**4 Civilians Killed in Laghman, Provincial Police Official**

MEHTARLAM (JALALABAD) - Four civilians have been killed and three others injured during separate incidents of violence in eastern Laghman and northern Nangarhar provinces, officials said on Monday.

In Laghman, two women were killed and three children were wounded on Monday when a mortar shell hit their house in Salingar district of Aligun district, an official at the Governor’s House told Pajhwok Afghan News.

The governor’s office spoke on the condition of anyment, blaming the Taliban for firing the mortar. The injured are in hospital and their condition was said to be stable.

Two days back, six civilians were killed in a similar attack in Mehtarlam, the capital of Laghman. The government blamed the Taliban for that incident.

In Nangarhar, two civilians were killed in a blast inside a room in the first police district of Jalalabad, the provincial police chief, told Pajhwok Afghan News. The Governor’s spokesman, Attullah Khogyani, said two men were killed in the blast that occurred in a restaurant area.

Seperately, one person shot down in a clash with another person in Jalalabad (Pajhwok).

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**15 Rebels Killed in Laghman: Official: Offensive:**

MEHTARLAM - Fifteen militiants have been killed and as many wounded in ongoing operation codenamed “Panther-5” in eastern Laghman and northern Nangarhar provinces, officials said on Tuesday.

Sahabi, a representative of the governor’s spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the offensive involving the Afghan army and other security forces was launched on Monday.

He said 15 rebels had so far been killed and more than 20 others wounded in the operation that resulted in derivatives from the battles in Samangan, Kidal,  Miatmaka, Hakimbub,  Qubba, Salim Gar and several other areas.

Zakr said key figures were among the dead insurgents and that the situation was ongoing and would continue until all the areas were completely cleared of militancy. Zabihullah Talib, the Taliban’s spokesman, said 13 security forces were killed and two Taliban fighters were wounded during the offensive.

**Faulcy Machines Force Silo to Cease Operations**

**12 Rebels Killed, 15 Injured in Logar Clashes**

QALA-I-NAW – One Afghan Local Police (ALP) member and four Taliban have been killed during a clash in north-western Badghis province, an official said on Tuesday.

Col. Mohammad Hamzal, police chief, told Pajhwok Afghan News the battle erupted in the Langer district of Qina district late on Monday night when militants stormed a security check-post.

Menubi Abdul Rahman, an inhabitant of the locality, said the Taliban suffered casualties but he did not have exact figures. He only said one police officer was killed.

Taliban have not yet commented on the clash. (Pajhwok)

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**Policeman among 5 Killed in Badghis Clash**

PUL-I-ALAM - Twelve militiants have been killed and two others wounded during clashes with security forces in central Logar province, officials said on Tuesday.

Four security personnel were wounded in the clashes that erupted in Balai, Samang, Aloko, Zand-e-Abg and Rasi barik district late on Monday, said Salim Saleh, the governor’s spokesman.

He told Pajhwok Afghan News 12 soldiers were killed and 15 others were wounded during the clashes that left four security men injured. A clear operation was underway to wipe out the remnants of the governmental spokesman.

**Garrisons Battling in Badghis Area**

The governor said the situation was tense in the province and a number of security personnel were being killed.

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**Orchid over Horizon**

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

You might have sufficient reasons to reject assumptions that are not based on sufficient evidence. It will be a good day to add more practicality to your thinking, if you really want to move forward.

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

Mainlining your professional energy to your job enables you to make the best decisions today. Nevertheless, it’s still tempting to get lost in an illusion and then act as if there is no difference between reality and fantasy. There is little doubt that your attitude influences the level of your success, but you can’t treat all thoughts equally.

**Gemini (May.21-June 20)**

Yesterday’s answers today become tomorrow’s questions. However, your renewed sense of wonder and growing uncertainty isn’t as solid without doubt. You’re fascinated with the mysteries of the cosmos and a new series of events, the best of you now. Fortunately, there are gems of wisdom within you to be discovered in the twilight of your conscious mind.

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

Your attraction to people may be more focused on your own expectations than reality. You’re eager to connect with someone who shares your vision of the future, but you might be too quick in assuming you know what’s in another person’s heart. Nevertheless, exhuberant decisions bring the process of getting acquainted on a deeper level.

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

It’s tempting to pull all your eggs in one basket, especially if that basket is just beyond your grasp. This might sound like a self-defeating plan, but you can actually work in your favor today. Instead of trying to finish anything, start just by setting the intention of what you hope to accomplish. Sustained Neptune is blurring your goals, making them impossible to reach now. But you can have much to gain by shifting into a meta-