KARUL - President Ghani has conferred a prestigious government medal on 36 society, development organizations and another Kabul University lecturer, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Davud Rashoii, appreciated the president’s attention to the country’s culture and artists. *(More on P.4)*

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