81 Attorneys Killed in 14 Years in Afghanistan: Official

KABUL - As many as 81 attorneys have been killed in the past 14 years in Afghanistan and one in connection with their murders could be detained, the Attorney General’s Of- fice said on Thursday.

AGO spokesman Baste Aaziz told Pajhwok Af-ghan News during an interview that elements who were afraid of the rule of law talked to officials.

"Attorneys are threatened more than other officials, We lost attorneys after being threat- ened in provinces. They are not spared even in Kabul," he said.

He said the main challenge attorneys faced was insecurity and the Ministry of Interior should take measures in this regard.

"We understand that insecurity all exist over the country but, effectiveness to pro- tect attorneys have not been taken. We demand the government to provide a safe and intelligent atmosphere, especially the law and interior ministry should take strong meas- ures for protection of the prosecutors," he said.

Attorneys in 15 districts most of them in south- ern provinces, could not perform their duty due to bad security situations which had existed problems for local residents who used to travel to provincial capitals and even Kabul toAVejedd legal issues, Aaziz said. He said his department had 2,500 staff and they had 1,250 attorneys.

But Interior ministry’s deputy spokesman Na- jib Danish said terrorism not only targeted at attorneys but all people.

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EAFUZKHAN - For the first time, a female at- torney has been appointed as the judicial prosecutor’s office in southern Ghor prov-ince to deal with violence against women cases, it was learnt on Thursday.

Nagina Cheri, a Sharia Law graduate, was recently appointed as the judicial prosecutor against women.

"We are teaching school, I said that I notice violence that women were paid lit- tle attention to including women and police and women are asking to put forward."

She said a woman could better understand and address problems of other women as compared to men.

The appointment of female attorney in Ghor was welcomed by women activists in the province.

Fahim Naat, women’s affairs officer at the provincial human rights commission office, said it is good news by the Afghan Zipa- zhogol that a woman was appointed as an attorney.

"We appreciate the appointment as a good step because there was no protest against the violence against women section of the Zipahogol office, a female attorney increases things, she says that cases of violence against women would be addressed properly in the province."

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Pakistan and Afghanistan have agreed to bring Displaced NWA Families Back Home

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50 Taliban Eliminated in Badakhshan Arirstikes

FAZGABAD - Fifty Taliban fighters, including some senior commanders, have been killed and dozens others wounded in airstrikes in the Afghanist region of northeastern badakhshan province, the Ministry of Defense (MoD) said on Sunday.

The Afghan Air Force (AAF) targeted Taliban hideouts in different areas of the Badakhshan district influencing the casualties on the inter- national border, a statement from MoD's published.

Brig. Gen. Janat Gol Karokhel, commander of the 20th Pamir Corps second unit, told Pajhwok Afghan News key Taliban figures Majid Atiquallah Dar, Rehmatullah and Atif were among dead.

He said the militants had been pushed back from the district cor- ner and the operation would continue until the town was secured. (Pajhwok)

Security Forces Re-Take Outpost in Wardak

Bereaved Families on Gov on to Ensure Citizens’ Safety, End War

KABUL - Families of the victims of Thursday’s Taliban attack have called on the government to ensure the safety of its citizens, they do not want more Haibalds.

The families said on Sunday that it was uncanny and they don’t want to see the repetition of the killing of the sons of Afghanistan.

While the youth of the country were sacrificing their lives for the sake of the country, people of the region were killing the youth of Afghanistan.

They added that the youth who were killed, their families massacred and all their belongings seized.

“We were killed for a reason,” a family member of a slain soldier was quoted as saying.

The mother of a soldier who was killed in the Afghan war, said.

“During the period, we were living in camps and we were divided into factions and not to make me angry."

As a result of their leaders’ de- cision, the gent Taliban has been weak- ened to such an extent that today they are tired of war and do not want more bloodshed.

The families said on Sunday that they have called on the government to ensure the security in the province, he said.

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Afghanistan Capable to Produce 14 Tons of Saffron Annually

KABUL - Afghanistan is capable to produce 14 tons of saffron annually, the Second Vice President of the International Saffron Council, Mohammad Reza Khorasani, said.

Khorasani, who is also an advisor of Afghanistan’s agriculture ministry, during a press conference in Kabul on Thursday.

He said that the Afghan government is spending about 30 million dollars to expand saffron production in the country.

He said the Afghan government has allocated 50 percent of the total budget of the ministry of agriculture for the cultivation of saffron.

Khorasani said that the second round of the com- petition, featuring the competitions of the best saffron producing (ODIs) fixtures, which will take place on Monday and Wednesday of July.

He added that the Afghan government had taken serious measures to ensure citizen’s safety and end war in the province.

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