



Civilian Deaths Spark Angry Protest in Nangarhar

JALALABAD - Residents of eastern Nangarhar province on Saturday staged a protest rally against what they claimed the killing of two children and their parents by security forces.

The protestors from Khogyani and Shirzad districts brought the dead bodies to Jalalabad city, the provincial capital, and closed the Kabul-Jalalabad highway in Surkhrod district for few hours against traffic.

The angry protestors attempted to enter the city and place the dead bodies in front of the governor's house, but security forces did not let them do so.

Abdul Ali Khan, a protestor and Shirzad district tribal council member said the National Directorate of Security (NDS)'s 02 Unit conducted raids on civilian homes in Toto locality of the district late Friday night.

He said two children and their parents were killed and three other children of the family were orphaned as a result of the nighttime operation.

He said after the operation, they brought the dead bodies to the governor's house to ask the government why the children and their parents were killed.

Aziz Khogyani, another protestor and a civil society activist, said if the killing of innocent people continued, a day would come when people would cut off their relation with the government.

Meanwhile, Attaullah Khogayni, the governor's spokesman, said the NDS 02 unit had conducted operations in Toto locality of Shirzad district and killed ten Taliban militants.

He said a Saracha model car was escaping from the area when the NDS 02 unit forces opened fire on it and in which two three children, a woman and two men were killed. He said the issue had been shared with authorities in Kabul. ...*(More on P4)...*(9)

Mohib Visits Islamabad to Discuss Peace, Counterterrorism



KABUL - National Security Advisor (NSA) Hamdullah Mohib will travel to Pakistan at the head of high-level delegation following an official invitation, an official said on Sunday.

National Security Council (NSC) spokesman Tariq Arian told Pajhwok Afghan News that the delegation led by NSA Mohib would

discuss issues related to peace, counter terrorism and security with Pakistani officials.

A source, speaking on the condition of anonymity, told Pajhwok that five-individual delegation would travel to Islamabad. The delegation included Mohib, Interior Minister Massoud Andarabi, deputy NSA and two other persons. The aim of the trip is to

discuss the agenda of upcoming visit of President Ashraf Ghani from Islamabad, the source informed.

Earlier, Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan invited President Ghani to visit Pakistan, an invitation accepted by Ghani. However, the exact date of Ghani's trip is yet to be clear but diplomatic sources say the trip will happen after Eid-ul-Fiter. (Pajhwok)

Taliban Commander Among 12 Militants Killed in Coalition Airstrikes in Ghazni



KABUL - At least 12 Taliban insurgents including a key commander of the group were killed in two air strikes by the Resolute Support forces in Ghazni province, local Officials said on Sunday.

Arif Noori, a spokesman for the provincial governor told Ariana News that the air operations were conducted in Nani and Zarrin villages of Andar district in Ghazni.

He said, as a result, 12 Taliban fighters including a key commander of the group were killed.

The Taliban commander was identified as Abdul Qayyum Niazi, who was involved in destructive activities in the district, Noori added.

According to him, a vehicle and 12 weapons of the group were also destroyed during the raids.

The Taliban militants group has not made a comment about the incident yet.

Ghazni is among the insecure provinces in central Afghanistan where the Taliban militants are actively operating in a number of its districts including the capital city of the province. (ATN)

Afghan Special Forces Kill 10 Taliban Fighters, Destroy Car Bomb and IED Materials in Paktika



KABUL - The Afghan Special Forces conducted separate operations in south-eastern Paktika province killing at least 10 militants and arresting three others.

"In an Afghan special forces operation in Bermal district, 10 Taliban fighters were killed and 1 VBIED and IED making materials were destroyed," the informed military sources said Saturday.

The sources further added that the Special Forces of the Afghan military detained 3

militants during a separate operation in Bermal district. The anti-government armed militants including Taliban have not commented regarding the operations so far. Paktika is among the relatively volatile provinces in South-east of Afghanistan. Taliban militants are active in some of the restive districts of the province where they often attempt to carry out terrorist related activities against the government and security institutions. (KP)

Defence Counsel Association Member Shot Dead in Kabul



KABUL - Unidentified gunmen shot dead a member of Afghanistan's Independent Defense Counsel Association in Kabul on Sunday, an official said.

Najla Rahil, another member of the association, told Pajhwok Afghan News Shabbir Ahmad Kamel was gunned down on the

way to office at 8:30am. Police spokesman Faramarz Firdos confirmed the killing of Shabbir Ahmad Kamel and said they had launched an investigation.

On Saturday, a man was shot dead in the upscale Shahr-i-Naw neighbourhood of Kabul. (Pajhwok)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



Control issues in your home are apt to be of concern today, Aries. Be careful about feeding into others' misconceptions of the situation. You're dealing with powerful, opinionated forces that aren't going to want to budge. Someone may have a warped view of the true issue at hand. Lay all the facts on the table before you start drawing any conclusions.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



You may feel nostalgic as you look through photo albums, rearrange furniture, and remember past times, Taurus. Your mind will touch on emotional events that you may not have fully dealt with at the time they happened. Old feelings that you thought were gone could well up and bring tears to your eyes. Honestly face these feelings now instead of stuffing them back down for another decade.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



You could be operating based on an assumption that's only a partial representation of the truth. In your effort to think about only the good side of the situation, Gemini, you may not see the entire truth. There's a downside to everything. Feelings of anger, frustration, and even loneliness may go along with it.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



If you're experiencing emotional upheaval, Cancer, you may take heart in knowing that other people are going through their own emotional turmoil as well. You will know that you aren't alone in your quest for emotional stability. Share your feelings with others instead of shutting them up inside. It will help you feel better.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



You may feel like someone's giving you the third degree, Leo. You sense that you're being accused of something and that you need to defend your feelings and actions. Try not to fall into this trap. Don't let self-doubt sneak into the situation just because someone else questions your way of life. No one but you fully understands your situation.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Today may be filled with "I told you so!" You could find fault with others who haven't dealt with the truth of a situation. Be careful about accusing someone of the very thing that you're guilty of, Virgo. Penetrating emotions will cut to the heart of the matter, and there will be no way to escape the hole you dig for yourself. Don't criticize others when until you take an honest look at yourself.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



Most of the time you deal with the facts, Libra. Facts are things you can grasp, categorize, and make rational sense of. Unfortunately, today some of your facts may be challenged by one of the things you fear most - intense emotions. The ensuing friction is like dealing with apples and oranges. You may find it hard to find any common ground from which to negotiate.

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Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



Don't automatically assume that people are going to understand your needs, Sagittarius. Your emotions may be powerful today, and you could end up scaring people away instead of drawing them closer simply because you act irrationally and emotionally instead of reasonably and civilly. Be careful about targeting your frustration at the people who can help you the most.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



You're in a difficult position. Things aren't exactly what they seem, Capricorn. Your emotions run the show today, and you may jump from one extreme to the other. There's a good chance that much of what you experience is based on misinformation. Don't get so caught up in the drama that you fail to recognize the truth of the situation.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

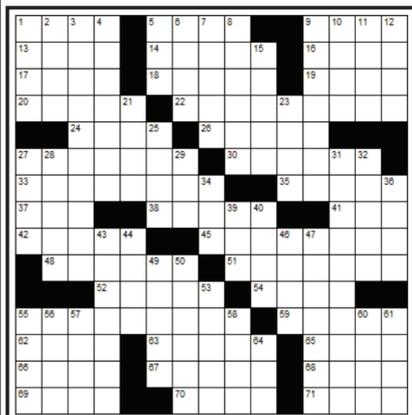


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Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



With your psychic abilities, you're liable to shed some light on issues in which the truth has been unclear for quite a while, Pisces. You can use your sensitivity to cut to the heart of the matter and expose the truth. This kind of behavior probably won't come without friction from others. You can almost guarantee that it will. Don't let it faze you. It's important to reveal the truth.



Across

- Abominable Snowman, 5. Coalition, 9. Anagram of "Dome", 13. Baking appliance, 14. Smidgens, 16. Distribute, 17. Lease, 18. Minim, 19. Twosome, 20. Ceased, 22. Remorse
- Prima donna problems, 26. Severity, 27. An endocrine gland, 30. Chinese temple, 33. Payment, 35. Stadium, 37. Twosome, 38. Steeple, 41. Russian fighter, 42. Barges
- Abnormally swollen, 48. Morals, 51. Apprehensive, 52. A part of the small intestine, 54. Views, 55. Rhythmic speech patterns, 59. Oozes, 62. Pig sound, 63. Fragrant oil
- Raindrop sound, 66. Behold, in old Rome, 67. One of the Canterbury pilgrims, 68. If not 69. Not we, 70. Remnant, 71. Marsh plant, ,

Down

- Bygone era, 2. Not odd, 3. Beginner, 4. Whole number, 5. Large, 6. French for "Wolf", 7. Aquatic mammal, 8. Aromatic herb, 9. Male ruler of an empire, 10. Prefect, 11. Ear-related
- No more than, 15. Type of antelope, 21. Spanish lady, 23. Roman robe, 25. Articulates
- Contributes, 28. Two, 29. One time around, 31. A young unmarried woman (archaic), 32. Licorice-like flavor, 34. 54 in Roman numerals, 36. Senile, 39. Uncooked, 40. God of love
- Bourbon, 44. Storage cylinder, 46. Angers, 47. Any ivy-like plant, 49. A type of tree
- Fit, 53. Gauge, 55. He writes in verse, 56. Wealthy, 57. A single time, 58. Rescue, 60. Sit for a photo, 61. Hurried, 64. Regulation (abbrev.), ,

Yesterday's Solution

