Abdullah Opposes Safe Zones for Taliban

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Abdullah has opposed the idea of specifying safe zones to the Taliban and termed the move as providing sanctuaries to the insurgent group.

KABUL - The Independent Commission for Overseeing the Implementation of the Constitution (ICOC) on Monday said the Indepen- dent Election Commission of Afghanistan's (IEC) plan to conduct zone-based elections in the eastern Ghazni province was in violation of the Constitution and the election law. The ICOC said the IEC should stick to the provisions of the law of the country and to first provide logical and convincing reasons for splitting Ghazni into three election constituencies.

ANAKRA - Turkey on Mon- day condemned the terrorist attack in Afghanistan's eastern Jalalabad city on Sunday. In a statement, foreign Ministry said: "We learned with sorrow that a terror- ist attack perpetrated in Jalal- abad resulted in loss of lives of many and left many others wounded. We condemn this heinous terrorist attack, convey our condolences to the friendly government and the broth- erly people of Afghanistan, and wish speedy recovery to the wounded." At least 18 people were killed in a suicide car bomb- ing in Afghanistan's eastern Jalalabad city during a visit by President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani, officials and local media confirmed on Sunday.

Indian PM Denounces Deadly Suicide Attack in Jalalabad

KABUL - Indian Prime Min- ister Narendra Modi on Monday condemned the sui- cide bombing in the eastern city of Jalalabad on Afghanistan's multicul- tural fabric. In Sunday's explosion, 19 people were killed and a sui- cide bomber targeted a conv- exity on Sikhs on its way to a meeting with President Ashraf Ghani. Most of those victims were Hindus and Sikhs, including the only Sikh candidate for the upcoming parliamentary elections, poisoned in your Octo- ber 20.

Modi invited India's stand ready to assist Afghanistan in this hour of grief. "We strongly condemn the terror- ists attacks in Afghanistan yest- erday. They are an attack on Afghanistan's multicultural fabric. I wish thoughts are with the bereaved families. I pray that the injured recover soon. In- dia stands ready to assist the Afghan government in this hour of grief," he said.

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