Afghanistan, Pakistan Sign Customs Assistance Agreement

KABUL - Afghanistan and Pakistan on Tuesday signed an agreement on customs assistance. The agreement was signed during the seventh meeting of the Afghanistan-Pakistan Transit Trade Cooperation Authority (APTICA). Pakistani prime minister's advisor on commerce, Abdul Razak Dawood, who is visiting Kabul, has pledged that trade and transit problems will soon be resolved, according to Afghanistan's chamber of commerce and investment. He said that two working groups in Torkham and Spin Boldak crossings will be deployed to address the problems. An economic corridor is also expected to be established between Kabul and Karachi. An economic corridor is also expected to be established between Kabul and Karachi.

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Cabinet Seeks Open Trial of Recent Attacks’ Perpetrators

KABUL - A Cabinet meeting, chaired by President Ashraf Ghani, has strongly condemned recent terrorist attacks in the country and called for talks with judicial organs to publicly try and execute the perpetrators.

The president termed the freedom of expression as the most valuable achievement of people and the government of Afghanistan after massive sacrifices and directed the Strategic Allies Department to provide cash assistance to families of victims from the Journalist Support Fund.

Referring to the upcoming Geneva Conference and the Afghanistan Development and Peace National package, Ghani said the multilateral conference was the beginning of reform process and every government institution was bound to ensure fundamental reform, otherwise their budgets would be suspended.

He added, “A Cabinet meeting should get its budget on the basis of administrative reform, increase in revenue and justifiable utilization of the budget.”

The president, while receiving information... (More on P4)...(5)

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Three Wounded in Faryab Car Bomb Explosion: Official

FAVARY – At least three persons were wounded in a car bomb explosion in Qizilbash district in the northern province of Faryab on Monday night, provincial parliamentary Nakiba Farid said. The Taliban wanted to target the police headquarters of Qizilbash district, but the vehicle was identified by security forces and was stopped before reaching its target, Farid said. The explosion inflicted medical damages to the people, he said. Faryab police said the explosion happened in a market in Qizilbash district, following the Taliban's attack on Sunday.

Afghanistan Reports 213 New COVID-19 Cases in 24 Hours

KABUL: According to the Ministry of Public Health reported Tuesday, there were 1,764 tests done, 215 cases were confirmed positive, 93 were confirmed negative and 135 are under observation, 13 are deceased and 102 of unknown. The total active cases are 9,935 and 10,821 individuals are reported dead.

I Busted Over Drug Trafficking in 24 Hours

NANGARHAR – Counter Narcotic Police of Afghanistan (CNPA) arrested at least one suspect charged with drug trafficking in Chami Kalan district of Nangarhar province. According to the statement, of CNPA, the arrested was involved in narcotic drugs, including 60 kilograms of hashish, 42 kilograms of opium and 10 kilograms of heroin, during the operation. The suspect detained a drug smuggler in Chami Kalan district of Nangarhar province.

District Police Chief Killed in Kapisa Province

According to security sources in Kapisa province, the police chief and his two assistants were killed and another was injured in the incident. The Taliban was attacked in the Qala-i-Osh Khan area as he was traveling in the district capital of Kapisa province to the provincial capital.

Nov 18, 2020 - Sometimes it can be compelling to be a world traveler than to do anything at all. You may get more out of results that you get from other people.

Cancer (June 21 - July 20)

Nov 19, 2020 - This is the type of day where you're likely to gain access to dimensions of perception you've already underestimated. Time will fly. Perhaps you will become aware of certain unexpected potentialities in your life, or in others, or other highly sensitive states of consciousness. Don't be frightened. Many of these worlds have to offer. What you learn will help you cope with your sensitivity.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22)

Nov 19, 2020 - Your temperamental new moon is currently changing. Cancer. Perhaps your cir- cumstances are already setting you up for a major change. The fact is that you no longer carry those burdens and obstacles that you used to. The people and things that you meet, and no longer seek a certain type of per- son as a friend. You accept whoever comes along. You may not make it but your attitude is completely differ- ent now than it used to be.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

Nov 19, 2020 - This is a day you have to work on your mental stamina. Don't worry, you have a great deal of stamina if you do what is needed.

Aquarius (Jan.19-Feb.18)

Nov 19, 2020 - This is the type of day you enjoy. Pay attention to your work and to the energy you have. It is a good day.
Obstacles to Rights to Freedom

Public freedoms are susceptible to threat and militancy in the country, especially with the increased violence in recent months. Freedom is indivisible and natural and fundamental right. All are born free and are entitled to enjoy freedom of opinion and belief irrespective of their religion, conscience, or other beliefs. Freedom of thought, belief and information is one of the essential characteristics of human beings. Freedom is the very essence of the human spirit which, without which one would not be able to live. Freedom gives meaning to life. It is the foundation of all human rights. Are there freedom of thought and the right to express ideas? Are these two principles in the constitution and human rights documents? Or the right to freedom of conscience and belief. People are entitled to have, form and hold the opinions, beliefs, and ideas freely, and to express these opinions, beliefs, and ideas by making known their views in public and in private, by speeches, writings, works of art, and also by square demonstrations, in any other manner or by any other means, as long as these means are not forbidden by law, subject to the limitations set by law in accordance with the principles of the rule of law. By threatening freedom and the right to freedom of thought and belief, the country is trampling on the spirit and principle of freedom. Moreover, social media are a suitable vehicle for expressing ideas and beliefs. They are a safe haven that gives people the right to express their ideas. Moreover, the platform of social media is a place where people can express their ideas. Freedom is a state of being, not a state of not being. Freedom is a state of being, not a state of not being. Freedom is the right to choose, to think, to believe, to speak, to write, to publish, to assemble, to demonstrate, and to participate in public affairs. Freedom is the right to live a life of one's choosing, to make choices, to have opinions, to express those opinions, to participate in the public sphere, to have a voice, to be heard, to be respected, to be treated with dignity and with respect, to have rights, to have freedoms, to have freedoms, to have freedoms, to have freedoms.

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Mr Biden’s most direct threat came during a press conference Monday morning in which he said the transition process was “hanging” because Trump had refused to concede.

“The American people deserve action now,” Mr Biden said.

Mr Biden said he had been meeting regularly with his in-laws who he said had been “incredibly anxious” about the possibility of violence in the capital, which is growing more tense.

Mr Biden vowed to follow through with his promise to be a “unifying force” as he formally took office on January 20.

While Mr Biden said he believed the election already had been decided, he warned that legal challenges could delay the transition process.

Mr Biden said he was “very concerned” by the legal challenges and that he was “very concerned” about the possibility of violence.

Last week, former President Donald Trump’s announcement that he would launch a transition process - after he lost the election - was met with concerns from some officials.

Mr Biden said he was “ready to move forward” and was “ready to get to work” to address the nation’s challenges.

Mr Biden said he had already begun to work with Senate and House leaders to move forward on his agenda.

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