

# Tagab Mayor Caught Red-Handed Receiving Bribe



MAHMUD RAQI - The mayor for Tagab district in central Kapisa province was arrested over corruption charges on Sunday, an official said. Mohammad AyoubYosufzai, the Kapisa police spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News that Mayor Abdul Shakoo rwas caught red-handed by security

personnel and appellate attorney office for extorting money from martyrs' families in exchange for land provision. The government provides land plots to the families of the soldiers who lost their lives at the line of duty. The detained mayor used to demand bribes from the

families who received the land. He said some people had registered complaints against the mayor previously as well, and accused him of selling state-owned lands. Yosufzai added that the mayor was caught red-handed and was ...*(More on P4)...(18)*

## Nangarhar Airstrike Kills 16 Daesh Rebels

JALALABAD - Two commanders were among 16 Daesh or Islamic State militants killed in an airstrike in the Achin district of eastern Nangarhar province, an official said on Saturday. The airstrike was carried out last night in Momand Dara's Margha area and the dead militants included two commanders Asadullah Orakzai and Shakirullah Kunari, said the Nangarhar governor's spokesman. Attaullah Khogyani told Pajhwok Afghan News separately security forces arrested eight suspected militants with four motorcycles, remote-controlled landmines, two hand grenades and other ammunition. *(Pajhwok)*

## US Airstrike Kills 5 Rebels in Azra District



PUL-I-ALAM - Five Taliban insurgents were killed during an airstrike by US forces in the Azra district of central Logar province on Sunday, an official claimed. Saleem Saleh, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the US forces targeted the Taliban's hideouts in Drai Khony area of the district at around 12:00pm. He said five insurgents were killed, and several weapons and ammunition were destroyed during the attack. He added "The airstrike was aimed to eliminate a shadow district chief named Mullah Hayat, but he escaped unhurt and his ...*(More on P4)...(19)*

## Retired NDS Official Among 3 Killed in Violence

FARAH CITY - A former National Directorate of Security (NDS) service member and a civilian were killed separately by unknown gunmen in western Farah province, officials said on Saturday. Police spokesman Nasir Mehri told Pajhwok Afghan News that former NDS retired major Rahmatullah was gunned down by unknown armed men in Farah City, the provincial capital, late on Friday. The killers had managed to flee and police were investigating the case, he said. Separately, a policeman and a shopkeeper were shot dead by unknown motorcyclists in Shibkohn district on Friday afternoon. A resident of the area, who declined to be named, said the policeman was buying grocery when came under attack. The shopkeeper was also killed. Pajhwok tried to contact the police headquarters, but failed. In central Parwan province, a six-year-old boy was released by his kidnappers after holding him in captivity for 10 days. The child, Bilal Ahmad, a resident of Charikar, the provincial capital, had been kidnapped from the city, police spokesman Mohammad Alam Mukhles said. *(Pajhwok)*

## Paktikans Unhappy with New Kabul Bank Services



SHARANA - Some government servants and common people allege the New Kabul Bank branch in southeastern Paktika province has failed in providing customer services. Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers, police and other people waiting from morning to evening outside the bank branch in ...*(More on P4)...(20)*

## 7 Killed, 5 Injured in Parwan Car Accident

CHARIKAR - At least seven people were killed and five others injured in a traffic accident in the capital of central Parwan province on Sunday, an official said. Provincial traffic chief, Abdul Karim told Pajhwok Afghan News that a Corolla model car crashed with a mini truck in Rubat area in Charikar, the provincial capital around 11am. He said three women, three men including the driver of the Corolla model car and a child were killed and two children and a woman were injured in the incident. He said the accident took place due to recklessness of the Corolla car driver. However, Abdul Qasim Sangin, head of Parwan Civil Hospital, confirmed receiving seven dead and five injured. He said the injured were in stable health condition. *(Pajhwok)*

## 2 Sisters Who Lost Eyesight 16 Years Back



KANDAHAR CITY - Khatera, 20 and Sabera 18 are two sisters who lost their eyesight 16 years back when the US and her allies invaded Afghanistan. Then minor girls, the two sisters were in their home in Dand district of southern Kandahar province, the headquarters of the Taliban government, when US forces bombed the entire area. The sisters survived but lost their eyesight, recalled their father, Mohammad, a taxi driver. He remembered people were asleep and awakened to horrific sounds of bombardment the Dand Square area. It was before dawn when the entire area disappeared in huge muddy smog, there was everywhere a chaos. After few days, Mohammad realized his daughters could not see and had lost their eyesight. He took his daughters to a doctor who prescribed them some medicines, but those medicines had no effect. "The doctor told me it would require 700,000 rupees to treat the blindness of my daughters," said the father, who could not afford the amount. Since the incident that changed the fate of his daughters, Mohammad knocked at the doors of government officials and well-off individuals, but failed to get assistance for the treatment of his daughters. *(Pajhwok)*

## Afghanistan Takes on UAE in its Final Intercontinental Cup Match

KABUL - The Afghanistan National Cricket team left Kabul on Sunday for Abu Dhabi where they will play their last match of the ICC Intercontinental Cup tournament against the United Arab Emirates at the Sheikh Zayed Stadium, in Abu Dhabi. The four-day match starts on Wednesday. Currently Afghanistan is top of the table with 101 points. Ireland is in second place with 89 points. The UAE meanwhile is in fourth place with only 47 points. ...*(More on P4)...(21)*



### Outlook Horoscope

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



**Aries** Your feelings are anything but casual today. In fact, your desires are running toward the extremes - black and white, with very little gray in between. You might be so attracted to someone that you declare your love too soon and scare them away. Or, you could emotionally withdraw, only to discover how much you miss the intimacy.

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



**Taurus** You might not know how to react if someone professes their undying love for you today. But it's not as straightforward as responding with a yes or no; the days of simple binary decisions are over. Modern relationships include a wide spectrum of possibilities, leaving you with the responsibility of sorting it all out and creating a mutually beneficial path.

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



**Gemini** You have a sneaky suspicion that someone at work is admiring you from a distance. Although you might be flattered by the attention, you're not interested in mixing personal relationships and office politics. In fact, you are seeking ways to simplify your life rather than complicate it. You're unclear about how to handle the situation because you don't want to jeopardize the comfort level already established.

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



**Cancer** You may surprise everyone by breaking out of your mold at work but it doesn't matter what issue you use to catalyze the change. What is important now is that you stand tall in your convictions without being swayed by people with an agenda that differs from yours. There's no reason to keep track of who supports you and who does not.

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



**Leo** You crave the adoration and affection that comes from a lover or spouse, but you might not want to sacrifice your independence just to get it. Nevertheless, you are still eager to try and make everything work. You claim you're a new person, yet you carry your old fears with you.

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



**Virgo** You might be confused today because you can't figure out what others want, even if they tell you. Their words say one thing yet their body language says another. But you're willing to cut people some slack because that's what you would like from them. After all, you're not perfect last time you checked. However, you possess an unrelenting spirit and the eagerness to show up and do your best.

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



**Libra** You're performing your best balancing act today, but it may not prevent you from taking an unnecessary spill. You might need to call in some favors and ask your friends for help. But they can only do so much; the real work is yours and yours alone. Although you want to open your heart, you can't command it to happen.

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



**Scorpio** You're playing for keeps when it comes to the game of love. Although you prefer to take your time to build a solid foundation, you could lose perspective today as your feelings intensify rather suddenly. But something may happen that snaps you back to your senses, shifting you out of your heart and into your head. You are the master of your own thoughts, even if you're a slave of your emotions.

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



**Sagittarius** Your feelings are aroused today and you are eager to follow them to the source of your attraction. However, you are also motivated to deepen your spiritual practices. Unfortunately, you can't seem to successfully juggle your metaphysical interests with your romantic desires. You want to pursue each yet may end up with neither because you approach both as all-or-nothing pursuits.

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



**Capricorn** You take commitments of all kinds quite seriously, but you may run into trouble following through with your promises today. It's not that you are operating with bad intentions; you don't want to take advantage of anyone. It's just that you might fall short of people's expectations now, and rather than trying harder, you're tempted to just throw in the towel.

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



**Aquarius** You're able to capitalize on a personal relationship today, morphing a long-term acquaintance into a profitable business association. You are pleased that you can reinvent an old friendship and breathe new life into it. But you're also concerned that the changing dynamics of this partnership could also bring about its demise if you aren't careful.

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



**Pisces** Your fantasies could overtake the real world if you surrendered to them, but you are more likely to survive and even thrive because of your willingness to walk the fine line between dreams and reality. Nevertheless, each time you venture into the realms of imagination, you encounter a customs officer who runs a complete reality check on your intentions before allowing you to pass.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-71 indicating starting positions for clues.

Across clues: 1. Baseball great, \_\_\_ Ruth, 5. Pear variety, 9. Replete, 13. Astringent, 14. Up to, 16. Chocolate cookie, 17. Not in danger, 18. Substantial, 19. Genuine, 20. Lifts, 22. Street baseball, 24. Anagram of "Silo", 26. Creepy, 27. Hard rubber, 30. Highly seasoned fatty sausage, 33. A rundown apartment house, 35. Small amount, 37. Era, 38. "Hogwash!", 41. Cover, 42. Engine supercharger, 45. Conceding, 48. Women's stockings, 51. Retaliation, 52. Historical period, 54. Little dent, 55. Cut, 59. List components, 62. Marries, 63. Fuzzy fruits, 65. Operatic solo, 66. Away from the wind, 67. Eyeglasses, 68. 10 10 10 10, 69. Happy, 70. Tall woody plant, 71. Anagram of "Sire", ,

Down clues: 1. Hit hard, 2. Wings, 3. Frivolity, 4. A white crystalline alkaloid, 5. Vagrant, 6. 1 1 1 1, 7. Condition, 8. Major towns, 9. Refrain, 10. Component of urine, 11. Loyal (archaic), 12. Take it easy, 15. An elastic fabric, 21. Slender, 23. A man's skirt, 25. Stair, 27. French for "State", 28. Started, 29. N N N N, 31. Slacker, 32. Cake frosting, 34. Your (archaic), 36. Border, 39. Manner, 40. Noxious plant, 43. Fortune, 44. Klutz's cry, 46. 57 in Roman numerals, 47. Having toothlike projections, 49. Recesses, 50. A written version of a play, 53. Lumberjack, 55. Booty, 56. Mobile phone, 57. Notion, 58. Cut into cubes, 60. Short skirt, 61. Back talk, 64. South southeast,

Yesterday's Solution

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