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Navy fully prepared to respond to any aggression: Naval Chief

Naval Chief Admiral Naveed Ashraf has said Pakistan Navy is fully prepared to respond to any kind of aggression. Addressing the passing out parade of 121st Midshipman and 29th Short Service Commission Course at Pakistan Naval Academy in Karachi, he emphasized adopting advanced technology and artificial intelligence is indispensable for naval strategy to effectively ... (Details on Page 2)



Bat symbol verdict: Justice Athar Minallah says ECP misinterpreted SC judgment

SC's Justice Athar Minallah on Saturday said that apparently the apex court verdict in the PTI electoral symbol case was misunderstood by the ECP as it did not seek to bar the political party from participating in the polls. "Prima facie, the interpretation was flawed and the judgment could not have been construed as having the effect of disqualifying a major political party from the general elections," the SC judge wrote.

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T20 World Champions

After the final cricket match between India and South Africa at Kensington Oval in Bridgetown, Barbados, on June 29, 2024, Indian players celebrate after winning the ICC men's T20 World Cup.



After 17 Years

India become T20 World Champions for 2nd time

India join England and West Indies to win T20 World Cup title twice after defeating South Africa by 7 runs

Spokesman Report

BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS: In a nerve-racking finale at Kensington Oval, India emerged victorious against South Africa, clinching their second ICC Men's T20 World Cup title after a gap of 17 years.

Despite early setbacks, including the quick dismissal of Rohit Sharma, India's middle order stabilised, ensuring a competitive total.

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Virat Kohli led from the front with the bat, earning the Player of the Match for his pivotal innings.

Meanwhile, Hardik Pandya's all-round performance, including crucial wickets in the final overs, also contributed to India's win. India's victory marks the end of their trophy drought in ICC events since the 2013 Champions Trophy.

For South Africa, despite a valiant effort, it's another near miss in an ICC final, reflecting on their resilient yet ultimately unsuccessful campaign.

'Pakistan-US relationship is in the best place it's been in years'

State Dept official Elizabeth Horst praises Ambassador Masood Khan for building "bridges between Islamabad and Washington"

Spokesman Report

WASHINGTON: United States Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Elizabeth Horst praised Masood Khan, Pakistan's ambassador to the United States, for his services towards building "bridges between Islamabad and Washington".

"On behalf of the State Department, I just want to note that the US-Pakistan relationship is in the best place it's been in years, in part, in large part to what Ambassador Masood Khan has done to represent Pakistan, to build bridges between Islamabad and Washington," said Horst at a farewell dinner.

The event was organised to honour the services of Khan with officials from the Department of State and the Department of Defense in attendance.



On behalf of the State Department, the US official acknowledged that the ties between the two countries, like any long-standing relationship, have experienced friction at times, but "because of you, we know how we can talk through this and we have a framework to talk through friction", she added.

After serving two years as Paki-

stan's top representative in the US from February 2022, Khan is set to leave one of the most coveted diplomatic posts next week on Monday with his deputy to perform envoy duties following his departure from Washington.

The seasoned diplomat was nominated for the post by then-prime minister Imran Khan in November 2021.

Additional Foreign Secretary (Middle East and SIFC) Ambassador Rizwan Saeed Sheikh has now been appointed as envoy to the United States.

In her praise for Khan and his role in strengthening the ties between Pakistan and the US, the State Department official said that both countries have achieved stability and a broadening of relationship that they haven't seen in many years.

"We have had new dialogues opened. We have looked for new areas of trade," she said, adding that both nations have looked for ways in which they can cooperate on things like health and energy and climate, things that we have not been talked about for a long time.

"And all of that is because you, Masood, have been an extraordinary representative of the Paki-

stani people and the Pakistani government. You have been a person of integrity. You have brought creativity and hospitality.

"You have used your dining room table for delicious lunches for everybody in the government of the United States as well as Capitol Hill. You have been incredibly effective. And we have this relationship now because of the efforts that you have made."

Horst, appreciating the ambassador's contributions, told Khan that while he is leaving, the relationship between Pakistan and the US is better than when he arrived and "as strong as it's been in a long time."

"I think we are all going to benefit from the two years that you put in here. I want to thank you personally and from the State Department," she concluded.

Ahsan calls for political unity

To propel national development



Our Correspondent

LAHORE: Minister for Planning and Development Ahsan Iqbal has emphasized the need of political stability for the country's development, stating that everyone must work together for a better future.

He was addressing the ceremony of Golden Jubilee of Paigham-e-Pakistan in Lahore on Saturday.

The Minister highlighted the importance of unity and collective efforts to put Pakistan on the path to progress.

He said in the past, Muslims ruled over the world by adhering to the teachings of the Quran.

Ahsan Iqbal said three decades ago, Pakistan was a leading country in South Asia in terms of development, and

many countries have since progressed by adopting Pakistan's policies. He stressed that Pakistanis have immense potential and it is essential for everyone to contribute to societal improvement.

He said that incidents that took place in Jaranwala, Sargodha, and Swat have tarnished Pakistan's image globally. Condemning terrorism, he said terrorist acts have no place in Islam.

Ahsan Iqbal urged religious scholars to play their role in countering terrorism and preventing the country's defamation. He also highlighted the atrocities in Palestine, calling on international human rights organizations to take immediate action against the ongoing violence and oppression.

PM directs to expedite process of dissolution of Pak PWD



Staff Reporter

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Saturday chaired a meeting regarding winding up of Pakistan Public Works Department (PWD) and its alternative arrangements.

The meeting was briefed regarding

the plan to dissolve PWD, implementation of the ongoing projects, alternative to the PWD and outsource of the construction and repair work to the private companies.

The meeting was informed that the ongoing projects under PWD would be completed by the relevant federal and provincial departments whereas

no further project would be assigned to PWD. The construction and repair work would be outsourced to the private companies of international standard.

The prime minister, on the occasion directed that the interests of PWD employees be protected during the dissolution process and that a comprehensive and practical plan be formed to ensure their welfare.

He also directed to complete the process of the closure of PWD as soon as possible saying that he himself would monitor the process.

He also ordered the formation of an asset management company to manage PWD's assets and digitize its records.

The meeting was attended by federal ministers Muhammad Aurangzeb, Riaz Hussain Pirzada, Ahsan Iqbal, and Ahmad Khan Cheema, as well as the Deputy Chairman Planning Commission Jehanzeb Khan, and other relevant officials.

Islamabad wants good ties with Washington

Staff Reporter

ISLAMABAD: Members of National Assembly of Pakistan Muslim League (Nawaz) Shaista Pervez Malik and Barrister Aqeel Malik have criticized opposition for not supporting resolution in response to the US House of Representatives' resolution on Pakistan.

Addressing a news conference along with PML-leader Barrister Aqeel Malik in Islamabad on Saturday, Shaista Pervez said Pakistan wants good relationship with the United States on the basis of mutual respect and dignity.

Shaista Pervez Malik said resolution must have been approved unanimously but unfortunately, a political party is continuously politicking on sovereignty of the country.

Spokesperson of the government for Legal Affairs Barrister Aqeel Malik said no one will be allowed to interfere in internal matters of Pakistan.

He said representatives of the people have clearly demonstrated that violation of country's sovereignty will not be tolerated.

CJP emphasizes access to justice for all

Staff Reporter

ISLAMABAD: Chief Justice of Pakistan, Justice Qazi Faez Isa has emphasized access to justice for all segments of society.

He was addressing a symposium titled 'Inclusive Justice' in Islamabad on Saturday.

The Chief Justice said Constitution of Pakistan embodies clear provisions for protection of women, children and marginalized segments of the society.

He underscored the need for implementation of laws



for ensuring justice and promoting inclusivity in society.

The Chief Justice said laws in Pakistan conform to the principles and teachings of Islam.

He made special mention of laws related to women's marital rights and right to inheritance.

