



### 110 Schools Remain Closed in Kandahar:

KABUL - Kandahar governor Toryalai Wesa confirmed that at least 110 schools have remained closed in five insecure districts of the southern province.

Figures by the provincial directorate of education show that Kandahar has 586 schools which enroll 332,000 students. The governor called on the people to cooperate with the government in reopening the schools.

"Kandahar is the only province in Afghanistan in which five to six districts have no schools," Hayat said.

In a hope to address the problem, a group of Kandahar residents at a gathering on Thursday called on the Ministry of education to pay the required attention to the problem.

They said the education sector is marred by many problems besides insecurity.

"The education system needs reform," said Abdul Ghafar, a Kandahar resident.

"Lack of teachers is another problem which affects education in Kandahar," said Shokrollah, a Kandahar resident. A civil society activist in Kandahar said corruption in the education sector is still another problem which has not been solved so far.

"Salaries are allocated to the districts but there is no school or school building or teachers. This problem requires collective efforts to be solved," said Shams Kamran, a civil society activist in Kandahar.

Figures by the provincial directorate of education in Kandahar reveal that at least 800 girls were graduated from high school in the province last year - which according to local officials shows a slight increase compared with previous years that was between 200 to 400 girls.

The Kandahar Education Directorate's figures show that there are 377 schools in the province with 362,000 students including 79,000 girls. The figures show that almost 100 schools have remained ...*(More on P4)...*(9)

## Taliban Commander Responsible for the Murder of 30 Security Forces Arrested in Herat



HERAT - A prominent Taliban commander who is responsible for the murder of more than 30 security personnel was arrested by the security forces in western Herat province.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Interior Nasrat Rahimi has said the detained Taliban commander has been identified as Sadam who is the military commission chief of Taliban in Herat.

Rahimi further added that Sadam was arrested after sustaining injuries in an ambush of the security forces.

According to Rahimi, Sadam is also responsible for various assassina-

tions in Herat city besides murdering more than 30 security personnel.

The anti-government armed militants including Taliban have not commented regarding the arrest of the group's commander so far.

Herat is among the relatively calm provinces ...*(More on P4)...*(7)

### US Forces Confirm Killing Policemen in Helmand Airstrike



KABUL - Afghanistan-based American forces have acknowledged the killing of Afghan police personnel in an airstrike in southern Helmand province. The US air force targeted policemen in an airstrike in Lashkargah City, the provincial capital on Thursday night.

The Ministry of Interior (MoI) said that eight policemen were killed and 12 others wounded while provincial council and local officials said that 17 police personnel had been killed, including a commander during the airstrike.

US Forces' spokesman in Afghanistan Col. Dave Butler told Pajhwok Afghan News that during heavy fighting with the Taliban in Lashkargah the Afghan security forces requested precision air support.

He said they supported the Afghan security partners who made sure all security personnel had left the area.

Butler said: "Unfortunately, they were present and a tragic accident resulted. Afghan security forces as well as Taliban militants were killed in the airstrike,"

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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| <b>Procurement Entity</b>             | Ministry of Communications & Information Technology (MCIT), Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.   |
| <b>Funded By</b>                      | Afghanistan Gov.   |
| <b>Item Description / Ref No.</b>     | <b>Hardware Equipment for Software of innovation and Technology Packages MCIT/98/ICB/G-02</b>  |
| <b>Deadline for Bid Submission</b>    | <b>[June 18, 2019] at [10:00 Kabul Local Time]. 28/3/1398</b>  |
| <b>Bid security</b>                   | <b>1,400 fourteen thousand USD</b>   |
| <b>Address for Submission of EOIs</b> | Procurement Directorate 14 <sup>th</sup> floor MCIT Building Muhammad Jan Khan Watt Kabul Afghanistan<br>MCIT Building Muhammad Jan Khan Watt Kabul Afghanistan  |
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### Outlook Horoscope

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



Some differences of opinion concerning your love life may come up today, Aries. You could find your beloved taking more liberties than you allow yourself. Instead of resenting it, follow your partner's lead. This could be a chance to realize that you need more novelty in the emotional realm. Be open to looking into the possibilities. The day ahead could bring you just what you seek.

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



This day may not be one of your favorites, Taurus. You may be all too aware of the constraints of your chief occupation. You're likely to hanker for appropriate rewards for your labors. This is a good day to define new personal and professional goals. They will sustain you through your chores. In the meantime, how about asking for that raise?

#### Gemini (May 21-June 20)



Until now, you may have been too stubborn about doing what you want without trying to address the question of your financial means, Gemini. Even if it seems too materialistic, it's urgent that you take care of this question. Push ahead and try to raise your standard of living, because you have something to learn in this domain.

#### Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You could be a situation in which you have to make a decision about a relationship, Cancer. Perhaps old demons have come back to haunt you about your freedom, and now you have doubts. Don't listen to the doubts, because if you do, you may regress ten paces in your emotional life. Roll the dice and decide.

#### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



You aren't the biggest advocate for working under constraints, Leo, so today is going to be good for you. You will accept them, and gracefully. Do you understand the meaning of such a day? It would be wonderful if you learned how to hold onto the paradox you discover. The greatest freedom comes through discipline. If you can do this, you will be happy!

#### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Abandon the myth that you don't have any gifts or means at your disposal, Virgo. The proof is that you have your body. Are you taking care of yourself? Do you exercise? Do you take care of minor health issues? All of these questions are related. You regard your gifts the same way you regard your body.

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



Libra, if you're waiting for someone to fulfill all of your needs, you may have to wait a very long time. The paradox of love is that it arrives on your doorstep in its most profound form when you need it least. So take whatever steps you must in order to fulfill yourself. If you don't, you will be eternally dependent, which doesn't suit you very well.

#### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



If you have children, their difficulties may remind you of your own, Scorpio. Or their education brings back memories of your own. Have you held onto any issues from that period that still bother you today? This would be a good time to ask yourself that question. The answer could benefit your loved ones dramatically.

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



- Don't spend beyond your means today, Sagittarius! If you happen to be in a crowd of enthusiastic shoppers, it could be disastrous for your wallet. You could yield to the prevailing spending mood all too easily! On the other hand, perhaps you owe yourself a treat. If you feel this is the case, at least limit yourself a bit.

#### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



Minor tensions will arise today, Capricorn. Someone close to you, perhaps your partner or a parental figure - seems to be trying to convince you to adopt a certain behavior you aren't willing to follow. Will you negotiate gently or forcefully? The second seems more likely. Knowing that, do your best to control it.

#### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

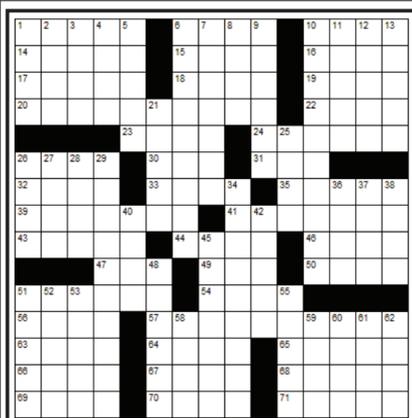


The mood will be a bit oppressive today, Aquarius. After meeting the challenges presented by the past several days, you're likely to want a little peace and quiet! But you can expect to be sought out and asked to assume your duties. You may feel like forgetting the whole thing and running away. Be reasonable and wait until you have some vacation time.

#### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



This isn't a day for subtle, sensitive people like you, Pisces. In fact, the winner will probably be the one who shouts the loudest and bangs on the table. The air of aggression will have an effect on you. You could be somewhat upset and more vulnerable than usual. It would be wise for you to stay away from all the commotion.



#### Across

. Soft drinks, 6. Anagram of "Sees", 10. Frigid, 14. Girlfriend (Spanish), 15. Render unconscious, 16. Chocolate cookie, 17. Kidney-related, 18. Snip, 19. Not pre-recorded, 20. Gain favor, 22. Lascivious look, 23. Condemn, 24. Balances, 26. After-bath powder, 30. Grip 31. Cap, 32. Wicked, 33. Comply with, 35. Caps, 39. Atomizer, 41. Ham it up, 43. Path 44. Oxen's harness, 46. Region, 47. Comes after Mi and Fah, 49. Tall hill, 50. In order to prevent, 51. A poor city district, 54. Pom, 56. Part in a play, 57. Irregular, 63. Arab chieftain 64. A song for 2, 65. Cream (cooking term), 66. Mend (archaic), 67. Sea eagle, 68. Fate 69. Gave the once-over, 70. DDDD, 71. A single-masted ship, ,

#### Down

1. Indian dress, 2. Portent, 3. Little dent, 4. Food thickener, 5. A dish of tomatoes and greens, 6. Admirably, 7. Weird, 8. A set of garments, 9. Catch in a net, 10. Concomitant, 11. Bay window 12. Embankment 13. People who accomplish, 21. Forbidden, 25. Birthday or cheese, for ex, ample, 26. Nipple, 27. Affirm, 28. Former Italian currency, 29. Sequestered, 34. Comrades 36. Cut back, 37. Frosts, 38. Immediately, 40. Notch, 42. 2nd planet, 45. Lewd, 48. Covered 51. Diving bird, 52. Cozy, 53. High society, 55. Check marks, 58. Medical breakthrough, 59. By mouth, 60. Roman emperor, 61. Ammunition, 62. Jump,

#### Yesterday's Solution

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