



Dr Zakir Naik lands in Pakistan

Dr Naik will address gatherings in Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad. Renowned Islamic preacher Dr. Zakir Naik arrived in Islamabad on a 15-day tour on Monday and was welcomed by officials from the Ministry of Religious Affairs including Syed Dr Atta ur Rehman, Rana Mashood and Parliamentary Secretary Religious Affairs Shamsheer Ali Mazari were also present at the airport to welcome Dr Naik.



Petrol prices decreased by Rs 2.07 per liter, diesel Rs 3.40

The govt on Monday decreased the price of Motor Spirit (MS) Petrol by Rs 2.07 per liter and high speed diesel (HSD) by Rs 3.40 per litre effective from October 1. On the directions of PM Shehbaz Sharif, the government has reduced the price of petrol by Rs28.57 and diesel by Rs37.51 during last two months. On September 15, the federal government notified a cut of Rs10 per litre in the petrol price as well as a Rs13.06 per litre reduction in the price of HSD.

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Fatiha

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari offering Fateha over the sad demise of the brother of Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar on Monday.



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President Zardari expresses condolence with DPM Dar

City Desk

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari on Monday visited the residence of Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar to offer condolence on the death of his elder brother. The president offered Fateha for the departed soul and expressed his deep grief, President Secretariat Press Wing said in a press release. He also prayed for the high ranks of the departed soul and for the bereaved family to bear the loss with fortitude. On the occasion, Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq and Minister for Interior Syed Mohsin Naqvi accompanied the president.

Hezbollah deputy leader vows readiness to counter Israeli ground invasion

Reuters

In his first public address following the assassination of Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah by Israel, deputy leader Naim Qassem has stated that the group is prepared to confront any potential Israeli ground invasion of Lebanon. He emphasized that Israel will not succeed in its objectives. "We will face any possibility and we are ready if the Israelis decide to enter by land and the resistance forces are ready for a ground engagement," he said. Israeli forces have struck Hezbollah multiple times in a two-week campaign targeting sites in Lebanon, resulting in the deaths of several commanders.

SC annuls LHC verdict on Punjab election tribunals

Spokesman Report

ISLAMABAD: The Supreme Court on Monday accepted the Election Commission of Pakistan's (ECP) plea and overturned the Lahore High Court's (LHC) June 12 verdict on establishment of election tribunals in Punjab. A five-member larger bench headed by Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa announced its reserved verdict on the Election Commission of Pakistan's (ECP) appeal in Punjab election tribunals case. The bench had reserved the verdict earlier this week. The bench also comprises Justice Amin-ud-Din Khan, Justice Jamal Khan Mandokhel, Justice Naeem Akhtar Afghan and Justice Aqeel Ahmed Abbasi. Earlier on June 12, the LHC CJ formed eight election tribunals in line with the May 29 order. The ECP had challenged the order in the SC. The Supreme Court of Pakistan in its verdict today declared that a decision made by a single bench of the Lahore High Court (LHC) cannot be considered a judicial precedent. "The LHC did not consider the absence of a meeting

between the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and the LHC Chief Justice, which would have altered the decision," the verdict read. In the previous hearing, on September 24, Salman Akram Raja's lawyer Hamid Khan raised an objection and appealed the CJP to rescue himself from the case which was turned down the CJP Qazi Isa. "If you want to withdraw from the case, then you can," the CJP replied to Hamid Khan and instructed him to remain seated. Following this, Salman Akram Raja's lawyer Hamid Khan left the courtroom. During the proceedings, Justice Aqeel Abbas inquired ECP counsel that tribunals matter has been resolved in consultation with LHC? To which, the ECP's lawyer informed court that CJP LHC has established four tribunals while the remaining four will be appointed by election commission. "It means matters has been settled between ECP and LHC chief justice?" Justice Aqeel Abbas asked counsel. "Yes, the law was completely changed, so now 4 new tribunals will be appointed by ECP," he told counsel.

Justice Munib withdraws from SC bench hearing Article 63-A review plea

Naveed Ahmad Khan

ISLAMABAD: A dramatic scene unfolded in the Supreme Court on Monday as top court judge Justice Munib Akhtar did not show up for the hearing of appeals in the Article 63-A case.

A five-member bench led by Chief Justice of Pakistan Qazi Faez Isa took up the appeals. The bench also included Justice Aminuddin Khan, Justice Jamal Mandokhail and Justice Mazhar Alam.

Justice Munib writes another letter to registrar in 63-A interpretation case

ISLAMABAD: Supreme Court (SC) Justice Munib Akhtar wrote another letter to the registrar, expressing concerns over the four-member bench hearing the Article 63-A interpretation review plea despite his absence.

Justice Munib Akhtar in his another letter questioned the legitimacy of the four-judge bench that heard the case.

"The Article 63-A review case was fixed for hearing before a five-



member bench but heard by four judges instead," the letter read.

The SC judge maintained that the written order of Monday's hearing was sent to him having the signatures of four judges. He said that his name was also mentioned in the order but not signed.

"The four judges who heard the case are honorable but today's hearing is not according to law and rules," he said in a letter.

Justice Munib Akhtar said that he wanted to register his protest against



Monday's hearing written order. "Today's hearing order is not a judicial order and has no legal standing," he added.

CJP Isa stated that Justice Munib had written to inform him that he would not be able to attend proceedings. The proceedings were then adjourned.

The letter written by the top court judge to the registrar said that the bench had been formed by a new committee under the Practice and Procedure ordinance, therefore he

could not be part of the bench.

He also requested that his absence "not be misconstrued" and that the letter should be made part of the court's record.

CJP Isa added that the bench would try to convince Justice Munib to attend the proceedings on Tuesday. He added that the letter could not be added to the court's record as per tradition.

The SC had previously scheduled the review appeals on the interpretation of Article 63-A for September 23.

The court's May 17, 2022, decision on a presidential reference regarding Article 63-A stated that a vote cast by a defected member of parliament against party policy would not be counted and that the duration of disqualification would be determined by Parliament.

This 3-2 decision, led by then-Chief Justice Umar Ata Bandial, saw Justices Mazhar Alam Miankhal and Jamal Khan Mandokhail dissenting. The majority opinion, written by Justice Akhtar, was challenged through various review petitions that have remained pending until now.



Visit of the Prime Minister of Malaysia to Pakistan

Spokesman Report

ISLAMABAD: At the invitation of Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, Prime Minister Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim of Malaysia will undertake an official visit to Pakistan from 2-4 October 2024. He will be accompanied by a high-level delega-

tion comprising Ministers, Deputy Ministers and senior officials.

Prime Minister Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim will hold meetings with Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif. The two sides will discuss a wide-ranging agenda to further strengthen Pakistan-Malaysia ties in diverse fields including trade, connectivity, energy,

agriculture, halal industry, tourism, cultural exchanges and people-to-people contacts. They will also discuss regional and global developments.

Pakistan and Malaysia enjoy strong bilateral ties anchored in history, culture and faith. This visit provides an important opportunity to further strengthen Pakistan-Malaysia relations.

Sangjani Jalsa: Govt to file sedition case against PTI leaders

Naveed Ahmad Khan

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has decided to take legal action against Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) leaders for speeches made during their rally in Sangjani.

Following the PTI leaders' statements at the rally which took place

on 8 September 2024, the government decided to register a sedition case under Section 196 of the Penal Code.

The section 196 is a non-bailable charge and the police do not require a warrant to make arrests under this section.

The Ministry of Law and the



Federal Prosecutor General have confirmed the decision, and

the Federal Cabinet has been approached for formal approval.

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Jammu Kashmir PM hails 'martyrs' of Mang for enduring freedom struggle

Bureau Report

MANG/MUZAFFARABAD: Prime Minister Azad Kashmir Chaudhry Anwar ul Haq, while paying great tributes to the martyrs of Mang, has said that we owe a debt of gratitude to the martyrs of Mang whose struggle and sacrifices culminated in the shape of the state of Azad Jammu and Kashmir. The AJK premier said this while addressing a public gathering here today. "The martyrs of Mang liberated the region by sacrificing their lives", he said adding that the ideology of accession of the entire state of Jammu Kashmir to Pakistan propounded by the Kashmiri martyrs would be upheld at all costs.



The PM said that the people in Azad Kashmir enjoy civil liberties fully. The government, he said, was spending a big chunk of its budget on subsidies to ensure provision of wheat flour and electricity at affordable rates. "The funds are being spent regardless of community or regional bias", he added. The PM said that no one would be allowed to ruin the system of the state for which our forefathers made unprecedented

sacrifices. The PM said that he would announce a historic development package for Poonch very soon. The package, he said, would be instrumental in removing economic backwardness in the area besides improving road infrastructure in the region. On the occasion, the PM announced establishment of Mang Town Committee, Civil Court, addressing shortage of staff in

Tehsil Headquarters Hospital, appointment of a Gynecologist, upgradation of educational institutions and health centers and installation of street lights in the town. The function was attended and addressed by government ministers including Sardar Muhammad Hussain Advocate Malik Zafar Iqbal, Sardar Amir Altaf, Maulana Saeed Yusuf Khan, chairman Jamiat Ulema-

e-Islam AJK, PPP central leader Sardar Gulnawaz Khaliq Advocate and others. Meanwhile, talking to different delegations that called on him during his visit to the Poonch division, Prime Minister Chaudhry Anwar ul Haq said that the government would ensure the provision of all resources to solve the problems being faced by people of Poonch division.

DFP spokesman urges international community to help stop bloodbath of innocent civilians in IOK

Abdul Majeed Tahir

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Democratic Freedom Party has expressed its serious concern over the continued bloodshed and violence at the hands of Indian occupation forces against the Kashmiri people.

In a statement issued here today the DFP spokesman advocate Arshad Iqbal, while referring to the recent killing of Kashmiri youth in Kulgam and Kuthwa district, said that the blood of innocent civilians being spilt on the streets by the occupation forces lay bare the Modi government's claim of normalcy in the region.

The fresh acts of state terrorism, he said, serve as a grim reminder as how innocent civilians were being targeted and killed in fake encounters by the Indian occupation forces that have a worst track record of murdering Kashmiri youth in stage managed encounters.

Denouncing the continued bloodbath and target killing of the Kashmiri youths, the DFP spokesman urged the world community to take effective notice of the matter and impress upon the Indian government to help stop bloodshed of innocent civilians in the held territory.

Jamaat-e-Islami to celebrate Palestine Week from 1st to 7th: Hassan Akhwani

Asim Tanveer

MULTAN: Jamaat-e-Islami will celebrate Solidarity Palestine from 1st to 7th October in South Punjab like the whole country. In a statement from Multan Media Center, the central deputy media coordinator of Jamaat-e-Islami Pakistan Hassan Akhwani has said that one year of Israeli atrocities in Palestine is about to be completed, Jamaat-e-Islami stands with the people of Palestine. The workers of Jamaat-e-Islami are with the people of Gaza for the protection of the first Qibla for the freedom of Palestine. We salute their struggle. Ismail Haniya first sacrificed his family and did not hesitate to sacrifice his life. In the same way, Lebanon's Hassan Nasrallah and now the leader of Jamaat-e-Islami Lebanon, Abu Muhammad Omar, who were martyred along with their family as a result of the Israeli bombardment yesterday, these sacrifices are paying expiation for the Muslim Ummah and are a slap in the face of the Muslim rulers who are for their own interests. Creating problems for the people of Palestine.

Hassan Akhwani further said that the Palestine Week will be celebrated from today throughout South Punjab. Palestine solidarity camp will be set up today at Pul Wasil Chowk in Multan, October 2 at Choongi No. 14, October 3 at Sher Shah Road, October 4 at Jan Muhammad Chowk and October 6 at Ghanta Ghar Chowk. October 5 Palestine conference will be held at Jama Uloom Sabzazar on Saturday. Similarly, programs will be organized at all small and big districts and tehsil headquarters of South Punjab.

SSDO releases groundbreaking report on gender-based violence in Pakistan

City Desk



ISLAMABAD: Syed Kausar Abbas, executive director of Sustainable Social Development Organization (SSDO), said that the provision of excellent education and social values is the proof of any society's superiority. More than fifty percent of the country's population consists of women. Those who are facing serious problems like rape, kidnapping, honor killing, Punjab province was the top of the list in cases of rape, out of

7,010 cases across the country, 6,624 cases occurred in Punjab. Sindh recorded the highest number of cases of abduction of women, 1,666. Sindh ranked first in reported cases of women being killed in the name of honor. 258 cases were reported in the province which is almost half of the honor killings in Pakistan. By providing protection, guardianship and sure justice to women and their families, law enforcement agencies will help in curbing serious crimes.

The Sustainable Social Development Organization (SSDO) has released a groundbreaking report, "Mapping Gender-Based Violence in Pakistan: District-Level Analysis of Rape, Kidnapping, and Honor Killings", which offers a deep dive into the alarming scale of gender-based violence (GBV) across Pakistan's provinces. The report was launched at event held at the National Press Club in Islamabad, bringing together key stakeholders, including policymakers, gender experts, and members of civil society.

Pakistan Ulema Council to celebrate solidarity with Palestine from October 1 to 10

Abdul Majid

FAISALABAD: Pakistan Ulema Council will celebrate solidarity with Palestine from October 1 to October 10.

Palestine solidarity seminars will be held all over Pakistan, which will be chaired by Hafiz Tahir Mahmood Ashrafi.

Allama Tahir Al Hasan, Central Deputy General Secretary of Pakistan Ulema Council, said this in his special statement and added that at this time, Israel and America are falling mountains of persecution on Palestine and the rulers of the world are silent spectators. Israel has violated human rights, and the innocent children of Palestine have not been spared. Israel and its supporters are the biggest terrorists in the world. The helplessness of the United Nations and the Security Council has disappointed the whole world. Palestine is an independent state. The world of Islam will not remain silent until its rights are recognized. Today, the facilitation of the United States of America is pushing the entire world to a state of war. Today, the United Nations needs to play its effective role. Efforts to end the conflicts and wars that are destroying the Middle East should be made more active. Because at this time, global stability will be at stake. Allama Tahir Al Hasan added that at this time, the whole world needs to take strict action against Israel. And all the Islamic countries should hold a big and effective meeting and give a strong message to Israel and America and ask why these atrocities are happening. Today, this is the reason why Israel is facing effective pressure regarding the end of the Gaza war. There is no end he is targeting the Arab countries. The Pakistan Ulema Council stands with its Palestinian brothers and will continue to support and raise their voices.



For map of Pakistan

ISLAMABAD: Labourers are busy in construction wall for displaying map of Pakistan along Srinagar Highway, in the Federal Capital.



Photo: Online

Saraiki parties protest in Multan over killing of 7 Saraikis in Balochistan

Asim Tanveer

MULTAN: Saraikistan National Council and Other Saraiki Parties Protest and Demonstration in Multan Against 7 Laborers Killed in Panjgur Balochistan The Protestors Burn effigy of Chief Minister Balochistan protest and demonstration by Saraiki parties at Kachhari Chowk Multan over the killing of Saraiki laborers in Balochistan. Slogans were raised against Balochistan, Punjab and the central government. Saraiki leader Zahoor Dharija, Malik Allah Nawaz Venus, Inayatullah Mashriqi, Malik Javed Chanar, Rana Rafiuddin, Haji



Yusuf Ansari, Mazhar Javed Syal, Comrade Liaquat Chauhan, Malik Faheem Arain, Saleem Darbari,

Ghazi Ahmad Hasan Khokhar, Dr. Sajid Chandia, Khawaja Shoaib-ul-Hasan and others spoke.

Saraiki singer Shobia Malik and Saraiki poet Nazir Kachala recited the anthems.

Malik Naseem Arain, Malik Ghulam Mohammad Vance, Malik Mujahid Arain, Malik Ali Vance, Malik Shoaib, Ayaz Dharija, Baba Mumtaz Dharija, Zubair Vance, Hasan Javed Bhatti, Malik Kashif Ran, Javed Akhtar Bhatti, Arshad Chaghtai, Malik Ghulam were present in the protest. Abbas Joya, Jafar Shah, Ejaz Geelani, Meher Sohail, Zafarullah Pathan, Nasir Khan Pathan, Zeeshan Khan, Sami Khan Baloch, Maqsood Bhatta, Shakir Maitla, Nadeem Kachala and others also participated.

FPSC's Chaudhry visits Attock to meet injured on motorway

Raza Naqvi

ATTOCK: Federal Parliamentary Secretary Daniyal Chaudhry's visit to Attock. Daniyal Chaudhry reached the district headquarters hospital, Attock. Former Federal Minister Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Member National Assembly Malik Sohail Kamriyal, ticket holder Malik Hameed Akbar and other leaders were also present. Attock. Attendance of police and elite personnel injured by Tehreek-e-Insaf on Burhan Motorway. Daniyal Chaudhry encouraged the injured officials and congratulated them. Daniyal Chaudhry presented flower bouquets to the



injured officials on behalf of Prime Minister Mian Shah-baz Sharif. DPO Dr. Sardar Ghayas Gul Khan briefed

the injured. MS DHQJ-Jawad Elahi briefed the Federal Minister regarding the treatment. The Feder-

al Parliamentary Secretary issued instructions that there should be no reduction in treatment.

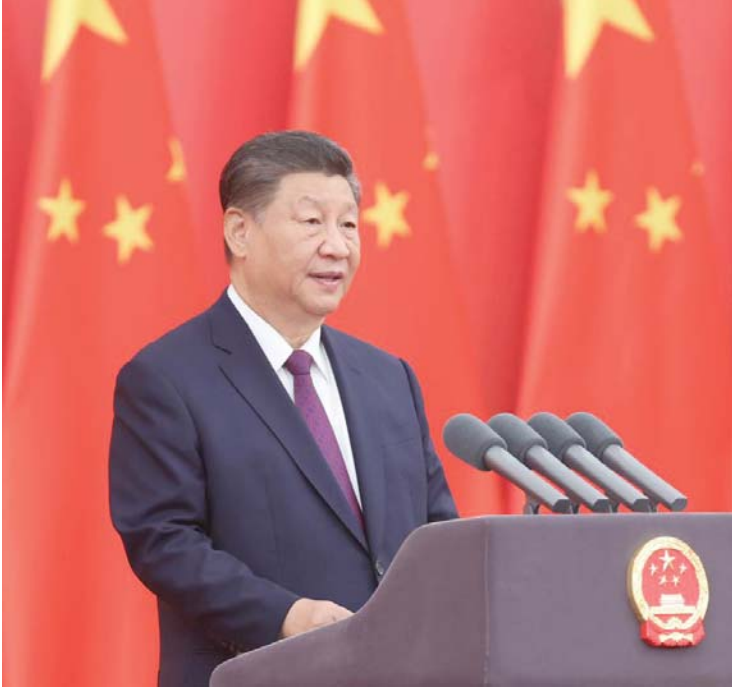
Government pushes for constitutional amendments in national interest: Ihsan

ISLAMABAD, SEP 30 (APP): The Coordinator to the Prime Minister of Commerce and Industries, Rana Ihsan Afzal Khan, on Monday said that the government wants to make constitutional amendments that benefit the country in the long run.

Talking to a private news channel, he stressed the importance of strengthening the courts while adding that, "Improving the courts and their performance through constitutional amendments is vital for the national interest."

He emphasized that the government aims to build a wider agreement among political parties to make these changes smoothly. He pointed out that the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) had benefited from Article 63A during its time in power.

Honoring role models, Xi makes rallying call for making China stronger



Xinhua

BEIJING: Chinese President Xi Jinping awarded the highest state honors on Sunday ahead of the National Day, urging the nation to learn from heroes and role models to pool strength for building a strong China.

Xi, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, presented medals to recipients of national medals and honorary titles at a ceremony held ahead of the 75th founding anniversary of the People's Republic of China, which falls on Oct. 1.

Four people, including veteran war hero Huang Zongde and medical scientist Wang Zhenyi, were awarded the Medal of the Republic. Ten individuals, including border patrolman Bayika Kalidibek, technician Xu Zhenchao,

and acclaimed actress Tian Hua, were awarded national honorary titles.

Dilma Rousseff, former Brazilian president and president of the New Development Bank, received the Friendship Medal.

Addressing the ceremony at the Great Hall of the People, Xi said the CPC has led the Chinese people in creating the twin miracles of rapid economic growth and long-term social stability.

The country is now in a crucial period for building a great modern socialist country in all respects and achieving national rejuvenation through Chinese modernization, he said.

"All Party members and people of all ethnic groups should take heroes and role models as examples, unite and strive forward to form a mighty force to build a strong China," Xi stated.

Xi emphasized the need to bear in mind the ambition of making the



country greater. "We should be loyal to the country, love the country, integrate personal development goals into the overall national development, and realize personal value in fulfilling duties for the country and serving the people," he said.

He encouraged the Chinese people to hone their skills and contribute to

building a strong China.

He urged them to strive for extraordinary achievements in ordinary job posts, and contribute to overcoming challenges related to development and reform while safeguarding social harmony and stability.

"A great era calls for heroes and fosters heroes. A galaxy of heroes emerging generation after generation will ensure the lasting success of the Party and the people's cause," Xi remarked.

Lauding Rousseff as an outstanding representative of China's old and good friends, Xi said the Chinese people will never forget international friends who have made significant contributions to the country's development and the friendship between the Chinese and foreign peoples.

The Chinese people stand ready to work together with people from various countries to safeguard world peace and promote common development, he added.

Speaking at the ceremony, Huang Zongde, 93, said that the honor belongs to every member of the people's armed forces and all the heroes who sacrificed their lives for China's national independence, the liberation of the people, and the endeavor to make China prosperous and strong.

In her address, Rousseff said the medal fills her with immense honor, pledging continued efforts to help strengthen the mutually beneficial cooperation between Brazil and China.

About 1,000 people, including senior leaders Li Qiang, Zhao Leji, Wang Huning, Ding Xuexiang, Li Xi and Han Zheng, attended the ceremony, which was presided over by Cai Qi.

Xi and other leaders had group photos taken with the award recipients after the ceremony.

Pakistan and China: A friendship built on strength

Khurram Jaffrani,
CEO, Adpulse IMC Pvt Ltd

On behalf of AdPulse IMC, I send warmest greetings President Xi Jinping, the CPC Leadership, Jiang Zaidong, Ambassador of China in Pakistan and Yang Yundong, Consul General of China in Karachi on the auspicious occasion of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China.



Pakistan and China have a long history of friendship and cooperation dating back to the early 1950s, Pakistan was one of the first countries to recognize the People's Republic of China, and the two countries have maintained strong ties ever since.

The relationship between Pakistan and China has become even closer in recent years. This is due part to the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a multi-billion-dollar infrastructure project that is being built in Pakistan with Chinese investment. CPEC is expected to boost economic growth Pakistan and help improve the lives of millions of Pakistanis.

Pakistan and China have traditionally enjoyed friendly relations and enduring goodwill between the people of the two countries. Regular high-level exchanges between the two countries had helped to open new vistas of bilateral cooperation and have for further strengthened age-old ties based on shared cultural and civilizational links. There is a natural love and goodwill between the people of Pakistan and China, and they have stood by each other in testing times.

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My heartfelt wishes to People & governments of both nations, quoting that China-Pakistan Friendship is, "A Friendship Higher than Himalayas, deeper than the ocean, sweeter than honey, and stronger than steel."

Pak-Cheen Dosti Zindabad!

Chinese President Xi Jinping, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, delivers a speech at a presentation ceremony for national medals and national honorary titles of the People's Republic of China at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China, Sept. 29, 2024. Xi presented medals to recipients of national medals and honorary titles at the ceremony. (Xinhua/Ju Peng)

Chinese President Xi Jinping, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, and other leaders have group photos taken with the recipients of national medals and national honorary titles of the People's Republic of China in Beijing, capital of China, Sept. 29, 2024. A presentation ceremony for national medals and national honorary titles of the People's Republic of China was held at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing on Sunday. (Xinhua/Li Xueren)

Xi Jinping walks into the venue of the presentation ceremony of the national medals and honorary titles of the People's Republic of China with the recipients at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China, Sept. 29, 2024. China held a high-profile ceremony on Sunday morning to award the highest state honors ahead of the 75th founding anniversary of the People's Republic of China. (Xinhua/Yan Yan)

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AdPulse IMC (Pvt) Ltd. extends our congratulations to President Xi Jinping, esteemed CPC Leadership, H.E. Jiang Zaidong, Ambassador of China in Pakistan & H.E. Yang Yundong, Consul General of China in Karachi on occasion of the **75th Founding Anniversary** of the People's Republic of China.

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Female education - A pathway to country's prosperity

Tooba Khan

Carrying prime significance to socioeconomic development of human resources, education empowers women to perform productive role in the country's development and bring positive social change in society.

As a well-known proverb says, "If you educate a man, you educate an individual. But if you educate a girl, you educate the entire nation" and our constitution also makes early education compulsory for all, female education bears pivotal importance for nation building.

But, despite constitutional provision and efforts by the government, the situation of girls' education in erstwhile Fata is not very promising with Fata annual education census revealing only 37% girls enrolled at primary schools, dropping significantly to five percent at secondary level. On contrary, 49 percent boys are enrolled at primary school with 17 percent at secondary schools. Best online courses

Multiple factors, ranging from socio-political and economic to religious and culture taboos are contributing to this predicament.

"The foremost impediments for girls attending school in former Fata are cultural. In tribal societies, cultural taboos, high rate of unemployment and poverty discourage girls from education," said Professor Dr Ibrahim Khan, former Director Elementary and Secondary education KPK.

"Commonly girls in these areas are expected to help their mothers in household, take care of elders and help parents in agriculture. Early marriages also hamper their education," Dr Ibrahim stated.

He admitted that girls' in erstwhile FATA lag behind in education also due to lack of political interest, law and order situation and militants attacks, shortage of schools and teachers unwillingness to serve there.

"All this had increased girl students' drop out ratio and now when these areas are part of KPK, the government needs to rebuild damaged schools to bring Out of School Children (OSC) under education net," Dr Ibrahim said.

The Benazir Income Support Program (BISP) 2021 survey had disclosed the OSC has reached to about 4.9 million in KP including one million in ex Fata. These OSC included about 2.9 million girls aged five to 16 years in settled districts and one million children in merged tribal districts with 74.4% girls and 38.5% boys out of school in the province.

The survey further revealed about 61% children are out-of-school in North Waziristan, 63% in Bajaur, 61% in South Waziristan, 51% each in Mohmand and Khyber and 47% each in Kurram and Orakzai.

Likewise, 3.67 million students including 1.38 million boys and 2.38 million girls in settled districts and 1,006,7 million students including 0.36 million boys and 0.65 million in merged districts were out of schools.

"I left school at primary level after it was damaged by militants and started sewing clothes to financially support my family and the education of my brothers," said Razia Bibi (20), a resident of Tehsil Bara in Khyber district. "But, I expect the KP government would soon rebuild my school, enabling me and other girls to restart studies."

Ikhtair Wali, PMLN KP spokesman, regretted the provincial government's failure in timely restoration of education facilities for female students.

"After merger of erstwhile Fata into KP, the entire responsibility of education and reconstruction of schools shifted to the provincial government," he said. "But, the government failed to bring out school children under the education net."

He said it could have been better if the provincial government had focused on resolving such problems instead of sheer politicking and creating unrest. "Instead of combating illiteracy, strengthening infrastructure and rebuilding damaged schools, the KP Govt was outsourcing public sector schools that would deprive thousands of poor students of free education."

On the other hand, Sahab Khan, Chief Planning Officer, Education Department said a target of enrolling three lakh OSC children including girls was set for this month. "Around 300 schools per year were required for enrolment of such students and around 15,667 new schools for admission of fresh students."

He informed that under Alternate Learning Pathways (ALP) program for

old age OSC, over 58,000 older girls have been enrolled at 1699 ALP established with assistance of the government departments and international donors.

Assessment tools were developed for ALP classes and early care and education (ECE) programs for girl students, focusing on languages, mathematics and social-emotional competencies. Thousands of classrooms have been transformed into modern nurseries across the province including erstwhile Fata while 1600 ECE centers would be set up through GPE funding in the next five years.

Sahab Khan also mentioned provision of ECE teaching material to girls schools in erstwhile Fata and spending over Rs two billion on provision of furniture to schools besides scholarship disbursed among female students, showing 80pc attendance.

Stars of KP, Rehamatul Alamin and ETEA merit scholarships had encouraged student's enrollment as Sahab Khan mentioned to stipend program covering all seven districts and sub-divisions in merged districts besides voucher scheme, female education, incentives under BISP, stipend project for students in 1-12 class and provision of school bags and stationary etc.

Although these measures are a good omen, the overall political and law and order situation in the province matters much more and the provincial government instead of sheer politicking must also focus these issues to get desired results.

Flood risk in Rawalpindi's Nullah Lai

Managing watercourses effectively is crucial for mitigating urban flooding, especially in cities like Rawalpindi that faces significant challenges due to its topography and rapid urbanization.

Different watercourses especially Nullah Lai, flowing through the city, often plays havoc with city residents when it overflows after torrential rains during monsoon season submerging different localities and inflicting losses of millions of rupees on businesses and household.

With its total length of 16 kilometers from Kattarian Bridge to Soan River near Lahore High Court's Rawalpindi bench building, 600 cusecs sewage is discharged into it daily. But, during heavy rains in twin cities, its water level rises to dangerous level of 18 feet, most often overflowing to adjacent localities.

"Water and Sanitation Agency (WASA) Rawalpindi has conducted detailed assessments to identify flood-prone areas, considering factors like topography, land use and flood data," claims Managing Director (MD) WASA, Saleem Ashraf. "The capacity of existing drainage systems was improved by deepening and widening this course to handle extra water."

He said officers concerned ensure routine inspections of Nullah Lai particularly during Monsoon to prevent blockages. "A real-time monitoring system was installed to track water levels and rainfall. The data is used to predict potential flooding and take proactive measures."

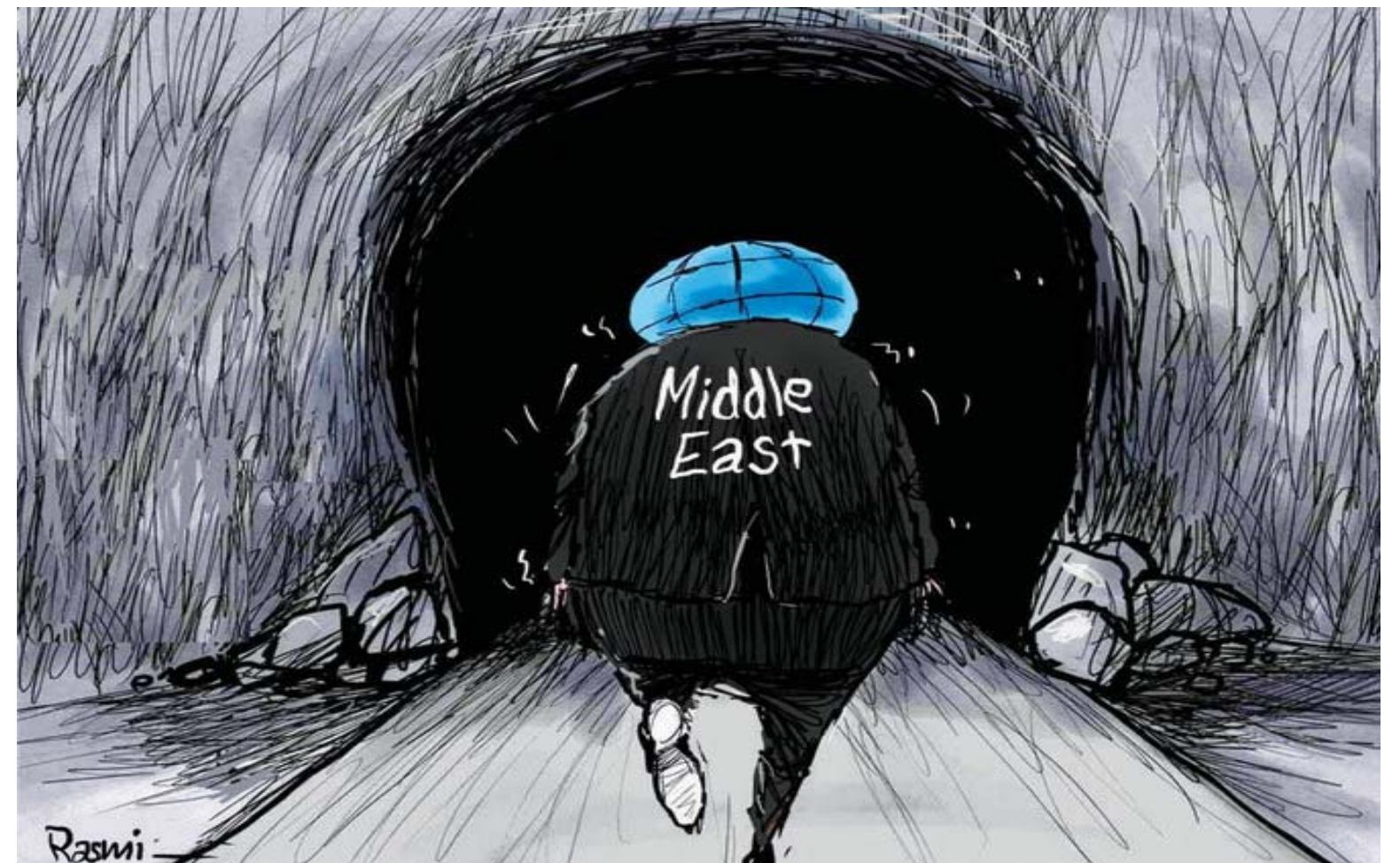
He also mentioned to launching an awareness campaign for citizens on proper waste disposal as local communities are involved in flood management efforts, clean-up drives and water courses management. "Flood response plan is also formulated for evacuation, emergency services and recovery efforts during every monsoon season."

As every heavy monsoon season results in urban flooding, District administration representative, Engineer Aamir Khattak also claims of efforts by concerned departments to reduce the risk and impact of urban flooding. "Dredging and de-silting project of Nullahs particularly Nullah Lai was completed before start of this monsoon. Section 144 was imposed to prevent dumping of garbage in nullahs and 11 main nullahs of Rawalpindi that fall into Nullah Lai were also cleaned."

He said special attention was paid to low-lying localities like Rattaamral, Katarian, Tippu Road, Dhoke Naju, Gawalmandi and Zia ul Haq Colony and heavy machinery and personnel were deployed in different areas to ensure drainage of stagnant rain water. "The Punjab government had also directed district administration to take adequate measures against possible urban flooding during monsoon."

But despite all these measures and claims of authorities, during recent monsoon season, the Rawalpindi residents once again experienced massive urban flooding as they called for kicking off long-awaited, Ammar Chowk to Pindora, Nullah Lai Expressway project.

"Nullah Lai Expressway project can prove to be a game



Cartoon by Amjad Rasmi. (Courtesy of Ashraf Al-Awdat)

Cultural Differences in the Expression and Treatment of Depression - I

Dua Tariq

Depression, The World's Silent Pandemic—A Crisis Hidden in Plain Sight, Spreads across diverse cultures, revealing huge gaps in mental health awareness and care. Depression is often characterized as a mood, a symptom, or an illness. Depression is a temporary feeling or emotion that occurs every once in a while in all individuals. Depression is related with many psychological disorders as a symptom. It is a mental health condition affecting a significant portion of the population. Depression can present itself in diverse ways worldwide. While Western cultures often associate depression with emotional distress, other cultures may manifest it through physical symptoms. Recognizing these cultural nuances is essential for accurate diagnosis. Cultural beliefs and attitudes can play a significant role in how mental health issues are perceived. In some cultures, depression may be stigmatized, discouraging individuals from seeking necessary support. This stigma can impact both diagnosis and treatment. Also Cultural beliefs can shape coping mechanisms. In certain cultures, individuals may rely on community support, spiritual practices, or traditional healing methods instead of conventional psychotherapy or medication. Recognizing these preferences can improve the effectiveness of treatment plans.

This article will compare and contrast the Western and Eastern perspectives on depression. It will discuss how cultural factors shape the understanding, expression, and treatment of depression in these regions. By highlighting these differences, we can advocate for culturally informed approaches to mental health

care.

In Western cultures, depression is generally viewed as a medical condition that can be diagnosed and treated through established methods like psychotherapy or medication. This approach emphasizes biological and psychological factors, with mental health professionals using clinical criteria to identify and manage depression, often focusing on symptoms such as sadness, loss of interest, and changes in sleep or eating habits. In the past, many people in Western countries were afraid to talk about depression because they thought it was a sign of weakness. But now, thanks to public health campaigns, TV shows, and people speaking out, people are more comfortable talking about mental health. This has helped people feel less ashamed about depression and encouraged more people to get help. By showing that depression is common and can be treated, these campaigns have helped people understand mental health better and be more supportive of others. Individuals experiencing depression often express their symptoms through emotional and psychological signs. These typically include ongoing feelings of sadness, hopelessness, and a general lack of motivation. Additional symptoms may involve fatigue, trouble focusing, irritability, and a diminished interest in previously enjoyable activities. Physical indicators, such as altered sleep patterns, changes in appetite, or low energy levels, are also commonly reported. In the West, diagnostic systems like the DSM (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders) emphasize these emotional and cognitive aspects when diagnosing depression.

In many Eastern cultures, traditional beliefs and ways of thinking have a big influence on how people see depression. Unlike the Western medical model, depression is often seen as a spiritual or moral problem, not just a medical

condition. Some cultures think that mental health struggles are caused by a disruption in spiritual balance, karma, or harmony with nature. Depression might be blamed on external forces like evil spirits, ancestors being upset, or fate, instead of internal psychological or biological causes. This perspective shapes how individuals experience and deal with depression, often turning to spiritual healing practices, family support, or community-based interventions instead of seeking medical or psychological treatment. In many Eastern cultures, there tends to be a stronger stigma around depression and mental health issues. Mental illness is often seen as a sign of personal weakness or dishonor, which can make people feel ashamed and not want to seek help. In some communities, admitting to depression might be seen as a failure to fulfill family or societal roles, leading to social isolation or discrimination. This stigma significantly impacts individuals' willingness to seek professional treatment, as many prefer to hide their symptoms or turn to spiritual practices, traditional healers, or family support rather than pursuing mental health care. In many Eastern cultures, depressive symptoms are often expressed physically, through complaints like headaches, fatigue, body pain, or stomach issues, instead of emotionally or psychologically. This physical expression is often due to cultural norms that discourage openly discussing emotional struggles or viewing mental health as a psychological issue. As a result, individuals may emphasize physical symptoms over emotional ones, even when depression is the underlying cause. This focus on physical symptoms can make it difficult to diagnose depression, as the emotional aspects of the disorder may remain unspoken.

To be continued

Echinococcosis, a neglected zoonotic infection

Maha Ahmed

Zoonotic infection is an infection that spreads from animals to humans. Echinococcosis is also one of a zoonotic infection that has been neglected over the years. The World health organization has also included Echinococcosis in its list of 17 neglected tropical diseases. Parasite is defined as an organism that feeds off its host and in-return harms it. Echinococcosis is caused by parasitic worm eggs when they hatch in their host. The worm eggs are usually present in food/water contaminated by fecal material of the infected host. When humans or animals ingest these eggs they hatch, become activated, move to the bloodstream, liver and to other vital organs. There are two types of hosts i.e. permanent host and short-term host. Permanent hosts are those in which the parasitic worm lays its eggs in the small intestine and lives there such as dogs, lions, leopards, wolves, foxes and jackals. Short-term hosts are those that ingest these eggs from fecal contaminated food/water and develop the infection. According to World Health Organization, there are two types of echinococcosis, cystic and alveolar echinococcosis. Cystic echinococcosis involves the formation of cysts (sac filled with fluid containing larva) in the liver, lungs and less common in bones, kidneys, spleen, muscles and central nervous system. In cases where the liver is affected, common signs include abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting. If the lungs are involved, signs may include a wheezing cough, chest pain, and shortness of breath (dyspnea). Alveolar echinococcosis involves a slow-growing primary tumor-like lesion that is commonly seen in the liver. The infected person may show no symptoms for a period of 5-15 years. Common clinical signs



include liver failure, stomach pain, weight loss and discomfort. Larval metastases occur when the parasite's larvae travel through the blood or lymph to other areas of the body from the primary infection site, which is typically the liver. These larvae can produce dangerous cysts when they get to organs like the brain or lungs. Tissue damage from this can be quite severe. It may be fatal if treatment is not received.

Larva can travel to distant organs (like the brain or the spleen) or neighboring organs (like the liver). Alveolar echinococcosis is a severe and lethal condition if neglected. Cystic echinococcosis (CE) is a major cause of economic loss in the Pakistan livestock industry, resulting in illness and death in food-producing animals, as well as the destruction of important organs. Pakistan is an agricultural country with a major livestock sector, which is primarily practiced by the poor and plays an important role in the economy. According to Centers of Disease and Prevention, preventive measures against cystic echinococcosis include stop allowing wild dogs to come in your area and preventing animals from consuming cyst-infected meat. Prevent dogs from eating contaminated sheep bones. Control the wild dog population. Reduce domestic killing of sheep and other livestock. Medicine and surgery, are required to stop the cysts from growing again.

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Pressure is the only way to resolve the IPPs issue. Mian Zahid Hussain

Spokesman Report

ISLAMABAD: The Chairman of the FPCCI Advisory Board and National Business Group Pakistan, President of Pakistan Businessmen and Intellectuals Forum, and All Karachi Industrial Alliance, as well as former provincial minister Mian Zahid Hussain, said on Monday that

Pakistan will receive a seven billion dollar loan from the IMF over 37 months.

The loan has an interest rate of less than five percent, and paying the first instalment of one billion dollars is a pleasant experience.

Mian Zahid Hussain said that now it will be possible for Pakistan to get cheap loans from the global financial market, which will significantly reduce Pakistan's debt servicing burden, which has reached 10 thousand billion rupees

annually.

Speaking to the business community, the veteran business leader stated that the government is taking the necessary steps to meet the IMF's goals, including abolishing or merging some federal ministries. The Federal Minister of Finance has recently announced a reduction in government expenditure.

He added that the IMF's conditions also include the elimination of losses in the electricity and gas sectors, an increase in the tax base, and the privatisation of public companies that are losing money.

The business leader stated that implementing these conditions is not easy, but it will improve the situation, whereas failure to do so may worsen it.

According to him, Pakistan's problem is declining tax collection and rising government



expenditure, which necessitates serious efforts. Mian Zahid Hussain said that taking loans

to cover this deficit is no longer feasible and that one of the main reasons for the flight of capital, industries, and experts from the country is our cruel tax system, which the taxpayers are unwilling to accept.

Loss of revenue discourages taxpayers and makes people reluctant to pay taxes, which increases the size of the underground economy and decreases the size of the formal economy.

Mian Zahid Hussain said that the government is trying to reduce the tariff of IPPs, which benefits everyone. He further noted that many IPP owners are not willing to cooperate with the government despite earning huge profits compared to their investment and looting trillions of rupees through all kinds of illegal and unethical tactics, for which the government will have to apply pressure; otherwise, the electricity tariff could not be reduced.

Call on

ISLAMABAD: A delegation from United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), visited the Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) headquarters on Monday.



Photo: Online

DCFA Pakistan Appoints Abid Saeed as Chief Media Officer

ISLAMABAD: Dairy and cattle farmers association of Pakistan has appointed Abid Saeed as its new Chief Media Officer. He will officially assume the role for a one-year term effective from 1st October 2024.

With extensive experience in journalism, media management and communications, Abid Saeed is expected to play a pivotal role in enhancing the organization's media presence and public relations strategy.

Founder and president of DCFA Pakistan, Shakir Umar Gujjar believe that leadership and expertise of new media chief in the media landscape will be instrumental in advancing the strategic objectives of DCFA Pakistan.

Chief Organizer of DCFA Pakistan Shehbaz Rasool Warraich expressed confidence in his ability to further strengthen the organization's engagement with key stakeholders and the public.

Pakistan Energy Exhibition to be held in Lahore from Oct. 3-5, 2024

Tahir Amin Malik

LAHORE: International, integrated Pakistan Energy Exhibition & Conference will be held from October 3 - 5, 2024 at Expo Centre, Lahore offering a very accessible and effective market place with opportunities for business and a platform for networking.

PEEC 2024 has four focus sections: Oil & Gas; Power Technology; Smart Energy & Coal showcasing solutions for Energy Industry, mainly Petroleum, Exploration & Production, Power Generation, Electrical Equipment, Alternate Energy Solutions (focusing on Renewable Energy through Solar, Wind, Bio-Gas Sectors).

PEEC 2024 will open its door to facilitate around 200+ International and local Exhibitors and it will be attended by over 8000 visitors in its 3 days of inception. In which exhibitors will be showcasing their solutions to the government officials and business stakeholders

to create awareness about their products and secure good business.

The Exhibition is supported by Water and Power Development Authority-WAPDA, Hydrocarbon Development Institute of Pakistan - HDIP, National Energy Efficiency & Conservation Authority-NEECA, Pakistan Alternative Energy Association-PAEA, Pakistan Council of Scientific & Industrial Research - PCSIR, Solar Energy Trade Union Pakistan - SETUP, Renewable Energy Association Pakistan - REAP, Pakistan Petroleum Dealers Association - PPDA, CNG Dealers Association, - CNGDA, Private Power & Infrastructure Board-PPIB, Pakistan Solar Association-PSA, Shanghai Steel Tube Industry Association.

The exhibition will be highlighting Smart Mobility for Smart, Sustainable, Connected and Integrated mobility solutions of products to overcome energy sector crisis.

Mian Abuzar Shad assumes charge as LCCI President

Tahir Amin Malik.

LAHORE: Mian Abuzar Shad has formally taken charge as the President of the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) following a historic victory in the Annual General Meeting, marking him as the most powerful president in the chamber's history. His group, PIAF Progressive and Pioneer Alliance, secured all 32 seats, including two women seats, in a sweeping victory.

During his speech, Mian Abuzar Shad expressed his gratitude to the business community of Lahore for placing their trust in him and his group. He particularly acknowledged the political vision of Mian Anjum Nisar, emphasizing the critical role Nisar played in leading the alliance to this resounding success.

Shad pledged to bridge the gap between the Lahore



business community and the government, focusing on fostering stronger economic collaboration. He praised Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif for securing the crucial IMF

program and acknowledged the efforts of the Army Chief in bolstering the country's economy.

With full control of the LCCI, Mian Abuzar Shad is

poised to serve the business community with renewed vigor and commitment, aiming to strengthen ties with both national and international stakeholders.

Canadian Embassy launches high-level strategic dialogue on Indigenous Communities in Islamabad

Spokesman Report

ISLAMABAD: A high-level strategic dialogue called "Strengthening Indigenous Communities: Empowerment through Climate Action, Inclusion, and Gender Parity" took place today at the Islamabad Serena Hotel. Co-hosted by Serena Hotels and the High Commission of Canada, the event brought together prominent speakers, including H. E. Leslie Scanlon, Canadian High Commissioner to Pakistan; Aziz Boolani, CEO of Serena Hotels and Chairman of the Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (AKRSP); Sardar Ramesh Singh Arora, Minister for Minorities Affairs, Government of Punjab; and key leaders from civil society organizations working to support socio-economic inclusion and empowerment of local communities and marginalized groups in Pakistan.

Canada, at home and around the world, is working

to advance reconciliation and promote engagement with Indigenous Peoples, based on recognition of rights, respect, cooperation, and partnership. It involves listening to, learning from, and working in partnership with First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in Canada, as well as with local communities around the world, to address the unique challenges that these communities face.

Reflecting on the significance of the event, Canadian High Commissioner Scanlon remarked, "On this day of Canada's National Truth and Reconciliation, the dialogue was an opportunity for us to amplify the voices of Indigenous and marginalized communities, as well as leaders, here in Pakistan. Canada is built on the ancestral lands of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples, and as we continue our reconciliation journey we are committed to applying a reconciliation



lens across our diplomacy and global advocacy efforts. Whether it's promoting socio-economic inclusion, empowering youth, women, and girls in all their diversity, or supporting climate resilience for those on the frontlines of the climate crisis, we are committed to working with Pakistan to help build a sustainable, resilient, and

equitable future. Today's dialogue, with the participation of Pakistani leaders who are working to support local communities, highlighted the importance of collective policies, actions, and partnerships to support local communities' unique needs."

Speaking at the event, Mr. Aziz Boolani, CEO of Serena Hotels, emphasized,

"At Serena Hotels, we believe that sustainability is not just an agenda, but a responsibility. By supporting indigenous communities, we can amplify their voices and experiences in shaping policies and solutions for climate resilience. Today's dialogue underlines our commitment to advancing inclusive growth and ensuring that the impacts of climate

change are addressed with the unique needs of these communities in mind."

Serena Hotels, through its Public Diplomacy initiative, has long been committed to fostering meaningful dialogues on pressing global issues, with a particular focus on climate action, social inclusion, and the empowerment of marginalized communities. This event was reflective of Serena's dedication to addressing the profound impact of climate change on indigenous communities, who are often on the frontlines of environmental challenges. By bringing together leaders, policymakers, and civil society, Serena Hotels & the High Commission of Canada aimed to contribute to a broader understanding of the interconnectedness of climate resilience and socio-economic inclusion, ensuring that no community is left behind in the face of global environmental shifts.

CCP Initiates Phase II Merger Review Hearings for PTCL-Telenor Acquisition

City Desk

ISLAMABAD, 30 SEP: The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) has held its first hearing for the Phase II Merger Review concerning PTCL's acquisition of 100% shareholding in Telenor Pakistan (Private) Limited (TP) and Orion Towers Private Limited (OT). The hearing was presided over by CCP Chairman Dr. Kabir Ahmed Sidhu, along with members Mr. Salman Amin and Mr. Abdul Rashid Sheikh.

Senior Counsel Ms. Rahat Kaunain Hassan represented PTCL, emphasizing the potential economic benefits and growth opportunities the transaction could bring to Pakistan. Mr. Hatem Bamatraf, President & Group CEO of PTCL, Mr. Robert Middlehurst, and PTCL's senior management also shared key insights into the merger.

The Commission then offered opportunity to M/s Wateen Telecom Limited, represented by Mian Sami-ud-Din. He concluded his preliminary submissions.

Other key attendees included Mr. Khurram Ashfaq, CEO of Telenor Pakistan, Mr. Andreas Hogberg, CEO of Orion Towers, Mr. Fawad Ahmad Khan, Group Director of Regulatory Strategy & Compliance (PTML), Mr. Amer Shahzad, DG Wireless Licensing (PTA), and representatives from Jazz, Wateen, Transworld Associates, Cm Pak LDI Ltd, and the Frequency Allocation Board.

The CCP's Phase II Merger Review, conducted under Section 11(6) of the Competition Act 2010, is focused on examining the market share dynamics and potential risks of market concentration. As the review continues, the CCP all encourages stakeholders to provide their input.

The next hearing is scheduled for October 2, 2024, where Wateen will present its arguments on merits and other stakeholders will also be making their submissions on the proposed merger.

China's rise to a remarkable global influence

Syed Ali Nawaz Gilani

The world is going to witness China celebrating its 75th platinum jubilee — a milestone that highlights its extraordinary transformation into a global power. This anniversary stands as a testament to the resilience and vision that have re-shaped the nation. Over the past 75 years, the People's Republic of China has emerged as an influential force, altering the trajectory of history for both its citizens and the world at large. From its war-ravaged beginnings, China has risen to become a beacon of innovation, leadership, and shared progress.

Phoenix Rising from the Ashes

On the first of October 1949 a new governance system was established when The People's Republic of China was formed. On that basis, it took the Chinese many years of suffering and revolution back to the stage of breathing before they saw clearly how to leap over all other races. In just three generations moving from that time of war and desolation to today as one of the world's most successful people is a remarkable achievement.

Thanks to the Communist Party, China has re-written its poverty and filth into a global powerhouse. It's a story of rising above a troubled past and stepping into a new future.

One Belt, One Road initiative:

At the centre of China's ambitious view lies the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), a giant concept to rejuvenate the ancient Silk Road with new global connectivity. More than infrastructure, it is a lifeline to future where countries are united by trade, cooperation and inclusive-development, linking Asia with Europe and Africa and beyond.

The digital future, marking its role as a leader in Artificial Intelligence (AI); smart manufacturing; Internet of Things (IoT) applications; cloud and big data; and blockchain. The leadership of China is similar to the role the United States played at the previous World's Expo — when the world turned to them for celebrating excellence in innovation.

Key lessons for transformation include China's use of public-private partnerships from recognition to scale. While China's model is being scrutinised and vetted by Western philosophers and economists, it's important to recognise that it represents a different philosophy of investment than one actioned through government funding or NGO philanthropy.

What does require a shift in stance is simply exchanging the word "together" for the phrase "for all". The one distinction changes meaning and the intentions; and as the old saying goes, "United we stand, divided we fall."

China is positioning itself not just as an actor in the international theatre, but as a leader. The Digital Silk Road is just one example of China extending its technical leadership to partners across the globe, providing innovative technologies that will radically alter the way we live, work, and communicate.

A Superpower with Humanity

A closer look at the endeavours of this major economy shows that China's ambitions go beyond just enhancing the quality of life for its citizens. The country also aims to offer opportunities to people worldwide. This is evident in its strong focus on Asia where it plans to revive the historical Silk Road and establish new routes for unprecedented growth.

Let's explore some of these significant initiatives in China. The Asian Development Bank estimates that around \$26 trillion will be required to build transport infrastructure across Asia by 2030 to meet the increasing demand for transportation several regional cooperation organisations in Asia have launched projects to improve road connectivity with the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) being the most prominent.

The BRI seeks to link not only Asia but also Europe, Africa and Latin America through a vast network of roads and sea routes. It accounts for



A concert is held to celebrate the 75th founding anniversary of the People's Republic of China (PRC), in Beijing, capital of China, Sept. 29, 2024. Chinese President Xi Jinping, other Party and state leaders including Li Qiang, Zhao Leji, Wang Huning, Cai Qi, Ding Xuexiang, Li Xi and Han Zheng, as well as retired senior leaders were among the more than 3,000 people who attended the concert. (Xinhua/Ju Peng)



more than a third of global economic expansion and encompasses two-thirds of the world's population.

The project focuses on collaboration at the level involving 71 countries. The goal is to create a unified transportation connectivity policy among these nations. Moreover, effective communication and coordination will be essential for infrastructure development with standardised technical systems put in place. A core tenet of the BRI is promoting trade by eliminating barriers to commerce. Funding for these initiatives is sourced

from various Chinese state-owned and private banks and financial institutions as well as contributions from international entities like the Asian Development Bank and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank.

An early projection indicates that the expenses for the project could range from billion to billion. Up to now, China is said to have invested more than billion in this endeavour. In reaction to this ambitious undertaking certain Western nations and organisations have ramped up their propaganda efforts against it often

embellishing the situation without substantial evidence.

Pakistan and China: A Brotherhood Forged in Iron

To Pakistan, China is not a friend but a brother. The relationship between both countries is iron-clad based in mutual respect, trust, and shared vision. CPEC is a shining example of how the China-Pakistan friendship keeps blooming big time. Folks in Pakistan have always had immense respect for China's hustle and its determination to move forward. These two countries have been strolling side by side

down Prosperity Lane, and as everyone tunes into China's growth story, Pakistan is all set to tag along for the ride.

China is poised to finalise a major initiative in Pakistan its longstanding ally and an important player in South Asia referred to as the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).

This is a large-scale project aimed at ensuring the efficient transport of oil and gas from Gwadar Port in southwestern Pakistan to China's northwestern autonomous region Xinjiang using railways and highways. The CPEC plays a role in strengthening the

Pakistan-China relationship stretching a distance of 2,442 kilometres from Gwadar to Kashgar. Completion of the project is anticipated to take several years with an estimated cost of \$46 billion. Notably during the visit of the Chinese Prime Minister to Pakistan in May 2013 several memorandums of understanding were signed between President Asif Ali Zardari and the Chinese Prime Minister. These agreements included the transfer of Gwadar Port and other projects under CPEC. Key initiatives within this corridor are advancing through collaboration.

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Pakistan Cricket Board Announces Test Match Ticket Prices and Sale for England Tests Series

Asim Tanveer

MULTAN: Pakistan to play three-match Test series in Multan and Rawalpindi from 7 to 28 October; Tickets will be available at a low price of PKR 50

Free entrance to fans in general enclosure on opening day of both Test matches in Multan; Premium enclosures free for public on the first day of the third Test in Rawalpindi

Entry to the match will only be allowed on printed tickets, which spectators will be able to get from designated TCS centres

The tickets for the three-match Test series between Pakistan and England will go on sale online today from 1700 PST at PCB.tcs.com.pk. Also, to facilitate fans, the physical tickets will be available to purchase from different outlets from 4 October after 0900am (details attached).

The series is part of the ICC World Test Championship 2023-25, with the first and second Test matches to be played at the Multan Cricket Stadium (MCS) from 7 to 19 October. The third Test match will be played at the Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium (RCS) from 24 to 28 October.

Also, box offices outside match venues (MCS and RCS) will be operational a day prior to the Test matches.

To encourage fans to come in large numbers, the entrance to the General enclosures (Hanif Muhammad and Mushtaq Ahmed) will be free on opening day of both Test matches in Multan. Additionally, entry to the premium enclosures (Miran Baksh, Shoaib Akhtar, Sohail Tanvir and Yasir Arafat) will be free for the first day of the Rawalpindi Test as well.

For the first Test, from Tuesday to Thursday (Day 2, 3 and 4), General enclosure tickets will be priced at PKR 50, while the fans can buy Hanif Muhammad and Mushtaq Ahmed enclosures tickets for PKR 100 on the fifth and final day. For First-class enclosures (Wasim Akram and Elahi Brothers), tickets will be available at PKR 100 for four days of the first Test, while the tickets will cost PKR 200 for fans witnessing the action on the fifth day. For Premium enclosures (Javed Miandad and Zaheer Abbas), tickets

will be available for PKR 200 each from Monday to Thursday (Day 1, 2, 3 and 4), while fans can witness fifth day's action from the same enclosures for PKR 300.

VIP Enclosures (Fazal Mahmood and Imran Khan) and PCB Gallery (Inzamam ul Haq) tickets will be available for fans for PKR 300 and PKR 2,000, respectively for first four days of the first Test match. On the fifth day, VIP enclosures tickets will be available at PKR 400 and PCB Gallery (Inzamam ul Haq enclosure) tickets will be available at PKR 2,500. PCB Gallery ticket includes lunch as well.

For the second Test match to be played from 15 to 19 October at the same venue, tickets of general enclosures for Wednesday and Thursday (Day 2 and 3), will be available at PKR 50, while general enclosures tickets for the fourth and fifth day's play will be available at PKR 100.

For first-class and premium enclosures, fans can purchase tickets at PKR 100 and PKR 200, respectively for first three days of the Test match. For fourth and fifth day's action, tickets of first-class and premium enclosures will be accessible to fans at PKR 200 and PKR 300, respectively.

For fans willing to watch action from VIP enclosures and PCB Gallery can get tickets for PKR 300 and PKR 2,000, respectively for the first three days of the Test, while for both places, tickets on Friday and Saturday (Day 4 and 5), will be available at PKR 400 and PKR 2,500, respectively.

For the third Test at the Rawalpindi Cricket Stadium, entry to premium enclosures (Miran Baksh, Shoaib Akhtar, Sohail Tanvir and Yasir Arafat) will be free on the opening day. For the second day, the tickets of the premium enclosures will be available at PKR 200, while for the remaining days of the third Test, the premium enclosures tickets will be available to fans at PKR 300. VIP enclosures (Imran Khan and Javed Miandad) tickets will cost PKR 400 for the first two days and PKR 500 for the remaining days.

The seats at the PCB Gallery, which includes lunch as well, will be available at PKR 2,000 for action on Thursday and Friday (Day 1 and 2), while on the remaining days of the Test match, fans can purchase gallery tickets for PKR 2,500.

Pakistan captain Masood backs players ahead of 'crucial' England Tests

A Sports

LAHORE: Pakistan Test captain Shan Masood threw his weight behind the players ahead of a "crucial" three-match Test series against England, scheduled to commence on October 7.

Masood, while addressing a press conference just days before the first home Test against England, reflected on his side's performances in the recent outings particularly in the recent two-match home series against Bangladesh, during which the touring party made history by clinching their first-ever Test series win over Pakistan.

"The losses hurt, but it's important to support the team, especially during tough times," Masood said.

The Pakistan captain, however, emphasized the need to back the players, especially after losses, terming it essential for long-term success.

"It's easy to make changes after a loss, but if we want to move forward, we must back our players," Masood stated.



The left-handed batter also shared that the preparations for the recently concluded Champions One-Day Cup provided valuable insights into the players' fitness level.

"We've learned a lot about our physical and mental condition, and it's clear that improvements are needed," stated Masood.

"If Pakistan want to become a top Test side, we need to significantly improve both physical and mental fitness. Our

conditioning should be on par with other top teams in the world," he added.

Shan Masood, who assumed Pakistan's Test captaincy in November 2023, is yet to win a match as the skipper, shared it feels "terrible" when the team loses.

"As a captain, it feels terrible when the team loses. It wasn't the ideal start, but accountability comes with defeat," Masood stated.

Pakistan squad for first Test against England: Shan Masood (captain), Saud Shakeel (vice-captain), Aamir Jamal, Abdullah Shafique, Abrar Ahmed, Babar Azam, Mir Hamza, Mohammad Huraiza, Mohammad Rizwan (wicket-keeper), Naseem Shah, Noman Ali, Saim Ayub, Salman Ali Agha, Sarfaraz Ahmed (wicket-keeper), and Shaheen Shah Afridi, Zahid Mehmood.

Pakistan England Test series schedule:

First Test: 7-11 Oct, Multan
Second Test: 15-19 Oct, Multan
Third Test: 24-28 Oct, Rawalpindi

PSG axe Dembele for Arsenal clash over disciplinary reasons

Sports Desk

LAHORE: Ousmane Dembele was axed from Paris Saint-Germain's (PSG) squad for Tuesday's Champions League clash against Arsenal because he did not "comply with or respect the expectations of the team", coach Luis Enrique said.

It follows reports in French media that the 27-year-old winger had a heated exchange with Luis Enrique following PSG's 3-1 win against Rennes on Friday, in which Dembele was substituted late on.

Dembele has been one of the team's stand-out players so far this season and featured in PSG's Champions League win against Girona earlier this month.

But Luis Enrique, speaking



at the Emirates in London on Monday, said the France international had not travelled with the squad from Paris.

"If someone doesn't comply or respect the expectations of the team, it means they are not

prepared to play," he said.

"The match tomorrow is very important and I want all my players to be ready, so as a consequence I have left him (Dembele) out. I want the best for my team and that is my job."

The former Spain manager said he was "100 percent" sure of his decision.

"It doesn't mean this is irreversible, but I took the best decision for the team and that is why I signed here, to create a team that has a strong identity and has a lot of character," he added.

Asked to explain the altercation with Ousmane Dembele, Luis Enrique replied: "I am very honest and I will be honest, but I am not going to create a soap opera out of this."

"There are no problems between us. That is completely false. This is simply about the responsibilities of the player."

Without the in-form Ousmane Dembele, who has four goals and as many assists

in six league games this season, PSG will rely more heavily on Bradley Barcola.

Barcola is the leading scorer in the French top flight this season with six goals, two of which came in the victory over Rennes.

Luis Enrique praised Arsenal boss Mikel Arteta, hailing his former Barcelona team-mate as one of the best managers in world football.

"He is one of the best coaches on the market at the moment," he said. "He changed Arsenal's fortunes from a somewhat winless streak to one of the best teams in the world that is competing for titles."

"I would go as far as to say they are the best team in Europe playing without the ball. He is a great coach and a great person."

Mahnoor Defeats Sister to Claim 6th International Title at Danish Junior Open Squash Championship 2024



Sports Desk

LAHORE: Pakistan's youngest emerging squash talent, 11-year-old Mahnoor Ali, has made yet another remarkable mark by claiming the prestigious Danish Junior Squash Championship title in the Girls Under-13 category, dominating the final and winning gold with a convincing 11-3, 11-3, 11-2 victory held in Copenhagen, Denmark.

None of this would have been possible without the strong support of the Bilquis and Abdul Razak Dawood (BARD) Foundation, which has consistently stood by her side, enabling her to excel in every competition. Their dedication has always played an important role in her development, equipping her with the skills and confidence needed to face even greater challenges that lie ahead in her journey.

Presenting her impressive skills, Mahnoor triumphed over her sister, Schrish Ali, with a commanding performance, winning in straight games. Her elder sister also claimed third place in the tournament, making it a true family success as all the sisters returned home with medals.

This victory not only highlights Mahnoor's exceptional talent and potential but also shows the spirit of healthy competition within the family.

Abdul Razak Dawood, the driving force behind the foundation says, "Mahnoor has once again proven to be a source of real pride for all of us. Her persistence, dedication and exceptional achievements show that she knows no limits when it comes to making her mark on behalf of our country. As a young girl, her determination and passion have allowed her to break barriers and set new standards, indicating that there is no boundary she cannot cross when it comes to achieving greatness."

This immensely brilliant girl has continually brought pride to both the foundation and the nation, amassing an impressive collection of 15 medals and 5 international titles so far. This latest victory only adds to her growing list of remarkable achievements, further building up her status as a rising star.

Mehreen Dawood expresses her gratitude and says, "Our sponsorships are not confined to specific sports; we welcome anyone who demonstrates courage, capability, and passion. The core mission of our foundation is to uplift today's generation and countless others in the future, ensuring that no talented child is left without opportunity. By doing so, we strive to seize every chance to elevate the image of our country, making sure that no potential goes unnoticed or unfulfilled."

PCB assigns key roles to Champions Cup mentors

FAISALABAD: The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) has assigned



key roles to the mentors of the Champions Cup at various academies across the country.

The five mentors, appointed by the PCB, will oversee player development at high-performance centres in different cities.

According to a PCB source, Sarfaraz Ahmed will work at the Karachi academy, Shoaib Malik in Sialkot, and Waqar Younis at the Lahore academy.

Saqlain Mushtaq has been assigned to the Multan academy, while Misbah-ul-Haq will take charge of the Faisalabad academy.

The source revealed that these mentors were hired on lucrative contracts ahead of the Champions Cup's commencement. The mentors will not only work during tournaments but will remain engaged with the PCB throughout the year, contributing to various cricketing activities.

The development comes as the domestic tournament has concluded. Panthers claimed the first title for the Champions One-Day Cup, beating Markhors by five wickets in the final game on Sunday at the Iqbal Stadium in Faisalabad.

Bangladesh thrash Pakistan in Women's T20 World Cup warm-up match

A Sports

DUBAI: Shorna Akter backed her quickfire cameo with two wickets and propelled Bangladesh to a comfortable 23-run victory over Pakistan in the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024 warm-up fixture here on Monday.

Set to chase 141, Pakistan's batting unit skidded for a meagre 117 in 18.4 overs despite an anchoring knock by Omaidha Sohail.

The Green Shirts had a shaky start to their innings as they lost opener Muneeba Ali (11) in the second over with just 13 runs on

the board.

Sidra Amin then joined Gull Feroza for a brief 24-run partnership for the second wicket before both perished in quick succession, reducing Pakistan to 42/3 in 7.1 overs.

Coming out to bat at No.5, Omaidha Sohail offered notable grit with her anchoring knock, which culminated in the 18th over. Omaidha remained the top-scorer for Pakistan with a run-a-ball 33, which included three fours.

The right-handed batter was involved in an important 33-run partnership with skipper Fatima

Sana, who made a 12-ball 17.

For Bangladesh, Marufa Akter, Fahima Khatun, Rabeya Khan and Shorna Akter bagged two wickets each while Nahida Akter made one scalp.

Opting to bat first, Bangladesh registered a commendable total of 140/7 in the allotted 20 overs, courtesy of a crucial sixth-wicket partnership between Ritu Moni and Shorna.

The duo bolstered Bangladesh's total by adding a brisk 36 runs off just 16 deliveries.

The important partnership culminated with Moni's dismissal in the penultimate over while

Shorna carried her bat all the way through and top-scored for Bangladesh with a 17-ball 28 with the help of three fours.

Earlier, right-handed opener Shathi Rani gave Bangladesh a head start with a blistering 23 off 16, laced up with five fours.

Sadia Iqbal was the standout bowler for Pakistan with two wickets, while Diana Baig, Nida Dar, Tuba Hassan and Omaidha Sohail struck out one batter apiece.

Pakistan's 23-run defeat against Bangladesh marked their second in the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024 warm-up matches



as they succumbed to an eight-wicket defeat against Scotland on Saturday.

Office of the Deputy Prime

ISLAMABAD: DPM/FM Muhammad Ishaq Dar chaired a meeting to assess the preparations for the 23rd SCO CHG. The Foreign Secretary & officials from relevant ministries attended.



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Pakistan Navy and Qatar Emiri Navy Conduct Bilateral Exercise Asad Al Bahr-III

Khurram Jaffrani

KARACHI: Pakistan Navy and Qatar Emiri Navy conducted a bilateral exercise, Asad Al Bahr-III, in the North Arabian Sea. Qatar Emiri Naval Ship AL KHOR participated in the exercise alongside Pakistan Navy Ships PNS SHAMSHEER and PNS ASLAT.

During the bilateral exercise, operations including Maritime Interdiction Operations, Search and Rescue, and Air Defence exercises were conducted. Aim of the exercise was to work out interoperability while handling various challenges in regional Maritime arena.

Conduct of bilateral exercise like Asad Al Bahr-III will not only help in harnessing interoperability with respect to joint operations between



both regional Navies but also mushroom avenues of bilateral defence ties. Conduct of joint exercises with regional Navies is a manifestation of

PN's resolve of handling traditional and nontraditional challenges in Maritime domain so as to ensure safety and security of seafarers in the region.

Jam Kamal Khan assures support to Sarhad Chamber, pledges trade-friendly policies

Commerce Desk

ISLAMABAD: In a virtual meeting with the Sarhad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCCI), Federal Minister for Commerce, Jam Kamal Khan, reaffirmed the government's commitment to implementing trade-friendly policies aimed at boosting industrial growth and enhancing trade volumes.

Jam Kamal Khan assured the business community of full support in addressing the challenges they face, with a focus on ensuring the growth of local industries and improving trade with Afghanistan and other neighboring countries.

During the meeting, SCCI President Fuad Ishaq raised pressing concerns about the escalating power and gas issues, which he said are gradually

leading to the closure of industries.

He also highlighted the challenge of high tariffs, which are further burdening the industrial sector.

Fuad pointed to the sharp decline in trade volume with Afghanistan. "In 2013-14, our trade with Afghanistan was valued at \$3 billion, but it has now plummeted to \$800 million," he said, underlining the significant drop.

He urged the government to address the issues surrounding transit trade and bilateral trade with Afghanistan, which are negatively impacting the local business community.

The SCCI president further advocated for the establishment of a new industrial estate to support the business community and encourage industrial expansion, which he believes is critical for revitalizing the region's economy.

Minister Jam Kamal Khan expressed the government's strong commitment to protecting and supporting the business community.

He acknowledged the challenges faced by industries due to the economic situation and pledged to take necessary steps to resolve the issues related to power, gas, and tariffs.

Regarding the declining trade with Afghanistan, the Minister emphasized the need to address the issue in order to improve access to Central Asian markets.

The virtual meeting ended with a shared understanding of the urgency to resolve the business community's challenges and to work towards sustainable solutions that would bolster industrial growth and increase Pakistan's trade footprint regionally and globally.

Building resilience, adaptive capacity of people, infrastructure vital for resilient-society

City Desk

ISLAMABAD: Coordinator to Prime Minister on Climate Change Romina Khurshid Alam said that empowering disaster-vulnerable communities with resources and skills to sustain the impacts of recurring and intensifying natural disasters in the country is crucial for reducing their vulnerability over time.

Sultan Bashir's elder brother passes away

Abdul Rashid, elder brother of senior Photo journalist Mr. Sultan Bashir, passed away. Abdul Rashid funeral prayer will be performed at H-11 Graveyard on 11 Am today. Team of Daily The Spokesman expressed their heartfelt sorrow with Mr. Sultan Bashir over the sad demise of his brother. They have prayed to Almighty God to grant the departed soul a high place in paradise and give fortitude and patience to the members of the bereaved family.

Mushaal denounces farcical elections in IIOJK, demands justice for Kashmiris

City Desk

ISLAMABAD: Mushaal Hussein Mullick, wife of jailed senior Hurriyat leader Mohammad Yasin Malik, strongly rejected the notorious Indian government's stage drama of holding sham elections in the occupied Kashmir and urged the legal fraternity to play their proactive role to expose the Indian fraud at global stage.

Speaking at an event organised by the Islamabad Bar Association titled "Farcical Elections IIOJK and the way forward", she vehemently condemned the sham elections in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK) and manipulation of demographic landscapes of the occupied valley by unlawfully



issuing a large number of domiciles to settlers.

She denounced that the fascist Indian government deployed additional troops in the occupied valley to terrify and compel people to take part in fake elections.

Mushaal, who is also a Chairperson of Peace and Culture Organisation, dubbed the farcical elections in IIOJK as a blatant attempt to legitimize India's illegal occupation and suppress the Kashmiri people's right to self-determination.

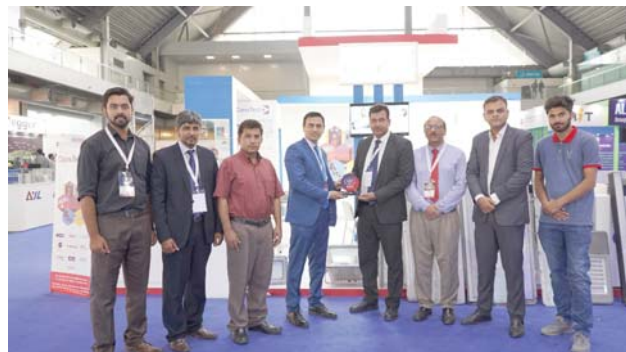
Interview of Zaheer Ahmad, Director Marketing, ConsTech Services International, Lahore

ConsTech will launch its own Brand with the name of 'CrystalLED' for Smart LED Lighting Products on the Event of Pakistan Energy Exhibition & Conference PEEC 2024



Mr. Zaheer Ahmad, Director Marketing, ConsTech.

Zaheer Ahmad, the Director Marketing in ConsTech Services International, Lahore, said in an interview that I started my career in 2000 working in Electrical and E&I Firms while in 2010 I started my own business with the name of ConsTech Services International in Lahore (Pakistan). Talked about the clients, Zaheer said, we have major clients in Oil & Gas sector, Power, Fertilizers, Chemicals & Oil Refinery Sectors but we have coverage of all industrial sectors in Pakistan including Sugar, Cement, Paper, Manufacturing, Hospitals and Textile Sectors. ConsTech is an Importer of Explosion Proof and Industrial Electrical Products mainly LED Lights, Junction Boxes & Cable Glands, plug receptacles, cable lugs, fuses and surge protection devices are our main



Mr. Zaheer Ahmad is receiving PEEC Shield from Mr. Atif Zeeshan of Event Organizer Company of PEEC.



Mr. Zaheer Ahmad is giving the briefing to Foreign Visitors on Explosion Proof Products.

products and we are planning to start manufacturing LED Lights in Pakistan. The response from our customers is excellent and once they become our customer, they remain loyal with ConsTech due to our after sales services and good reputation in the market. He thanked his clients to trust his company for their projects. Zaheer throws light on his plan-

ning to set up a factory for manufacturing of High Quality LED Lights to operate with smart applications without access of contacts, microphone and gallery of smart phones. He said we will also manufacture Flood Lights, LED Street Lights, LED Linear Lights, LED Motion Sensor Lamps E27 & LED A60 Lamps E27 with 3-CCT for domestic & commercial use.



Mr. Zaheer Ahmad, with Ex-Governor Punjab Muhammad Baligh-Ur-Rehman, who took keen interest in IOT based LED Lighting Products of ConsTech Stall.

He further said that our products save the cost of electricity bills and reduce energy costs, because we use high quality LED Chips & LED Drivers with higher lumens output, starting from 130 up to 200 lumens per watt and excellent power factor and Aluminum heat sink for long life of the products. He is expecting better future of Pakistan Solar Association as Solar Power is emerging technology sector in Pakistan because customers are installing Solar System to their Home and Factories and they want to produce their own electricity with less per unit cost on long terms basis.

He expressed his vows to overcome High electricity bills wisely and have to add smart LED Lighting solutions in every sector of the economy and DC Inverter Technology in Air Conditioning

& Refrigeration Industry. We should use new technology

which consume less power instead of old conventional technology. He said we should also use application based smart Soft Starters and smart Variable Speed Drives in every industry of the economy. He said PEEC provides a platform for awareness and can play a vital role in promotion of solar awareness and to cut the energy cost for their future projects and if they use smart technology as per recommendation and discussions in the PEEC Conference during the 3rd to 5th October 2024 at Expo Center, Lahore. He said we highly recommend Engineers Consultants, Decision Makers and Industry players to attend this 3-Days Pakistan Energy Exhibition and Conference (PEEC) and visit ConsTech Stand and we will explain smart



Mr. Zaheer Ahmad with ConsTech team at their stand in Expo Center, Lahore during Pakistan Energy Exhibition & Conference.

LED Lighting Products which can enhance the decorum of the places with less loads to improve the battery back up time from Solar Installations. At last he said

that ConsTech will also launch their own Brand with the name of "CrystalLED" for Smart LED Lighting Products at PEEC at Expo Center Lahore.



Customers are taking keen interest in ConsTech Quality Lighting Products during the Pakistan Energy Exhibition & Conference, 2023.



Mr. Zaheer Ahmad with ConsTech Team at PEEC Exhibition, 2023.



ConsTech deals in Explosion Proof & Industrial Type LED Lights, Junction Boxes JBS Local Control Stations LCS Distribution Boards DBS, Cable Glands, Plug Receptacles Fuses, Surge Protection Devices & Smart LED Lighting with brand name of CrystalLED



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