Afghan air corridor, launched in 2017, connects Afghan-istan with Delhi and Mumbai. The Chabahar port being built in Iran with India’s help also provides Af-ghanistan goods gateway to the world.

Speaking at first-ever India Central Asia Dialogue in New Delhi, Minister for External Affairs S. Jaish-reev Swaraj said, “Joint efforts of India, Iran and Afghanistan have led to the development of the Chabahar Port, in Iran as a viable and opera-tional trade route to connect to Af-ghanistan and potentially to Central Asia.”

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India has already sent a very sub-stantial quantity of wheat to Afghan-istan and potentially to Central Asia. Chabahar provides a shining example of what strong partnership can achieve to overcome any obsta-cles.

One obvious solution to this is the testing of wheat or any other commodity that may be a threat to the interests of India and Afghanistan in western countries.

GARDEZ - As many as 47 civilians suf-fered casualties, including women and children, in southeastern Pakista, Pakilka and Khoot province in 2018, the Inde-pendent Human Rights Com-mission (IHRC) regional office said on Tuesday.

According to IHRC, the region-als office head, hailing from Gardez, the casualties occurred as a result of Afghan and foreign forces aerostics and Taliban operations and bomb blasts.

According to Shabir, most of the casu-alities resulted from suicide bombings and roadside blasts, carried out by Taliban militiants, in civilian populated areas and their use of human homes to defense themselves.

He said, “Last year, 47 people, including 14 children suffered char-acteristics across the southern zone and most of the perpetrators.

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In accordance with Defense Depart-ment of the service member killed in action is being withheld until late today or late notifica-tions of next of kin is complete, and read the statement.

It was the second US military soldier killed in Afghanistan in this week.

Army Sgt. Cameron Meddock, died last week at (More on P.109)

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6 Civilians Killed in Miadan Wardak Strike

MAIDAN-WARDAK - At least six civilians have been killed and another wounded in a US forces air strike in Jalalabad district of central Maidan Wardak province, a public representative said on Wednesday.

Shafiqullah Hotak, a member of provincial council, told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident took place in Kelma Khera area on the hillside of Kunda Mountain around 7:30pm on Tuesday.

He added a 15 years old child was also among those who lost their lives in the incident.

Hotak added that the hurting soldiers all were civil-milarians who were served on the hillside till late night as they feared they would be targeted by aircrafts circling around the hillside. The government should control the hill bombings in the province and should not be interrupted in its operations.

An eyewitness Mohammad Usama Amarkhl told Pajhwok victims of the incident were all civilians and nearly people who went to the mountain for fun. However, Mohmmah Shariq, the governor’s spokesperson told Pajhwok all the people were Taliban militiants.

He said that the individuals were under their chase since long time. Taliban have not yet commented in this regard. (Pajhwok)