

# 13 Taliban, Daesh Rebels Killed in Nangarhar Offensives

JALALABAD - At least nine Taliban and four Daesh militants have been killed during Afghan and foreign forces' airstrikes in eastern Nangarhar province, officials said on Tuesday. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News that nine militants including some Pakistanis were killed and five others injured during airstrike by Afghan forces in Khogyani district. Lt. Col. Sherin Aqa Faqiri, spokesman for the 201st Selab Military Corps, said that the militants planned to storm



security posts in the area before they came under attack. Civilians suffered no casualties in the airstrikes. Abdullah Barakzai, a resident of Khogyani district, told Pajhwok the Taliban stormed police posts in Pirakhel and Morgi areas late on Monday. However, he was unaware of casualties. Elsewhere in the province, four Daesh fighters were killed in a NATO airstrike in Kargani area of Achin district on Monday night. The governor's... (More on P4)... (18)

## 205 Unregistered Bikes, Vehicles Impounded in Nangarhar

JALALABAD - The special police unit has impounded 205 unregistered motorcycles and cars during an operation in Jalalabad, the capital of eastern Nangarhar province, an official said on Tuesday. Police spokesman Hazrat Hussain Mashriqiwal told Pajhwok Afghan News that the ongoing campaign against undocumented vehicles was yielding satisfactory results. "Over 200 motorcycles and vehicles without documents have been seized and tinted glasses removed from many others," the official said. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's spokesman, said no vehicle without documents would be allowed to ply city roads and their owners would

be dealt with in accordance with the law. He claimed the operations had good result because the governor and provincial council removed black glasses from their vehicles and it was a good initiative. A resident of the city, Burhanullah, told Pajhwok Afghan News that the campaign should be a permanent feature to prevent unwanted incidents. On the other hand, officials said police had arrested more than 26 suspects on kidnapping charges and 39 alleged robbers in Jalalabad. Brig. Gen. Quadratulah Azizi, the crime branch chief, said the detainees had been referred to judicial organs and further investigations were underway. (Pajhwok)

## Peshawar School Massacre Mastermind Umar Mansour Killed

PESHAWAR - Umar Mansour, the mastermind behind the deadly massacre at the Army School in Peshawar in 2014 has reportedly been killed in a US drone strike in Afghanistan. Authorities in Pakistan confirmed the strike on Tuesday. Mansour, who fled to Afghanistan after a military operation was launched in the tribal region of Khyber to nab him, was killed within two months of him being designated a global terrorist by the US State Department. Mansour, who goes with aliases Khalifa Mansour and Umar Naray allegedly

perpetrated the 16 December 2014 attack on the school in which around 150 people were killed, including students, teachers and other staff. He was reportedly responsible for the September 2015 attack on a Pakistan Air Force base in Peshawar's Badaber area and the January attack on the Bacha Khan University in Charsadda. A Pakistani official was quoted by The Dawn as saying that "credible sources" informed them that the father of three was killed in a drone attack on 9 July that targeted the Bandar area in Afghanistan's Nangarhar province.

The banned militant outfit Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), of which Mansour was a member, has not yet confirmed the news of his death, nor has any other independent source. The drone attack also targeted another militant leader Qari Saifullah, but authorities are not sure if he too was killed. One official however said that there is a "90% chance that the militant leader was killed", but another official claimed that investigations were underway to find out whether Saifullah was with Mansour at the time of... (More on P4)... (19)

## Taliban's Judge Among four Dead in Ghazni Clash

GHAZNI CITY - The Taliban's judge for Ab band district of southern Ghazni province has been killed during a clash, a top police official said on Tuesday. Police Chief Brig. Gen. Aminullah Amarkhil told Pajhwok Afghan News Qazi Mullah Abdul Shakour and three other militants were killed in security forces ambush in Spin Kali locality. He said the security forces did not suffer casualties in the gun battle, but the Taliban rejected the killing of group's judge.



The Ministry of Interior (MoI) in a statement confirmed the death of Taliban judge Mula Abdul shkur and said Mula Abdul Shkur was alive. involved in multiple incidents of insecurity and carried out judicial duties as well. However, Taliban Spokesman Zabiullah Mijahid rejected the claim and said Mula Abdul Shkur was alive. (Pajhwok)

## 9 Haqqani Network Militants Arrested Qalat

QALAT CITY - A group of 9 Haqqani network militants were arrested by the Afghan intelligence operatives before they manage to conduct attacks in Qalat city, the provincial capital of Zabul province. The Afghan Intelligence, National Directorate of Security (NDS), said the Afghan intelligence operatives confiscated at least 12 Improvised Explosive Device (IED) from the detained militants. NDS further added that the group was involved in a number of attacks in Qalat city that led to the killing of at least two people and wounding 5 others. According to NDS, the group was looking to place the IEDs in the populated parts of Qalat city before they were arrested by the... (More on P4)... (20)

## Kunduz to Get Standard Cricket Field

KUNDUZ CITY - Afghanistan Cricket Board (ACB) on Tuesday announced that work on construction of a standard cricket ground will kick off in northern Kunduz province in the near future. According to the ACB officials, the cricket field will be built on 16 acres of land in Kunduz city. Construction of the ground will take eight months. Addressing a press conference in Kabul, the ACB director Nasimullah Danish said that building of standard grounds is very important for the improvement of cricket in Afghanistan. He added that there are cricket fields with high standards in Nangarhar, Kunar, Khost, Laghman, Balkh and Paktia provinces. "Construction work on two other cricket fields... (More on P4)... (21)

## Drug Addiction & Sales on the Rise in Lashkargah

LASHKARGAH - Drug addicts in southern Helmand province see little hope for their rehabilitation as long as the open sale of narcotics in local markets is not banned. Mohammad Daud, one of the addicts, told Pajhwok Afghan News drugs were sold openly in many areas. "I have been addicted to heroin for the past 20 years, thanks to the easy availability of the substance." He accused security forces of either looking the other way or being



complicit in the illegal commerce. The result has been growing addiction among youth and mounting family tensions, Daud argued. Mauladad, another drug user, confirmed all sorts of illicit drugs were easily accessible in Helmand. "The government doesn't act, as narcotics are sold here without any restrictions," he said. A... (More on P4)... (22)

## Pakistanis Among 9 Killed in AAF Raids

JALALABAD - At least 9 Taliban insurgents were killed during airstrikes conducted by the Afghan Air Force (AAF) in eastern Nangarhar province of Afghanistan. According to the local officials, the airstrikes were carried out in Khogyani district targeting the militants in Pira Khel, Morgi, and Zhora areas. The officials further added that five militants were also wounded during the air

strikes and various types of weapons, ammunition and explosives belonging to the Taliban insurgents were destroyed. A number of the Pakistani militants were also among those killed, the officials said, adding that the local residents and security forces did not suffer any casualties. According to the officials, the Afghan Air Force started targeting the militants... (More on P4)... (23)

## Teenage Girl, Policewoman Found Dead in Jawzjan

SHEBERGHAN - A 16-year-old girl committed suicide while a policewoman was killed by her husband in northern Jawzjan province, an official said on Tuesday. Mohammad Reza Ghafoori, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the girl hanged herself Monday night in Yamaq Tanka locality of Shiberghan, the provincial capital. The cause of suicide is yet to

known. Separately, a policewoman working at the police headquarters was killed by her husband. Ghafoori said Nasima, a crime branch officer, was killed in the Mirwais Mena locality of Shiberghan. He added Nasima's husband Faiz Mohammad escaped the area after killing her wife. According to Ghafoori, the incident was triggered by family tension. (Pajhwok)

### Outlook Horoscope

#### Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

Your playful spirit and warmhearted generosity make you and whatever you bring to the table a joy to behold. Your love life heats up when stylish Venus sashays into charismatic Leo and your 5th House of Romance to magnify your charm and increase your popularity. Nevertheless, you can push your luck too hard if you forget to honor the needs of others.

#### Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

Uncertainty about your emotions and the unreliability of other people should dissipate as you step forward to take charge of your life. Sweet Venus waltzes into showy Leo, encouraging you to be more open when sharing your feelings with those close to you. Fortunately, you may feel more secure as Venus drifts through your 4th House of Home and Family for the next three weeks.

#### Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Romantic urges may overrule your logic today and you won't be able to think your way out of trouble. Venus marches into dramatic Leo and your 3rd House of Communication, bringing your desires into the open now. Don't bother trying to rationalize your needs; just express what you want without any crazy expectations. Those who care about you will not only listen to what you say but could also surprise you with their support.

#### Cancer (June 21-July 20)

Buying things that pump up your prestige may be worth the money now if gaining a higher status stimulates your creativity. You grow increasingly extravagant as vivacious Venus moves through luxury-loving Leo and your 2nd House of Resources. But be careful not to go too far on your quest for pleasure.

#### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

The revival of your creativity makes you feel especially attractive these days. Luckily, your admirers can't help but notice and are more than ready to reward you with the attention and affection you crave now. Effervescent Venus enters bighearted Leo and your 1st House of Personality to enhance your self-image and increase your charisma.

#### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

You might be tapped on the shoulder now and asked to perform selfless acts of love and compassion. But there's no need to play the role of a martyr if you must set your personal needs aside for a while. Although you may not experience the pleasure that affectionate Venus in Leo often brings, her visit to your 12th House of Spirituality all but assures a deeper level of emotional satisfaction later on.

#### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

You're in the mood to party but you might be tempted to overindulge tonight. Nevertheless, you want to spend more time with your friends when your key planet, Venus, prances into playful Leo and your 11th House of Dreams. But don't pretend that everything is okay when it's not. If you have deadlines you can't meet or commitments you can't keep, just admit it; accept the consequences and move on.

#### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

If you have your sights set on getting ahead in your career, encountering supportive people and favorable circumstances make your progress easier than ever. As friendly Venus in lovable Leo wends her way through your 10th House of Status, people in authority will come to your aid because they are attracted to your magnetic energy.

#### Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

You are dreaming of faraway places and distant romances now that vivacious Venus is traveling through dramatic Leo and your 9th House of Adventure. But paying attention to more immediate obligations obviously takes priority today whether you like it or not. You may be held accountable for unfinished tasks or shoddy work. Don't let resentment waste your precious time.

#### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

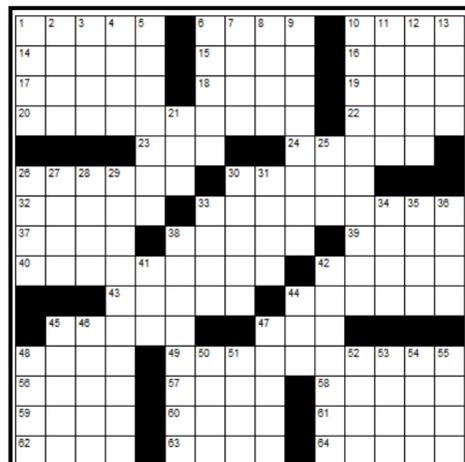
Gifts of love or money may start to flow when affluent Venus enters generous Leo and your 8th House of Deep Sharing. You could hear news about someone's ambitious plans that stretch your credibility. You don't want to rain on their parade today since you have more to gain by engaging your heart and raising your hopes than by stewing in skepticism or hanging back in fear.

#### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

An abundance of pleasure is undeniably sweeter than a handful of empty promises. But watch out for a tendency to overspend and overindulge, for you might expect too much from others when Venus shifts into extravagant Leo and your 7th House of Companions.

#### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

Overblown pride and outrageous revelations could set you up for disappointment at work when Venus struts into theatrical Leo and your 6th House of Employment. Grand gestures may attract the spotlight now, but demanding too much or offering more than you can deliver is a risky strategy. Pushing the intellectual envelope eventually assists your career if you do the research before filling in the details of your agenda.



#### Across

1. Comedian, 6. Outbuilding, 10. Mogul, 14. Gorillalike, 15. Employ, 16. Vagabond, 17. Electrical pioneer, 18. A long way off, 19. Amazons, 20. Kirk's starship, 22. Anagram of "Tine", 23. Bite, 24. Loads, 26. Type of food grain, 30. Steeple, 32. Bay window, 33. Un-deviating and precise, 37. Engine knock, 38. Discharge a firearm, 39. Notion, 40. Set up, 42. Assists, 43. Reluctant, 44. Pledge, 45. Radar signals, 47. French for "Name", 48. Oceans, 49. Become similar, 56. Not first, 57. Anagram of "Sire", 58. Cloaked, 59. Against, 60. Be worthy of, 61. Come together, 62. Pear variety, 63. Toboggan, 64. 4-door car.

#### Down

1. Provisions, 2. Not closed, 3. Fog, 4. Small island, 5. Sepulchral, 6. Not dull, 7. High fidelity, 8. Historical periods, 9. Homeless person, 10. Branched lighting fixture, 11. "Holy cow!", 12. Assists, 13. Thorny flower, 21. A sizeable hole, 25. Biblical boat, 26. Brood, 27. Colored part of an eye, 28. Fluff, 29. Strictly obeying the law, 30. Make a splashing sound, 31. Milne bear, 33. Voucher, 34. Doing nothing, 35. Retained, 36. Not difficult, 38. Knife-wielders, 41. Hit on the head, 42. Arm bone, 44. Soak, 45. Keno, 46. Persists, 47. Nuzzled, 48. Generous slice of the pie, 50. By mouth, 51. Small amount, 52. Not a single one, 53. Footnote note, 54. 6th Greek letter, 55. Biblical garden.

#### Yesterday's Solution

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AMBASSADOR GLOW  
NOUS ERATO LORE  
THREE SINEW YENS

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