

# 2 Balkh Public Reps Accused of Land Grabbing



MAZAR-I-SHARIF - A man on Tuesday accused two provincial council members of northern Balkh province of forcibly grabbing his 225 acres of land. The man, Hajj Qayoum, brought the issue before

media at the provincial council office and produced documents to substantiate his claims. He said 140 acres of his land situated east of Mazari-Sharif city and another 85 acres west of the city

had been illegally occupied. He accused two provincial council members -- Azizullah and Rais Khaliq -- of usurping his land. Qayoum said he possessed all needed documents for justifying his claims. He added the two provincial council members had distributed his land to people as residential plots against money. He also charged the two representatives with misusing their authority and using official bodyguards against him. "Their bodyguards have me and my farmers. They also threatened us with elimination." However, Balk provincial council head Dr. Mohammad Afzal Hadid told Pajhwok the two PC members had purchased the land against money. He said the claimant, Abdul Qayoum, was mentally ill, who frequently raised such unreal arguments. He said it was a legal issue and if the man was telling truth, he should move the court. Hajj Qayoum said when he shared the issue with the provincial government, he was told to resolve the matter through judiciary. He said he had many times complained to security officials against the PC members, but no one addressed his complaints. ...*(More on P4)...(19)*

## Hundreds of Afghans Flee Country through Nimroz Border Daily



ZARANJ - Local officials say insecurity, joblessness and poverty force a large number of people to go abroad illegally through southwestern Nimroz province. Nimroz, sharing borders with Iran and Pakistan, has become a passage for illegal migration. Inadequate border controls are the only reason why people can easily leave or enter the country. A Nimroz-based official, who wished to go unnamed, told Pajhwok Afghan News more than 2,000 Afghan youth were leaving the country through the border on a daily basis. "These youth are trafficked to Pakistan and then to Iran. Some of them later travel to Turkey. About 50 percent go abroad due to insecurity, poverty and joblessness," he acknowledged. ...*(More on P4)...(20)*

## Negligence Seen Behind Rise in Ghazni Police Deaths



GAHZNI CITY - The number of policemen killed in rebel attacks rose sharply in recent weeks in southern Ghazni province, some residents and their representatives said on Tuesday, blaming the situation on authorities' negligence. Acting provincial council head, Hassan Raza Yousafi, told Pajhwok Afghan News that recent insecurities propelled the police casualties. Without naming anyone, the public representative said there were people in the system who had links with militants, citing it a reason behind the security forces casualties. He said about 60 policemen had been killed and 30 others wounded in recent attacks in Andar district alone. ...*(More on P4)...(22)*

## 15 Taliban Killed in Overnight Ghazni Clashes

GAHZNI CITY - Fifteen Taliban insurgents have been killed and 16 others wounded during separate clashes with security forces in southern Ghazni province last night, an official said Tuesday. Mohammad Arif Noori, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the clashes between Taliban and security forces erupted in Deh Yak, Qarabagh, Andar and Gilan districts on Monday night. He said 15 militants were killed and 19 others including three policemen were wounded during the clashes. Four vehicles, six motorcycles and a number of weapons and ammunition belonging to militants were also destroyed. Naeemullah, a resident of Deh Yak district, said two civilians were killed. ...*(More on P4)...(21)*

## Herat Public Rep Killed in Broad Daylight Attack

HERAT CITY - Unknown gunmen shot and killed a provincial council member in the capital of western Herat province on Tuesday afternoon, an official said. Mohammad Fazil Afif Jamshidi, the provincial council member, was in a car on his way home from the PC office when came under attack in Imam Fakhri Razi area of Herat city. The attack took place around 2pm in which Jamshid and one of his bodyguards were killed, according to Jilani Farhad, the Herat governor's spokesman. He told Pajhwok Afghan News another bodyguard of Jamshidi was wounded in the gun attack. The dead body of the public representative has been transferred to the Herat zonal hospital. (Pajhwok)

## Afghan Nationals Sentenced to Jail on Charges of Terrorism in Pakistan

KABUL - Two Afghan nationals have been awarded jail terms on charges of terrorism by a court in Pakistan, it has been reported. The men were found guilty of plotting to support a terrorist attack for which they were arrested by the security forces. According to The News, the convicted Afghan nationals have been identified as Abdul Wahab and Sardar. The report further added that the court gave its verdict after the prosecution proved terrorism charges against them. According to the information presented before the court, the two men were arrested after the police recovered explosive materials from them. (KP)

## Frequent Power Cable Cuts Inflict Huge Losses on Govt.



JALALABAD/MEHTARLAM - Power cables from Naghlu dam to eastern Nangarhar and Laghman provinces have been cut 57 times in the past two years, causing a huge loss, officials say. The transmission lines were not repaired within six hours or even 12 days in some cases. The cables were cut by local insurgents, but the government also failed to keep its promises held out to residents. When power cables were being extended

from the Ozbin area of Sarobi district of Kabul to the Badpakh district of Laghman, residents allowed the installation of power transmission lines on condition that they would also be provided electricity. However, despite the passage of many years, the promise is yet to be honored. Finally, the Badpakh people were obliged to join hands with the insurgents in severing power ...*(More on P4)...(23)*

## Kabul: Cyclist Killed after Being Hit by Speeding Car

KABUL - One individual was killed and another wounded as a result of a traffic accident in the capital Kabul on Tuesday. The incident took place at 4:30am when a speeding car hit a cyclist in the limits of the 15th police district, an eyewitness said. The source told Pajhwok Afghan News the cyclist was killed and another man wounded. (Pajhwok)

### Outlook Horoscope

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

 Aries Although you expect others to reveal their secrets and share their feelings with you, you might not be willing to respond in the same manner. Unfortunately, one-way communication creates an awkward dynamic that sabotages your intentions to deepen a relationship.

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

 Taurus You're very empathic today, but you may be picking up something on your emotional radar that you can't quite wrap your head around. You can tell that you're missing some facts and you're on a mission to find them. But if you just start asking a bunch of questions, the information you're seeking becomes even harder to find.

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

 Gemini You might find yourself in a struggle for control with a powerful person today. Or you may need to clarify financial arrangements with a business partner. Either way, you won't be able to reach a satisfactory settlement if you rely on force to make your case. Emotions, not logic, rule the day. Expressing your feelings without blaming anyone else allows trust to grow as others discover what you are willing to bring to the table.

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

 Cancer Your coworkers might be afraid to discuss an important matter with you today because they're worried that you'll take their words too personally. But even if they say nothing, you may notice that there is an energetic break, leading you to assume the worst. Thankfully, you're in no danger of contributing to the strange tension if you foster an emotionally safe space.

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

 Leo Telling someone what you want is nearly impossible today because isolating any one feeling is extremely complicated. Every single desire exists as part of a complex web of interrelated considerations. By sharing one thread, you're not in any way describing the tapestry from which it came.

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

 Virgo Participating in planned activities with your community or your coworkers can be quite entertaining today, but solely defining your identity with your social experiences isn't healthy. Spending time with others deepens your personal connections, but don't surrender your power to discover who you are on your own. Hindu sage Ramana Maharshi said, "Your own self-realization is the greatest service you can render the world."

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

 Libra You want your actions to be noticed by others today, yet you don't necessarily agree with the principles behind your assignment. Logic tells you to go ahead and do your job, but your intuition is shouting no. Nevertheless, you take your role as a team player very seriously. You might think you're demonstrating strength.

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

 Scorpio You might not have a lot to say today, but you're plugged into your most powerful feelings and you want to make sure everyone knows your position. There are many ways aside from words to effectively communicate with a significant other. Sharing a magical experience or expressing yourself through a gesture of love can be more meaningful.

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

 Sagittarius An intense exchange with someone special can transcend the boundaries that normally define and confine you. But you won't back down once you reveal your opinion on a sensitive topic. Standing up for your beliefs is normally admirable, but don't let your stubbornness turn into a useless obsession. Experiencing the emotional power that's being released now can feel overwhelming if it's bottled up.

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

 Capricorn A friend's intuitive advice may push your buttons today. It's as if others know what motivates you now and they show up ready to support your actions. But no one is demanding that you achieve greatness; your primary concern is to validate your dreams and nurture your soul. Fortunately, someone can make a real difference in your life without being rich or brilliant.

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

 Aquarius Health-related issues may be on your mind today. You might modify your intake of vitamins and herbs if you're feeling just a tad below the weather. But even if your stamina is strong, consider what improvements you could make to your daily regimen. Keep in mind that anything you do now, however inconsequential it seems, can have a profound influence over time.

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

 Pisces You're quietly optimistic today, but might not let others know that you're busy envisioning your ideal future. You may downplay your big dreams now because you really don't want them to be scrutinized by anyone else just yet. There's no need to waste precious time defending your plans when you prefer to share them only after things are further along in development. Don't tell people your dreams. Show them.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-55.

Across: 1. Scour, 6. Cypher, 10. Parts of aprons, 14. Delete, 15. Cain's brother, 16. Wings, 17. Notes, 18. fide, 19. Give as an example, 20. Apathetic, 22. Sounds of reproof, 23. Female sheep, 24. Abounds, 26. Deep blue, 30. Anagram of "Peril", 32. Wavelike design, 33. Sometimes found in gravy, 37. Happy cat sound, 38. Aquatic mammals, 39. Quick note, 40. Stealthiest, 42. Fuzzy fruits, 43. Anxious, 44. Frothy, 45. Small boat, 47. Charge, 48. Drunkard, 49. Unchallenged, 56. Biblical garden, 57. Forsaken, 58. Accustom, 59. Urgent request, 60. 57 in Roman numerals, 61. Wealthy man, 62. Express in words, 63. Blabs, 64. Visitor.

Down: 1. Collections, 2. Prune, 3. Hindu princess, 4. End \_\_\_, 5. Beauguer, 6. A steel wire rope, 7. Double-reed woodwind, 8. Lairs, 9. Rubber bands, 10. Germs in the blood, 11. Site of the Trojan War, 12. Pieces of insulation, 13. Views, 21. Pair, 25. Startled cry, 26. Rapsallions, 27. Person, place or thing, 28. Calamitous, 29. Illogical, 30. Stage, 31. A jaunty rhythm, 33. TTTT, 34. Recent events, 35. Send forth, 36. Optimistic, 38. Wickedly, 41. Hemp, 42. Retaining, 44. Aye, 45. Move furtively, 46. Drop to one's knees, 47. French for "The end", 48. Cried, 50. Exploded star, 51. Trickle, 52. Two-toed sloth, 53. Pipe, 54. God of love, 55. Money owed

Yesterday's Solution crossword puzzle grid with words: DEFT, SODA, CLOUD, ODD, EDICT, HOBBO, WERE, XENITA, ERIS, ENEMY, SEDIMENTS, FOAL, DIGIT, MAJLUMAN, CANADA, AGNOSTIC, TRIME, ZAS, EBOLIA, GAL, EMERY, WILLINNESS, AREOLA, IMMENSE, GLOBE, SPIRE, UNBEKNOWN, STRAP, MOAN, GREEN, RANT, BOSS, STERE, ATOM, OBEY, SPLOT, LEAP

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