6,000 Acres of Upset Land Reclaimed in Paktika

SHARANA - More than 6,000 acres of land has been reclaimed from its illegal occupants in southeastern Paktika province, the Land Disputes Settlement Commission said on Monday.

The commission head, Mohammad Rashid Aftab, told a news conference here that the commission’s members had recovered more than 6,000 acres of land in Mata Khan District alone.

He said Andar and Saleh tribes had long been in a dispute over the public land and they had been able to resolve the dispute during the year and reclaim the government’s land. (More on P5, 16)

Civilians Killed as U.S. Troops Open Fire after Bomb Attack: Official

JALALABAD - As many as three Afghan civilians were killed on Monday when American troops opened fire after their vehicle struck a roadside bomb, an official in Nangarhar province said.

A man and his two sons were killed at their home in Ghazi Khel, a district in the south of Nangarhar, on the border with Pakistan, said Attaullah Khogyani, a spokesman for the provincial governor.

“After the bomb blast hit them, the American forces opened fire after their vehicle struck a roadside bomb,” Khogyani said. (More on P5, 16)

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