



**Pakistan an important business partner: Bangladeshi Envoy**

High Commissioner of Bangladesh to Pakistan Mr. Md. Ruhul Alam Siddique said on Wednesday that Islamabad was an important business partner and efforts were underway to strengthen bilateral trade further. He expressed these views while addressing the business community at Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) here on Wednesday. (Report on Page 6)



**'Will make sure there is no Pak vs Ind finale': England skipper Jos Buttler**

"Look, we certainly don't want to see an India and Pakistan final. So we will try and do everything we can to make sure that doesn't happen," said Buttler in a pre-match press conference. If we look at the past, Green Shirts and Kiwis have clashed six times in the T20 World Cup history so far. Pakistan triumphed in four matches, while New Zealand managed to win two. (Report on Page 7)

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**President, PM laud Green Shirts for 'incredible comeback' to reach T20 WC final**



ISLAMABAD: President Dr Arif Alvi and Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday appreciated the Pakistan cricket team over their victory in the semifinal against New Zealand to reach the final contest of the T20 World Cup. "Well done Team Pakistan for

an incredible comeback," the prime minister tweeted after the green shirts booked their place in the final at Melbourne Cricket Ground opposite India or England, as the two are set to clash on Thursday in the second semi-final. The prime minister also

mentioned three traits of "passion, commitment and discipline" as a reference to the driving force behind the victory of the Pakistan cricket squad. Meanwhile, talking to private media in London, UK, the prime minister congratulated the whole nation over

the sensational win and hoped that the national team would emerge victorious in the final match. "Well played Pakistan," President Alvi also tweeted and particularly eulogized the "excellent performances" by Shaheen Afridi, Babar

Azam, Muhammad Rizwan and Haris. "Green shirts you make us proud. On to the finals," President Alvi said and conveyed his best wishes for the final match expressing hope for their win. "Inshallah you will win," the president hoped.

**FMs of Pakistan, France agree cooperation against climate change**



SHARM EL-SHEIKH: Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari and his French counterpart Catherine Colona have expressed desire to collaborate on addressing the challenges of climate change, the Foreign Office said Wednesday. In a meeting held on the sidelines of Conference of Parties (COP27) summit in the Egypt's resort city, the two foreign ministers agreed to strengthen ties between Pakistan and France in diverse fields. FM Bilawal lauded the efforts of French President Emanuel Macron as part of global campaign to mitigate the effects of climate change. He thanked the government of France for extending relief assistance to the flood victims of Pakistan. State Minister for Foreign Affairs Hina Rabbani Khar was present in the meeting.

**Pakistan's govt, army providing strict security for Chinese projects: Zhao Lijian**



BEIJING: The Pakistani government and army have been providing strict security protection to the Chinese projects, Chinese Foreign Ministry Spokesperson Zhao Lijian said on Wednesday. "We have worked in Pakistan for a long time. Based on my understanding, the Pakistani government and military there have been providing strict security protection for the Chinese projects," he

**US urges all Pak parties to exercise restraint amid escalating tensions**



WASHINGTON: The United States Wednesday urged all political parties in Pakistan to refrain from violence and respect the rule of law amid rising tensions following the assassination attempt on Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf Chairman Imran Khan and the violence at protest marches by his supporters as well as the threat to resume the long march. Responding to a question from a private Pakistani TV reporter at his daily press briefing, State Department Spokesperson Ned Price again condemned the shooting of Imran Khan, adding that "violence has no place in politics." "We're concerned about these reports of violence," Price said, adding, "We call on all parties to refrain from violence, harassment, intimidation, and to respect the rule of law. "We are deeply committed to a democratic and peaceful Pakistan, and we stand with the people of Pakistan." When asked what would be US message for the heads of political parties amid the situation in Pakistan, he said: "We are concerned about what has happened in Pakistan in recent days. All parties should never resort to violence. "They should express their disagreements peacefully, using - employing universal rights - freedom of expression, freedom of assembly - but violence is never the answer," he added. When asked about cases registered against ARY News owner Salman Iqbal, Price said the US routinely raises press freedom concerns with Pakistan and other countries around the world.

**Minister Ahsan Iqbal slams PTI for disrupting people's lives through protests**

ISLAMABAD: In the wake of Pakistan's historic win in the semi-finals of T-20 World Cup, Federal Minister for Planning Development and Special Initiatives Ahsan Iqbal while praising the team's performance quipped a "former cricketer" referring to Imran Khan that "he has put the entire nation in a turmoil situation due to his stubbornness". Talking to a private news channel, he

said Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif had mobilizing the international community to cooperate in tackling climate change and to help Pakistan in rehabilitation, reconstruction for millions of flood-affected people. "We want rule of law in the country, equally applicable to all without discrimination but Imran Khan considers himself above the law, but he should follow the

country's constitution," Ahsan Iqbal added. On the possibility of imposing Governor's rule in Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Ahsan Iqbal said that it was an extreme step but the constitution allowed federation to keep the system running. "We hope that both provincial governments (of KP and Punjab) will not let things [law and order situation] to go this far," he expressed hope.

The minister said that groups of few people had blocked the highways which caused disruption to the public lives, terming it as "political hooliganism". "The PTI has disrupted the development process in the country by holding protests and marches. The country needs economical revival and rehabilitation of floods affectees rather than marches and protests," he maintained.

**PTI protesters still clogging Motorways for 3rd consecutive day**

ISLAMABAD: The Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf workers continued their protest for the third consecutive day on Wednesday in Islamabad by blocking M-1 and M-2 motorway creating difficulties for commuters. A long queue of vehicles could be seen stuck on the motorway. People are unable to reach their places of work and students can't go to their educational institutes. Deputy Speaker Punjab Assembly Wasiq Qayyum asked the PTI workers to continue their protest against the assassination attempt on their leader Imran Khan for the third day. The PTI workers have paralyzed traffic in Islamabad and Rawalpindi. The Shamsabad, Murree Road in Rawalpindi is closed from both sides due to protest. Thursday, the city traffic police in its press release said that Old Airport Road was blocked by protesters on both tracks. Due to the blockade, the traffic was diverted to alternative routes. It further said that Murree Road near Iqbal Park on both sides was blocked by protesters, while Pirwadhai Mor towards IJP



road was also blocked. The traffic police said that the GT Road near Margalla was blocked by protesters, while Sarai Kala Chowk was also blocked. The protests are causing huge snarl-ups on the roads of twin cities. While addressing a press conference in Islamabad on Tuesday, Interior Minister Rana Sanaullah lashed out at PTI supporters who have closed M1 and M2 to protest against Thursday's gun attack on their leader Imran Khan. He reminded the provincial governments that it was their responsibility to keep

the motorway open. The provincial governments should fulfil their constitutional and legal obligations, Sanaullah said warning that 'I want to make it clear on provincial governments that what these governments are doing, there is a legal option available to deal with this'. He requested the high courts in Peshawar and Lahore to take notice of the matter. He said that creating difficulties for their own people, was a foreign agenda. He castigated the KP and Punjab governments asking them 'don't protect a few people on the roads, rather

make them sprint away'. Sanaullah held that the PTI supporters were creating difficulties for people. "People have rejected their Fitna march," he maintained. In another development yesterday, the interior minister also wrote two identical letters to the KP and Punjab governments requesting them to "immediately remove the protestors to restore smooth movement on motorways, highways and link roads". He noted that this was not a long march rather the two provinces wanted to invade the federation. Credit: Independent News Pakistan-LNP

**JUI(F) Chief terms interest-free economy blessing for country**

ISLAMABAD: Jamaat Ulema-e-Islam-Fazl (JUI-F) Maulana Fazal Ur Rehman on Wednesday said interest-free economic system was a blessing for the people. Fazal, in a meeting with Finance Minister Mohammad Ishaq Dar, who called on him, here, at his residence, said it would help in building an Islamic financial system and boost economic activities in the light of Quran and Sunnah. He also paid tribute to the finance minister and appreciated his bold decision for withdrawing the appeal of state and national banks from the apex court against the Federal Shariat Court's (FSC) verdict which directed the government to devise a mechanism where Pakistan can become an interest-free economy.



## A lot of Watermelons

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Finance and Revenue Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar meet with Maulana Fazlur Rehman on Wednesday.



Photo: PID

# Regional Director South Asia Infrastructure World Bank calls on Finance Minister

ISLAMABAD: Regional Director South Asia Infrastructure World Bank Guangzhe Chen Wednesday called on Minister for Finance and Revenue Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar.

Country Director World Bank Najy Benhassine, SAPM on Finance Tariq Bajwa, SAPM on Revenue Tariq Mehmood Pasha, Secretary Finance and other senior officers of Finance Division attended the meeting, said a press release.

The minister highlighted the current economic outlook of Paki-

stan's economy and apprised the delegation of various policy measures being undertaken by the present government to ensure the sustainable and inclusive economic growth and development by enhancing ease of doing business, encouraging exports and facilitating various sectors of the economy.

Ishaq Dar commended the developmental role of the World Bank in Pakistan and further added that Pakistan values the financial and technical assistance provided by the World Bank for the institutional reforms and



economic development of the country.

He assured the delegation that every possible support will be provided by the current government for the current projects being undertaken by the World Bank in Paki-

stan and thanked the delegation for their persistence contribution in the economic development of Pakistan.

Guangzhe Chen appreciated and congratulated government of Pakistan for successfully completing the fiscal reform program—RISE.

He briefed the Finance Minister about the various other programs being undertaken by the World Bank in the country in line with the vision of the government of Pakistan. He further highlighted the support by the World Bank for relief and rehabilitation work in flood affected areas. APP

# UN to examine India's HR record Wednesday as stakeholders blow away its smoke screen

ISLAMABAD: The United Nations is set to examine the human rights record of India on November 10 as the human rights organizations, in their reports, have already exposed its use of a secular polity with "serious regression" in human rights and constitutional protections under the BJP-led government.

The UN Human Rights Council's Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Working Group would examine India's human rights record for the fourth time in its session taking place from November 7-18 which marks the beginning of the UPR fourth cycle.

India's first, second and third UPR reviews took place in April 2008, May 2012 and May 2017, respectively.

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The UPR is a unique process involving a review of the human rights records of all UN member states which provides the oppor-



tunity for each state to declare what actions they have taken to improve the human rights situations in their countries.

In its report submitted to the UN, the Indian government claimed it to be firmly committed to the promotion and protection of human rights with its constitution guaranteeing civil and political rights, justice, liberty, equality, fraternity and individual dignity within a secular democracy.

However, the joint submissions of reports by around 70 human rights organizations across different countries chal-

lenged the Indian official position by highlighting the human rights abuses by India including the escalated crackdown on independent and democratic institutions, and using draconian sedition, counterterrorism, and national security laws to prosecute and harass human rights activists and journalists besides growing attacks, discrimination, and incitement against religious minorities.

Among those who submitted their reports to the UN included, among others, Action Aid Association, Amnesty International, Christian Solidarity

Worldwide, Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children, Human Rights Watch, International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, International Commission of Jurists, Islamic Human Rights Commission, Kashmir Institute of International Relations and National Campaign Against Torture.

In their statements, the human rights bodies called for the Indian government to enact a national anti-torture law, adopt legislation to criminalize hate speech and prevent communal violence, besides formulating rigorous anti-discrimination law and policies.

They recommended that the Narendra Modi-led government enact a national law to recognise and protect human rights defenders in compliance with the UN declaration on human rights defenders.

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In its report, the European

Centre for Law and Justice stated that despite its abolishment, the caste system was still very much prevalent, especially in rural areas and states that had anti-conversion laws.

The joint submission by Forum for UPR in Tamil Nadu; People's Watch, Madurai (India) and Human Rights Defender's Alert stated that the scheduled castes and scheduled tribes were economically deprived and socially marginalized, and lacked resources, access to education, employment and other income-generating opportunities.

The Kashmir Institute of International Relations stated that Jammu and Kashmir remained a blind side in the universal periodic review as under the Public Safety Act, Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act and the Armed Forces Special Power Act, Indian armed forces and police were continuously committing grave human rights abuses in Jammu and Kashmir with impunity.

## Two cops martyred in terrorists attack

S. WAZIRISTAN: Two police officials embraced martyrdom and two others sustained injuries when some unknown assailants launched an attack on the Ragzai police station in Bermal Tehsil in South Waziristan on Wednesday. As per details, some unknown terrorists attacked a police station in Ragzai and killed two policemen, besides injuring another two. The terrorists also set to fire a police van parked outside the station. After the attack, the assailants took away police weapons and one police car. The policemen who were martyred were identified as Hameed Ullah and Farman Ullah. INP

# China becomes top education destination for Pakistani students

BELJING: Around 20,000 Pakistani graduates from the Chinese universities are now engaged in diverse fields in Pakistan, said Education Attache, Pakistan Embassy Beijing, Afifa Shajia Awais.

About 20,000 Pakistani graduates from China are now engaged in diverse fields in Pakistan, including engineering, social sciences, agriculture and healthcare, she told Xinhua.

She said that China had become the top education destination for Pakistani students.

The latest data released by the Ministry of Education of China showed that around 21,000 Pakistani students are studying in Chinese univer-



sities. According to official sources, over 6,000 Pakistani students who were stranded in the homeland follow-

ing the Covid-19 pandemic prevention and control measures were also returning to China to resume offline classes in the respective

universities.

In August this year, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif in a telephonic conversation with his Chinese counterpart Li Keqiang discussed the issue of Pakistani students who were desirous of returning to China to resume studies.

The Chinese premier had assured that China accorded high priority to this matter. As a result, the two sides agreed to phased return of the Pakistani students subject to the Covid-19 situation in China.

Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) had also offered discounts for the students travelling to China to facilitate them to resume their education in China.

## FM arrives KSA on a two-day visit

ISLAMABAD: Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari on Wednesday arrived Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on a two-day official visit.

The foreign minister and his Saudi counterpart will discuss the Pak-Saudi ties.

During the visit, the foreign minister will co-chair Joint Sub-Committee meeting of the Political and Security Coordination Council (SPSC) with his Saudi counterpart.

He will also hold a meeting with Secretary General of the GCC during his visit, Foreign Office Spokesperson said in a press release.

Besides, the official engagements, the foreign minister will have interaction with the local media and other dignitaries of the Kingdom.

"The visit of the foreign minister will further deepen Pakistan's engagement with Saudi Arabia for enhancing mutually beneficial cooperation between the two brotherly countries," it was further added.

## Pak-Iran joint border commission meeting kicks off in Zahedan



QUETTA: Pakistan and Iran joint border commission meeting started in the Iranian city of Zahedan on Wednesday.

Chief Secretary Balochistan, Abdul Aziz Uqaili, deputy commissioners of the bordering districts with Iran, law enforcement agencies officials, and members of chambers of commerce and industries in Balochistan are participating in the meeting.

According to official source, Chief Secretary Balochistan, Abdul Aziz Uqaili is leading the Pakistani delegation. Governor Sistan-Balochistan, Madras Khayabani leading the Iranian side.

The two-day joint border commission meeting is discussing the movement of people at the Pak-Iran border, bilateral trade, drug traffic, and other issues relating to the more than 900 kms border between the two countries.

Delegations between the two countries have forwarded various proposals about boosting bilateral trade between Pakistan and Iran and the way forward. The two countries always hold the border commission meeting after every quarter.

The two countries would issue a joint declaration at the end of the commission meeting about the issues and boosting the bilateral trade.

## SC adjourns case against Faisal Vawda's disqualification till Nov 21



ISLAMABAD: The Supreme Court Wednesday adjourned the hearing of a case against the lifetime disqualification of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) leader Faisal Vawda till the week starting from November 21. A three-member bench, headed by the Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP), conducted the hearing. "At the last hearing, we had asked two questions. Faisal Vawda's lawyer Waseem Sajjad has submitted a reply after working really hard," CJP Umar Ata Bandial remarked. "New judges are coming to the Supreme Court.

This case can be handed over to a new bench.

One of us will join the new bench," he added. "My request is that this very bench should conduct one more hearing and end the case," lawyer for the election commission pleaded with the court. "We will make a decision regarding the formation of the bench and let you know," the CJP said to the lawyer for the election commission. "A copy of the reply of Faisal Vawda's lawyer should be provided to the lawyer for the election commission," he directed. The hearing of the case was then adjourned till November 21.

Credit: Independent News Pakistan. INP

## Pakistan reports 38 coronavirus cases, one death in 24 hours

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has reported one death in the last 24 hours by novel coronavirus as the number of confirmed positive cases has surged to 1,574,470. The nationwide tally of fatalities has jumped to 30,628 on Wednesday.

According to the latest figures by the National Institute of Health

(NIH), at least 38 persons were tested positive for COVID-19 across the country in the past 24 hours.

Pakistan has conducted 6,033 tests in the past 24 hours out of which 38 persons were tested positive for the disease. The COVID Positivity Ratio was recorded at 0.63 percent. INP

## IIOJK receives season's first major snowfall

SRINAGAR: Indian illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK) on Tuesday received the season's first major snowfall. According to Kashmir Media Service, hill stations like Gulmarg, Sonmarg and Pahalgam received fresh snowfall covering everything with white snow.

The roads connecting Srinagar to Leh, Srinagar to Tangdhar, Srinagar to Gurez, Srinagar to Macchil,

Mughal Road and Sinthan-Kishtwar were blocked to vehicular travel because of the severe snowfall in higher locations, such as Kupwara, Bandipora, Sonmarg, and the Pir Panjal range.

Gulmarg and parts of Sonmarg received more than a foot of snowfall. Sadhna Top and Machil in Kupwara have received 1.5ft and 4 inches of snowfall respectively.



# Pak Navy assumes guard duties at Mazar-e-Iqbal



**Bureau Report**

LAHORE: An impressive change of guards ceremony was held at the mausoleum of Dr Allama Muhammad Iqbal here on Wednesday.

The 145th birth anniversary of national poet, who with the vision of independent state inspired the creation of Pakistan, was being celebrated across the country.

A smartly turned out contingent of Pakistan Navy clad in immaculate whites, assumed ceremonial guard duties with traditional spirit and enthusiasm.

Meanwhile, the outgoing Rangers ceremoniously moved out of the Mazar lead by their officer-in-

charge.

Both the outgoing incoming guards of Pakistan Navy and Pakistan Rangers were inspected by station commander (Navy) Lahore, commodore Sajid Hussain.

The ceremonial guard mounting was followed by wreath laying at the mausoleum of the national poet by station commander (Navy) on behalf of the chief of the naval staff, officers, sailors and civilians of Pakistan Navy.

Later, the station commander offered Fateha and recorded his impressions in the visitor's book.

The ceremony was observed by military and civil officials and general public.

# Victory of Azerbaijan. Celebration in Pakistan!

JHANG: Pakistan's tribute on Azerbaijan's Karabakh victory day. At Darbar Sultan Bahoo, thousands of Pakistanis molded themselves into the 'Victory of Azerbaijan'. The wonderful feat was organized by MUSLIM Institute with reference to the day of the historic victory on Karabakh by Azerbaijan.

The atmosphere of Jhang continued to echo with the slogans of "Karabakh is Azerbaijan". Azerbaijan liberated Karabakh from Armenia on November 8, 2020. Ambassador of Azerbaijan to Pakistan His Excellency Khazar Farhadov took special part in the event. Addressing the ceremony, Chairman MUSLIM Institute Sahibzada Sultan Ahmed Ali said that Pakistan is loved immensely in Azerbaijan and the socio-cultural relations between the two regions are centuries old. Azerbaijan has always supported Pakistan on the Kashmir issue.

It is not a matter of having the flags of Pakistan, Azerbaijan and Turkiye together with this model, but more than that, these flags are also present together on



the graves of the martyrs of the second Karabakh movement. On this occasion, Ambassador of Azerbaijan His Excellency Khazar Farhadov said that, "Today I am proud to be in front of these three brotherly flags that became symbols of our liberation of territories from the Armenian occupation."

During Azerbaijan's Patriotic War, Pakistan and Turkiye were with us and

supported the just position of Azerbaijan morally and politically. Today three flags are being waved in Azerbaijan became the symbol of our brotherhood and is already known by the world community. Thank you very much MUSLIM Institute, its Chairman my brother Sahibzada Sultan for organizing such a wonderful and great event to celebrate the second anniversary of Victory Day of Azerbaijan.

# AJK PM says his govt determined to industrial development

**Abdul Majeed Tahir**

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Azad Kashmir has asked the small industries corporation to devise a comprehensive plan to reduce poverty and create employment opportunities for youth in the state.

The PM said this while chairing a high-level meeting of small industries corporations here on Wednesday. The meeting, was attended by minister for finance and inland revenue Abdul Majid Khan, special assistant on small industries corporations, information and environment Chaudhry Muhammad Rafiq Nayar, principal secretary Ehsan Khalid Kyani, secretary services and general administration/inland revenue Raja Amjad Parvez Ali Khan, managing director small industries Abrar Azam and others.

Addressing the meeting the PM said, "there is a dire need for the promotion of cottage industry in Azad Kashmir and for this the government will take all necessary measures including providing loans." He said



the small industries corporation would play an effective role for the promotion of small and medium scale industries. Prime minister Sardar Tanveer Ilyas Khan said that the government has taken many initiatives for the promotion of business activities in the AJK.

The said that the government was ready to provide all the facilities and

legal protection to investors who were willing to invest their capital in the region. He said that a policy should be formulated to highlight local talent at the national and international level. In the meeting, a detailed briefing was given to the prime minister with regard to the measures being taken to promote small industries in Azad Kashmir.

# Training Workshop on 'Irrigation System and Water Management'

**Spokesman Report**

ISLAMABAD: Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development (AHKNCRD), Islamabad is an apex training/capacity building institute of the country and an Attached Department of Establishment Division, Government of Pakistan. It is also the Link Institution to work with an inter-governmental organization named African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO). AARDO is responsible for promoting the cause of rural development and poverty alleviation in the 33 full and associate member countries of Asia and Africa. Its headquarters is based at New Delhi, India. Of its six Regional Offices, the Regional Office for South & Central Asia is situated in Pakistan, at NCRD.

NCRD has been conducting collaborative training programmes with AARDO at NCRD since 2012 after it was declared its Centre of Excellence to conduct such capacity building programmes. Once again this year, NCRD is conducting International Training Workshop on "Irrigation System and Water Management" in collaboration with AARDO at NCRD



from November 9-17, 2022. International participants from 11 Asian and African member countries as well as Pakistan are attending this training programme. The training programme was inaugurated on November 09, 2022, by the honorable Chief Guest, Dr. Navaz Ahmad, Additional Secretary, Establishment Division. Whereas, His Excellency, Dr. Manoj Nardeosingh, Secretary General, AARDO, attended the event live from the AARDO Secretariat, New Delhi, India. The ceremony was attended by members of diplomatic corps as well as distinguished guests belonging to various Government departments and nation-building organizations.

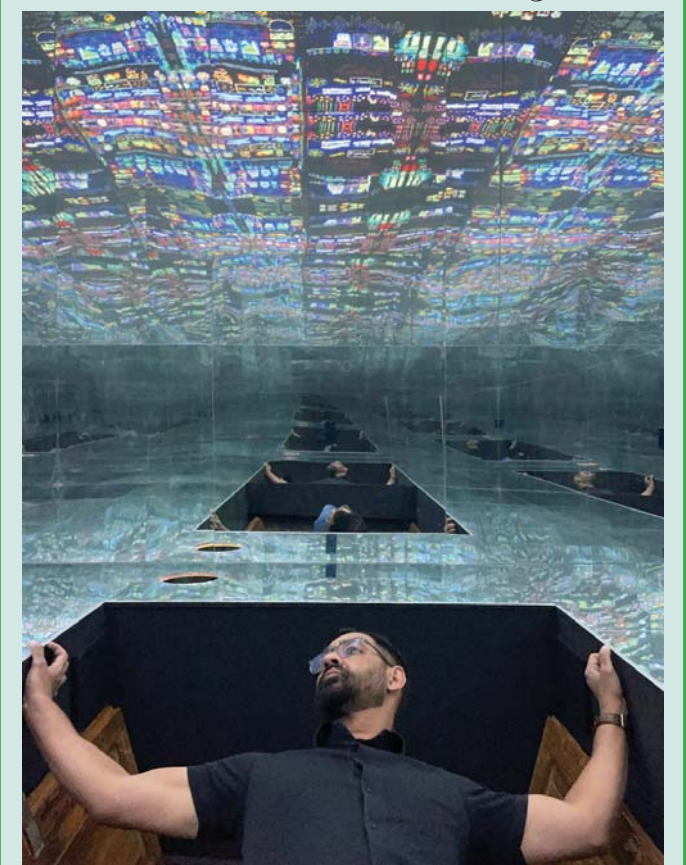
In his inaugural address, the Chief Guest, Dr. Navaz Ahmad, stated that water is a basic commodity and its management is one of the biggest issues globally as also recognized by the United Nations. He added that Pakistan, being an agricultural country, heavily relies on its water resources and their efficient management.

Dr. Manoj Nardeosingh, Secretary General, AARDO, thanked the Additional Secretary Establishment Division and other dignitaries present in the Inaugural Ceremony, and welcomed the workshop participants. He stated that the workshop is an effort towards promoting south-south cooperation

among the AARDO member countries for adoption of efficient water management practices for rural development. He emphasized on improving water management in light of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted globally in 2015. He thanked Mr. Israr Mohammad Khan, Director General, NCRD, for carrying forward the legacy of AARDO-NCRD collaboration towards this end by meticulously designing the training workshop. He expressed hope that the participants learn from the technical sessions as well as the field/site visits arranged by NCRD.

Welcoming the delegates of the diplomatic corps and the training participants, Mr. Israr Mohammad Khan, Director General, NCRD, appraised the participants about the performance and contribution of NCRD for the cause of rural development and poverty alleviation in Pakistan and other AARDO member countries through collaboration with AARDO. He expressed his resolve that NCRD will continue its efforts for bringing improvement in water irrigation and management practices in wake of rising threats in form of climate change, water scarcity and hydrological uncertainties.

## Imran Qureshi's site-specific installation 'Deen o Duniya'



KARACHI: Globally celebrated artist Imran Qureshi proudly presents 'Deen o Duniya' – The Sacred and the Earthly; a site-specific installation at the ongoing Karachi Biennale 2022.

In 'Deen O Duniya', Imran Qureshi captures video projection and sound-based work to interpret and showcase boundaries of religious rituals, culture and modern technology merged in a carnivalesque form. "Deen o Duniya' – The Sacred and the Earthly is an installation I would be humbled for everyone to experience. It is one where residents of a local neighborhood go through profound physical and emotional experiences when their homes, streets, and entire neighborhoods undergo an intense transformation," said Imran Qureshi.

Indeed, Imran Qureshi expands the language of miniature painting in the form of such site-specific installations, three-dimensional works, videos, and paintings. His work continues to be firmly rooted in the tradition of miniature painting. Deen o Duniya can be visited at Hamid Market – one of the 9 venues of the 2022 Karachi Biennale from now-13th November, between 10:00 am – 5:00 pm on weekdays, and from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on weekends.

## Study shows watching, hearing birds improves well-being for 8 hours

Researchers at King's College London have found that listening to birds chirping and watching them can uplift the mood and make people feel better for up to eight hours.

Experts used an app called Urban Mind in their study. Participants were asked thrice a day if they saw or heard birds. After that, the respondents were supposed to report their mental well-being via a questionnaire.

"There is growing evidence on the mental health benefits of being around nature," said lead author Ryan Hammoud, a research assistant at the college's Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology, & Neuroscience.

Hammoud added that little research had been done on the positive effects of birds on mental health.

He said that their study had proven for the first time that there was a link between listening to birds and a positive mood. The team hopes that their research can help people understand the significance of environments and biodiversity for human mental health.

Over 1,200 people participated in the study published in Scientific Reports. The study completed more than 26,800 assessments through the mobile app. The respondents were mainly from the US, the UK, and some parts of Europe. *Web Desk*

# IIUI Holds Seminar to Mark Iqbal Day

*Senator Waleed Iqbal delivers lecture on Relevance of Iqbal's Philosophy to Today's Society*



ISLAMABAD: International Islamic University Islamabad (IIUI) in connection with Iqbal Day organized a seminar on "Relevance of Iqbal's philosophy to today's society" in which grandson of the poet of east Senator Waleed delivered a lecture at the new campus of the university on Wednesday.

Senator Waleed Iqbal emphasized on the message of hope and future in the works of Allama Iqbal adding that the poet of east called for political and economic freedom with an approach that nation should not be dependent upon anyone rather the life of a nation must be like an eagle who lives a life of prestigious solitude.

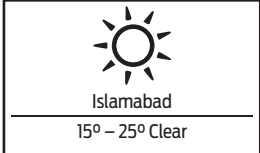
Senator Waleed Iqbal stressed upon the elements of creativity and out of the box solutions in the light of the works of Iqbal urging the youth to interpret the essence of the approach of Iqbal. Discussing the uncertainty, investment loss and unrest in the society, he called upon the nation to adopt a whole nation approach to address the challenges. Mentioning the element of courage and struggle in the poetry of Allama Iqbal, Senator Waleed Iqbal said that the era in which Iqbal wrote about hope and struggle was even worse than the one we are facing but he proved to be a

beacon to adopt the hope and struggle to revive the legacy of Muslims. He also mentioned the works of Iqbal discussing the respect and research being done on his message in the rest of the world and acknowledged that it was always an honour to be a member of the family of a great poet and great philosopher.

He opined that Iqbal was a staunch supporter of the identity of Muslims and he kept asking the nation to never lose confidence and they must believe in their past and themselves to rise back.

On the occasion, Vice Presidents of IIUI Dr. N.B. Jumani, Dr. Ahmed Shuja Syed, Dr. Ayaz Afsar and Dr. Samina Malik were present on the occasion. It was also attended by Deans, DGs, senior faculty members, Provosts, student advisors and a large number of national and international students. Earlier, Dr. Najiba Arif, who was also moderator of the seminar, paid tributes to Dr. Muhammad Allama Iqbal and discussed his work and message. It is pertinent to mention here that IIUI has organized a week for the celebrations to pay tribute to Allama Muhammad Iqbal in which seminar and other relevant programs are being arranged.





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**AIOU organizes Iqbal week to pay tribute to National poet**

ISLAMABAD: Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU) has organized various programs to celebrate "Iqbal Week" on account of the birth anniversary of a great philosopher, thinker and poet, Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal. A seminar was organized on "Iqbal and Ishaq e Rasool", there will be a walk on November 10 to pay tribute to our national poet and a talk show on the life of Iqbal will be broadcasted live on Facebook and the university's web TV.

A seminar on "Reconstruction of Religious Thought in Islam" will be organized by Iqbal Chair on November 11 where-as a speech competition on Iqbal's life is scheduled on November 14, Bait Bazi competition on Iqbal's poetry is scheduled to be held on November 15, and a constructive seminar on Iqbal and Maulana Rumi will be held on November 16.

# Pakistan SDG Investments & Climate Financing Facility established

**Spokesman Report**

ISLAMABAD: Ministry of Finance, Government of Pakistan, and UNDP Pakistan launched the SDG Investments & Climate Financing Facility today to mobilize private sector investments and promote dynamic Financing for the Development portfolio for Pakistan.

"This is a timely initiative for accelerating Financing for Development in Pakistan", said the honorable Finance Secretary of Pakistan, Mr. Hamed Yaqoob Sheikh, while launching the Facility. "We must call on the private sector and international stakeholders to expand the financing pool and reach out to marginalized populations."

In a video message, Ms. Kanni Wignaraja, UNDP Assistant Secretary General, Assistant Administrator, and Regional Director, Regional Bureau of Asia and the Pacific, stated, "We will need to combine grants and credits, public and private sector financing, international and domestic borrowing, and new resources to recover, rebuild and prevent further catastrophes."

Mr. Knut Ostby, Resident Representative, UNDP Pakistan, reiterated,



"The vision of the Facility entrusted by the Government of Pakistan and UNDP Administrator is aimed at enabling Pakistan to take bold choices to protect and restore our fragile planet, and at the same time drive down poverty and inequality."

The Facility's launch event was chaired by Finance Secretary Mr. Hamed Yaqoob

Sheikh, with UNDP's Regional Director Ms. Kanni Wignaraja giving a video address. Others in attendance included UNDP Pakistan Resident Representative Mr. Knut Ostby; UNDP Pakistan Assistant Resident Representative and Chief, Development Policy Unit, Ms. Ammara Durrani; Section Chief, Financing for

Development Section, UNESCAP, Ms. Subathirai Sivakumaran; UNDP Senior Advisor on Financing for Development Mr. Haroon Sharif; Former Ambassador and Facility member Ms. Naghmana Hashmi; as well as representatives from the government, development partners, members of the diplomatic corps, representatives of international missions and UN Agencies, civil society, leaders of the private sector and media.

Climate-induced catastrophic floods in Pakistan have afflicted more than a third of the country, with a critical need to address the widening recovery gap and development needs. Recently launched Post Disaster Needs Assessment Report (PDNA), led by the Government of Pakistan's Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives, and supported by the UN with the technical facilitation of UNDP, the World Bank, the European Union, and the Asian Development Bank estimated the total floods damage at \$14.9 billion, total loss at \$15.2 billion, and total needs at \$16.3 billion.

At the same time, financing climate action—including mitigation and adaptation measures—requires large investments. Therefore, significant finances are

also needed to prepare Pakistan's economy to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The IMF estimates Pakistan's annual financing gap for the SDGs at \$3.72 billion for 2020-2030, and the NDC estimates that \$ 7 billion to \$14 billion must be raised for climate adaptation in the country.

The public sector requires more fiscal space, and there is potential for more from the private sector. Therefore, meeting the demand for financing climate action and SDG achievement requires a well-designed, evidence-based strategy backed by a deep understanding of challenges and available options. In this context, the UNDP-Government Facility aims to leverage Pakistan's structural transformation through private sector investments in the SDGs, climate resilience, and disaster risk financing as core pillars of the country's sustainable economy.

The SDG Investments & Climate Financing Facility will identify, develop, and leverage high-impact SDG-aligned and climate financing value propositions with the potential to attract investments from various national and international investors, including financial markets.

## Deserted look

ISLAMABAD: A view of deserted Aabpara Market due to Pakistan and New Zealand semifinal cricket match, in Federal Capital.



Photo: Online by Sultan Bashir

## Allama Iqbal portrait competitions held in PAC

**Spokesman Report**

RAWALPINDI: Live portrait making competitions were organized in Punjab Arts Council in connection with Iqbal Festival. Naheed Manzoor and Director Arts Council Waqar Ahmed were the chief guests of the prize distribution ceremony. Naheed Manzoor said in his speech that the study of Allama Iqbal's personality and art also requires intellectual thought.

Iqbal's intellectual philosophy and poems became a message for every age and



class, but the center and axis of his thought and philosophy are the youth. Hakeem-ul-Umat gave a message of unity to the Muslim Ummah through his poetry. He created

a spirit of self-reliance in the youth and taught the nation a lesson of awareness, she added.

In the end, he also congratulated all the children who

participated in the competitions. Director Arts Council Waqar Ahmed said that the Allama Iqbal conveyed a message through his poetry to free the Muslims of the subcontinent from the mire of slavery.

Muhammad Azim Iqbal and Younis Rumi performed the duties of the judges in the competition. At the end, cash prizes and certificates of appreciation were also distributed to the position holders. A large number of students from the twin cities participated in the competitions.

## Evidence-based monetary policy imperative for socio-economic justice: experts

ISLAMABAD: Miroco Günther, Head of Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (Asia & Pacific), has said that think tanks can play a vital role in the formulation of an evidence-based monetary policy that may support governments in the provision of social and economic justice.

He was speaking at a consultative meeting titled, "Evidence-based Advocacy on Policies for Economic Justice and Development", organized by SDPI and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) here.

Mr Günther warned that Pakistan has been confronted with inflation for a long time, which may lead to higher inequalities. He also stressed the need for aligning price stability to thrive socio-economic justice in the society.

Dr Abid Q. Suleri, Executive Director, SDPI warned of impacts of triple-C crisis on countries like Pakistan which according to him will be compounded by energy inflation. In this case, he said, economic inequalities will increase, and energy will either be inaccessible or unaffordable. He called upon the government to come up with evidence-based policy solutions to provide economic relief to public while at the same time satisfy the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Dr Vaqar Ahmad, Joint Executive Director, SDPI said that unpacking various forms of inequalities is a common global challenge, which will worsen amidst global stagflation, energy crisis and conflicts.

Ali Kemal, Chief of SDGs Support Unit, Ministry of Planning Development & Special Initiatives, said that interest rate is "the income of capitalists" and social inequalities are exacerbated by interest rate hikes as it contributes to inflation, and stressed on aligning inflation targets for social justice in fiscal policy after consultation with central bank rather than solely based on political interests.

Benjamin Reichenbach, Policy Officer for Pakistan, FES said that FES has been organizing conferences and other platforms to open space for dialogue to support sustainable development, which is a common objective between SDPI and FES. He informed that SDPI and FES's work on social footprint of monetary policy is first of its kind and elaborates the social implications of monetary policy on social development of Pakistan.

Dr Sajid Amin, Deputy Executive Director, SDPI presenting the findings of the report, "Monetary Policy for All", suggested that SBP should set 5% inflation target for next few years as lowering inflation targets without proportional wage increase shrinks purchasing power of common person and hinder economic justice.

## TECNO Collaborates With Daraz for its 11:11 Sale: Featuring amazing discounts

**Commerce Report**

LAHORE: TECNO has successfully launched many devices in the Pakistani Market. All of them were well received and were a hit! Hence, TECNO collaborated with DARAZ.pk to launch exclusive discounts of up to 15% on these phones to make them more accessible to users. This sale will be from 11 November to 21 November, so hurry up and prepare to get your hands on the latest products from TECNO.



In Daraz 11:11 sale you can avail up to 15% discount on the following TECNO Mobile series. You can get discounts on the Spark, Pova and Camon series. For users who would like a more sophisticated and high-end device, TECNO has brought them the Camon 19 Neo Handset. This handset features a brilliant 48MP Super Night Camera for the perfect lowlight shots. This phone's ultra-fast processor is called MTK G85, one of the best in its class. The Camon 19 NEO is available at a bargain price of PKR 84,999 instead of the original PKR 37,999 price tag.

The Spark 8C is TECNO's answer to those who demand a powerful device for multitasking daily and efficient scrolling throughout the day without compromising the battery life. The Spark 8C offers a powerful 4+3GB Ram and a 5000 mAh super powerful battery. This smartphone was launched at PKR 27,999; however, you can get this phone at a discounted price of PKR 26,199.

One of the most sought-after devices in TECNO's range is the POVA Series, specifically made for gamers. This phone is a brilliant combination of power and performance. The Pova packs a 6000 mAh battery, which is enough for your gaming needs. Moreover, it features a 6.8" display, perfect for gaming. The original price of the POVA NEO is PKR 26,499; however, you can get your hands on the POVA NEO at a discounted price of PKR 24,999 at the Daraz 11:11 sale!

In connection with this sale, Kelvin Zeng - CEO of TECNO Mobile Pakistan, has said, "TECNO has always strived to do right by its customers, and this collaboration with DARAZ.pk allows us to give back to the customers by giving amazing discounts."

TECNO has also offered the Camon 18 Premier for videographers and vloggers in the 11:11 sale. This unique handset offers gimbal support like no other phone in its price category. There is a 64MP primary camera for serious photographers. There is a dedicated 32MP camera as well for selfies. Moreover, the 8GB ram offers efficient operations as well. The key selling point of this phone is that it has a 120HZ refresh rate, which also means a very smooth gaming experience. The Camon 18 Premier is available at a bargain price of PKR 50,899 instead of the original PKR 59,999 price tag. Apart from the regular discounts, if a customer makes a purchase from their credit or debit card, they will get an additional discount voucher of PKR 1500.

## Roundtable with a 6-member delegation from Chinese People's Associations

**Spokesman Report**

ISLAMABAD: The China Pakistan Study Centre at the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI) organised a Roundtable Discussion with a 6-member Delegation from Chinese People's Associations for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC) on November 9, 2022. The Roundtable discussion was moderated by Dr. Talat Shabbir, Director China Pakistan Study Centre at ISSI while the Keynote addresses were delivered by Lin Songtian, President CPAFFC and Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed from Pakistan side.

In his introductory remarks Dr. Talat Shabbir, Director, CPSC said that China's reforms and opening up with the world began in early 80s and that initiative triggered enormous development and prosperity avenues for China.

Ambassador Khalid Mahmood, Chairman Board of Governors, ISSI, said that ever since the Pakistan-China relationship was established it has been developing and has reached the



status of all-weather strategic cooperative partnership. China has now become the 2nd biggest economy of the world and the world bank has also stated it.

Mr. Lin Songtian, President CPAFFC said that despite all of the changes in global landscape, Pakistan has always stood by China and same goes for China. China has always stressed on shared prosperity and win-win cooperation and for that it encourages fast development of its neighbours too particularly its

iron-brother Pakistan.

Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed said that despite having different cultures, systems and beliefs Pakistan-China relations are quite unique, remarkable and unprecedented in the chronicles of modern history. No matter how things change in the region or the world China will firmly support Pakistan's sovereignty and territorial integrity and Pakistan will do the same. It would not be wrong to say that China is the 'sheet anchor' of Pakistan's defense, territorial and economic inter-

ests. He noted that China today is the leader in globalization and it is doing great work to make China more Green and Clean. He further said that Pakistan's foreign policy is on the right side of history and singling out or making an enemy of China is something which Pakistan and various other countries across the globe and will not accept.

The remarks were followed by an interactive Q&A session. In the end, Chairman BoG ISSI, Amb. Khalid Mahmood presented the distinguished guests with ISSI memento.



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# Lebanon's great void and its permanent uncertainty

**Mohamed Chebaro**

It is not an exaggeration to claim that Lebanon is descending further into the abyss. The departure of President Michel Aoun has left a constitutional void in the country after six years that were characterized by idleness and a lack of achievements on all fronts, despite the recent sea border delimitation with Israel opening up the potential for natural gas exploration.

As if the economic crisis and financial meltdown of the state was not enough for this small Mediterranean country, cholera is now hitting the poorest. This adds further woes to a nation already weighed down by a depreciating currency, banks' capital control preventing people from accessing their cash, ballooning inflation leading to a skyrocketing cost of living, coupled with near nonexistent national grid power and water, the lack of affordable healthcare and medicine — simply a lack of everything.

Lebanon was known among Middle Eastern countries to have been rich in water, as its rainfall is considered to be the highest in the region, despite the effects of climate change, which have led to more extreme weather in recent years. But the dilapidation of basic services, power cuts and the reduced ability of the government to provide the

necessary water treatment due to limited financial resources and accountability, mean people have started to rely on buying untreated water from tankers, the owners of which are profiting from the increased needs of this vital commodity.

Last month, Lebanon recorded its first cholera case since 1993 and the World Health Organization has warned that the waterborne disease is spreading "rapidly" in the country. Lebanon continues to struggle with crumbling basic infrastructure, poor sanitation and limited access to clean water due to its enduring three-year-old political and financial crisis.

If it is any consolation for the small country that once earned the label "the Switzerland of the Middle East," Lebanon is not alone. Syria and Iraq have also been badly hit by cholera due to their ongoing wars, turmoil, devastated infrastructure and the housing of large populations displaced by conflict. The bacterial infection has apparently surged globally this year, with other outbreaks in Haiti and across the Horn of Africa, driven as in Lebanon by conflict and poverty, but also turbocharged by climate change.

Lebanon's cholera and other disease outbreaks are likely to persist, since the country's institutions will soon grind to a halt unless the dominant and powerful political class manages to come to its senses and

agree to elect a president who will, in turn, nominate a prime minister. A proposed Cabinet can then be swiftly endorsed by the country's fractured legislature. Already, this is asking for a lot of goodwill from a political class that has traditionally put its foreign patrons' interests above national interests.

Many Lebanese were hopeful that the outgoing president, who ascended to power thanks to a deal with the Iran-affiliated Hezbollah ticket, would at least manage to steady the ship of government, if not improve the country's outlook, especially as Aoun's supporters promoted his leadership as "the powerful regime."

On the eve of his departure, Aoun sounded the alarm, claiming that the country will face "constitutional chaos," pushing many to believe that the stalemate and power vacuum experienced by Lebanon might be further extended. In September 2020, during a government formation crisis, then-President Aoun also did not shy away when concluding that the country would "go to hell" if Lebanon's powerful governing elite failed to agree on a government.

Aoun's career and achievements have always been divisive within his Christian community. But, for once, he has said it as it is: Lebanon before and after his presidency has been descending into a deep consti-

tutional crisis, but this month the country has entered an unprecedented phase, where the president's seat is vacant, a caretaker government has very limited executive powers and parliament is fragmented. All the while, the crises are multiplying and getting more serious every day, to the point that many believe the country will soon become unmanageable and unlivable.

Lebanon's permanently fractured sectarian politics mean electing a new head of state or forming a new Cabinet is never straightforward. The presence of Hezbollah, an Iran-backed armed militia, adds a different dimension to the traditionally closely fought process. In the Lebanese system, the 128-member parliament — where seats are evenly divided between Muslim and Christian sects — usually elects the president in a secret ballot. The thresholds needed to secure quorum and victory mean that no single faction or alliance has enough seats to impose their choice, resulting in heavy bargaining for political favors. Forming a government is no easier, with political parties dividing up their shares of ministries based on influence, sect, political blocs and possible rewards dished out in the form of political appointments elsewhere in the state.

What makes the current stalemate more dangerous for

the country and its people is the fact that the horse-trading between the dominant political elite has often focused on one or the other vacancy, but never both simultaneously. One would hope that parliament will keep meeting to elect a new president in order to break the stalemate. But in view of the country's recent history, such an impasse — the Lebanese have been led to believe — would need intervention from regional and international powers to broker a deal or present guarantees that would pave the way to a break in the deadlock.

The problem this time is that countries like the Gulf states have retired from trying to help the conflicting parties reach a compromise, while the influential Iran is trying to secure a renewal of its nuclear deal, which could be derailed by internal anti-veil protests and its sale of drones and long-range missiles to Russia. The Western powers, like France, on the other hand, are busy with the war in Ukraine. Lebanon, therefore, will spend the foreseeable future searching for a president, a prime minister or, even better, a miracle to end the power vacuum.

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## Pakistan's pine nuts exports to China to double this year

Now the flight from Lahore to Kunming has been loaded with pine nuts. Such air freight service generally lasts five months, from the end of September to the February of next year. Last year, we shipped 2,000 tons of pine nuts from Pakistan to China, and we expect the amount to reach 3,000-5,000 tons this year, doubling from that of last year," said Wu Qingtao, the sales director of the aviation management department of YTO Express (International) Holdings Ltd, in an interview at the ongoing fifth China International Import Expo (CIIE) in Shanghai.

Up to now, YTO Cargo Airlines has launched two routes — Kunming-Karachi Air Cargo Route and Kunming-Lahore Air Cargo Route, with four flights each week per route, totaling eight flights.

Pine nuts are mainly transported via Kunming-Lahore Air Cargo Route in this season. According to the official data of the General Administration of Customs of China (GACC), in the first nine months of 2022, China imported a total of 4,290 tons of pine nuts in shell (HS: 08029100) from Pakistan worth USD 47.69 million, over five times the value of fresh or dried nuts (HS: 0802 — fresh or dried nuts) exported to China in 2018, which was USD 9.5 million.

The increase of pine nut export is closely related to aviation convenience. "This route has been used to transport pine nuts for two years. An industrial chain from Pakistani farmers to Chinese buyers, a one-stop service from pine nut-producing areas to Chinese processing places, has been built. After Pakistan's raw materials are shipped to China, they are transported to Zhejiang for processing," Wu told China Economic Net.

Fresh green crabs are primarily delivered via Kunming-Karachi Air Cargo Route. According to Wu Qingtao, the transportation of green crabs has been operated for three years, and China's main market for green crabs is Shanghai.

"Shanghai has a great demand for green crabs, especially in the peak season, sometimes the demand can't be met," he added.

GACC data showed that in the first nine months of 2022, China imported 2,728 tons of other live, fresh or cold hairy crabs from Pakistan (HS: 03063399), an increase of nearly 60% compared with 1,815 tons in 2018.

So how do they ensure the freshness of green crabs when the journey from Karachi to Shanghai is more than 5,000 kilometers? Wu Qingtao told CEN that for the survival rate of green crabs, the whole chain, from crab fishing ground in Karachi to Shanghai seafood wholesale market, should be done within 48 hours." In other words, it takes within 48 hours to finish the whole process from air freight at Karachi Airport, import customs clearance in China's Kunming, to the destination of wholesale market in Shanghai, to ensure the survival rate.

Furthermore, Wu shared some experience on how to create an advantages in the fierce competition of international logistics. He said they focus on the whole process and provide customers with full-process solution from departure places to customers, not limited to air service.

Previously, Chinese tents, blankets, biscuits and other materials have been delivered to Pakistan by YTO. "After receiving demand, we provide immediate response and give priority to transporting these materials to Pakistan," Wu Qingtao said.



## The impracticability of US Federalism in Pakistan

**Shahid Mehmood**

The entire philosophy for the adoption of the federation is to distribute powers between the center and units. Stable and durable federalism guarantees equal powers and peaceful democratic dispensations among federating units.

The US federal system is considered old as well as the most successful among all federal states in the world. Pakistan also experienced federalism right after its inception under the India Act of 1935. Pakistan envisaged federalism in the 1973 constitution despite its historical ignominy. Unnecessary experimentations with frequent replications have brought disastrous ramifications for Pakistan that glaringly transpired in 1971.

Federalism characterizes not only a political contract based on equal distribution of powers, but it reinforces social bonding among units for mollifying heterogeneity within geographical limits. Federalism in the USA is founded on strong political and sociological premises, still, the political system is not insusceptible from imperfections. Racial and social cleavages have triggered political polarization in white and black-dominated states. It further exacerbates the distribution of economic resources between elitist and non-elitist states in the northern and southern parts of the federation. It ultimately determines the electoral politics that may question the efficacy of federation for not being all states equal in the distribution of resources and political

dispensation. It is rightly quoted by famous political scientist "Alexis De Tocqueville" The constitution of the united states resembles those fine creations of the human industry which ensures wealth and renown to their inventors, but it is profitless on other hand. The federal system de-hyphenates the central assumption of sovereignty. The central government does not practically transcend itself to the states for the prom-

The federation in Pakistan has never been a workable system of the equitable distribution of powers between the Centre and provinces. Paradoxically, federation hangs on multiple facades.

ulcation of its injunctions. Despite its inherent faults, federalism in the US has been a success in being an affluent political model for the states. One cannot attribute the success of politics to the tale of the miracles happening with US federalism, it is truly acclaimed as a political brand worldwide.

Federation is envisioned in Pakistan, however, copied the law and lacked the spirit. Spirit is induced not through words and pages in the US, but practically it is shown off that people are free to choose. Federalism accentuates the diffusion of powers in the USA by declaring the constitution supreme. Collective will for the sake of unification was

cherished which was the manifestation of consensual democracy. The incumbency disadvantage is minimum and the constitution enshrines basic principles of equality, liberty and popular will. Liberty is preferred over equality and later has been counterbalanced through the rule of law. As James Madison declared in his federalist papers that "Americans are free but not necessarily to be equals".

The federation in Pakistan has never been a workable system of the equitable distribution of powers between the Centre and provinces. Paradoxically, federation hangs on multiple facades. Most prominently geographical borders set out ethnic identities. Ethnic polarization creates the political landscape in almost every province. Multiple paradoxes have not allowed the state to shift from political obscurantism to constitutional pragmatism. The 18th amendment in 1973 ensured provincial autonomy, however, the strong political institutions can only safeguard the equal distribution of powers among units. Federalism in Pakistan is a benign politics and practically institutions are aligned to establish oligarchic elitism.

Federalism in Pakistan is thinkable on the pattern of the US Federation, however, it lacks practical compatibility due to unstable political institutions. Political fragility has undermined political institutions and elites tend to contest their vested interests further widening the rift among the provinces. Pakistan needs functional democracy based on deliverance rather than procedural democracy characterizing electioneering lure and bluff.

## How media can portray positive image of a woman?

**Sana Saeed**

Media is a source of interaction and plays a very important role in shaping our ideas and opinions about what is beautiful and what is not.

It can influence our values, beliefs and attitude towards ourselves as well as others. In this patriarchal society, our media is portraying negative aspects about women and showing men as dominant, independent and intelligent whereas women are portraying as passive, dependent and inferior to the men. In most of the media industry, we have seen that women are showing as weak characters and portraying negative image of them.

As in most of the Pakistani dramas we have seen that if a girl is educated and wealthy then her behavior is very rude and she is arrogant to others and don't even give respect to her elders. And also if a girl or woman is poor she is very nice, humble and kind hearted. She dress properly covering her full body and wear dupatta on her head. But when that girl become rich she wears jeans top and don't even take the dupatta. It has also shown in the dramas that men have more dominant characters and are more respectable than women whereas women are inferior to the men. So this is the negative thing which our media industry is showing about women. Instead of that, media should portray all this in a very positive sense because media is a source of interaction and what we see on the media we tries to adopt that things so showing negative aspects about women put a negative impact on the young generation. Therefore, women should be portrayed as strong, confident, intellectual, independent and humble to everyone. And also by making strong female characters and encouraging self-love, it can start to show the world that women are just as capable and courageous as men and deserve equal respect, so that it create positive impact on the viewers and lead towards to the positive society.

Media and advertising play an important role in our culture which reflect the social norms of our soci-

ety. Advertisements are found everywhere in magazines, newspapers, bill boards and especially on television. We have seen female models in advertisements sensually dressed up for the sake of taking attentions of the customers. Sometimes the female has nothing to do with the actual product but used in order to sell the product. Also media has set a standard for beauty that is beyond natural or even attainable to most young women. Being surrounded by all these advertisements make young women emotionally and physically confused about their bodies. And advertisements for makeup and other beauty products contain the most artificial concept of beauty and the tagline of such products implied that key to look beautiful is thin physique and fair skin.

Business need advertising but advertisements don't need to display women as objects in order to sell the product. So for this media should show such ads where skin colour and body image shouldn't be the target to influence the viewers and create gap between the presenters and viewers. Instead, it should made ads where women are shown as having control over their own decisions and as being able to change other people's behaviors and thoughts and also show such ads where women confidence, her smartness, independence and her skills should be portrayed to put a positive image and spread positive narrative among viewers and young generation to influence by such aspects.

Media has a huge impact on society, so it should influence wisely. If it portray women as objects for objectifying pleasure then the future generations will grow up thinking this is normal and that women are just what they need in their lives to be happy which could lead them away from being independent individuals who can stand on their own feet. By showing real life situations instead of fabricated ones will help people see what reality is like so they can decide if they want that kind of life when they grow up themselves. And also women should be provided platforms and opportunities nationally and internationally to create a positive image and to prove themselves in order to alter the stereotypical image portrayed by the media.



# World Science Day for Peace and Development 2022

## Spokesman Report

ISLAMABAD: Since 2001, the World Science Day for Peace and Development, is celebrated to highlight the important role of science in society and the need to engage the wider public in debates on emerging and important contemporary issues relevant to science. This year theme of the day is Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development. It is being celebrated within the International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development, which has been kicked off on 8 July 2022 at UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France.

The applications of basic sciences are vital for advances in medicine, industry, agriculture, water resources, energy planning, environment, communications, and culture, affirmed the United Nations General Assembly on 2 December 2021, when it endorsed the proposal for an International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development.

World Science Day is contributing



to the Year in 2022 by celebrating this theme.

"We need more basic science to achieve The 2030 Agenda and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals", the United Nations General Assembly noted in December 2021. It is true that the share of domestic research expenditure devoted to basic sciences varies widely from one country to another. According to data from the

UNESCO Science Report 2021 for 86 countries, some devote less than 10% of their research expenditure to basic sciences and others more than 30%.

Having a capacity in basic sciences is in the interests of both developed and developing countries, given the potential for applications to foster sustainable development and raise standards of living.

This year, UNESCO Islamabad

in collaboration with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation (COMSTEC), the Pakistan Science Foundation (PSF), the Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS), the Economic Cooperation Organization Science Foundation (ECOSF), and the Pakistan Academy of Sciences (PAS), organizing an event linked to this year's World Science Day for Peace and Development, at the COMSTEC Secretariat, Islamabad on 16 November 2022.

During the event, experts will cover the areas of basic sciences like role of Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics in our daily lives and sustainable development. Participants will include representatives of several embassies and high commissions, government officials, scientists, students, teachers, researchers, science communicators and science journalists.

## China's Sichuan province donates goods worth RMB 500,000 to Pakistan



As Pakistan has entered the post-flood rehabilitation stage and keeping in view that the winter months are fast approaching, business entities and individuals of Sichuan, a province in southwestern China, donated goods worth approximately RMB 500,000. According to China Economic Net (CEN) on We, the donated goods comprise much-needed items such as warm blankets, tents, water-resistant camp lights, water purification units, leather boots, etc. In collaboration with the Pakistan Studies Centre of Sichuan University, donations in kind of up to seven tones were received by the Consulate General of Pakistan.

The companies which donated included, but were not limited to, Sichuan University, Sichuan K.cen Enterprise Group, Zhongke Industrial Development (Pakistan) Co.Ltd, Zhongjing Supply Chain Management Co. Ltd, Trunk Public Welfare Group, Chengdu Prige Business Service. The Consulate General has arranged the first non-governmental arranged flight, PK871, which flew out of Chengdu where representatives from NDMA received the cargo. Agha Hunain Abbas Khan, Acting Consul General, said that the rains have finally stopped and the flood waters have started to recede. However, the true scale of the damage has just begun to reveal its ugly head. Initial estimates have put the total cost to Pakistan at around \$30 billion. The government has now started its second phase of relief operations, where rehabilitation of the people will be focused on.

"China, Pakistan's all-weather strategic cooperative partner and an iron-clad friend, has exemplified what it means to be a true friend, a true brother. China is the biggest country when it comes to international assistance to Pakistan, having donated over US\$ 70m in aid, including funds and donations in-kind.

Chinese enterprises have also stepped up and have shown their generosity", he stated. Agha Hunain further said that Pakistan is facing a difficult time. The recent once-in-a-generation climate-induced floods of biblical proportions have swept the country, inundating one-third of the entire land area, affecting over 33 million people, most of them women and children, and unfortunately, claiming the lives of over 1,700 people.

## Six dead after powerful earthquake hits Nepal, rattles New Delhi

KATHMANDU: An earthquake of magnitude 6.6 struck Nepal early Wednesday, killing at least six people, destroying multiple houses in the western district of Doti and shaking the Indian capital New Delhi, officials said.

Five other people were seriously injured as eight houses collapsed, said Bhola Bhatta, deputy superintendent of police in Doti, confirming an earlier figure shared by home ministry official Tulsi Rijal. The injured had been rushed to a local hospital, police said.

Nepal is still rebuilding after two major earthquakes in 2015 killed almost 9,000 people, destroyed whole towns and centuries-old temples and caused a \$6 billion blow to the economy.

"Expressing my heartfelt condolences to the families of those who died in the earthquake," Prime Minister Sher Bahadur Deuba wrote on Twitter. "I have instructed the relevant agencies to arrange immediate and proper treatment of the injured and the victims."

Narayan Silwal, a spokesman for the Nepali army, said a ground rescue team has been rushed to the site and two helicopters were on stand by in nearby Surkhet and Nepalgunj towns.

Kalpna Shrestha, a senior bureaucrat of Doti district, said details were being collected from villages near the epicentre and that one child was among those rescued from under the debris.

Nepal's seismological centre set the earthquake at a magnitude of 6.6. The European-Mediterranean Seismological Centre (EMSC) had pegged the earthquake at a magnitude of 5.6.

The quake was centred about 158 km (100 miles) northeast of Pilibhit, a populous city in the neighbouring Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, and occurred at a depth of 10 km, EMSC added.

Media reports after the quake showed tremors were also felt in New Delhi and surrounding areas, some 350km (220 miles) from Doti.

## India obligates TV channels to telecast 'national interest' content daily

India's Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has instructed television channels to broadcast content that is in the national interest or for public service for 30 minutes every day.

In the ministry's latest uplinking and downloading rules, it mentioned that the television channels apart from sports and wildlife will have to telecast such content in the national interest.

The ministry also excluded foreign channels from the obligation, reported India Today.

Information and Broadcasting Ministry secretary Apurva Chandra told the media outlet that they would further discuss the matter with stakeholders. "We will soon bring a circular regarding this... But before that, we will meet and discuss with all the stakeholders," the official was quoted as saying.

She said that the timings for telecasting the daily 30-minute mandatory content were yet to be decided, adding that the ministry was working on modalities. *Web Desk*

# India failed to address key HR concerns despite international pressure: Speakers

## Staff Reporter

ISLAMABAD: Speakers at a webinar while expressing serious concerns over India's noncompliance with the recommendations agreed during UPR's 3rd cycle, have said that despite strong protests from human rights organizations including the United Nations and the OIC, the Indian Government has failed to address the key human rights concerns expressed during third Universal Periodic Review.

The webinar organized by the Kashmir Institute of International Relations in collaboration with the World Muslim Congress, IMWU, and IAPSD was attended and addressed by prominent human rights activists, law experts, academicians, and diplomats hailing from different parts of the world including Dr. Intiaz Khan, Marry Scully, Cecilia Jastrzemska, Robert Fantina, Gurpreet Singh, Prof Dr. Mehmet Sukru Guzel, Ms. Sheni Hamid, Mariana Zuca, Dr. Farhan Mujahid Chak, Ms. Farzana Yaqoob, Advocate Nasir Qadri Dr. Saira Shah, Laura Schamaz, Prof. Amna Mehmood, Advocate Parvez Ahmed Shah.

The event was moderated by noted rights activist and Chairman Kashmir Institute of International relations Altaf Hussain Wani.

"Given the scale of human rights challenges that Kashmiris face, it is extremely disappointing to see that India's repressive regime led by Hindu supremacists has been brazenly flaunting the UPR recommendations and commitments regarding the improvement of the human rights situation in the Indian-held territory of Jammu and Kashmir", the speakers said.

They said that the international community, in particular, the rights watchdogs should join their hands to hold the Indian government accountable and ask the government to address key human rights issues that have been neglected for too long.

Terming India's 5th August 2019 decision as an outrageous attack on Kashmiris' national identity, the speakers on the occasion, called upon Indian government to reverse 5TH August action, which they said was against the spirit of the Geneva conventions and UNSC resolutions on Kashmir.

Voicing their concern over the continued bloodshed and violence in the disputed territory, they observed that the draconian laws enforced in the state were the main cause of human rights violations in the region. "Colonial-era tactics such as criminalizing freedom of expression and opinion, reprisals against human rights defenders and civil society activists are being used as a tool to suppress the voices of dissent in Kashmir", the speakers said, adding that misusing anti-terror laws by the authorities was yet another serious that merits urgent attention of the global community.

They demand the government of India repeal all draconian laws, release political prisoners, and human rights defenders including Khurram Parveez, and Ashan Untoo and give access to the UN special rapporteur and other mandate holders to Indian-occupied Kashmir to assess the situation on the ground. They also urged the Indian government to allow UN fact-finding missions to Indian-occupied Kashmir to investigate ongoing and Past human rights violations.

"India is one of only a few countries that have yet to

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ratify the United Nations Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman, or Degrading Treatment or Punishment", the speakers said adding that India deliberately running away from being party to such conventions because of the high rate of torture cases in Kashmir and other parts of India where religious minorities were persecuted ruthlessly and treated as second class citizens.

Stressing the need for protecting the rights of religious minorities, they said the Indian government had miserably failed to uphold these fundamental rights. The speakers thanked the international civil society

for their timely concerns to the UPR working group.

It is worth mentioning here that more than two hundred civil society groups have raised concerns over the situation in occupied Kashmir and asked the Indian government what steps it had taken regarding the improvement of the human rights situation in Kashmir.

During the 3rd cycle of UPR in 2017, India was handed over 250 recommendations to improve its human rights record. India accepted 152. India has failed to uphold its commitments and make progress in any of the areas of concern.

# Ukraine rejects talks, promises not to give up a single centimeter to Russia

Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelensky on Tuesday night said his forces would not yield a single centimetre in fighting for control of eastern Donetsk region after earlier insisting that restoration of Ukrainian territory and compensation from Russia were conditions under which peace talks could take place. In a video address, Zelensky also said that around 4 million people were without power in 14 regions plus the capital Kyiv, but on a stabilisation rather than an emergency basis. Russian missile and drone attacks have targeted Ukraine's energy infrastructure in the past few weeks as winter approaches when mean temperatures typically drop to several degrees below zero Celsius and lows of -20 Celsius.

The focal points of the conflict in the industrial region of Donetsk are around the towns of Bakhmut, Soledar and Avdiivka, the theatre of the heaviest fighting in the country. The activity of the occupiers remains at an extremely high level—dozens of attacks every day, Zelensky said. They are suffering extraordinarily high losses. But the order remains the same—to advance on the administrative boundary of Donetsk region. We will not yield a single centimetre of our land. The region is one of several Russia claimed to have annexed in late September, seven months after invading its neighbour. Moscow has said it will not negotiate over territory it claims. Zelensky's remarks earlier about conditions for talks followed a Washington Post report on Saturday that the United States had

encouraged Ukraine to signal willingness for talks. Zelensky's comments also coincided with US midterm elections whose outcome could test Western support for Ukraine. Once again—restoration of territorial integrity, respect for the UN Charter, compensation for all damages caused by the war, punishment of every war criminal and guarantees that this will not happen again, he said were the Ukrainian conditions. Since Russia announced the annexations, Zelensky has said that Kyiv would never negotiate as long as Vladimir Putin was Russian president. Ukrainian forces have been on the offensive in recent months, while Russia is regrouping to defend areas of Ukraine it still occupies, having called up hundreds of thousands of reservists over the past month. Russia has been evacuating civil-

ians from occupied areas, especially from southern Ukraine's Kherson region, in an operation Kyiv says includes forced deportations, a war crime. Moscow says it is taking people to safety. On Tuesday night, a Ukrainian military statement accused Russian troops of continuing to loot and destroy infrastructure in Kherson, where a showdown has been looming for weeks in the only regional capital Russia has captured since its invasion. On 7th November, a convoy of trucks passed over the dam of the Kakhova hydroelectric station loaded with home appliances and building materials, the statement said. Russian forces were dismantling mobile phone towers and taking away equipment, it said. In an area near the city of Beryslav, Russian forces blew up a power line and took equip-



ment from a solar power station. In Kherson city, it said Russian troops removed exhibits, furniture and equipment from a museum devoted to artist Oleksiy Shovkunenko, known for his paintings of portraits and landscapes. Russian artillery hit more than 30 settlements in Kherson and Mykolaiv regions, and in Zaporizhzhia region the Russian-installed authorities were forcing residents to accept

Russian passports after seizing their Ukrainian documents, the statement said. Britain's Ministry of Defence said Russia was preparing new fortified lines deep inside territory it controls to forestall any rapid Ukrainian advances in the event of breakthroughs. This involved installing concrete barriers known as dragon's teeth to stop tanks, including near Mariupol in the south to help safeguard Russia's land

bridge to occupied Crimea even if Moscow loses other territory. Meanwhile, most candidates in Tuesday's US midterm elections, Democrats and Republicans, support Ukraine. But some right-wing Republicans have criticised the cost of military aid. Regardless of the vote's outcome, US support for Ukraine would be unflinching and unwavering, White House spokesperson Karine Jean-Pierre said.



**Bull & Bears**  
PSX 100-Share  
Index Fluctuation

Pakistan: PSX 100-Share Index	
Current	Prev. Close
42,265.36	42,047.36
Day's High	Day's Low:
42,314.14	42,047.36
Index Value	Change
4,148,611,702	+218.00
Percentage	Time
+0.52%	8 Nov, 2022 5:00 pm

Europe: FTSE 100 Index	
Index Value	Change
7,296.25	-9.89
Percentage	Time
-0.14%	9 Nov, 12:00 pm GMT

USA: Dow Jones Industrial Average	
Index Value	Change
32,894.22	-266.61
Percentage	Time
-0.80%	9 Nov, 12:00 pm GMT-5

Asia Pacific: Nikkei Stocks Average	
Index Value	Change
27,716.43	-155.68
Percentage	Time
-0.56%	9 Nov, 3:15 pm GMT+9

**Open Market Forex Rates**

Currency	Buying	Selling
Australian Dollar	143.14	144.39
Bahrain Dinar	589.09	593.59
Canadian Dollar	164.08	165.43
China Yuan	30.64	30.89
Danish Krone	29.77	30.12
Euro	234	236
Hong Kong Dollar	28.22	28.57
Indian Rupee	2.7	2.78
Japanese Yen	1.48	1.53
Kuwaiti Dinar	715.48	720.48
Malaysian Ringgit	46.65	47.1
New Zealand \$	131.11	132.31
Norwegians Krone	21.6	21.9
Omani Riyal	575.4	579.9
Qatari Riyal	60.85	61.35
Saudi Riyal	62.5	63.1
Singapore Dollar	157.79	159.09
Swedish Korona	20.39	20.69
Swiss Franc	223.61	225.36
Thai Bhat	5.93	6.03
U.A.E Dirham	64.7	65.3
UK Pound Sterling	268	270.5
US Dollar	225.5	227.75

# ICCI calls for air and land connectivity to promote Pak-Turkmenistan bilateral trade

**Naveed Ahmad Khan**

ISLAMABAD: H.E. Atadjan Movlamov, Ambassador of Turkmenistan to Pakistan and Dean of Diplomatic Corps said that Turkmenistan and Pakistan have huge potential of bilateral trade that can be enhanced through people-to-people contacts. He said that Turkmenistan is rich in energy and can meet energy needs of Pakistan. He said that Turkmenistan wants more access through the sea, as it is a landlocked country. He said that transit trade is important for his country, as the shortest route of trade is through Karachi and Gwadar ports. He said this while addressing the business community during his visit to Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI).

The Ambassador said that Turkmenistan is producing electricity at a very cheap rate and gave a detailed presentation on the TAPI project, which will help Pakistan to meet the energy needs of its growing population. He said that both countries should be connected through optical fiber cable by Arabian Sea and Pakistan can benefit millions of dollars from it. He said that both countries have 30th years of diplomatic relationship and expressed



a desire to strengthen these relations through trade and investment.

Speaking at the occasion, Ahsan Zafar Bakhtawari, President, Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) said that Pakistan and Turkmenistan enjoy mutually respectful and cordial relations, which are supported by history, culture and religion. He stressed that both countries should focus on enhancing bilateral trade and economic relations as they have good potential to do trade in many items. He said that CPEC provides a

good opportunity to increase bilateral cooperation and shift the focus of the relationship to address the socio-economic challenges, build economic linkages and enhance bilateral trade. He stressed that both countries should focus on developing strong business linkages between their private sectors to explore all untapped areas of mutual collaboration.

Ahsan Zafar Bakhtawari said that Pakistan and Turkmenistan should facilitate frequent exchange of trade delegations and organize single country exhibitions on reciprocal

basis to promote trade ties. He highlighted the connectivity issue and suggested that one Transport and Goods Company should be established to solve the logistic problems between the two countries. He also suggested a long-term visa for businessmen to facilitate frequent exchange of trade delegations from both sides. He termed it important to establish air, road and railway connectivity between Pakistan and Central Asian Republics to improve trade relations. He underscored the importance of establishing road link via Istanbul, Turkmenistan and Karachi, which is the shortest route of 6 days for transport, even at a speed of 50 km/hour, whereas transportation of goods through sea takes about 35-day besides incurring huge freight cost.

Mr. Faad Waheed, Senior Vice President said that ICCI is planning to organize ECO Business Forum in which diplomats and relevant Government officials shall be invited to discuss important issues including TAPI project and developing direct links between Pakistan and Turkmenistan.

ICCI former Presidents, Executive Members and a large number of members were present in the meeting.

# LNG is expensive, LPG should be imported from Iran, says Mian Zahid Hussain

ISLAMABAD: Chairman of National Business Group Pakistan, President Pakistan Businessmen and Intellectuals Forum, and All Karachi Industrial Alliance, and former provincial minister Mian Zahid Hussain on Wednesday said the severity of winter is increasing therefore a large amount of LPG should be imported from Iran to save the people.

Currently, LPG is being smuggled from Iran, which increases its price therefore this trade should be legalized to bring down prices, he said.

Mian Zahid Hussain said that natural gas is in short supply in Pakistan, the current price of LNG in the global market is much higher than our purchasing power and in these circumstances, the supply of LPG and solar energy are the only immediate options to provide relief to the people.

Talking to the business community, the veteran business leader said that



natural gas reserves are decreasing by ten percent annually, while the use of LPG is increasing by seventeen percent annually.

At present, the consumption of LPG in the country is 1.3 million tonnes per annum, of which forty-one percent is used for domestic consumption, while

43 percent is used by the commercial and sixteen percent by the industrial sector, he said.

He said that increasing the use of LPG can reduce the energy crisis and provide some relief to the people.

Mian Zahid Hussain said that despite the US sanctions on Iran, Turkey and many other countries are buying oil and gas from Iran, so Pakistan can also do the same, while LPG storage infrastructure can also be built across the country which will help balance prices.

At present, the government is charging Rs34 per kg as general sales tax and petroleum levy on LPG, which if abolished, will make the fuel cheaper and the people will get some relief.

If LPG is promoted in Pakistan like in other countries, then the losses of the state-run gas companies can be reduced, which will also reduce the circular debt in this sector, he said.

# SAP Pakistan Awarded Prestigious Great Place to Work Certificate

**Staff Reporter**

ISLAMABAD: Coinciding with its 50th anniversary since it's been established, the leading technology enabler SAP has been awarded the 'Great Place to Work' certification for SAP Pakistan. The prestigious certificate was awarded after completing the Trust Index employee survey and Culture Audit workplace analysis.

Great Place to Work (GPTW) Institute is an organization with authority in constructing high-performance and high-trust culture companies in more than 60 countries for the last three decades. Emprising, from Great Place to Work, is the only employee experience platform built upon 30 years of research and data to take the guesswork out of culture work. They are research-backed and use unparalleled benchmarking and great practices from all across as guiding factors. They are known to drive the movement of making



companies work with well-being and happiness factors as part of their core practices.

Sauqib Ahmad, Managing Director, SAP Pakistan, upon receiving the certification said, "SAP Pakistan ensures an equitable, inclusive, and remarkable workplace for its employees. The survey has helped us in building an employee engagement mindset by empowering leaders and managers to create

individual development plans. We hope to achieve the best talent pools and enhance our productivity through happier and satisfied employees, in light of this survey."

SAP Pakistan is well-known for creating a culture that at its core puts people first. The company completed the survey, which assists in the understanding of employees' perception of the core values of the compa-

ny that support the environment and working culture. It measures the level of fairness, collaboration, respect, community, integrity, pride, support, credibility, communication, competence, and camaraderie and other features. Winning the certification is a testament to the fact that SAP Pakistan matches the set criteria in full compliance.

Human Resource is now an evolving field to best address the needs of the digital age; the best businesses are stepping up to support their employees as they navigate uncharted waters, and SAP Pakistan is steadily gaining recognition in this realm, as care for employees remains its core and dominant philosophy.

SAP is celebrating 50 years of phenomenal success; it was founded in 1972 and has steadily grown into a global powerhouse of more than 100,000 employees supporting more than 460,000 customers across 140 countries.

# TCL and Daraz come together for the biggest sale of the year, 11.11



**Staff Reporter**

LAHORE: TCL, Pakistan's No. 1 LED TV brand, collaborates with the e-commerce giant, Daraz, to gear up for the massive 11.11 sale. This exciting sale will kick off on November 11, 2022, and will last till November 21, 2022. The mega sale will offer users huge discounts, and easy monthly installments.

TCL is giving amazing offers on TCL and Iffalcon products in its official store on Daraz to enhance the experience of its valued customers. TCL is extending unbeatable offers and upsized promotions to its customers through this fantastic sale. The incredi-

ble deal not only brings huge discounts but also ensures a chance to buy high-quality products and a unique user shopping experience. Not only this, TCL is also launching its latest Iffalcon U62 4K HDR TV with a Bezel-less design, Micro Dimming, Dolby Audio, and much more at a huge discount.

While talking about the mega sale, Majid Khan Niazi, Head of Marketing TCL, said, "We are excited to have the chance to collaborate with Daraz on this year's 11.11 sale. We partner with Daraz to provide our consumers with a fantastic shopping experience in addition to the high-quality, premium products they expect from us.

# Wireless operator Veon planning to sell its tower assets in Pakistan

KARACHI: Wireless operator Veon Limited (Jazz) is planning to sell its 10,000 to 12,000 towers in Pakistan, with the sale process "very close to the conclusion", Bloomberg reported citing Chief Executive Officer Kaan Terziogl.

Implying a valuation range between \$600 million and \$960 million, the CEO — in an interview — said: "The value of a tower is somewhere between \$60,000 to \$80,000 depending on interest rates."

People familiar with the matter who spoke on condition of anonymity told the

publication that Saudi Telecom Co unit, a consortium between Pakistan's TPL Corp. and UAE-based TASC Towers, and Pakistani conglomerate Engro are among the bidders for the assets.

However, spokespeople for Saudi Telecom and Veon declined to comment. The TPL-TASC consortium and Engro also didn't immediately respond to a request for comment.

Pakistan's TPL, in September, said it formed a strategic partnership with TASC to bid for an unidentified telecom tower company.

# Pakistan an important business partner: Bangladeshi Envoy

**Bureau Report**

MULTAN: High Commissioner of Bangladesh to Pakistan Mr. Md. Ruhul Alam Siddique said on Wednesday that Islamabad was an important business partner and efforts were underway to strengthen bilateral trade further.

He expressed these views while addressing the business community at Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) here on Wednesday.

The high commissioner invited Pakistani investors to invest in Bangladesh's Economic Zones and Export Processing Zones.

He said that Bangladesh was going to establish 100 economic zones and export processing zones in which tax exemptions and other incentives will be given to investors and Pakistani businessmen could also participate in it and enjoy equal opportunities.

He said that every home and industry in Bangladesh has access to electricity. Bangladesh is generating 27,000 Megawatts of electricity today compared to 4,500 megawatts in 1996, which became possible due to nuclear power plant.

His country has achieved the export target of 50 billion dollars in 2021, which became possible due to the power plant as they had provided 100 percent electricity to the industries, Mr Siddique added.

High Commissioner further said that his country has started the construction of a deep water port at Chittagong which will help in expanding trade opportunities.

He appreciated the Pakistani oranges (Kinnoos) and shows interest for its import. Bangladesh was also import textile, rice and other raw material from Pakistan, High Commissioner said.

Replying a question, he said that the banking system of Bangladesh



was not very good, but in case of difficulties for banking clearance, you can contact me directly.

He said that the visa will be issued to applicants of this area on the letter issued by the Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

He said that the efforts should be

continued by the business community and diplomats for visa and trade free policies which will yield positive results.

He briefed the participants on Bangladesh's economic development, political stability and community services.

President MCCI Mian Rashid Iqbal in his welcome speech, said that Pakistan and Bangladesh could further enhance mutual relations through technical assistance and trade.

There are wide opportunities in textile, chemical and business between both the countries and that there is a need for joint ventures in these sectors.

He urged to support delegations of businessmen and women entrepreneurs to strengthen relations and increase trade opportunities.

At the end of the ceremony, the High Commissioner was presented the symbol of the House and Multani Sohan Halwa.

On this occasion, Senior Vice President MCCI Nadeem Ahmed Sheikh, Vice President Sheikh Muhammad Asim Saeed, members of the Executive Council Sheikh Faisal Saeed and others were present.

*Dun & Bradstreet announces over 500M D-U-N-S® Numbers in its Data Cloud*



KARACHI: Dun & Bradstreet a leading global provider of business decisioning data and analytics, today announced that its database of the world-renowned D-U-N-S® Number had crossed over 500 million records in the Dun & Bradstreet Data Cloud.

The D-U-N-S® Number is a Unique 9-Digit Identifier for businesses.

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"The company has achieved an exceptional milestone getting to 500 million business records which in unmatched globally. This cements the fact that we are the market leaders and make data work for our clients."



# Pakistan a victory away to create history in Melbourne

LAHORE: Pakistan cricket team may become the only team to win two cricket World Cup finals at the same venue if they manage to win the final of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup in Melbourne on November 13 (Sunday).

It was on March 25, 1992 when Imran Khan-led Pakistan won the ICC Men's ODI Cricket World Cup in Melbourne while Babar-led Pakistan T20 squad may write their destiny with another sterling performance.

The first semi-final has already witnessed many records on a day which belonged to the Babar-led Pakistan contingent who outclassed New Zealand in almost all departments in a match for the T20 World Cup glory.

Pakistan became the first team to qualify for the third finals of the ICC men's T20 World Cup after they beat New Zealand by seven wickets in the chase of 153 runs in the first semi final at the Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG) on Wednesday.

Captain Babar Azam and wicket-keeper batter Mohammad Rizwan scored yet another 105 runs for the first wicket to break the back of a daunting total on a sluggish SCG pitch. In the process of becoming the only pair to score nine century-run partnerships in T20 competitions, Babar Azam and Muhammad Rizwan became the only pair to strike three century-run partnerships in the ICC Men's T20 World Cup matches.

Babar Azam (53 off 42) and Mohammad Rizwan (57 off 43 balls) both hit



their maiden half-centuries of the global event in Australia while returned to form in the all important semi-final after he had scored 39 runs in the previous five innings of this year's tournament. Babar repaid the confidence of the team mentor Matthew Hayden who had said the other day that Babar was a big match player and perform in the big match like the semi-final against New Zealand. Mohammad Rizwan was adjudged Player of the Match for his all-round performance with the bat and the gloves.

The hard-hitting sensation Muhammad Haris scored useful 30 runs off 26 runs and was out in the penultimate

over off the bowling of Mitchell Santner with Pakistan needing 2 runs off 6 balls in the last over. Shan Masood hit the winning runs to ensure there were no more blips in the chase.

Trent Boult and Mitchell Santner were the only successful bowlers for New Zealand who claimed two and one wicket respectively for 33 and 26 runs each. Lockie Ferguson conceded 37 runs in his quota of four overs while Ish Sodhi also returned wicketless for 26 runs. Tim Southee gave away 24 runs in 3.1 overs without success.

Earlier, Pakistani bowlers stood true to their reputation of the best bowling

attack of the ICC Men's T20 WC 2022 Australia when they restricted New Zealand to 152-4 after New Zealand won the toss and decided to bat first. Shaheen Shah Afridi was the destroyer-in-chief who claimed two wickets for miserly 24 runs off his quota of four overs while the other successful bowler was Muhammad Nawaz (1 for 12) who claimed the wicket of Glenn Phillips (6 off 8 balls).

Pakistani bowlers kept the New Zealanders under pressure from the beginning after Afridi claimed the all-important scalp of Finn Allen in the opening over of the match while Conway fell to a superb throw by Shadab Khan on the last ball of the power-play in the sixth over.

Captain Kane Williamson and Daryl Mitchell coined 68 runs in 50 balls but Williamson (46 off 42) fell to a well-disguised slower ball by Shaheen Shah Afridi in the 17th over. Mitchell played an aggressive knock of 53 n.o. off 35 balls and helped New Zealand post a competitive total of 152 runs on a sluggish pitch. James Neesham hit 16 runs off 12 balls.

Naseem Shah, Haris Rauf, Mohammad Wasim and Shadab Khan remained wicket-less and conceded 30, 32, 15 and 33 runs in their quota of four overs while Mohammad Wasim bowled two overs only.

Pakistan will meet the winner of the second semi-final to be played between India and England at the Adelaide, Oval on November 10 (Thursday). APP By Naeem Khan Niazi

## Pakistan women team beat Ireland Women team

Tahir Amin Malik.

LAHORE: Pakistan women team beat Ireland Women team to clinch the 3 odi matches series 3-0.

Ireland skipper Laura Delany win the toss and decided to bat first. Pakistan women team made two changing Umm-e-Hani made debut in place of Kainat Intiaz while Omaira Sohail included in place of Nida Dar.

Irish team all out 225 in 49.5 overs Leah Paul 65, Amy Hunter 41, Lewis 39, Richardson 28 and captain Laura Delany 18 were the main feature from Ireland team innings.

From Pakistan Ghulam Fatma got 5/34, Nashra Sandhu 2/50 while Fati-



LAHORE: Irish Ambassador to Türkiye, Azerbaijan, Iran and Pakistan Sonya McGuinness, Deputy Head of Mission Ronan Cunniffe and Cricket Ireland Director High Performance Richard Holdsworth witnessing third ODI with chief selector Asmavia Iqbal and Head of Women Cricket Tania Mallick

ma Sana and Umm-e-Hani took one wicket each. In reply Pakistan Women team achieved the target in after losing 5 wickets. Pakistan lost two wickets early part of the game when Muneeba Ali and Sidra Amin who made

the Centuries again Ireland in first ODI Muneeba made 12 while Sidra Amin 10 Pakistan were 28 for two at this stage but Sadaf Shamas who was playing her 2nd ODI match showed brilliant performance and made 72 with the help of 7 fours and Captain Bismah Maroof 57 included give boundaries both added 124 runs for 3rd wicket partnership Omaira Sohail 25 not out and Sidra Nawaz unbeaten 17 and Pakistan won the match from Ireland by 5 wickets Eimear Richardson got 2/45 while Rachel Delany Orla Prendergast and Jane Maguire got one wicket each.

Ghulam Fatima (Pakistan) declared man of the womens awards after her outstanding spell 5/34.

## 'Will make sure there is no Pak vs Ind finale': England skipper Jos Buttler



MELBOURNE: All eyes are on the Pakistan vs New Zealand clash in the first semi-final of the T20 World Cup, starting shortly at Sydney Cricket Ground — with Pakistani fans wishing for their team to qualify for the finale.

Meanwhile, the teams of England and India are also racing to qualify for final and will clash in Adelaide on Thursday.

Many cricket fans and even cricket greats like Shoaib Akhtar, wish for a Pakistan vs India final — which is said to be the biggest match in any tournament. However, England skipper Jos Buttler doesn't agree.

Speaking at a press conference, the Buttler said that they don't want such an idea to become a reality.

"Look, we certainly don't want to see an India and Pakistan final. So we will try and do everything we can to make sure that doesn't happen," said Buttler in a pre-match press conference. If we look at the past, Green Shirts and Kiwis have clashed six times in the T20 World Cup history so far. Pakistan triumphed in four matches, while New Zealand managed to win two.

It will feel like déjà vu when Pakistan take on New Zealand today. Thirty years ago, they sneaked into the semi-finals of the 1992 World Cup down under despite all odds and then stunned a rampaging New Zealand side in the semi-finals before winning the coveted crown. Most Pakistani supporters believe history would repeat itself today.

With Pakistan having more weight in balance and Buttler's resolve to destroy India in the second, one may wonder if it means that an England vs Pakistan final can be expected.

## Shaheen Afridi progress in ICC T20I Player Rankings

ISLAMABAD: Pakistani pacer Shaheen Shah Afridi has made significant gain in the MRF Tyres ICC Men's T20I Player Rankings.

The left-arm fast bowler has jumped 20 places to reach 22nd position after grabbing a total of seven wickets against South Africa and Bangladesh, said a press release.

Meanwhile, Arshdeep Singh of India was one place behind Shaheen at a career-best 23rd position after gaining four slots.

However, Sri Lanka spinner Wanindu Hasaranga



has regained the No.1 spot for bowlers in the MRF Tyres ICC Men's T20I Player Rankings while India's Suryakumar Yadav has consolidated his position as the top batter in the latest

Rashid Khan of Afghanistan in the rankings table.

Hasaranga had captured the top spot for the first time after his performances in the last edition of this tournament in the United Arab Emirates and Oman, it added.

Yadav, who totals 225 runs in the tournament so far, scored 30 against Bangladesh and a match-winning 61 not out in 25 balls against Zimbabwe to add six ranking points to his tally and reach a career-best 869 points, 39 more than Pakistan's Muhammad Rizwan. APP

## Ghulam Fatima's five-fer, Bismah and Sadaf's half-centuries help Pakistan to series sweep over Ireland

Sports Reporter

LAHORE: Ghulam Fatima's maiden five-wicket haul and half-centuries from Bismah Maroof and Sadaf Shamas led Pakistan to a five-wicket win over Ireland in the third ODI on Wednesday at the Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore and help Pakistan record a clean sweep over Ireland.

The win also help the home team take all six points for the ICC Women's Championship 2022-25. Pakistan are currently on the second spot with 10 points, while India are leading the Championship with 12 points from six games.

Chasing 226 to win, Pakistan opening batters who had provided great starts to the innings in

the previous two matches, failed to contribute in the third ODI and both batters Muneeba Ali (12, 22b, 2x4) and Sidra Amin (10, 22, one four) were back in the hut inside nine overs with 28 runs on the board.

Sadaf Shamas — playing her third ODI was joined by captain Bismah — who was playing in record 121 ODI. Both batters played shots at will and knitted a 124-run partnership for the third wicket. Bismah got out in the 32nd over not before scoring 57 off 70, smashing five fours.

The right-handed Sadaf struck seven boundaries during her 80-ball 72 before getting out to Eimear Richardson who was the most successful bowler for her side with two wickets for 45 runs in 10 overs.

Unbroken 33-run partnership for the sixth wicket between Omaira Sohail (25, 36b, 1x4) and Sidra Nawaz (18, 15b, 2x4) helped Pakistan achieved the target in the 48th over with five wickets to spare.

Earlier, today's match will be remembered for many records made by the home side. At the time of toss, Bismah became the first Pakistan's women cricketer to feature in 121 ODIs. She broke the record of Sana Mir — who featured for Pakistan in 120 ODIs from 2005 to 2019. Bismah during the course of her innings also became the first Pakistan batter to score 3,000 ODI runs. She also completed her 1,000 runs as ODI captain — second behind Sana Mir's 1,069 runs.

Wicketkeeper-batter Sidra Nawaz completed her 100 international dismissals across all formats when Gaby Lewis was dismissed by Ghulam Fatima caught behind in the 22nd over. Left-arm spinner Nashra Sundhu also completed her 100 wickets across both formats. She achieved the feat when she bowled Mary Waldron in the 47th over of the innings.

Earlier, after opting to bat first, Ireland opening batters made full use of their captain's decision and knitted a 84-run partnership for the first wicket. Lewis was the first one to return back to the hut, scoring 39 off 67 balls, hitting three fours. Her opening partner Leah Paul top-scored for her side with a 94-ball 65, which included six



boundaries. Amy Hunter was other significant run getter for her side, scoring a 43-ball 41, striking seven fours.

That the Ireland were bowled out for 225 in the final over was largely due to leg-spin of Ghulam Fatima. The 27-year old Fatima

ma Sana and debutant Umm-e-Hani scooped a wicket each.

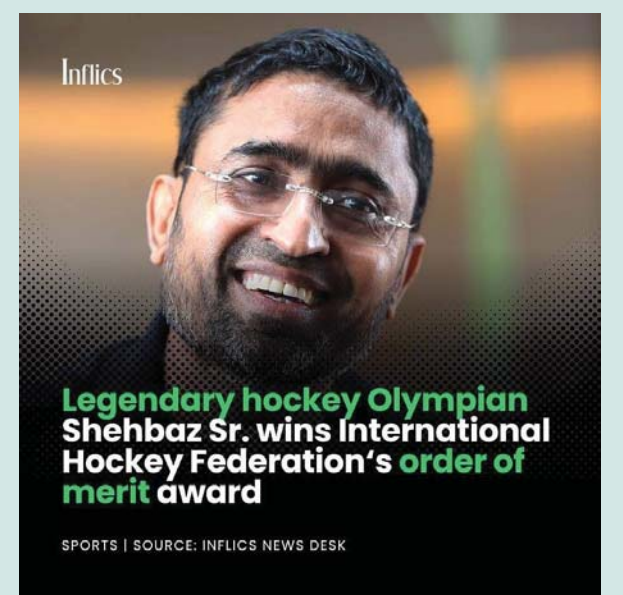
After winning the ODI series 3-0, both sides will feature in the three T20Is from Saturday, 12 November. The T20I series will be played at the Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore.

Scores in brief: Pakistan beat Ireland by five wickets

Ireland 225 all out, 49.5 overs (Leah Paul 65, Amy Hunter 41, Gaby Lewis 39; Ghulam Fatima 5-34, Nashra Sundhu 2-40) Pakistan 226-5, 47.1 overs (Sadaf Shamas 72, Bismah Maroof 57, Omaira Sohail 25 not out, Sidra Nawaz 18 not out; Eimear Richardson 2-45)

Player of the match — Ghulam Fatima (Pakistan)

Player of the series — Sidra Amin (Pakistan)



Legendary hockey Olympian Shahbaz Sr. wins International Hockey Federation's order of merit award

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Legendary hockey player Shahbaz Ahmed Senior has been picked as the next recipient of International Hockey Federation's Order of Merit award. The award was approved in the annual meeting of the FIH. The former Pakistan captain is a gold medalist of 1994 Hockey World Cup while he also won a bronze medal in 1992 Barcelona Olympics.

## All Pakistan Mubah National Junior Squash Ranking Tournament



Sports Reporter

LAHORE: All Pakistan Mubah National Junior Squash Ranking Tournament won by Abdullah Naeem Butt in under-15 and Under-17 finals both categories Abdullah Naeem out class his opponents. In Under-15 final against

Hamza Khan Abdullah Naeem won the final by 3-0 while in Under-17 against top seed Ibrahim Moheeb he won the final match 11-2, 11-3, and 11-1 in just 15 minutes he won the final. The Chief Guests of the concluding ceremony was Ch. Sultan Mehmood renowned businessman and Ceo Mu ah Industry who distributed the prizes among the players.

On this occasion Muhammad Mansoor, Vice President Punjab Squash Association, Sheraz Saleem, and former World Champion Gogi Allahuddin were present.

The cash prize was kept one lac for each category. Ch. Sultan said on this occasion the boys showed outstanding performance and due to under-15 and under-17 squash tournament there will be more talent will produce and in gross route level we will see more talent of squash in future he said we will hold more squash tournament for grooming the squash talent in our country.

## Pakistan beat Japan by 5-3 and got the 3rd position in Azlan Shah Hockey cup



Tahir Amin Malik.

LAHORE: Pakistan beat Japan by 5-3 and got the 3rd position in Azlan Shah hockey cup at Aipu (Malaysia). Pakistan reached the victory stand after 11 year, before that Pakistan played the final again Australia in 2011.

From Pakistan in this 3rd position match against Japan Hannan Shahid scored the field goal in 11 minutes, 2nd goal scored by Afraz Ahmed in 18th minute through penalty corner Fraz scored two field goals in 27nd and 31st minutes Abdul Waheed also scored one goal in 53rd minutes. From Japan Kenatro scored the goal in 31st while Buma scored two goal, Pakistan defenders forward played outstanding hockey in this tournament and stood in number 3 position to win Bronze medals, Host Malaysia, Pakistan, Korea, Japan, South Africa and Egypt participated in this event. Host Malaysia and Korea will play the final of Azlan Shah cup, 2022 today.