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economic, social, and political challenges. This is evidenced by his urging political parties to put

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Ahsan Iqbal says March 23 one of most important days in Pakistan **Movement history**

NAROWAL: A grand ceremony of Pakistan Day was held at the DC Complex Narowal, where Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Ahsan Iqbal and Deputy Commissioner Narowal unfurled the flag.

The national flag was saluted by the police, civil defence and rescue teams. Chairman CM Initiatives and Member Provincial Assembly Rana Manan, District Police Officer (DPO) Malik Naveed, Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Revenue Muhammad Azeem Shaukat and officers of various departments also participated in the ceremony.

Later, Ahsan Iqbal, while talking to the media, said March 23 is one of the most important days in the Pakistan Movement history. On that day, the Muslims of South Asia dreamed of getting an independent country under the leadership of Quaid-e-Azam. At that time, they were severely lacking in resources. They neither had the resources nor the political power, but they had determination, courage and desire. In seven years, they got a separate homeland under the leadership of Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, he added. The minister said that today Pakistan has everything, resources, manpower, government and budget and "if we are a backward country in the world, it is a matter of grave concern.

"We need determination so that we can put our beloved country on the path to development." He said, "Let us pledge as our forefathers pledged on March 23, 1940, that we will have a n independent country. Let us pledge today that by 2047, when Pakistan completes 100 years of independence, we will make Pakistan a leading economy and will make Pakistan the most prominent country in the world.' He said" "With all these resources, the entire nation needs determination and a true hard work for it. If the entire nation is united, then we can achieve this goal," he added. He said "each of us should play our part in the development of Pakistan." APP



WASHINGTON DC: Ambassador Masood Khan hoisting national flag on Pakistan Dayat the Embassy of Pakistan. APP



ISLAMABAD: President of Pakistan Asif Ali Zardari , Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif and Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee along with Tri-Services Chiefs at Pakistan Day Parade 2024. APP

Nation celebrates Pakistan Day 2024 with impressive military parade

VOM Report

ISLAMABAD: The nation is celebrating Pakistan Day 2024 on Saturday with a renewed pledge to work hard for the progress and stability of the country.

The main feature of the day was the grand parade in Islamabad where contingents of three armed forces and other security forces conducted a march past in a show of military might. Air Chief Marshal Zaheer Ahmed Babar Sidhu led the flypast which included the J-10C and F-7PG fighter aircraft.

Different aircraft and helicopters belonging to the Pakistan Navy, Pakistan Air Force, and Army Aviation demonstrated aerobatic feats for the audience present at the Parade Ground while skydivers of airborne units also demon-

Later, the parade showcased the local cultures of the four provinces. Saudi Defence Minister Prince Khalid bin Salman Al Saud was the guest of honour in today's event while the contingents of China and Azerbaijan also featured

President Asif Zardari, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, and all the services chiefs were present

The day marks the adoption of the historic Lahore Resolution on this day in 1940 which provided a framework for the realisation of the goal of a separate homeland for Muslims of South Asia. The day dawned with a 31-gun salute in the federal capital and a 21-gun salute in provincial capitals.

Special prayers were offered in mosques after Fajr prayer for the prosperity and solidarity of the country. The national flag was hoisted on



major government buildings.

Air Vice Marshal Tariq Mahmood was the chief guest at the ceremony held at Iqbal's mausoleum in Lahore where Pakistan Airforce troops took over guard duty from Chenab

President Asif Ali Zardari began his speech by welcoming Saudi Arabia's Minister of Defence Prince Khalid bin Salman Khalid Bin Aziz, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, members of parliament, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee General Sahir Shamshad Mirza, and parade commander.

President Zardari, in his address, said that March 23 holds national importance as on this day, Muslims of the subcontinent demanded a separate nation for themselves.

"Today, we pay homage to leaders, martyrs and ghazis who sacrificed their lives for indepen-

dence," said the president, adding that the Pakistani nation, from its independence till today, has gone through ups and downs.

"Despite the difficulties, we developed in different areas including defence, agriculture, education, health, and technology," he mentioned. The president said that Pakistan is a strong country in terms of defence and the country's armed forces are always ready for the nation. Speaking about the issues being faced by the nation, Zardari said that the country is facing economic, social and political challenges, as well as increasing population, climate change, education and poverty.

He added that Pakistan went through a successful electoral phase to elect a democratic government, adding that it was now everyone's responsibility to solve these issues together.

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Saudi Defence Minister thanks **COAS** for inviting at Pakistan **Day Parade**



RAWALPINDI: Minister of Defence, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Prince Khalid bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud on Saturday attended the Pakistan Day Parade and thanked Army Chief, General Syed Asim Munir for inviting him as Guest of Honour at the occasion. The Minister of Defence of Saudi Arabia received a warm welcome on his arrival at Noor Khan Air Base specially participated in the Joint Services Pakistan Day Parade of the Armed Forces as Guest of Honour, an Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) news release said.

Upon arrival at the Parade, Defence Minister Khawaja Muhammad Asif and Army Chief General Syed Asim Munir welcomed Prince Khalid bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud. After the witnessing the Parade, Prince Khalid bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud met the Army Chief. In the meeting, matters of mutual interest, promotion of bilateral relations and increasing cooperation in various fields, especially defence were discussed.

On this occasion, the Minister of Defence of Saudi Arabia said, "Saudi Arabia-Pakistan have historical and strong brotherly relations, Saudi Arabia and Pakistan have always been well-wishers of each other." The Army Chief thanked the Defence Minister of Saudi Arabia for visiting Pakistan. After a successful one-day visit to Pakistan, Saudi Arabia's Defence Minister Prince Khalid bin Salman bin Abdulaziz returned back to the Kingdom. Before the departure, Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Syed Asim Munir greeted Prince Khalid bin Salman from Noor Khan Air Base. PR

PM, FM strongly condemn Moscow terror attack

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar on Saturday strongly condemned the terrorist attack in Moscow, Russia, last night which resulted in loss of many lives and injuries to several others.

On X, the prime minister, while strongly condemning the heinous attack in Moscow, extended heartfelt condolences to the families of the victims.

"Pakistan stands with Russia at this difficult time," he further posted. Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar, on his X account, strongly condemned the dastardly terrorist attack in Moscow and prayed for the victims and their families. "At this hour of national tragedy, Pakistan stands in solidarity with the people and Government of the Russian Federation," he further added. APP

Tarar urges devotion to build an ideal, strong, prosperous Pakistan

VOM Report



ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for nformation Broadcasting Attaullah Tarar on Saturday emphasized the collective efforts to transform Pakistan into

ideal, strong and prosperous nation. Speaking on Pakistan Day, he urged everyone to channel their efforts towards this common goal.

Highlighting the significance of Pakistan Day, Tarar recalled how the Pakistan Resolution of 1940 laid the foundation for the nation's independence. This resolution, passed during the annual meeting of the All India Muslim League in Lahore, became a pivotal moment in the struggle for a separate homeland for Muslims

in the subcontinent. The minister underscored the historical importance of the Pakistan Resolution, stating that it infused a renewed sense of purpose and unity among Muslims, spurring them to persevere in their quest for independence. He paid homage to the sacrifices made by leaders like Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, whose vision and determination led to the creation of Pakistan on August 14, 1947. On Pakistan Day, the information minister urged the nation to commemorate the struggles of its forebearers and commit to upholding their legacy. He reminded Pakistanis of the preciousness of their hard-won independence and urged them to contribute towards making the country stronger and more developed. Calling for unity, Tarar urged people to set aside their differences and work together as a cohesive nation. He emphasized that Pakistan's progress hinges on the collective efforts of its citizens and encouraged every Pakistani to play their part in advancing the nation's prosperity and well-being.

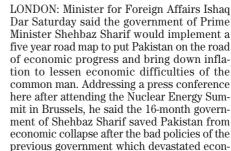
President Zardari confers awards on soldiers, officers of **Pakistan Armed Forces**



President Asif Ali Zardari on Saturday conferred military awards on the officers and soldiers of Pakistan Army, Navy and Air Force, according to a statement issued by the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) on

1 Sitara-i-Basalat, 135 Tamgha-i-Basalat, 45 Imtiazi Asnad, 148 COAS Commendation Cards, 23 Hilal-i-Imtiaz (Military), 109 Sitara-i-Imtiaz (Military) and 137 Tamgha-i-Imtiaz (Military) were awarded to officers and soldiers, the military's media wing said.

Govt to implement five year road map for economic progress: FM



omy of the country.

He said Pakistan had vision for nuclear energy since 1960s and despite the scrutiny of the world it continued to harness the benefits of

"Now the world is saying that nuclear and hydro energy are the safest and best for taking on the challenge of climate change.

He said the previous governments of Pakistan Muslim League(N) completed various nuclear



projects and 3800 megawatts of electricity were added to the national grid.

While representing Pakistan at the recent nuclear energy summit in Brussels, the FM said he called for aggressive financing from the international financial institutions and multilateral institutions. "Nuclear energy is expensive but is environment friendly and the world needs it. We are ready to share our expertise with the global community," he added.

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Armed Forces show military prowess witnessed by Saudi Defence Minister, diplomats

ISLAMABAD: The Armed Forces on Saturday demonstrated military prowess marking the 85th Pakistan Day on Saturday in the grand joint services parade witnessed by Defence Minister of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Prince Khalid Bin Salman Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud as the guest of honour and members of the diplomatic corps of the friendly countries.

The theme for this year's Pakistan Day Parade was "Long Live Pakistan" that included foreign military contingents of friendly countries of China and Azerbaijan with the latter participating for the first time in the National Day Parade. The Commander in Chief of the Country, President Asif Ali Zardari was the chief guest on the occasion.

The morning began with special prayers for the country and a 31-Gun salute in the federal capital and 21-Gun salute in all the

provincial capitals The Rangers Exhibition Drill Squad (REDS) using 303 silver coated rifles commenced the parade with enthralling per-



formance followed by the drum solos performed by military bands.

The flag bearing contingent entered the parade venue marching in a unique style practically depicting the Quaid's motto of faith, unity, and discipline.

Prime Minister Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif entered the Parade venue, escorted by the smartly turned-out Core of Military Police contingent led by Major Qasim. The military welcoming committee welcomed the Prime Minister.

The trumpeters ushered the arrival of the President into the Parade Venue who was mounted in the traditional Presidential Chariot escorted by the President's Guards riding brilliant black, white and brown horses holding spears and swords

by its Commandant Colonel Ayaz Ahmed at the left and Adjutant Major Shah Zaman Ali on the right of the Chariot. President Guards have the honour to be

the security contingent of the President, whereas Father of the Nation, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah presented them the national flag by his hand which is hoisting at the Quarter Guard of the the senior most unit of the Armoured Corps, and has this unique feather in its cap of presenting Guard of Honour to the Father of the Nation and all the Heads of the country so far.

Battalion. The President Body Guard is

The Welcome Committee welcomed the President who was joined by Chief of the Army Staff, General Syed Asim Munir, Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee, General Saher Shamshad Mirza, Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral, Naveed Ashraf, and the Vice Chief of the Air Staff, Air Marshal Hamid Rashid Randhawa and Defence Minister Khawaja

Muhammad Asif. The Presidential Salute was presented to the Chief Guest by the Parade and national anthem was played which was participated by all the spectators and parade contingents.

The parade commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran by Lieutenant Talat Shehzad of Pakistan Navy. The verses focused on commandments of Allah Almighty while fighting the enemy forces to remain steadfast and obey the Almighty and His Prophet P.B.U.H. and avoid conflict within as it will make them coward and persevere as Allah is with those who observe patience.

Parade Commander Brigadier Shehzad Ali Arshad of 39 Azad Kashmir Regiment sought permission to the President for the review of the Parade.

The Parade review witnessed the marching columns of the Punjab Regiment, infantry's second most senior Baloch Regiment, Frontier Force (FF) Regiment, Azad Kashmir Regiment, Sindh Regiment, Norther Light Infantry Regiment, Mujahid Regiment, Pakistan Navy, Flag bearing contingent, Pakistan Air Force (PAF) contingent, Frontier Corps Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP), Pakistan Rangers Sindh, Pakistan Police contingent comprising KP Police, Gilgit Baltistan Scouts, Tri Services Lady Officers contingent, and the Special Services Group (SSG). APP

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Information is power

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he key factors for a nation to achieve self-sustained growth, prosperity, and international respect include sovereignty, rule of law, transparency, accountability, inclusive economic development, and modernization through digitization. Since its formation in 1947, Pakistan has faced challenges in asserting its sovereignty and has suffered from unconstitutional governance, leading to political and economic instability. The country has also experienced a lack of transparency, accountability, and efficiency in governance, with significant neglect of the Right to Information (RTI) laws. Inclusive eco-

nomic development, emphasizing comprehensive education and advanced skills for the entire population, is crucial. The digitization of government and economic processes is also essential, improving efficiency and ensuring equitable benefits of governance and development across society. In compliance with Article 19A of the constitution, as amended by the 18th Amendment, the provinces have each introduced their own RTI legislations. These laws are designed to reflect the unique governance needs of each province while upholding the transparency and accountability principles mandated by Article 19A.

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Punjab led the initiative, both enacting their RTI laws in 2013. This movement toward greater transparency was further embraced by Sindh and Balochistan, with Sindh adopting its Transparency and Right to Information Act in 2016, and Balochistan introducing its own version in 2021.

Among these, the RTI law enacted by Sindh stands out for its comprehensive approach to ensuring transparency across the board. Information commissions have been set up across Pakistan, with the exception of Balochistan, though the caretaker Balochistan cabinet approved the formation of an information commission in October 2023, to enforce transparency laws, along with a federal information commission in Islamabad for federal matters. However, these commissions have struggled to effectively enforce transparency laws, contributing to ongoing issues with corruption, lack of accountability, and inefficiency in governance. This ineffectiveness highlights a significant disconnect between the intent of legislative measures for transparency and their actual application, emphasizing the need for

After 18th Amendment, the provinces have each introduced their own RTI legislations

substantial reforms to ensure genuine empowerment of citizens and accountability in governance systems. Moreover, the judiciary, including judges of superior courts, has been slow to grasp the significance of RTI laws, with a notable shift only after a Supreme Court judgment in 2023 that brought heightened awareness but not a comprehensive understanding of these laws' potential. Despite this, the Supreme Court has recognized the applicability of the RTI act to federal courts and the constitutional obligation to provide information under Article 19A, pointing towards a gradual recognition of the importance of transparency laws, while indicating the extensive journey ahead in embedding these principles across all levels of governance and the judicial system. Despite the significant potential of RTI legislation in Pakistan for transforming governance through transparency and accountability, their true value

remains largely unrecognized by the judiciary, government officials, and various sectors of society. Most view these acts merely as means for retrieving information, missing their profound implications for proactive disclosure by public bodies and the broader governance landscape. These laws, foundational to democracy and backed by Article 19A of the constitution, mandate, that public entities proactively publish information, aiming to reduce the need for individual requests.

While progress has been made in implementing these acts, achieving a fully transparent and accountable governance framework requires further efforts. Enhancing law enforcement, increasing public awareness of these rights, and encouraging collective action among government, civil society, and citizens are essential steps toward realizing the full promise of the RTI laws in fostering an open, accountable, and informed Pakistani society.

It is valuable to examine Section 6 of 'The Sindh Transparency and Right to Information Act, 2016' to fully appreciate the profound potential these acts hold for enhancing good gover-

nance and empowering citizens.

The provisions enshrined in Sections 5 and/or 6 of both federal and provincial legislations. If these sections were to be fully enacted and embraced in their entirety, corruption could be significantly diminished, if not utterly eradicated. This implementation would empower the people, and establish a foundation of transparency and accountability, greatly enhancing the efficiency of government and affiliated offices

It is imperative for the judiciary of Pakistan to take decisive steps towards enforcing these laws within the court systems. Such enforcement would compel the government, both directly and indirectly, to uphold these laws, thereby empowering the citizens. This critical move is essential for breaking free from the perpetual cycle of governance and economic crises that have beleaguered the nation.

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he European Parliament last week passed the Artificial Intelligence Act, which is viewed as the world's first comprehensive law to define the legal aspects of AI. It provides for EU-wide regulations in reference to quality of data, transparency, human oversight and accountability. The law will apply to the providers and developers of all AI systems that are marketed or used within the EU, regardless of whether they are based inside or outside the bloc. Therefore, it will have implications for the use of AI in

The act will impose fines on any company or group violating its rules. The exact amount will be a percentage of the global annual revenue that AI generates. The European AI law is being defended as not stifling innovation. Quite the opposite, in fact, as small and medium-sized enterprises will be adopting AI techniques. This will enhance innova-

The European law on AI squares well with the main scope of AI, which is to achieve a competitive advantage in e-commerce. This will be gained in the processes of manufacturing, managing human resources, fostering customer relations and promoting advertisements and marketing. In other words, enterprises' performance will be raised and this can increase profits, lower costs, save time, better collect data and reduce produc-

EU's world-first AI law to reverberate in America

tion and distribution errors, among other advantages.

The political history of the new act began in April 2021. It was the culmination of negotiations between the Council of the European Union and the European Parliament. Agreement on the text was reached in December 2023. Last week's vote in the European Parliament turned that political consensus into law.

Most of its bylaws will enter into force two years after its introduction. However, any provision that

humans' vulnerabilities.

The law is a direct response to the proposals submitted by average European citizens to the Conference on the Future of Europe in 2021-22. Many of their concerns centered on how to boost the European economic advantage in a few strategic economic sectors. They wanted to improve their ability to access information and data regardless of any particular trait or ethnic, political or religious affiliation.

The European AI Office will now has to do with the application of be founded. It will function accord-

have condemned it. The Access Now organization issued a state ment saying: "The new AI Act is littered with concessions to industry lobbying, exemptions for the most dangerous uses of AI by law enforcement and migration authorities, and prohibitions so full of

loopholes that they don't actually

ban some of the most dangerous

uses of AI.

On the other hand, the UN General Assembly is studying many draft texts as it seeks to announce a statement that can be a general declara-

tion of humankind's use of AI. Finally, the European AI Act will have a great impact on any company doing business in the EU. Every American company must review its AI systems before they are used in

This reviewing process could be costly and time-consuming. And American businesses cannot rely on US law because there is no federal legislation that allows or bans certain AI policies. The US government and private sector companies have no other option but to abide by the

European law. The only American alternative to this law would be to rely on state laws and regulations governing privacy in the US. But this would be a very short-sighted approach as far as AI laws in America are concerned. Therefore, the Europeans are far ahead of any other nation or group of nations in providing guarantees on how to use AI the right way.

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The act will abolish several AI applications that are considered to be a threat to the rights of citizens

prohibited AI systems will be ing to the European Commission's enforced within six months of its signing into law. In addition, any of its stipulations in reference to generative AI will be enforced after one

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cations that are considered to be a threat to the rights of citizens. These are related to biometric categorization systems that originate from sensitive characteristics. This will also deal with the practice of untargeted scraping of facial images by the internet or in CCTV. Such a practice aims to create a facial recognition database. These AI applications will be forbidden, in addition to the techniques that AI employs to control emotion recognition. These methods are considered manipulative of behavior and exploit

rather offer guidance on how European countries can best utilize AI and its capabilities. It promises not to discriminate against any European government or organization using this technology. However, political observers will not rule out a potential conflict involving this office and European entities since the implementation of AI involves complex processes and procedures and they can lead to many conflicts of interest among the people employing them.

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individual member states. It will

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Today in History

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History of Pakistan

The story of history of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan began on 14 August 1947 when the country came into being in the form of Dominion of Pakistan within the British Commonwealth as the result of Pakistan Movement and the partition of India. While the history of the Pakistani Nation according to the Pakistan government's official chronology started with the Islamic rule over Indian subcontinent by Muhammad bin Qasim[1] which reached its zenith during Mughal Era. In 1947, Pakistan consisted of West Pakistan (today's Pakistan), East Pakistan (today's Bangladesh) and Hyderabad (now in India) The President of All-India Muslim League and later the Pakistan Muslim League, Muhammad Ali Jinnah became Governor-General while the secretary general of the Muslim League, Liaquat Ali Khan became Prime Minister. The

an Islamic democratic country. Pakistan faced a civil war and Indian military intervention in 1971 resulting in the secession of East

Pakistan as the new country of Bangladesh. The country has also unresolved territorial disputes with India, resulting in four conflicts. Pakistan was closely tied to the United States in Cold War. In the Afghan-Soviet War, it supported the Sunni Mujahideens and played a vital role in the defeat of Soviet Forces and forced them to withdraw from Afghanistan. The country continues to face challenging problems including terrorism, poverty, illiteracy, corruption and political instability. Terrorism due to War of Afghanistan damaged the country's economy and infrastructure to a great extent from 2001 to 2009 but Pakistan is once again developing.

Pakistan is a nuclear power as well as a declared nuclear-weapon state, having conducted six nuclear tests in response to five nuclear tests of their rival Republic of India in May 1998. The first five tests were conducted on 28 May and the sixth one on 30 May. With this status, Pakistan is seventh in world, second in South Asia and the only country in the Islamic World. Pakistan also has the sixth-largest standing armed forces in the world and is spending a major amount of its budget on defense. Pakistan is the founding member of the OIC, the SAARC and the Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition as well as a member of many international organisations including the UN, the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, the Commonwealth of Nations, the ARF, the Economic Cooperation Organization and

Pakistan is a regional and middle power which is ranked among the emerging and growth-leading economies of the world and is backed by one of the world's largest and fastest-growing middle class. It has a semi-industrialized economy with a well-integrated agriculture sector. It is one of the Next Eleven, a group of eleven countries that, along with the BRICs, have a high potential to become the world's largest economies in the 21st century. Many economists and think tanks become Asian Tiger and CPEC will play an important role in it.

Geographically, Pakistan is also an important country and a source of contact between Middle East, Central Asia, South Asia and East Asia.

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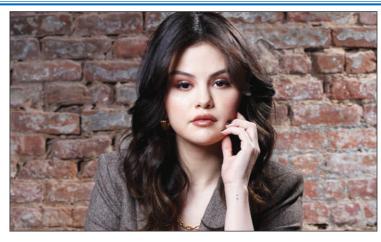
Selena Gomez all set for Wizards of Waverly Place sequel series

Selena Gomez will reprise her role in the upcoming series

Selena Gomez is back with a Wizards of Waverly Place sequel series. According to Deadline, Selena will reportedly reprise her role as Alex Russo in the sequel and also serve as an executive producer.

Interestingly, the Only Murders in the Building actress will also have a reunion with her on-screen brother David Henrie, who will play the role of Justin Russo in the upcoming series. The outlet reported that the production will start in April in Los Angeles and the show is going to release later this year on the Disney Channel and

For the unversed, Selena rose to fame with her role in the hit show, Wizards



of Waverly Place was a hit show that

ran between 2007 and 2012 In a statement shared via DailyMail, Ayo Davis, president of Disney Branded Television, said, "Wizards of Waverly Place captivated hearts with its spellbinding adventures and big laughs, creating unforgettable memories for kids and families everywhere." "We can't wait to step back into the magical world of Wizards, inviting longtime fans and a new generation to experience the enchantment alongside Selena, David, and our incredible cast and crew. added Ayo. Meanwhile, on the personal front, Selena, who is in romantic relationship with music producer Benny Blanco, spoke on Smartless podcast.

T Coronae Borealis: When to watch 'once-in-a-lifetime nova star system explosion

In a rare cosmic explosion called Nova, spectators will get a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to watch the birth of a new star in our milky way, NBC News reported.

This rare "nova outburst", roughly occurs once every 80 years and was last seen in 1946. The eruption will occur in the T Coronae Borealis system, also known as T CrB, which is 3,000 light years away from the Earth. The T Coronae Borealis system consists of a dying star —red giant and a smaller white dwarf star, which has been stealing matter from the dying star.

The two stars are so close in proximity that the hydrogen being released from the red star is constantly spilling into the white dwarf, building pressure and heat, ultimately triggering an eruption.

According to Bradley Schaefer, a professor



emeritus of physics and astronomy at Louisiana State University, at its peak, "It's going to be bright in the sky, so it'll be easily visible from your backyard.

Astronomers predict that the nova explosion could happen anytime between now and September and it will be so bright that it will be visible to the naked eye and will likely remain for a few days.

A Health

You need to cook broccoli this way if you want to avoid cancer

Due to its high levels of a particularly beneficial compound called sulforaphane, broccoli has gained a reputation as an excellent vegetable in recent years.

It's no wonder that broccoli pills are on the rise, with some early-stage studies showing how this compound plays a role in blood sugar control and potentially even has anti-cancer benefits, according to Science Alert.

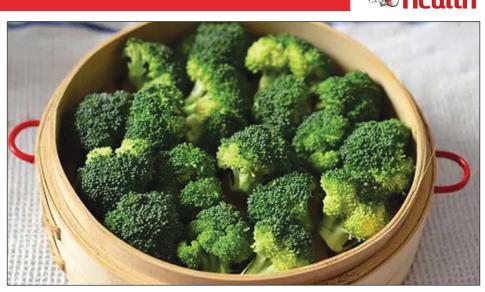
A team of Chinese researchers decided to try and find the best way to cook broccoli, when a 2011 study showed that eating the whole vegetable gets you more sulforaphane than taking a supple-

They then reached at a clear winner, publishing their results in 2018 in the Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry, however, it's still a tough sell if you have better things to do with your time. The vegetable contains several compounds called glucosinolates, as sulforaphane doesn't just sit there in the broccoli florets, ready to be

Common broccoli cooking methods, like boiling and microwaving, seriously reduce the amount of

glucosinolates in the vegetable, as per the stud-

"Surprisingly, few methods have reported the sulforaphane concentrations in stir-fried broccoli, and to the best of our knowledge, no report has focused on sulforaphane stability in the stir-frying process," the researchers noted in their study. "Our results suggest that after cutting broccoli florets into small pieces, they should be left for about 90 minutes before cooking," the team concluded, adding that they didn't test it but thought "30 minutes would also be helpful".





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شریف نے کہا کہ بحثیت قوم غیر معمولی حالات کا

مقابله کرتے ہوئے ثابت قدمی کا مظاہرہ کرناہے،

مربوط پالیسی اصلاحات کے فریم ورک کے ساتھ

پا کستان کومضبوط معیشت بنا ئیں گے،امید ہے جلد

ملک میں مہنگائی کی موجودہ اہریر قابویالیں گے۔

ماسکو،واشنگٹن(مانیٹرنگ

دہشت گردوں نے فائرنگ کردی اوردتی بم تصنیکے جس

كسبب143 فراد ہلاك اور 140 زخى ہوگئے،

حملے میں ملوث حار افراد کو گرفتار کرلیا گیا۔غیر ملکی

خبررسال ادارے کے مطابق روس کے دارالحکومت

سکومیں فوجی وردی میں ملبوس 5 دہشت گردوں نے

روكس شي بال ميں فائرنگ كي اوردستي بموں سے حمله

یی ٹی آئی کورنمیٹی کی اسد مجید کے گرد

گھیرا تنگ کرنے کی ہدایت

کی جشتو کی جائے تو کیچھی ناممکن نہیں۔

لا مور (بيورور بورث) گورز پنجاب محمد بلنغ

آئی ایم ایف مطالبے پریکم اپریل

سے تاجروں کا اندراج ہوگا

اسلام آباد، صدر آصف زرداری، وزیراعظم شهبازشریف سعودی وزیره فاع اورخواجهآصف یوم پاکستان پریٹر کے دوران فلائی پاسٹ کامعائند کررہے ہیں

یں، جن میں اقتصادی رابطہ کمیٹی اور کابینہ کمیٹی

وزير اعظم نر اقتصادي رابطه كميثي سميت

کابیت کی7کمیٹیاں تشکیل دے سی

شہبازشریف اقتصادی رابط کمیٹی اور کا بینہ میٹی برائے توانائی کے چیئر مین ہوں گے، ای سی ت

مختاف ڈویژنوں کی طرف سے شروع کی گئی اقتصادی مالیسیوں کی ہم آ ہنگی بیغورکرے گی

حیدرآ باد،شهری فلسطین میں اسرائیلی جارحیت کیخلاف احتجاجی مظاہرہ کررہے ہیں

نے بتایا کہ دہشت گر د ہال میں موجودلوگوں برتقریبا 20

منٹ تک گولیال برساتے رہے۔روی ریسکو سروسز

نے کروکس سی مال کے تہہ خانے سے تقریبا 100

سے زائد افراد کو زکال کرفوری طبی امداد کے لیے اسپتال

روانہ کیا تاہم میڈیا رپورٹس کے مطابق فائر فائٹنگ

عملے نے آگ پر قابو یا لیا، جبکہ پیشنل گارڈ فورس حملہ

ہے، بیظلم و بربریت ہمیں آزادی کی اہمیت اور

قدر کا احساس دلاتا ہے، آج ہم اس آزاد فضاں

میں خوش اور اپنی آزادی کا احترام کررہے ہیں،

الحمداللد_ یاک فوج کے شعبہ تعلقات عامہ (آئی

الیں پی آر 🕻 کے مطابق آج مسلح افواج وطن کی

حفاظت کے عزم کا اعادہ کرتی ہیں، یا کتان کی

۔ ڈیسک)روی 📗 کیا جس کے نتیجے میں۔ 143 افراد ہلاک جب کہ 📗 ہے آ گ تیزی ہے کنسرے ہال میں پھیل گئی۔ انہوں

فائرنگ کی اوردی بم یاآ گ لگانے والا بم پھینکا جس

قومی پرچم هر قیمت پر بلندر کهیں گر

یوم پاکستان پریڈ ، لڑا کا طیا روں کی گھن گرج ، فلائی پا سٹ کا شاند ار مظاهر ہ مزارقائد پر گارڈز کی تبدیلی، علامہ اقبال کے مزار پر بھی چاق وچوبنددسته تعینات، هماری مسلح افواج ملک کے دفاع کیلئے هر وقت

شکر پڑیاں پریڈ گرانڈ میں پاکتان رینجرز کے

دستوں نے رینجرز ایگزی بیشن ڈرل کا شاندار

مظاہرہ کیا، ڈرل کے دوران رینجرز کے دستوں

نے ذہنی وجسمانی صلاحیتوں کوشاندار انداز میں

شرکا کے سامنے پیش کیا۔ آرمی سکول آف میوزک

کے دیتے نے بھی سولو ڈرم کا مظاہرہ کر کے دیکھنے

پاِ کستان سب سے پہلے ہے،عمادوسیم

كاريثائر منك واليس لين كااعلان

لا ہور (بیورور پورٹ) یا کتان کرکٹ ٹیم کے

آل راونڈر عماد وسیم اور پاکستان کرکٹ بورڈ کے

ورمیان معاملات طے یانے کے بعدآل رائڈرنے

ریٹائرمنٹ واپس لینے کا اعلان کردیا۔عمادوسیم نے

ریٹائرمنٹ واپس لینے کے بعدساجی رابطوں کی

حاصل کی جاسکے اور تجارتی خسارے پر قابو پایا جاسکے۔

وفاقی وزیر نے کہا کہ ون پلس فور ماڈل کے تحت

یا کتان میں ہرالیں ای زید کوچین کے ایک صوبے

ایک انڈسٹری گروپ کے ساتھ شراکت داری کی جائے

گی تا کتھنیکی مہارت فراہم کرنے کے لئے چین سے

السايي زيڈزون ايس ای زیڈمیں خصوصی کلسٹر زتیار

كيےجالكيس اورايس اى زيدگى ترقى كى قيادت كے لئے

نئی دہلی میں یوم یا کستان کی

يروقارتقريب، ناظم الامور

عملهاورشهر يون كي شركت

یا کتان کے موقع پر ملیوش و جذبے سے بھر پور

تُقريب كا انعقاد كيا كيا ،تقريب مين بهارت مين

يا كستانى ناظم الامور سعد احمد ورُاخِجُ اور مائى تميش

کے عملے نے شرکت کی،بردی تعداد میں عام

شهر یون , بھارت میں موجود پاکستانیون اور

سفارتی عمله مجھی تقریب تقریب میں مدعو کیا

كيا ،تقريب مين بهارت مين ياكستاني ناطم الامور

سعداحدورُ الله في في حير جم كشائي كي جبكه يا كستاني ناطم

الامورسعداحمد ورانج نة تقريب سے خطاب بھی

کیا،سعد احمد وڑا کے نے قائداعظم کی ولولہ انگیز

قیادت کوسراہا، چارج ڈی افیئر ز نے زور دیا کہ

پاکستان کی آزادی کی جدوجهد خواتین اور بچوں

سمیت لاکھوں لوگوں کی قربانیوں سے ہموار

ہوئی،مساوات اور باہمی احترام پر مبنی پرامن

بقائے باہمی پاکستان کی خارجہ پالیسی کے رہنما

اصولول کے طور پر کام کرتے ہیں

نئی دہلی(مانیٹرنگ ڈییک)نئی دہلی میں یوم

ایک سرکاری ملکیت کاانثر پرائز تیار کیاجا سکے۔

تیار،پاکستان کی سلامتی کو اپنی جان سے زیادہ عزیز رکھیں گر،صدر مملکت کا پریڈ تقریب سر خطاب سلح افواج کے سربراہان بھی شریک ہوئے۔ بیم دوست ملک آ ذرہائیجان کے فوجی دیتے بھی پریٹر والوں برسحرطاری کر دیا۔صدرمملکت آصف علی زداری نے مسلح افواج کی مشتر که مرکزی پریڈ کا میں شامل ہوئے صبح سورے اسلام آباد کے یا کتان پریڈ میں جُنگی ہتھیاروں کی نمائش کے

لا ہور (بیورور پورٹ) ملک تجر میں آج یوم یا کستان قومی جوش وجذبے سے منایا گیا، اسلام آباد میں مسلح افواج کی مشتر کہ پریڈ کا اہتمام کیا گیا۔ یوم پاکستان کی مناسبت سے آج ملک بھر میں عام تعطیل ہے اور اسلام آباد کے شکر پڑیاں گراؤنڈ میں مسلح افواج کی جانب سے مشتر کہ پریڈ كااہتمام كيا گيا جس ميں صدر پاكستان آصف على

ساتھ ساتھ پاکتان ائیرفورس کے جدیدترین طیارے فلائی پاسٹ کا مظاہرہ کیا اور فوجی دستوں نے سلامی پیش کی مسلح افواج کی پریڈد کیھنے کے

لیے عوام کی بڑی تعداد بھی شکر بڑیاں گرانڈ میں موجود رہی۔مرکزی پریڈ میں مسلح افواج کے زرداری، وزیراعظم شهباز شریف، وفاقی وزرا اور جوانوں نے مہارت کا شاندار مظاہرہ کیا، چین اور خان یونس میں اسر ائیلی فوج کی جار

حیت جاری، مزید 82فلسطینی شهید الشفا ہیپتال میں اسرائیلی حملوں میں شہید فلسطینیوں کی تعداد 140 تک جائپیجی ، 650 کوگرفتار کرلیا،اسرائیلی فوج پرحملوں کی ویڈیو جاری

غزہ (مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) اسرائیلی فوج نے سیفوٹیج جنوبی غزہ میں خان پونس میں جنگی زون کی

ے اور وہ اس واقعے کی تحقیقات کررہی ہے۔ادھ الشفا سيتنال مين اسرائيلي حملون مين شهيد فلسطینیوں کی تعداد 140 تک جا کپنچی جبکہ اسرائیلی فورسز نے 650 فلسطینیوں کو گرفتار کرلیا۔ حماس نے جوابی کارروائی کرتے ہوئے الشفا اسپتال کا محاصرہ کرنے والے اسرائیلی فوجیوں م

کوراکٹوں سےنشانہ بنایا، حماس نے اسرائیلی فوج

ویب سائٹ ایکس پراینے بیان میں کہا کہ میں پاکتان کرکٹ بورڈ کاشکر گزار ہوں جنہوں نے ميري قابليت پر اعتاد كيا اور ميں ورلڈ

> پر حملوں کی ویڈیو بھی جاری کردی۔ اسرائیلی فوج قطری نشریاتی ادارہ نے ویڈیو جاری کردی، دوسری جانب اسرائیلی فوج نے ماہ مقدس میں جارحیت

ك 2024 تك ألى 20 مين ياكتان كى نمائندگى كي ليدرستياب مول دان كاكمنا تفاكه ميل في اپنی ریٹائرمنٹ کے فیلے پرغور کیا اور میں یا کتان ئے لیے بہتر کرنے کی تھر یورکوشش کروں گا،میرے لیے پاکتان سب سے پہلے ہے۔ذرائع کے مطابق قومی ٹیم کے کپتان شاہین شاہ آفریدی نے بی ایس ایل کے بعد عماد وسیم کوفون کیا اور انہیں ریٹائرمنٹ واپس لینے کا مشورہ دیا تھا۔شاہین نے



غزہ کی پٹی کےوسطی علاقے میں واقع اسرائیلی فضائی حملے سے نتاہ مغازی مہا جربستی کامنظر

علا قائی را بطے بڑھانے سے تجارتی روابط میں اضافہ ہوگا ،احسن اقبال

حکومت پاکستان فائیو ای فریم ورک کو مستقبل کی پیش رفت سے ہم آہنگ کر نے گی ،وفاقی وزیر منصوبہ بندی اقتصادی زوز (ایس ای زیرز) کی تعیر کوتیز کرنے کے لانے کی ضرورت برزور دینا تا کہ برآمات بر بنی ترقی اسلام آباد (سٹاف رپورٹر) وفاقی وزیر منصوبہ بندی، لئے "ون پلس فور" حکمت عملی پیش کی۔احسن اقبال رقی وخصوصی اقدامات (پی ڈی اینڈ ایس آئی) پروفیسر احسن اقبال نے کہاہے کہ حکومت یا کستان فائیوای نے بتایا کہ حکومت یا کستان فائیو ای فریم ورک کو فريم ورك كو سى پيك كے تحت مستقبل كى پيش رفت روسر مرحلے میں ی پیک کے تحت مستقبل کی پیش سے ہم آہنگ کرے گی ،فائیوای فریم ورک یا نج اہم رفتسے ہم آہنگ کرنے کا ارادہ رکھتی ہے۔ گوادر پروکے مطابق انہوں نے کہا فائیوای فریم ورک پانچ اہم شعبوں برمشمل ہے، اس میں برآ مدات بر مبنی ترقی عبوں پر مشتل ہے جن میں برآمدات پر مبنی ترقی کے مطابق پروفیسر احسن اقبال

نے اپنے ایک بیان میں چین پاکستان اقتصادی شامل ہے زراعت، صنعت، آئی ٹی، کان تنی اور افرادی رابداری (سی پیک)فریم ورک کے تحت خصوصی توت کی برآمد میں پاکستان کی صلاحت کو بروئے کار بندرگاھوں کے اہم منصوبوں پر باهمى مشاورت كا فقدان

لا مور (بیورور پورٹ)سرکاری ادارول میں کی لاگت سینئے تیار کئے جانیوالی کنٹیز فرمینل میں سے باہمی مشاورت نہ ہونے سے پاکستان ریلوے اربوں رویے کی آمدنی سے محروم ہوگیا۔ ہندرگا ہوں کوار بوں رویے کی سرمار کاریٰ ریلوے کے ایک اعلی آ فیسر نے ایکسپرلیں نیوز سے جدیدترین میکنالوجی سے آ راستہ تو کیا جارہا سے بات کرتے ہوکیا کہ ابوطہمی کی سرمایہ کاری ہے مرریلوے ٹریک کے لیے ایک پائی بھی خرچ نہیں کی گئی اور نہ مشتقبل میں جھی کوئی ایسی منصوبہ بندی نظر ارہی ہے۔ملک میں محکمانہ کواڈینیشن کے شدید فقدان اور با قاعدہ پاکسی نہ ہونے کے باعث کراچی پورٹس پر کراچی گیٹ وے ٹرمینل

ٹرمینل بننے سے ہزاروں کنٹینرز کی آ مدورفت ہوگی مگرریلوےٹریک کے بغیراس امر کا انکشا**ف** سے کراچی گیٹ وےٹرمینل حال ہی میں قائم کیا گیا ہے جس میں متعلقہ محکموں نے ٹرمینل بنانے کے پراجیک میں ٹریک کی رسائی کے لئے ریلوے کوآن بورڈ لیا ہی نہیں اور نہ ہی ایک سال گزرجانے کے بعد بھی پاکتان ریلوے سے کسی

کمیٹڈ میں ابوظھی کی سرمایہ کاری سے اربوں روپے جھی قشم کی مشاورت کی گئی<mark>۔</mark>

گجرات، ڈپٹی کمشنرصفدر حسین ورک میمجر شبیر شریف شہید کنجاہ میں سہولیات کا جائزہ لے رہے ہیں

یوم پا کستان پر کراچی میں قائد اعظم میوزیم میں پرچم کشائی کی تقریب

میں قائد اعظم میوزیم میں برچم کشائی کی تقریب، مختلف سکولوں کے بچوں نے شرکت کی اور ملی نغیے پیش کیے۔ ہفتہ کو ملک بھر میں یوم یا کستان ملی جوش و <mark>م</mark> پاکستان بر کرا ہی میں قائد اعظم میوزیم میں پرچم کشائی کی تقریب ،مختلف سکولوں کے بچوں نے جذبے سے منایا گیا، دن کے آغاز پر تو پوں کی سلامی دی گئی۔ 84ویں یوم پاکستان پر پاک فوج،

لیگ(ن) کی قومی اسمبلی ومسلم لیگ(ن) شعبه

خواتین اسلام آباد کی صدر فرح ناز اکبر نے

کہاہے کہ آزادی کے لفظ کی قدرغلام قوموں سے

بہتر کوئی نہیں جانتا، یا کسّان آ زادی کی صورت

میں تخلیق ہوا ہے جو کہ ہمارے آبا وَاجداد کی وسیع

چیفی نے قوم کومبار کباد دی ۔ یوم پاکستان کے بچول نے شرکت کی اور ملی نغمے پیش کیے۔ یوم

آ زادی کےلفظ کی قدرغلام قوموں سے بہتر کوئی نہیں جانتا ،فرح ناز اکبر

یا کستان ہمارے لئے اللہ تعالیٰ کی طرف سے بہت بڑی نعمت ہے ہمیں اس نعمت کی قدر کرنی چاہئے ، پیاراوطن ہمیں تحفہ میں نہیں ملا ،رکن قومی آسمبل

قربانیوں کا متیجہ ہے، افسوس اس بات کا ہے کہ ایک علیحدہ وطن حاصل کرسکیں، پیاراوطن ہمیں تحفہ میں ثبیہ پاکستانی قائداعظم محموملی جناح کے فلسفے پڑٹل پیرا 23مار چ1940 کو قرارداد پاکستان منظوری ومالی قربانیاں دی گئیں

اسلام آباد (شی ربورٹر) یا کتان مسلم نہ ہوسکے، ہماری نوجوان پاکتان حوالے سے ہوئی اور اس کے بعد 7سال کے مختصر عرصہ میں

جدو جہد سے ناواقف ہے جو کہ ہارے لئے لھہ قائداعظم محم علی جناح کی بے مثال قیادت اور

کی تاریخ کا ایک اہم دن ہے، جب مسلمانوں خواب کوعملی تعبیر ملی، وطن کی محبت اور ملک کی

کیلئے ایک واضح منزل کی نشاند ہی کی گئی اور انہیں سالمیت واشحکام اور اسکی تقمیرو تر تی کیلئے بھریور

ایک ایباراسته بتایا گیا جس پرچل کروه اینے لئے خدمات سرانجام دینا ہماراتوی فریفنہ ہے، بید ایک علیمہ وطن حاصل کرسیں، پیاراوطن نہیں تخدیش نہیں ملااس کیلئے بیشار جائی

الربیہے۔انہوں نے کہا کہ 23مارچ یا کتان ولولہ انگیز جدوجہد کے نتیج میں علامدا قبال کے

راولپنڈی (شاف رپورٹر) صوبائی وزیرمحکمہ سلمان رفیق نے راولپنڈی انسٹی ٹیوٹ یورولوجی بنا کیں گے۔ پنجاب مے مختلف سرکاری میتنالول صحت خواجہ سلمان رفیق نے ہوئی جمیلی سپتال راولپنڈی اور راولپنڈی اسٹی ٹیوٹ آف پورولوجی کا تفصیلی دورہ کیا۔ مسلم لیگ ن کے سلمان رفیق نے اس موقع پراظهارخیال کرتے سٹیز رہنما اور رکن قومی اسبلی حنیف عمامی بھی ہوئے کہا کہ ہوئی جمیل مہتال کی گراؤنڈ اور پہلی خواجہ سلمان رفیق کے ہمراہ تھے۔خواجہ سلمان ر فیق نے دونوں مہیتالوں میں جاری ری دیمینگ منصوبے کا تفصیلی جائزہ لیا۔صوبائی وزیر صحت خواجہ سلمان رفیق نے تنظر میکٹرز کو ہوتی فیملی جيبتال مين تمام آپريش تھيٹر زکوعيد الفطر<u> سے پہلے</u>

ململ فعال بنانے کی ہدایت کی ہے۔ خواجہ

<u>، دیمینگ منصوبے میں ایک فیصد بھی کوتاہی برداشت نہیں کرینگے،حکومت پنجار</u>

ہوئے ہی انہ ہوئ کی بیمان کی ووقد اور اور اور اور اور اور اور اور ایک کا منزل 31 مارچ تک مکمل کر دی جائے گا۔ بیمن و دوسرا فلور دوسرے فیز میں مکمل کئے جائیں گے۔ راد لینڈی اسٹی ٹیوٹ پورولو جی

میں ری دیمینگ مفوب میں ایک فیصد بھی کوتا ہی برداشت نہیں کریں گ۔ وخاب کی عوام کیلئے صحت کارڈ بہت جلد اچھے بیٹنے کے ساتھ فعال

علان پہلے بھی گئی بار ہو چکا ہے، سب سے پہلے

. كعوام كيلي صحت كاردُ جلدا جھے بينج كيساتھ فعال بنائمينگے ،سلمان رفيق

کا دورہ کر کے رئی ویمپنگ منصوبے کا جائزہ لیا جا ر ہا ہے۔ نیز خواجہ سلمان رفیق نے سستار مضان بازار میں اشیاء خور دونوش کے نرخ و معیار بھی چیک کیا۔ متعلقہ افسران نے صوبائی وزیر صحت خُواْجہ سلمانِ رفیقِ کو اس حوالہ سے بریفننگ دی صوبائی وزیر محکم صحت خواجه سلمان رفیق نے اس موقع پر کہا کہ رمضان المبارک کے بابرکت مہینے میں اللہ تعالی نے ہمیں لا تعدا دنیکیاں کمانے

، نے ایک تاریخی نگہبان رمضان پہلیج دیا بصوبائی وز رصحت

كأموقع فراہم كيا ہے۔ حكومت عوام كے تعاون کے بغیرخوشحالی کاسفرشروع نہیں کرسکتی

نقوی نے کہاہے کہ یوم پاکستان تحریک آزادی کا روشن باب ہے۔ وفاقی وزیر داخلہ و چیئر مین پاکستان کرکٹ بورڈ محسن نقوی نے یوم پاکستان پر پیام جاری کرتے ہوئے کہا ہے کہ 23 ماری کے 1940 کوآزادوطن کےخوابِ کو ملی تعبیردینے کی

بنيادر کھي گئي، آج ہم آ زاد ہيں ليکن پيآ زادي بہت سیالکوٹ،ڈسٹر کٹ بار کےصدر سہیل اقبال ہرڑودیگرمولا ناعمران بشیرکوگلدستہ پیش کررہے ہیں ، سی قربانیوں، کاوشوں اور محنتوں کا ثمر ہے۔ محسن

صدیقی کی قیادت میں ایف 16 لڑا کا طیاروں

نے شاندار مظاہرہ کیا۔فلائی یاسٹ میں ایف 7 یی جی چیتا اور ہے 10سی، پاک فضائیہ کے ٹرانسپورٹ طیارے سی ون تھرئی، جدید ترین جاسوی نظام سے لیس طیاروں، پاک بحربیہ کے ا میٹی سب میرین لڑا کا طیاروں، پاک بحربیہ کے اینٹی سب میرین لڑا کا طیاروں نے شاندار مظاہرہ

مدرمملکت کامسکے افواج کے افسران وجوانوں کیلئے اعز ازات کا اعلان

معائنه کیا۔ سعودی عرب کے وزیر دفاع شنرادہ خالد

بن سلمان بن عبدالعزيز السعود بھي پريار كےمهمان

خصوصی تھے۔مسلح افواج کے لڑا کا طیاروں نے

شاندار فلائی پاسٹ کیا، فلائی پاسٹ میں میراج

لڑا کا طیارے، یا کستان کی پہیان ہے ایف 17

تھنڈرشامل تھے،فلائی پاسٹ میں ونگ کمانڈر حسن

راولینڈی (بیورور پورٹ) صدرمملکت آصف علی بسالت، 135 کوتمغه بسالت، 45 کوانسیازی اسناد رداری نے پاک فوج، بحربیداور فضائیہ کے افسران اور سست کا اعلان کیا ہے۔ پاک فوج کے شعبہ تعلقات وانول کے لیے اعزازات کا اعلان کردیا۔ یاک فوج عامہ کے مطابق 148 جوانوں کو چیف آف آرمی شاف تعریفی کاروز، 23 کو ہلال امتیاز (ملٹری)،

عقیدت پیش کرتے ہیں ،شہید بھٹواورشہید محتر م

بینظیر بھٹونے بے خوف ہوکرعوام کے حقوق کے

ليے جدو جہد كى ،شهيد بھٹوا ورشهيدمحتر مه بينظير بھٹو

نے ایک عظیم مقصد کی خاطراینی جانوں کا نذران

<mark>پیش کیا۔ان کا کہنا تھا کہ قائد عوام اور شہیدمحتر مہ</mark>

بینظیر بھٹو کی میراث ہمارے لیے ان کے مثن

یا پر چنجیل پر پہنچانے کے سفر میں رہنمائی کی کرن

ہے، آج کے دن ہر پاکتانی کواپنے پیارے ملک کے روشن مستقبل کی تغمیر کے مشتر کہ مقصد

کے لیے تجدید عہد کرنا جاہیے۔ بلاول بھٹو

زرداری نے کہا کہ آئے ہم سب مل کر امید

حوصلہ اور عزم کے ساتھ آ گے بڑھیں ، آ ہے ہم

کے شعبہ تعلقات عامہ (آئی ایس پی آر) کی جانب <mark>ہ</mark> سے جاری بیان کے مطابق صدر مملکت آصف علی 🔻 109 کوستارہ امتیاز (ملٹری)اور 137 کوتمخہ امتیاز رداری نے فوجی افسران اور جوانوں میں ایک کوستارہ (ملٹری) دینے کا اعلان کیا گیا ہے۔



اسلام آباد ، پیکیر قومی اسمبلی سر دارایا زصادق سے ترکیہ کے سفیر ملاقات کررہے ہیں

کے چیئر مین بلاول بھٹوزرداری نے کہاہے کہ <mark>یوم</mark> اِ کتان ملک کے بانیان کی جدجہد کواور ترقی کی <mark>۔</mark> ہانب اجھا عی سفر کوسلام پیش کرنے کا دن ہے۔ نی بی بی چیئر مین بلاول بھٹو زرداری نے بوم راردادِ یا کشان پرقوم کے نام پیغام میں کہا کہ ج کے دن قوم اینے بانی اجداد کی دوراندیثی، زادی، ان<mark>صاف اور مساوات کا راج ہو۔</mark> ہوں نے کہا کہ بانی اجدا د کے نظریات بالحضوص نائد اعظم کے وژن کی باسداری کے لیے غیر متزلزل عزم کے ساتھ کھڑی رہے گی۔ بلاول بھٹو سب اس یقین کامل سے آگے بردھیں ک



مردان بمثيروز براعلی مشال اعظم يوسفز ئی پناه گاه كامعا ئند كرر ہی ہيں

یٹیکرزاور ہول سیکرز کے

اسلام آباد (شاف ربورٹر) حکومت نے ٹیکس کا سمجیزل پرویز مشرف کے دور میں بیرائیم پیش کی گئی جال مزید پھیلانے کیلیے پاکتان کے 6بڑے شروں میں کاروباری کرنے والے ریٹلیز اور ہول اس کو مکی جامد ند بہنا تکی، تاہم اب انتخش کیرز کیلیے لازی رجڑیش اتبیم کا منصوبہ پیش انویسٹمنٹ پسلٹیٹیش کوسل نے اس ائیم پرعملر آمد کردیا۔ایف بی آرنے انکیم کے کیم اپریل سے نفاذ کا پیڑوا شایا ہے۔نوٹیٹیشن کے مطابق انتئیم کا اطلاق کیلیے قانونی ضابطہ کاربھی جاری کر دیا ہے،اس طرح اِکتان نے آئی ایم ایف کی ایک مزید شرط پوری كردى ب، ايف بي آرنے اسٹيك جولدرز كواشيم سے متعل تجاویز اور تحفظات کا اظہار کرنے کیلیے سات یوم کا وقت دیاہے۔الف بی آر کے جاری کروہ نوشَقَيْشَ کے مطابق آئیم کا دائزہ کار میٹیلرز، ہول سیلرز، ڈیلرز مینوفینچررز کم ریٹیلرز، امپرورٹر کم ریٹیلرزیا ایسے انتخاص جو ایسی کسی بھی سرگرمی سے منسلک ہوں، تک برمها دیا گیا ہے، اسکیم کا نفاذ کراچی، لا مور، اسلام آباد، راولیپنڈی، کوئٹد اور بشاور میں کیا جائے گا۔ یا درہے کہ بیاسکیم حکومت کے سیاسی عزم کا بھی ٹیسٹ کیس ہے، اگر چہاس اسکیم کے نفاذ کا

تھی،کین بیالتوا کا شکاررہی،نواز کیکی حکومت بھی كيماريريل سے بوگا اليكن تاجر ببہلا ٹيكس جولائي ميں ادا كرين كي إسكيم تاجرول كي رجشريش اوركم ازكم ایڈوانس انکم ٹیکس کی وصولی کیلیے شروع کی گئی ہے، تاجروں کواپی رجسریشن کرائے کیلیے ایک ماہ کا وقت دیا گیاہے، جو کہ 30اپریل تک ہوگا، جوتا جردیے گئے وقت تک خود کور جسٹر نہیں کرائیں گے، پھران کو زبروسی نیشنل برنس رجشری میں رجشر کیا جائے گا_برتاجر برمييني كى 15 تاريخ تك ماماندايدوانس إِنكُم تُيكس ادا كرنے كا يابند ہوگا، اگر تاجر كى آمدن الكم المراق ا يهكم أنكم فيكس اداكرنے والے تاجروں كوانكم فيكس میں 25 فیصدر عایت دی جائے گی،

، مسلح افو اج كا يوم پاكستان پر پيغام اسلام آباد(سٹان رپورٹر) یا کستان تحریک انصاف ہی ٹی آئی کی کور تمیٹی نے سائفر کے معاملے راولینڈی (یٹاف رپورٹر) چیئر مین جوائف مزید کہنا ہے کہ آج مقبوضہ تشمیر اور بھارت میں چیفس آف طاف ممیٹی اور نتیوں سروسز چیف نے مسلمانوں کو فاشٹ حکمرانوں کے ظلم کا سامنا

ماسکومیں فوجی وردی میں ملبوں 5رہشت گردوں نے کروٹسٹی مال میں فائرنگ کے

دارالحكومت ماسكومين اليك كنسرث بال كے اندر موجود \ 140 سے زائد زخى ہو گئے۔ امريكي ميڈيا كے

یر ڈونلڈ کو کے بیان کے بعد اسد مجید کے گرد گھیرا تنگ کرنے کی ہدایتکردی۔یاکتان تحریک انصاف کی کور کمیٹی کا اجلاس چیئر مین بیرسٹر گوہر کی زىرصدارت ہوئی۔اجلاس كى اندرونی كہانی منظر عام برآ گئی جس کےمطابق بی ٹی آئی کورسمیٹی میں سب سے پہلے ڈونلڈ لو کے بیان پرمشاورت کی گئی۔ذرائع کے مطابق ٹی ٹی آئی کور سمیٹی کی جانب سے اسد مجید کے گر دہھی گھیرا تنگ کرنے کی مدایت کی گئی جبکه ممبران نے مطالبہ کیا کہ اب اسد

یوم یا کتان پر قوم کومبارک بادپیش کی ہے۔ یا ک فوج کے شعبہ تعلقات عامہ (آئی ایس یی آر) کے مطابق یوم یا کتان کے موقع پر افواج پاکستان کے سربراہان نے اپنے پیغام میں کہا کہ بیدن برصغیر کے مسلمانوں کی عظیم کوششوں کی یاد دلاتا ہے جوایک الگ وطن کیلئے کی گئی تھیں، بیدن ہمارے آبا اجداد کی بے مثال قربانیوں کی بھی یاد سلمیت اور علاقائی سلامتی کا ہر قیمت پُر دفاع کیا

ما سکو ، کا نسر ٹ ہال حملے میں ہلا کتو ں کی تعداد 143 ہوگئی

مطابق 5 مسلح افراد نے کروکس ٹی ہال داخل ہوئے

اور كنسرث شروع ہونے سے قبل جہال ير 6,200

افرادموجود تصان پرخودکار ہتھیاروں سے فائرنگ کی

اورساتھ ہی وتی بموں سے حملہ کیا۔جائے وقوع پر

موجود ایک صحافی نے بتایا کہ سکح افراد نے خودکار

دلاتا ہے، ہمارے آبا اجداد نے یا کتان کے قیام ہے جائے گا اور پا کتانی پر چم کو ہر قیت پر سر بلند کیلئے لازوال جدوجہد کی۔ فوجی سربراہان کا مجيد كوبهى اب كهل كربيان ديناحيا ب

پیثاور،صو بائی وز رصحت سیدقاسم علی شاه اجلاس کی صدارت کررہے ہیں.

يوم يا كستان دهرتى سيءبدالفت كي روس وچین نے حماس کی مذمت پر امریکی قرارداد ویٹو کردی تجدیدکادن ہے،مریم نواز جنیوا(مانیرنگ ڈبیک)روس اور چین نے کے حماس حملوں کی مذمت کا مطالبہ کیا،سلامتی کوسل

لا ہور (بیورور پورٹ) وزیرِ اعلی پنجابِ مریم نوازشریفِ نے کہاہے کہ یوم پایکتان دھرتی ہے عہد الفّت کی تجدید کاون کے تعمیر پاکتان کے لُنَّے آج بھی تحریک پاکتان والے جذبے کی ضرورت ہے۔ 23 مارچ کے موقع پر پیغام دئے ہوئے انہوں نے کہا کہ قوم قرارداد یا کستان منظور كرنے والے عمائدين كوخراج عقيدت پيش

ا توام متحدہ کی سلامتی کونسل میں مقبوضہ فلسطین کی کے 15 میں سے 11ارا کین نے حمایت جبکہ مزاحتی منظیم حماس کی ندمت کے مطالبے پر مشتل روس، چین اور الجزائر نے مخالفت کی۔روس امریکی قرارداد ویٹو کردی غزہ جنگ بندگی ہے ۔ مندوب نے اسرائیل کی حامی امریکا کی قرار داد کو متعلق اقوام متحده کی سلامتی کونسل میں غزه جنگ 💎 منافقت بازی اور بھونڈا ڈرامه قرار دیا اور کہا کہ بندی اور قید یوں کے تبادلے سے متعلق امریکی امریکا قرارداد کے ذریعے حماس کو مورد الزام قراردار پردائے شاری کیلئے اجلاس ہوا۔ امر یکا کی مشہراتے ہوئے رفح پر اسرائیلی چڑھائی کیلئے راہ مندوب نے قرارداد پیش کرتے ہوئے 7اکتوبر ہموار کرنا جا ہتاہے

پاکستان کی منزل پانے کیلئے آگ اورخون کے دریا پارکرنا پڑے، وزیر داخلہ

یوم یا کستان تحریک آ زادی کا روثن باب ، آ بیهآ زادی بهت سی قربانیوں، کاوشوں اورمحنتوں کا ثمر ہے،محس نقو ی لا ہور (بیورور بورٹ) وفاقی وزیر داخلہ محسن

آ گ اورخون کے دریاؤں سے گزرنا پڑا ہے۔ وفاقی وزیر داخلہ محن نقوی نے کہا ہے کہ یوم یا کستان تحریک آزادی کا روشن باب ہے۔ وفاقی وزيردا خله و چيئر مين يا كستان كركث بور و محسن نفوى نے یوم پاکستان پر پیغام جاری کرتے ہوئے کہا

ہے کہ 23مارچ 1940 کوآ زادوطن کےخواب کو مملی تعبیر دینے کی بنیا در کھی گئی

نقوی نے کہا ہے کہ بحثیت قوم قائدا عظم اوران کی آسان نہیں ہوتا، پاکتان کی منزل پانے کیلئے زير قيادت قرارداد ياكتتان منظور كرنيواليمسلم لیگ کے اکابرین کو شاندار الفاظ میں خراج عقیدت پیش کرتے ہیں،منٹو یارک کے تاریخی جلے میں منظور کی جانے والی قرار داد پاکستان کے قیام کی بنیاد بنی۔وفاقی وزیر داخلہ نے اپنے پیغام میں مزید کہا کہ 23 مارچ کا دن جذبوں کی تقبیر اور خوابول کی تعبیر کا دن ہے،حصول آ زادی کا سفر بھی

The Asian Telegraph

Pakistan Day; a bright chapter of freedom movement: Mohsin Naqvi

VOM Report

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control Mohsin Naqvi in his message on Pakistan Day said on Saturday that Pakistan Day is a bright chapter of freedom movement.

On March 23, 1940, the foundation was laid to realize the dream of an independent country, said Mohsin Naqvi adding that Today we are free, but this freedom is the result of many sacrifices, efforts and hard

He wrote in his message that as a nation, we pay homage to Quaid-e-Azam and the leaders of the Muslim League who passed the Pakistan Resolution under his leadership.

The resolution passed in the historic Minto Park meeting became the basis for the establishment of Pakistan, he said.

March 23 is the day of building passions and realizing dreams, the minister further said adding that the journey to freedom is never easy, to reach the destination of Pakistan, one had to go through rivers of fire and blood.

Under the enthusiastic leadership of Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, the struggle for a separate homeland was successful by making numerous sacri-

He further said that If the different races, different tribes and different sects living in the subcontinent had not decided to become one nation, then the miracle of Pakistan would never have appeared.

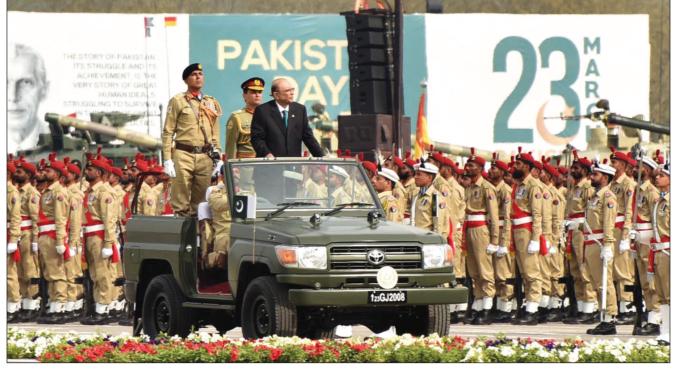
The journey from creation of Pakistan to construction of Pakistan continues gradually, he said adding that at this stage, every member of the nation has to

go ahead and play his role. "As a nation we have to show responsibility by understanding the current challenges of Pakistan" Mohsin

By adopting the passion, determination and solidarity of March 23, 1940, we will take the country forward, Mohsin Nagyi said



ABU DHABI: Ambassador Faisal Niaz Tirmizi, Pakistan's Envoy to the United Arab Emirates addresses at the National Day event held at the



ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari addressing the Pakistan Day Parade ceremony, at Shakarparian Parade Ground.

'Nishan-e-Pakistan' conferred on Saudi Arabia's Prince Khalid bin Salman

urday conferred Pakistan's highest civilian award "Nishan-e-Pakistan" on Saudi Arabia's Defence Minister Prince Khalid bin Salman Al

The Saudi dignitary, who was also the chief guest for the Pakistan Day parade, was awarded for his "services for Pakistan and its people, enhancing defence cooperation, strengthening of bilateral ties and contributions towards peace efforts in the region". The ceremony, held at Aiwan-e-Sadr in Islam-

abad, was attended by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) General Asim Munir, Defence Minister Khawaja Asif and other senior officials.

Prince Khalid, as per the Saudi embassy website, has served on various key positions previously including the Kingdom's ambassador to the United States, adviser to the Saudi Embassy in Washington and at the Saudi Ministry of Defence.

Graduating from Riyadh's King Faisal Air Academy, the Saudi defence minister joined the Royal Saudi Air Force (RSAF) and has served as an F-15 pilot and tactical intelli-

Apart from training in the US, the dignitary has also studied advanced electronic warfare in France.

Earlier, Media reported that the Saudi prince



is scheduled to hold meetings with President Zardari, COAS Gen Munir, PM Shehbaz during his stay in Pakistan.

Sources told the publication that Crown Prince Muhammad bin Salman will also visit Pakistan after Eidul Fitr on the invitation of PM Shehbaz. Prince Khalid's visit comes days after Gen Munir held a meeting with

Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz during an official visit to the Gulf kingdom. During the meeting Wide-ranging issues of mutual interest, including regional peace and security, bilateral defence and security cooperation came under discussion, the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) had reported. Agencies

Pak Day celebrations for national strength, unity: Law Minister

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Law and Justice Azam Nazeer Tarar on Saturday said, as we commemorate Pakistan Day, we celebrate the strength, unity and unwavering spirit that define our great nation. In his message with regard to 'Pakistan Day', the minister said that



today, we honor the vision and sacrifices of our forefathers who envisioned a homeland where justice, equality, and prosperity reign supreme. Pakistan Day, he said, serves as a reminder of our collective journey towards progress and prosperity. It is a testament to the indomitable spirit of our people, who continue to strive for excellence in every sphere of life, he maintained. The law minister said that let's reaffirm our commitment to upholding the principles of democracy, justice, and rule of law. On this auspicious occasion, let us renew our pledge to build a prosperous and inclusive Pakistan where every citizen can contribute to the nation's progress, he said, adding that together, let us strive towards a brighter future guided by the principles of justice, equality and respect for all. APP

Embassy in Paris celebrates Pakistan Day

PARIS: A flag hoisting ceremony was held at the Embassy of Pakistan Paris on Saturday to commemorate the Pakistan Day. The event was attended by a large number of Pakistani diaspora, members of diplomatic corps, media representatives and officials of the Embassy.

Messages of the President, Prime Minister and Foreign Minister were read out.

The Ambassador of Pakistan Asim Iftikhar Ahmad welcomed the guests and thanked them for being part of the ceremony. In his remarks, the Ambassador said that on this day in 1940, the Muslims put forward their demand for a "separate state", a separate homeland where they could live their lives in accordance with their aspirations. Elaborating further he said that 23 March was a landmark day in the history of Pakistan movement. It is the day of honoring the valiant struggle of our forefathers for a separate homeland - a struggle that was provided with a direction and momentum that began with the historic Lahore Resolution of 1940, later named as the Pakistan Resolution. It was a great demonstration of vision by the Muslims of the sub-continent as this resolution brought them together with extraordinary courage and zeal to strive for a separate homeland and freedom that was archived in a short span of seven years. While addressing the guests the Ambassador said that it was the under the visionary leadership of the Father of The Nation, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah and sacrifices made by his companions that multiple odds were overcome to make Pakistan possible and the dream of Allama Dr. Muhammad Iqbal became a reality. APP

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"I believe that just like we faced the challenges in the past, we can still rid Pakistan of these challenges. A special investment facilitation council has been set up for the country's economy. Through this plan, we will attract foreign investment and develop agriculture, livestock, minerals, mining, information technology and energy sectors," he said. "I request all political parties to keep aside their political benefits to find a solution to the problems and work together for the development of Pakistan," said President Zardari. He added: "In our region, one of the main reasons for instability is the Indian Illegal Occupation of Jammu & Kashmir. The Kashmiri people have been demanding their right to self-determination for 76 years. We condemn the brutalities and human rights violations carried out by the Indian government against innocent and unarmed Kash-

miri people and ask the international community to ensure the implementation of the UNSC resolution on Kashmir. "I want to remind the Kashmiris once again that the people of Pakistan will always stand by them in their just struggle

The president said, "With regards to human catastrophes unfolding in Gaza, we appeal to the international community to take measures to ensure that the killing of innocent Palestinian people including children and women is immediately halted, a ceasefire is announced and a humanitarian corridor is opened at priority. Pakistan will continue to support the people of Palestine till the resolution of the Palestine issue as per the aspirations of their people." Highlighting the security challenges, the president said that Pakistan wants relations with all its neighbours as it is a peace-loving country and a responsible state.

CM orders campaign to eradicate kite-flying across province

LAHORE: Chief Minister Punjab Maryam Nawaz has expressed her severe indignation over the frequent occurrence of kite flying incidents despite imposition of a ban on it. She ordered to run a campaign for eradication of kite flying across the province. She ordered stern action against those found involved in violating the kite flying ban. The CM ordered the Chief Secretary, district administration and police to ensure implementation on the said orders. On the direction of CM,

a notification has been issued in this regard. Maryam Nawaz has sought a report from IG Police about the death incident of a youth due to kite flying in Faisalabad within 48 hours. She directed the IG Police to submit a report after ascertaining those elements found responsible for the death of an innocent youth. CM stated," Despite imposition of a ban on kite flying under the Punjab Prohibition of Kite Flying Ordinance 2001, occurrence of such incidents across Punjab is highly deplorable. A crackdown must be launched against those found involved in committing violation of kite flying ban. — VOM Report

Pak-Saudi diplomatic exchange strengthening bilateral ties for future cooperation: Ashrafi

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Ulema Council (PUC) Chairman Hafiz Muhammad Tahir Mehmood Ashrafi on Saturday said the recent exchange of visits between high-ranking officials from Pakistan and Saudi Arabia has underscored the burgeoning alliance between the two nations, setting a robust foundation for future cooperation.

Talking to media, he said Saudi Arabia's Defense Minister, Prince Khalid bin Salman, graced Pakistan Day parade as a distinguished guest and was honored with the prestigious Nishan Pakistan by the President of Pakistan. Similarly, Pakistan's Chief of Army Staff, General Syed Asim Munir, reciprocated the gesture with a significant visit to Saudi Arabia, engaging in crucial discussions with Saudi Crown Prince, Muhammad bin Salman, and other key leaders, Ashrafi said adding that these diplomatic endeavors not only reinforced the bonds between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia but also sent a resounding message of stability and progress to the global community.

The PUC Chairman said COAS steadfast efforts in fortifying relations with Saudi Arabia and other Islamic Arab countries had been commendable, reflecting Pakistan's commitment to fostering solidarity within the Muslim world. He said the reciprocal visits served as tangible evidence of the success of diplomatic initiatives aimed at enhancing Pakistan's stature internationally. Ashrafi said the enduring friendship between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia, characterized by robust cooperation and mutual consultation, remained unwavering. He said in the wake of recent developments concerning Palestine issue after October 7, General Munir's proactive engagement, alongside Crown Prince Muhammad bin Salman had further consolidated the partnership between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia on critical regional issues. Agencies

Govt to implement five year road... the United States about matters related to Pak-

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He said Pakistan was emitting less than one percent of the global carbon emissions but was among the 10 most climate vulnerable countries in the world. Pakistan was devastated by the worst floods of its history in the recent past and the federal government in collaboration with the provinces spent Rs 100 billion on the relief and rehabilitation of flood-affected people. He said on the sidelines of the nuclear energy summit, he held bilateral meetings with the foreign ministers of Turkey, Azerbaijan, UAE and the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

During meetings with the foreign ministers of Turkey, United Arab Emirates and Azerbaijan, they agreed to enhance cooperation in areas of trade, investment, defence and economy. During meeting with the Turkish Foreign Minister, "we agreed to enhance our bilateral trade volume". The minister said he had a productive meeting with the Director General of IAEA who had visited Pakistan at the inauguration of C5 nuclear power project. He said during his meeting with the Foreign Minister of UAE, they agreed to enhance cooperation in the field of nuclear energy. He also held a substantive meeting with the Chinese Vice President and exchanged views on diverse areas of cooperation and he agreed to visit Pakistan in the future, he added. China was all weather friend of Pakistan who supported Pakistan on all issues and at international forums, he remarked. He also told about his meetings with ministers of the United Kingdom, during which it was agreed that UK government would further invest in development projects in Pakistan. He expressed best wishes for King Charles and Princess of Wales who were diagnosed with cancer. To a question about Congressional hearings in

istan, he urged that Pakistanis should leave behind politics when they were outside the country and get united. To a question about elections, Ishaq Dar said,

"We have comprehensive constitutional and legal cover for elections", adding different parties got the mandate of the people and it should be accepted." Legal forums were available to address the election-related complaints and a person could approach Election Commission, election tribunals and higher judiciary, he noted. He said Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa had agreed to work with the federal government which was a positive development. He recalled Pakistan had suffered a lot due to policy failures, adding due to the successful policies of the last government of Nawaz Sharif inflation came down, economy grew, and the international financial institutions acknowledged the economic achievements of Pakistan. The minister said after attack on the Army Public School, a national action plan was devised and it was decided not to allow use of Pakistani territory against any other country. He said the leadership in Afghanistan should condemn the terrorist attacks in Pakistan which were carried out by the Tehreek i Taliban Pakistan based in Afghanistan. "We carried out an intelligencebased anti-terrorist operation in Afghanistan against the terror group," he told. He said neighbouring countries should elimi-

nate terrorism through mutual cooperation. Responding to a question, he said Pakistan needed to get out of the trap of budget deficit and current account deficit. He said economic diplomacy was top priority of the government and the new finance minister Muhammad Aurganbzeb had all the expertise to deal with economic issues of Pakistan, APF

Qatar Fund keen to increase footprint in Pakistan's power, housing sectors



ISLAMABAD: Chief Executive Officer, Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD), Khalifa bin Jassem Al-Kuwari here on Saturday showed his interest in increasing the footprint of the fund in Pakistan's power generation and housing sectors. Both the countries would further enhance bilateral cooperation by

issued by Economic Affairs Divi-A QFFD delegation, led by Al-

Kuwari is on a two-day visit to Pakistan (from 23-24 March 2024), the statement added. The delegation, along with the Ambassador of the State of Qatar to Pakistan Ali initiating technical level discus-Mubarak Ali Essa Al-Khater called

on Minister for Economic Affairs, Ahad Khan Cheema.

On the occasion, Minister for Economic Affairs highlighted the priority of his government to further strengthen bilateral cooperation between the two countries in the development of mega projects in He welcomed the CEO, QFFD and

appreciated the role of the State of Qatar and QFFD in the development of the country and the longstanding relationship between the two coun-The minister congratulated Al-

Kuwari on receiving the Civil Award conferred upon him by the President of Pakistan in recognition of his services to Pakistan.

Cheema expressed his gratitude to the State of Qatar in galvanizing the international support for the floods 2022 affectees by pledging US\$ 25.00 million. He also appreciated the role and support of QFFD to Pakistan at a very challenging time and assured to further strengthen the relations with QFFD in the

On the occasion, Al-Kuwari congratulated the Minister for Economic Affairs on Pakistan Day and thanked the government of Pakistan for conferment of the Civil Award. Al-Kuwari stated that QFFD remains committed to supporting Pakistan in its journey towards recovery and prosperity through climate-resilient infrastructure. APP

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