**Quote of the Day**

*Simone de Beauvoir*

> Change your life today.

*Don’t gamble on the future, act now, without delay.*

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**Criminals, Corrupt Elements to Face Strict Action: MoI**

KABUL - The Ministry of Interior (MoI) on Sunday warned corrupt elements and criminal figures that unless they were eradicated, the decision was made during a high-level meeting focusing on preparation of next year’s security plan.

Kabul Police in its Headquarters, hosted the first meeting of security and civil service officials of capital. Kabul with local representatives, heads of businesses associations and district chief for better coordination in improving security, solving problems and trust building between security forces and people.

Gen. Qari, Khalid Sanad, secretary security affairs at the MoI, who attended the meeting, said that a clearance campaign against corrupt figures was started. He said police commanders who had no the capacity of working would be fined and further emplacements in the interior ministry would be based on merit and professionalism.

The minister went on to clarify that the government would propose new laws to empower administrative lady’s work, strengthening the discipline in public administration and creating a flexible administrating system and units such as a human resource unit, strategic planning unit and internal auditing unit. (More on P4)

**Freedom Should not be Sacrificed for Peace: Afghan Women**

Jawzjan activists said women’s crucial role in the peace process should not be ignored.

Sahra Shahid Sadat, a women’s rights activist in Jawzjan. “Peace is a need in today’s society and every citizen of this country is thinking about this.” Jawzjan activists said peace is a basic need for Afghanistan and that government and Taliban should not ignore the values of the Constitution.

“At least 40,000 soldiers paid the ultimate sacrifice in the war for the past five years. We can find love families who have not been affected by the war,” said Farahnaz Mohammad, a civil society activist in Jawzjan. The activists said they want an immediate end to the war as it is causing ordinary Afghan families great suffering.

KABUL - Group of women activists and residents of Jawzjan at a ceremony in the province announced their support to the ongoing talks in Qatar but said that the achievements of Afghanistan in women’s rights, freedom of cross and other gains should not be ignored the process. They called g government to share the development and peace talks with the people. The women said they cannot pursue their freedoms should not be sacrificed for peace. (More on P4)

**Army Disaster Response Teams Rescue Hundreds Families Trapped in Flood**

KABUL - Afghan National Defence and Security Forces (ANDSF) has rescued dozens of people in Helmand, Zhul and Kandahar provinces during flood triggered by heavy rain and snowfall, a statement from the Ministry of Defence (MoD) said on Sunday. In addition to their main duties and responsibilities which are ensuring security and peace, and targeting terror groups, security forces responded to humanitarian needs and rescued people stuck in the flood.

Due to the heavy snowfall and rain during the past 24 hours, a number of residential houses were destroyed and people were caught in flood. Afghan National Army rescue teams responded immediately and rescued families who were trapped.

As per instruction of MoD and General Staff’s leadership, Afghan National Army rescue teams dispatched to the areas where the flood struck. The rescue operation and distribution of humanitarian aids have already begun in the areas.

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**Nangarhar Records 122 Forced Marriage Cases this Year**

JALALABAD - As many as 122 cases of forced marriages of women have been registered in eastern Nangarhar province during the ongoing year, sources said.

Nangarhar’s women affairs department First Lady Palwasha Ahmadzai said that a clearance campaign against forced marriages through their sermons. (Pajhwok)