Heritage Sites Valuable Assets

President Ashraf Ghani

KABUL - President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani said on Sunday historic relics and sites were Afghanistan’s assets and the Afghans felt pride over these assets.

The president said this while talking to a delegation of the South Asia Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) at his office, a statement from the Presidential Palace said. The delegation has arrived in Afghanistan to attend the ceremony that officially marked Bamyan City, the capital of central Bamyan province, as the cultural capital of SAARC for the year 2023.

President Ghani thanked SAARC for courtesy and giving Bamyan City the privilege to serve as the cultural capital of regional countries, the statement said. He said Afghans enjoyed historic relations with SAARC countries and hoped the status of Bamyan City as the cultural capital would further strengthen the relations.

The president said invasions had historically failed occupy Afghanistan, but pushed the country into darkness and ignorance. He recalled 2,000 years back Afghanistan had been the centre of trade between for goods and services. Ghani continued the destruction of the two Buddha statues and branded it an attack on the assets of Afghanistan.

He pledged the government would rehabilitate the damaged parts of the historical relic. The president also urged SAARC countries to help in shifting historic monuments to.

Over 2,000 Religious Clerics Declare Support for ANSF

KABUL - Over 2,000 religious clerics gathered in western Herat province to declare support for the Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF). The clerics hailing from Herat, Ghazni, Baghlan and Jowzjan provinces, said they support the activities of the ANSF and helped them in leading the security responsibilities in an effort to stabilize the country. The gathering was also attended by the ANSF forces.

Source

Taliban Talks in Dubai Constructive

KABUL - The two-day conference held between the Afghan officials and the Taliban representatives in Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE) was constructive and helpful towards paving the way for formal talks, a source told Pajhwok. The Taliban delegation included Mullah Abdul Salam, Sayed Alib, Abdel Ahady, Malon, and Isaac Nabti.

The officials who represented the Afghans in the meeting were Munirq, Qurban, Koshad, Abdu, Waliullah, and Mohammad.

Kabul Students Pay the Price for Teachers Strike

Kuchi EldersUrge Govt. to Prohibit Drone Alike

KUCHI CITY - Kuchi tribesmen on Sunday held a protest gathering to condemn Friday's drone strike that killed several people attending a funeral prayer in eastern Kuchi area.

On Friday, the US military carried out a drone strike in eastern Kuchi area, killing several people. Kuchi elders said the drone targeted the burial ceremony for a slain Taliban commander in the eastern Kuchi area.

The drone attack on the Kuchi elders' funeral service killed 34 civilians. The US military said the drone attack killed a total of 15 people, all civilians.

Kuchi tribe governor Abdul Wahid Panis said he had ordered an investigation into the incident. The government said the drone attack was justified.

Kuchi elders were not satisfied with the investigation and urged the government to stop such attacks.

They said the drone attack was a violation of their human rights and demanded justice.

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