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Authorities 'complete' preparations to shift Imran Khan to Shifa Int'l Hospital



STAFF REPORT, ISLAMABAD: Preparations have been finalised at Shifa International Hospital in Islamabad to receive incarcerated PTI founder Imran Khan for medical treatment in line with the Supreme Court's order, Dawn has learnt. Imran — imprisoned since Aug 5, 2023, for concealing details of Toshakhana gifts — is serving a 14-year sentence at Rawalpindi's Adiala jail in a £190 million corruption case, also known as the Al-Qadir Trust case. However, his health has deteriorated over the course of his prison sentence, prompting outcry from members of the party.

Sources close to the development said all relevant departments and authorities, including the capital administration, police, jail officials and Rangers, were present at the hospital to finalise security and other arrangements. Security pickets have been set up on roads leading to the facility, while a security audit of the hospital was also conducted earlier in view of the possible transfer of the former premier there. The sources further said it had not yet been confirmed when Imran would be brought to the hospital, as a decision was yet to be made. However, arrangements were

being made to deal with any situation that might arise. Teams have also been constituted to bring Imran to the hospital from jail, comprising staff from the capital police and administration. The sources added that the capital police were responsible for transferring the PTI founder from jail for a medical check-up and examination, after which they would take him back to prison. In case of his admission to the hospital for treatment, the chief commissioner would declare the relevant room, ward or floor of the hospital a sub-jail and issue a notification. Staff from Adiala jail would be

deployed at the hospital. Meanwhile, capital police and Rangers personnel would also be present there to provide security and maintain law and order. In a post on X, PTI Information Secretary Sheikh Waqas Akram wrote, "Imran Khan sahab will, Insha'Allah, be transferred to the hospital today." "We are fully aware of the sentiments of Imran Khan's supporters, who are eager to catch a glimpse of their leader." However, he requested that people maintain their distance from the hospital and help ensure the party founder's health and treatment.

Govt bound to facilitate PTI founder's private treatment if needed: Tariq Fazal

APP- ISLAMABAD: Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Dr Tariq Fazal Chaudhry on Thursday apprised the Senate that the government would be bound to provide the PTI founder treatment at Shifa International Hospital or another better-equipped medical facility if the healthcare facilities required for his treatment were not available at government hospitals.

Responding to a point of order raised by the Leader of the Opposition in Senate, the minister said the government had no intention of opposing or creating hurdles in the provision of necessary medical treatment to the PTI founder.

He said the government had already made it clear that the decision of the Supreme Court of Pakistan regarding the matter would be implemented.

Dr Tariq Fazal said under the prevailing rules, convicted prisoners were provided medical treatment at government hospitals, and a legal point regarding the extent of such arrangements was before the Supreme Court for clarification.

He said if the Supreme Court determined that the required treatment could be provided outside the existing mechanism, the government would comply with its decision. The minister reiterated that if a medical facility required by the PTI founder was not available at a government hospital, the government would be obligated to arrange the required treatment at Shifa International Hospital or an even better medical facility.

Turning to concerns raised about the health of Dr Yasmin Rashid, Dr Tariq Fazal said the government was concerned about her condition and would again take up the matter with the Punjab government and jail administration.

He assured the House that the government would make sure that all medical facilities permissible under jail rules were provided to her.

The minister said Dr Yasmin Rashid had previously been provided hospital treatment and other medical facilities, adding that he would inform the opposition about progress on the matter after obtaining an updated position from the authorities concerned.



PM seeks stronger Pakistan-Syria ties in trade, defence and education



APP- ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday while recalling the historic and multifaceted Pakistan-Syria ties, emphasized the need to translate the longstanding Pakistan-Syria friendship into enhanced cooperation across politics, defence, trade, investment, education, and human resource development.

The prime minister made these remarks during a call on him by Foreign Minister of the Syrian Arab Republic, Asaad Hassan Al-Shaibani here, a Prime Minister's Office news release said.

Welcoming Al-Shaibani and his delegation, the prime minister conveyed his best wishes for President Ahmed al-Sharaa, and recalled his recent interactions with him.

President Ahmad al-Sharaa to the prime minister, and briefed him on Syria's ongoing political transition and reconstruction efforts. He thanked Pakistan for its consistent support to Syria throughout the past years and expressed his government's keen interest in revitalizing bilateral engagement, including through early institutional mechanisms for cooperation. The prime minister also extended an invitation to President Ahmed al-Sharaa to undertake an official visit to Pakistan at a mutually convenient date. Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, SAPM Syed Tariq Fatemi and Foreign Secretary Amb. Amna Baloch were also present during the meeting.

He also reaffirmed Pakistan's steadfast support for the sovereignty, unity, and territorial integrity of Syria.

He stated that the resumption of direct flights between the two countries would enhance people-to-people exchanges and facilitate a large number of pilgrims who undertake religious visits to Syria from Pakistan.

The prime minister reaffirmed Pakistan's support for Syria's unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity and said Pakistan would firmly support Syria's position on the Golan Heights. The Syrian Foreign Minister conveyed the greetings of Syrian



Signing ceremony of the Project Agreement for Pakistan's first Diversified Payment Rights (DPR) Programme between IFC and Bank Alfalah Limited (BAFL), marking a significant milestone, in the presence of Federal Minister for Finance and Revenue, Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb, at Finance Division.

Dar says six Pakistani sailors return safely after Houthi attack, two bodies repatriated

STAFF REPORT, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar said on Thursday that six Pakistani sailors injured in a recent Houthi attack on a Tanzanian-flagged commercial vessel returned safely to Pakistan, while the bodies of two others who were killed in the attack were also repatriated. According to Yemen's Coast Guard, the three Pakistani nationals were among four crew members killed when the Yemeni-flagged vessel Tihamah was attacked by Houthi

forces in the Bab al-Mandeb Strait on August 11. The vessel was reportedly struck three times by ballistic missiles, caught fire and sustained material damage, while another missile was fired as rescue teams attempted to reach the crew.

In a statement issued on X, Dar said the six injured sailors had "safely returned to Pakistan", while the mortal remains of the two sailors who "tragically lost their lives" had also been brought back.

He said all relevant stakeholders

had been directed to ensure the sailors' "safe, dignified and expeditious repatriation".

Dar praised the Consulate General of Pakistan in Jeddah and the country's embassy in Riyadh for their "prompt and dedicated efforts" to facilitate the return of the injured sailors and the repatriation of the bodies from Yemen and their onward travel to Pakistan.

He noted that the efforts had been made "in the absence of a Pakistani diplomatic mission in Yemen".

Talal Accompanies Malaysian Interior Minister on Islamabad Visits

APP- ISLAMABAD: Malaysian Interior Minister Saifuddin Nasution bin Ismail, accompanied by Minister of State for Interior Talal Chaudhary on Thursday visited the Pakistan Monument and Islamabad Police Lines during his official visit to Pakistan.

Upon his arrival at the Pakistan Monument, the Malaysian interior minister was welcomed by a contingent of the Federal Constabulary, which presented a guard of honour. The ceremony marked the beginning of

a visit aimed at strengthening cooperation and understanding between the two countries in the fields of security and public service.

During the visit, Saifuddin Nasution paid tribute to the Martyrs' Memorial. He laid a floral wreath, offered prayers, and remembered the sacrifices made by security personnel who lost their lives while serving the nation. He acknowledged their contributions and expressed respect for their commitment and service.



Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb addresses the launching ceremony of proof of life certificate for pensioners.

Clean Punjab MD Reviews Sanitation Issues in Chichawatni

Sahiwal (Bureau Chief)

Clean Punjab meeting held in Chichawatni Adda Ghaziabad 20/11 L, MD Sahiwal Shahid Nadeem Rana met the public

A Clean Punjab meeting was held in Nawahi Gaon 20/11 L, where MD Clean Punjab Agency Sahiwal Shahid Nadeem Rana directly met the people of the area and listened to public issues, complaints and suggestions related to cleanliness.

Shahid Nadeem Rana assured of necessary steps to solve the problems of the citizens and make the sanitation system in the area more effective. He said that providing a clean environment to the people is one of the basic objectives of Clean Punjab and effective steps are being taken in the field in this regard. On this occasion, MD Shahid Nadeem Rana also planted a sapling and emphasized the importance of plantation and said that along with a clean environment, the promotion of a green and lush environment is also a common responsibility of all of us. On this occasion, Operational



Manager Irfan Manzoor Tehsil Manager Clean Punjab Agency Chichawatni Saqib Hussain was also present. The local people presented their suggestions to further improve the sanitation system, while the administration expressed its commitment to resolving public issues in a timely manner. Manager of the Punjab Clean Agency, Chichawatni Saqib Hussain, was also present...

Gujranwala (Beauru Report) *Anti-Smog Drive*

On the directions of Deputy Commissioner Gujranwala Naveed Ahmad, the Additional Assistant Commissioner (City) inspected Sialkot Textile Factory in Khyalai Estate. The factory was fined for emitting black smoke from its furnace and directed to install proper smoke purification equipment to control emissions and ensure compliance with environmental regulations.



Awareness Seminar on MDR and Antimicrobial Resistance

An awareness seminar on Multidrug-Resistant (MDR) infections and antimicrobial resistance was organized at Gujranwala Medical College



Gujranwala (Beauru Report)

according to the details,

The seminar was attended by the Dr. Umar Sharif Rathore, CEO and Dr. Adil Ayub, DHO (PS) DHA Gujranwala along with other relevant participants.

- During the seminar, awareness was created regarding antimicrobial resistance, rational use of medicines, and the importance of completing prescribed treatment. It was particularly highlighted that Tuberculosis (TB) is a curable disease, provided that the diagnosis is made timely

and the prescribed treatment is taken properly and completed as advised. - The seminar emphasized the need for public awareness, responsible use of antibiotics, early diagnosis, treatment adherence, and coordinated efforts to prevent the spread of drug-resistant infections.

ITP Enforcement Drive: Over 44,000 Vehicles and Motorcycles Penalized

Staff Report

According to the details, following the special directives of Inspector General of Police (IGP) Islamabad Syed Ali Nasir Rizvi, Islamabad Traffic Police (ITP) is continuing comprehensive measures to ensure an organized traffic system, provide better travel facilities to citizens, and ensure effective enforcement of traffic laws across the federal capital.

During August, Islamabad Traffic Police (ITP) took legal action against 44,078 vehicles, motorcyclists, freight vehicles, and public transport vehicles for violating traffic laws. As part of a special enforcement campaign, legal action was taken against 14,725 motorcyclists and 29,353 vehicles.

Similarly, 2,662 motorcycles and 3,840 vehicles were impounded at various police stations for serious traffic violations, while 544 cases were registered.

Islamabad Traffic Police (ITP) is also continuing special initiatives to raise public awareness about traffic laws and promote responsible driving. In this regard, the Traffic Education Wing conducted 76 awareness workshops at public places, government and private institutions, schools, colleges, and universities, educating 72,737 citizens and students about traffic laws, safe driving, and responsible road behavior.

Chief Traffic Officer (CTO) Islamabad Kainat Azhar Khan stated that compliance with traffic laws is not merely a matter of fines or legal action;



it is essential for protecting precious human lives and ensuring a safe travel environment. She appealed to citizens to strictly follow traffic laws, observe speed limits, ensure helmet use while riding motorcycles, and follow lane discipline and other traffic regulations.

She further stated that the objective of Islamabad Traffic Police is not to cause unnecessary inconvenience to citizens but to provide them with a safe and organized traffic system. Traffic violations not only endanger the lives of drivers and other road users but also disrupt traffic flow. Therefore, indiscriminate enforcement against violations will continue.

CTO Islamabad further said that Islamabad Traffic Police is focusing not only on enforcement but also on public awareness and education so that citizens voluntarily consider compliance with traffic laws their responsibility. A safe, organized, and smooth traffic system in the federal capital can only be achieved through cooperation between citizens and the Traffic Police.

She reaffirmed that Islamabad Traffic Police will continue to utilize all available resources to prevent accidents, ensure smooth traffic flow, enforce the law uniformly, and provide the best possible travel facilities to citizens.

Distribution of cash prizes and shields to matric position holder students, Commissioner Gujranwala Division Muhammad Ali and Deputy Commissioner Gujranwala Naveed Ahmed distributed cash prizes and shields to the students who secured prominent positions in the annual matriculation examinations. The function was attended by position holders, their parents and concerned educational officers



Gujranwala (Bureau Report)

According to details: Commissioner Muhammad Ali and Deputy Commissioner Naveed Ahmed congratulated the position holder students on their outstanding success and said that hard work, dedication and continuous

struggle are the basis of success. He said that the students who got the position are a source of pride not only for their parents but also for their educational institutions and the entire district. He urged the students to continue their hard work in the future and play their full role in the development of the

country and the nation. On this occasion, cash prizes and shields were distributed among the students who performed outstandingly.

On this occasion, CEO Education Dr. Atiya Malik and other officers of the School Education Department were also present

Rehabilitation work of Kacha Aymanabad road in progress, visit to ADCMS



Gujranwala (Bureau Report)

According to details: On the instructions of Deputy Commissioner Gujranwala Naveed Ahmed, ADC (Municipal Services) Zeeshan Nadeem inspected the ongoing maintenance work on

Kacha Aymanabad Road. It was informed on the occasion that compaction* of 1,500 feet of road out of 5,000 feet has been completed so far. Additional machinery has been deployed at the site for speedy completion of the work.

The ADC (Municipal Services) directed the contractor to speed up the work and said that the water bound condition should be achieved as soon as possible so that the road rehabilitation work can be completed within the stipulated period.

IGP Islamabad Reviews Security, Traffic, Logistics and Police Welfare; Assigns Key Tasks to Senior Officers

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According to the details, Inspector General of Police (IGP) Islamabad Syed Ali Nasir Rizvi chaired an important meeting with senior police officers to review key administrative and professional matters of Islamabad Police.

The meeting focused on security arrangements, traffic management, logistics support and police welfare. Relevant officers briefed the IG Islamabad on ongoing initiatives and matters related to their respective departments.

IGP Islamabad assigned various important tasks to the officers and provided necessary guidance and directions for their timely and effective completion. He directed all officers to discharge their responsibilities professionally and ensure close monitoring of ongoing initiatives.

IG Islamabad also emphasized



further improving security and traffic management, making effective use of available resources, and strengthening welfare measures for police officers and personnel.

He stressed that an effective administrative system, strong coordination and timely completion of

assigned responsibilities are essential for improving the overall performance of Islamabad Police.

He directed all officers to remain focused on providing better police services to citizens and enhancing the operational capacity of the force.

Youth and Parliamentarians urge to make tobacco control measures more effective in Pakistan

Islamabad (Staff Report)

An awareness and training session was organized in Islamabad for youth mentors and parliamentarians, the theme of which was "From Youth Awareness to Practical Actions for Tobacco-Free Pakistan".

Parliamentarians, health experts, tobacco control representatives, youth mentors, civil society and a team from Aurat Foundation (AF) participated in the session. The participants discussed in detail about protecting the youth of Pakistan from the harmful effects of tobacco and modern nicotine products and making tobacco control measures more effective. The session was attended by Ms. Syeda Amna Batool, Member National Assembly and Focal Person Prime Minister's Youth Program (PMYP), Ms. Sabeen Ghori, Member National Assembly and Parliamentary Secretary Ministry of Information Technology, Member National Assembly Jamal Ahmed Khan Raisani and Member Provincial Assembly Tanveer Aslam Raja. On this occasion, Tobacco Control Cell (TCC) Mr. Aftab Ahmed, Prof. Dr. Matiur Rehman, Senator Faisal Javed Rana and Mr. Anis Ahmed of Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids (CTFK) were also present along with the Youth Mentors and Aurat Foundation team, which included Chief Executive Officer Naeem Ahmed Mirza, Team Lead of Anti-Tobacco Project Syed Safdar Raza, Director Programs Mumtaz Mughal and Program Officer Anti-Tobacco



Project Fatima Jafri. During the session, the participants emphasized that tobacco control should be kept at the top of public health priorities, especially at a time when the trend of access to and use of tobacco and new nicotine products among the youth is a cause for concern. The participants emphasized that concrete policy and legislative measures should be ensured instead of being limited to awareness. The key demands that emerged from the session included the demand to increase the volume of Graphic Health Warnings (GHWs) on the packaging of tobacco products from the current 70% to 85%. The participants said that larger and more prominent health warnings would make the public aware of the dangers of tobacco. They can play an important role in educating the public about the harmful effects of tobacco use and in preventing young people from starting to smoke, in particular. The participants also called for effective and regular increases in taxes on

tobacco and nicotine products. They said that imposing higher taxes on tobacco products would make these products less affordable, especially for young people, which could help reduce tobacco use. The meeting also emphasized the need to ensure effective implementation of tobacco tax policies and regularly review them. The parliamentarians highlighted the importance of legislation, parliamentary oversight and effective implementation of laws for tobacco control measures. They also stressed the need to include youth in policy-making and awareness-raising and advocacy processes so that their voices and experiences can be part of national and provincial tobacco control strategies. Health experts, highlighting the harmful effects of tobacco and nicotine, said that evidence-based policies, effective awareness campaigns and strict implementation of laws are needed to prevent tobacco use among young people. Youth in the session.



ایف آئی آر رپورٹ

دفاعی افواج ایکٹ، قومی اسمبلی سے منظور: 'چیف آف ڈیفنس فورسز وزیر اعظم کے اعلیٰ فوجی مشیر ہوں گے

قومی اسمبلی نے 'پاکستان دفاعی افواج ایکٹ 2026' کی منظوری دی ہے جو 13 نومبر 2025 سے موثر باعمل سمجھا جائے گا۔ اس میں چیف آف ڈیفنس فورسز کے ہیڈ کوارٹر کے قیام کا ذکر ہے

بل جمہرات کو قومی اسمبلی میں وزیر دفاع خواجہ محمد آصف نے ایوان میں پیش کیا۔ اس موقع پر سپیکر نے شق وار منظوری لی جس کے بعد خواجہ محمد آصف نے بل منظوری کے لیے پیش کیا جسے کثرت رائے سے منظور کیا گیا۔

قومی اسمبلی سے منظور کیے گئے نیشنل کمانڈ اتھارٹی سے متعلق بل میں تجویز دی گئی ہے کہ نیشنل کمانڈ اتھارٹی کی تشکیل سے چیئر مین جوائنٹ چیفس آف اسٹاف کمیٹی کا عہدہ ختم کر دیا جائے۔ وزیر قانون اعظم نذیر تارڑ کا کہنا ہے کہ دونوں بلز میں معمولی ترامیم کی گئی ہیں۔ چیئر مین جوائنٹ چیفس آف اسٹاف کمیٹی کا آفس ختم کر کے نیشنل کمانڈ اتھارٹی کو دیا گیا ہے۔ انھوں نے مزید کہا کہ 'آری چیف آف اسٹاف ختم کر چیف آف ڈیفنس فورسز کو دینے کی ترامیم کی گئی ہیں'۔

ان بلز کی منظوری سے قبل اپوزیشن کی جانب سے عسیمی ایجنڈے پر بڑی منظوری کی تحریک کی مخالفت کی گئی تھی۔ پاکستان دفاعی افواج ایکٹ 2026 میں دفاعی افواج کے ہیڈ کوارٹر کے قیام کا ذکر ہے اور کہا گیا ہے کہ یہ چیف آف ڈیفنس فورسز کا ہیڈ کوارٹر ہوگا۔ اس بل میں چیف آف ڈیفنس فورسز کو قومی سلامتی اور مسلح افواج سے متعلق تمام معاملات پر 'وزیر اعظم پاکستان' کا پرنسپل ملٹری ایڈوائزر قرار دیا گیا ہے۔

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Gulf countries can win the global talent war

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For decades, the world’s most ambitious young professionals have made a beeline for a familiar set of destinations: New York, London, Silicon Valley, Boston, Research Triangle Park in North Carolina and a handful of other global hubs. These places promised opportunity, job satisfaction and high-growth careers. Today, that promise is fading. A slowdown in white-collar hiring across the West, being felt most acutely by tech industry executives in the US, has opened a rare window of opportunity for Gulf Arab states. This is the moment the Gulf Cooperation Council can win the global talent war. Recent reports in The Wall Street Journal paint a grim picture. Even graduates from elite US business schools — the traditional providers of executives, consultants and financiers — are taking months to land job offers. At Duke University’s Fuqua School of Business, 21 percent of master’s graduates were still unemployed three months after graduation. At the University of Michigan’s Ross School of Business, the figure stood at 15 percent, compared with just 4 per-

cent in 2019. Georgetown University reported that fully a quarter of its MBA class was still searching for work after three months. These are sobering numbers for institutions that once served as launchpads for lucrative careers.

The reasons are manifold. Companies are cutting back on white-collar hiring amid economic uncertainty, geopolitical risk and the rapid adoption of generative artificial intelligence, which threatens to automate many entry- and mid-level professional tasks. Layoffs in technology, finance and consulting have flooded the US market with experienced candidates competing for a shrinking pool of jobs. As one Wall Street Journal report noted, the US added just 49,000 jobs per month in 2025 — the slowest pace in more than two decades outside major recessions — and most of those jobs were in healthcare, not business or technology.

This crisis for Western graduates represents a once-in-a-generation opportunity for the Gulf. At precisely the moment when hydrocarbon prices are softening and fiscal pressures are rising, countries hitherto reliant on

energy exports need fresh thinking, new business models and the best managerial capacity.

Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Qatar, Oman and Bahrain all have strategies in place aimed at economic diversification. Significant investments are already flowing into AI, advanced manufacturing, renewable energy, life sciences, logistics and fintech. But capital alone may not be enough to guarantee the anticipated return on such investments. That depends on skilled engineers, product designers, data scientists, business strategists, venture capital professionals and industrial managers.

Time is also of the essence. AI data centers, advanced manufacturing projects and tech ventures will take perhaps years to mature and produce stable returns, assuming all goes well. But Gulf states facing fiscal pressures from lower oil revenues do not have the luxury of sitting back and hoping for the best. One way to bridge this gap is to aggressively attract world-class human capital that can help create entirely new revenue streams and industries, while looking forward to seeing their investments in electronics, advanced

industrials, clean energy and AI pay off in the fullness of time.

To be sure, the Gulf already attracts a tremendous amount of talent. Since the end of the COVID-19 pandemic, Riyadh and Dubai, for instance, have drawn tens of thousands of new expatriates every year. Their booming populations testify to their international appeal. However, a substantial part of this inflow ends up in real estate, hospitality, retail, basic services and mid-level corporate roles. What remains limited is the recruitment of innovation-driving talent from top business schools, engineering institutes, medical schools and research universities — the kind of graduates that powered the rise of Silicon Valley, Boston’s biotech ecosystem and London’s financial sector.

It is no secret that the US owes much of its technological leadership to generations of first-generation immigrants who arrived with talent and ambition. From Silicon Valley to Wall Street, foreign-born talent has powered the engines that drive entire sectors of the American economy. Fortunately, the GCC countries have the financial resources, infra-

structure, lifestyle advantages and geopolitical stability to bet on that strategy — provided they act decisively.

Several forces work in the regional bloc’s favor. First, world-class healthcare, international schools, modern housing, cultural openness and physical safety make cities like Riyadh, Dubai, Abu Dhabi and Doha highly attractive to cosmopolitan professionals. Second, taxation levels here remain competitive, allowing professionals to retain far more of their income than in the West. Third, governments are increasingly generous when it comes to visas, work permits, property ownership and long-term residency — a crucial factor for young talents who prioritize families and careers. To attract the brightest minds, Gulf countries must offer something intellectually compelling: the chance to build new institutions, industries and ecosystems from the ground up. This is where the region holds a significant advantage over Western economies that are burdened with high-tax regimes, bureaucratic inertia, regulatory inflexibility and policy rigidity.

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What Myanmar’s genocide defense reveals about global justice

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Over the past several days, the hearings at the International Court of Justice in The Hague have revealed something far more consequential than a procedural dispute over jurisdiction or representation. They have exposed a deliberate and coherent legal strategy by Myanmar’s military rulers: the systematic erasure of the Rohingya as a people from the courtroom itself. Rather than grappling with the substance of the genocide allegations brought under the Genocide Convention, the junta’s lawyers retreated almost entirely into abstraction. Their submissions were dominated by arguments about standing, admissibility, timelines and who has the authority to speak for Myanmar. What was striking was not simply what was said but what was consistently avoided. The Rohingyas were rarely named. Their identity, history and continued suffering were conspicuously absent from a case that exists solely because of crimes committed against them.

This was not an oversight. It was a strategy.

Genocide, under international law, begins with the targeting of a protected group. The crime is not only about mass killing, it is about the destruction of a people as such. In Myanmar, that process unfolded over decades through the denial of citizenship, restrictions on movement, exclusion from education and the systematic delegitimization of Rohingya identity. By the time the military launched its 2016-2017 “clearance operations,” the Rohingyas had already been rendered legally and politically invisible within the state. What the recent hearings at the world court demonstrate is that this logic of erasure has now migrated from the battlefield and bureaucracy into the courtroom. The junta’s legal approach seeks to strip the case of its human core and reframe it as a technical dispute between states. By doing so, it avoids confronting the central question before the court: whether specific people were targeted for destruction because of who they are.

This matters because genocide law cannot function in the abstract. The Genocide Convention was drafted in the shadow of the Holocaust precisely to prevent legal formalism from shielding perpetrators. It requires courts to identify victims, name protected groups and assess intent. When

a respondent state refuses even to acknowledge the existence of the group at the center of the case, it is not mounting a defense in good faith; it is attempting to hollow out the law itself.

The danger is that proceduralism becomes complicity.

International courts are, by design, cautious institutions. They prize jurisdictional clarity, procedural fairness and state consent. But when those instincts dominate to the exclusion of substance, they can be exploited by regimes that understand how to weaponize the legal process. The junta’s approach at The Hague reflects a broader pattern seen in other atrocity cases: delay justice long enough, bury facts under procedure and eventually the political urgency dissipates. For the Rohingyas, time is not neutral. Nearly 1 million remain in refugee camps in Bangladesh. Conditions in Rakhine State have deteriorated further, with new rounds of violence, restrictions on humanitarian access and deepening food insecurity. Each year of legal delay entrenches displacement and normalizes a reality in which return, citizenship and justice drift further out of reach.

If the International Court of Justice allows the case to be reduced to questions of representation and standing without insisting on engagement with the underlying crimes, it risks setting a dangerous precedent. Other regimes accused of mass atrocities will learn the lesson quickly: you do not need to refute the facts if you can avoid discussing them altogether. This is not simply a problem for Myanmar or the Rohingyas. It goes to the heart of whether genocide law remains fit for purpose in an era of fragmented states, contested sovereignty and authoritarian resilience. Many contemporary conflicts involve regimes that lack full territorial control or popular legitimacy. If such actors are nonetheless able to use procedural shields to evade scrutiny, the deterrent value of international justice will erode rapidly.

The world court does not need to abandon legal rigor to avoid this outcome. But it does need to recognize that silence can be as consequential as speech. When a respondent refuses to name the victims of alleged genocide, the court should treat that refusal as legally and morally significant.

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Greenlanders’ fever dream over but nightmares continue

NIC ROBERTSON

On Sunday, after two and a half weeks’ reporting from Nuuk, Greenland, my team and I finally boarded a plane and said goodbye. Leaving is hard. Greenland has me in its thrall, in rapture of its raw beauty and seduced by its quiet Inuit culture. But it’s a good thing to exit. Tonnes of journalists and equipment, clearing out, making space for Greenlanders to reflect on what just happened. As our producer, Ben, sagely observed, their fever dream has broken. Residents of this giant, icebound Arctic island could be forgiven for thinking they might awaken back to a simpler time, before the trauma of President Donald Trump’s ratcheting up of demands to own Greenland just a few weeks ago. But they are not where they began and they know it. Instead, they are awakening to an uneasy new reality. Trump’s capricious claims over their sovereignty are not over and his apparently flimsy grasp of basic facts about their homeland does not appear to have improved.

White House tweets make that abundantly clear. Were it not for his declaration at Davos last week, forswearing a military invasion of Greenland, an image posted of the president trudging across a snow field toward a Greenland flag, hand in wing with a penguin, would be triggering a renewed fever for its residents.

The apparent trolling is hard to fathom, much less take seriously. For a start, penguins — as everyone knows — live exclusively at the South Pole. Greenland is at the opposite end of the planet. But such incontrovertible truths seem to have become eclipsed by expansionist ambitions. Trump says he must own Greenland for the US’ “national security,” so he feels “psychologically” empowered to take it for his soon-to-be-built Golden Dome missile protective shield for the US. He might deny that he covets the minerals and rare earths buried below its ice sheets, but many are skeptical. What’s more, both objectives are already within his grasp. As Denmark, of which Greenland is a semi-autonomous territory, has made repeatedly clear to Trump’s diplomats, the 1951 defense agreement between these two sovereign nations grants sweeping rights for the US to base missiles and troops, as well as mine minerals and rare earths, to its heart’s content. What I learned during my all-too-brief time in Greenland is that nature and its preservation are at the heart of Inuit culture. Locals told me they believed that Trump

would have no regard for their most precious commodity, which is inextricably linked to their identity. Instead, the White House’s messaging seems to indicate they are either planning to introduce an alien species to Greenland or simply do not understand what it is they covet.

Greenlanders, on the other hand, know exactly what they fear and why. They do not trust Trump. The president’s apparent about-face at Davos, rescinding threats of military action and announcing, after meeting NATO Secretary-General Mark Rutte, that an “agreement” had been hatched, giving him everything he wanted, carries no water — or ice for that matter — in Greenland. For Greenlanders, Trump is an open book, each new chapter strewn with the same falsehoods and self-aggrandizement. They also saw what he did in Venezuela, a leader plucked from a country with air defenses and an army, of which Greenland has neither. Instead, it relies on Denmark and, by extension NATO — and America, to defend it. The night before we left, the power abruptly went out across Nuuk, its 20,000 residents plunged into darkness. A few hours later, the internet also throttled back. Plenty of well-educated and rational Nuummioqs (as the capital’s residents are known) fretted they were about to experience a Venezuela redux. Relief came just before daybreak and the slow, late morning sunrise. Power lines that had come down in the strong and unusual easterly winds were repaired. In the extremes of Greenland, uncertainty is an ever-present state of being. Flights are often canceled at the last minute. In fact, several were before our bumpy, wind-jerked aircraft took off. But Trump has injected a fresh layer of nervousness that Greenlanders see as entirely unnecessary. Now he is back where he started, apparently reengaging in a dialogue that Denmark and Greenland’s foreign ministers thought they had already concluded with Vice President J.D. Vance and Secretary of State Marco Rubio at the White House two weeks ago.

With details of the new post-Davos agreement as scarce as penguins at the North Pole, no Greenlander is confident Trump will not up the ante again — and many are convinced that the mercurial president may do exactly that sooner rather than later. But what Greenlanders feel most acutely is that Trump’s at times relentless rhetoric has shown no regard to their beliefs and feelings. Never once, they say, has he even tried to assuage their misgivings in his bellicose speeches.

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Letters to the Editor

Road sense

Wrong parking is a major issue in Pakistan. It frequently causes the obstruction of traffic flow, pedestrian pathways and accessibility channels for persons with disabilities. This often causes accidents which can sometimes even prove to be fatal. Many drivers in Pakistan are not even aware of parking rules and regulations, which leads them to these errors. The government must take action and ensure that drivers are aware of both their responsibilities and rights. In this country, there are no rules. Causing obstruction is a safety risk for other people. A car or bus parked on the sidewalk is an example of wrong parking, as it blocks the pedestrians’ path. The citizens must pay heed to these issues.

Sanita Nazeer
Hub City

Doomscrolling

Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, Snapchat and numerous other social media platforms are often the first source for spreading negativity. Content creators are changing their niche to making memes and

roasting others. However, every child on these platforms is watching these reels. Their minds are being filled with garbage instead of educational and knowledgeable things. Additionally, watching reels, especially memes, creates an empty mind and harms both our physical and mental health. If our children are already addicted to reels, we should check their feeds and change them accordingly. In place of meme creators, we should follow educational content creators. What our children end up watching is up to us. Taking positive actions is our responsibility for the physical and mental health of our families. We need to focus on positivity for healthier futures.

Mahrang Naseer
Hub

Unity, faith, discipline

The national emblem of Pakistan is a familiar sight for everyone, yet its deeper meaning remains largely overlooked. Beyond its visual identity, the emblem embodies profound symbolism: the crescent and star represent progress and enlightenment, while the four crops, cotton, wheat, tea and jute; sig-

nify agricultural strength and economic self-reliance. The emblem features a shield encircled by a floral wreath of Jasminum officinale, Pakistan’s national flower, symbolising purity and reflecting the rich cultural heritage of the Mughal era. The Urdu motto ‘ittihad, iman, tanzim’ encapsulates the nation’s ideological foundations of unity, faith and discipline. Almost everyone is unaware of this, which highlights a need for stronger civic education. Such a disconnect not only reduces national symbols to ceremonial imagery, but it also contributes to a weakening of national consciousness, particularly among younger generations. Including the historical, ideological and symbolic significance of the national emblem into educational curriculum, public awareness campaigns and media discourse can help build real patriotism based on knowledge rather than mere symbolism. At a time when Pakistan faces political, social and moral challenges, helping citizens connect with the values represented in the national emblem is a vital need.

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How developing countries can make the most of AI

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Since the 2008 global financial crisis, industrial policy has crept back into respectable economic discourse after decades of being derided as misguided interventionism, particularly for developing countries. But its renaissance is being led by the advanced economies that once rejected it, with the push into artificial intelligence and renewable energy hastening the shift.

For developing countries, this revival presents new opportunities, provided they can manage three major constraints: a weak enabling environment (a lack of infrastructure and other necessary inputs), limited autonomy in policymaking, and fiscal constraints. Industrial policy is often understood in terms of subsidies and tax breaks, but for many developing economies far more than these instruments must be put in place. Without reliable digital connectivity, dependable power supplies, trusted data protection regimes and a skilled workforce, ambitions for AI-led growth will amount to little more than rhetoric.

Developing countries’ policy options are also constrained because World Trade Organization rules limit the use of instruments — export-contingent subsidies, local content rules and technology transfer requirements — that once underpinned industrialization success stories, namely in East Asia. At the same time, major economies continue to march to their own drummer, with the US, the EU and China deploying industrial policy at scale, often bending or breaking the very rules that others are expected to observe. The asymmetry is obvious: of more than 2,500 industrial policy measures introduced globally in 2023, these three economies accounted for almost half.

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Finally, fiscal limits are biting hard. In many developing economies, up to 80 percent of public spending goes to wages and debt service, leaving little for the long-term investments that industrialization requires. Unlike the US or the EU, poorer countries cannot summon vast subsidy packages or bankroll multibillion-dollar technology programs.

And while technology parks and incubators have multiplied across Africa and Asia, few have delivered meaningful results. As UN Trade and Development observes, such zones succeed only when anchored in established supply chains. Without that grounding, they risk becoming costly white elephants — impressive on paper but inert in practice.

For developing countries, the sensible approach to AI is to deploy the sophisticated frontier models that are already available. Unburdened by legacy infrastructure, developing countries can leapfrog directly into emerging technologies, as many did when they skipped over landlines and went straight to mobile telephony. Deploying AI costs a fraction of what it takes to build it. Anyone can use tools like ChatGPT without erecting data centers or assembling elite engineering teams.

Such targeted applications can be transformative. In healthcare, AI-assisted diagnostics can rationalize the use of scarce clinical capacity. In education, digital platforms can compensate for chronic shortages of teachers. In agriculture, predictive analytics can support farmers navigating climate volatility. These uses may not dazzle those on the technological cutting edge, but they can deliver real-world returns where they matter most.

They also represent industrial policy at its most effective — meaning pragmatic, experimental and oriented around domestic realities.

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PML-N MNA, Shaista Pervez Head of program and Dr Sultan Azam Temuri CEO International Governance and Sustainability Institute (IG-SI) at the orientation of focal persons of "Hum hain Pakistan Youth Campaign" at PIPS near Kashmir House.

Terrorism a grave crime against humanity, serious threat to global peace: Ayaz

APP- ISLAMABAD: Speaker of National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq Thursday said that terrorism is a grave crime against humanity and a serious threat to global peace and security.

He paid rich tribute to the innocent civilians, brave personnel of the security forces and law-enforcement agencies who embraced martyrdom in acts of terrorism, saying that their sacrifices will always be remembered.

He expressed these views in his message on the occasion of the International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism, observed every year on August 21.

Ayaz Sadiq said that Pakistan has been fighting the scourge of terrorism for decades, during which the entire nation has rendered unparalleled sacrifices.

He said that the sacrifices of the brave

soldiers and innocent civilians who embraced martyrdom in the fight against terrorism constitute an indelible chapter in the national history.

He reaffirmed that the sacrifices of the martyrs will never go in vain and that the nation will always hold its martyrs and their families in the highest esteem and respect.

Ayaz Sadiq has said that Pakistan's security forces and law-enforcement agencies are playing a commendable role on the front lines in the fight against terrorism with courage and professionalism.

He said that the entire nation stands shoulder to shoulder with its brave security forces and that their sacrifices for the defence, peace and security of the country are a source of immense pride for the nation.

Ayaz Sadiq said that the Indian-backed



Fitna al-Khawarij and Fitna al-Hindustan are pursuing nefarious designs to undermine Pakistan's peace, security and stability.

He said that terrorist elements seek to spread fear and terror by targeting innocent civilians and undermine peace and stability in the country; however, they will never succeed in their nefarious designs.

He said that every conspiracy against Pakistan and every attempt to create unrest in the country will be decisively thwarted through collective efforts by the nation and state institutions.

Ayaz Sadiq said that national unity and effective cooperation among state institutions are essential in the fight against terrorism.

He said that indiscriminate action against terrorists and their facilitators will continue and that those seeking to undermine the country's peace and stability will not be allowed to succeed.

The Speaker emphasized the need to further strengthen the national resolve for the complete eradication of terrorism.

Ayaz Sadiq said that under Operation Azm-e-Istehkam, the security forces are continuing effective operations against terrorist elements.

400 mini dams planned to beat drought

APP- ISLAMABAD: The government has unveiled a Rs56.8 billion water conservation push featuring 400 lined ponds and mini dams in drought prone areas, alongside check dams, surface wells, tankas and rehabilitation of traditional karezes, to capture precious rainwater, curb soil erosion and build resilience against recurring water shortages under a phased national rainwater harvesting strategy.

According to documents available with Wealth Pakistan, the Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination has proposed five major interventions aimed at turning sporadic rainfall into a strategic water resource, with projects spread across different regions and tailored to local water needs.

The proposed 400 lined ponds and mini dams, carrying the lion's share of the investment at Rs48 billion, have been designated as a long term intervention and are expected to significantly enhance rainwater storage in drought vulnerable areas.

The government has earmarked another Rs6 billion for check dams, placing the intervention in the medium term category.

Besides slowing down rainwater runoff, the structures are designed to help contain soil erosion and improve local water retention.

In Sindh, the plan proposes Rs1.2 billion for tankas, traditional rainwater reservoirs that can provide communities with a vital buffer during prolonged dry spells. The initiative has been classified as a short term measure.

Consistent energy policies vital to attract investment in upstream sector: minister

APP- ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Petroleum Ali Pervaiz Malik on Thursday stressed the need for consistent and predictable energy policies to attract major investment in Pakistan's upstream exploration, particularly offshore projects.

Addressing the Energy Conference 2026, the minister said Pakistan was reviving offshore exploration after two decades under the leadership of Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif. Friendly countries, Mari Petroleum, Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) and Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) are participating in the effort.

He said the government must provide investors with policy consistency and medium-term visibility, particularly when companies are making major investments in high-risk exploration.

"If we expect them to invest over a hundred million dollars for one well, we must provide them consistency of policy and medium-term visibility," he said.

Ali Pervaiz Malik said investors should also be allowed to retain profits from successful exploration and reinvest those earnings in developing the required infrastructure.

Govt has mechanism to repatriate bodies of Pakistani workers who die abroad: Minister



APP- ISLAMABAD: Minister of State for Overseas Pakistanis Mohammad Awn Saqlain on Thursday said the government had a mechanism in place to repatriate the bodies of Pakistani workers who die abroad, with Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) facilitating the process where its flights operate.

Responding to questions in the National Assembly, he said 799 bodies of Pakistani workers had been reported over the past two years, while the overall number of Pakistani citizens who died abroad was higher. The figures presented to the House related specifically to Pakistani workers in countries including Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, other Gulf states and European countries. He said the government provided compensation of up to \$1 million in cases of death or disability of eligible workers, according to the applicable mechanism. The minister said PIA continued to facilitate the transportation of bodies from countries where the national airline operated. In countries where PIA

did not operate, the ministry used an alternative mechanism involving the Overseas Pakistanis Foundation (OPF) and other relevant officials to arrange repatriation.

He explained that the bodies were brought to Pakistan through arrangements with other airlines and relevant organisations, as PIA had previously transported such bodies free of cost.

Responding to a supplementary question by Aliya Kamran, the minister said the government had increased the pension-related facility for overseas Pakistani workers. He said details of the initiative would be provided to members separately.

He added that the government reviewed and extended facilities annually, with increases ranging between 13 and 15 per cent, depending on the nature of the facility. In response to another supplementary question by Shazia Marri, the minister said Community Welfare Attachés (CWAs) were deployed in Gulf countries as well as Europe to assist Pakistani workers and address their issues.

FTO office circulates upgraded regulation draft

APP- ISLAMABAD: The Federal Tax Ombudsman Secretariat has circulated the draft Federal Tax Ombudsman (Investigation and Disposal of Complaints) Regulations, 2026 for consultation with relevant stakeholders. The existing Federal Tax Ombudsman (Investigation and Disposal of Complaints) Regulations, 2001 were promulgated approximately twenty-five years ago. Since then, the legal and institutional framework governing the Ombudsman system has undergone significant development, particularly with the enactment of the Federal Ombudsmen Institutional Reforms Act, 2013. During the intervening years, the environment in which tax administration operates has changed substantially. The number of taxpayers has increased, tax laws and administrative arrangements have become more complex, and the number and nature of complaints received by the Federal Tax Ombudsman have also increased and evolved. Rapid developments in technology and digitisation, and continuing changes in the manner in which public services are delivered.



Cantonment Board Sargodha workers pruning plants at University Road

Geospatial AI training, climate policy webinar mark Week 5 of Future Leadership Internship

APP- ISLAMABAD: The fifth week of the Future Leadership Internship Programme 2026, organized by AI Geo Navigators, featured technical training on artificial intelligence and machine learning for geospatial applications and an expert webinar on climate science, policy and implementation of the Paris Agreement.

The fully virtual nationwide programme brings together students, graduates and early-career professionals from across Pakistan, providing participants with opportunities to strengthen their technical knowledge, engage with industry professionals and connect geospatial technologies with real-world climate



and environmental challenges, said a press release issued on Thursday.

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During Week 05, interns partici-

pated in a technical session titled "Introduction to AI/ML for Geospatial Applications." The session introduced participants to key concepts including features and labels, training and testing datasets, classification and regression, land-cover classification, model prediction, validation and accuracy assessment. The session provided participants with an understanding of how machine-learning techniques can be applied to satellite and geospatial data to identify and classify different types of land cover. The training also highlighted the importance of model validation and accuracy assessment when developing reliable geospatial solutions.



A heavily loaded rickshaw carrying iron beds travels on Shaheenabad Road, violating traffic safety regulations.

PTA, Google MoU signing to strengthen child online safety in Pakistan

APP- ISLAMABAD: The Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) and Google LLC today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Child Online Safety, aimed at strengthening awareness, digital safety and responsible use of online platforms among children, parents, teachers and caregivers across Pakistan.

According to a news release, under the MoU, PTA and Google will collaborate on a Child Safety Program focused on awareness, education and capacity-building, equipping parents and teachers with practical tools and resources to help children navigate the digital world safely.

Key initiatives include developing awareness content in English and local languages, conducting training programs in educational institutions and supporting a nationwide outreach campaign to connect millions of



families with localized online safety resources and tutorials.



کی خفیہ ایجنسی آئی ایس آئی کی حمایت یافتہ مبینہ شدت پسند تنظیم شہزاد بھٹی نیٹ ورک ’کوئٹہ‘ کرتے ہوئے اس کے 200 سے زائد کارکنوں کو گرفتار کیا ہے اور اس تنظیم کی تحریکی حملوں کے منصوبوں کو ناکام بنادیا ہے۔ اس ہی روز پاکستان کی وزارت خارجہ نے امت شاہ کے دعوے کو مسترد کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ ’اس قسم کا پروپیگنڈا پاکستان کے خلاف انڈیا کی اس مذموم مہم کا ایک اور ثبوت ہے جس کا مقصد اپنی داخلی سیوری کے چیلنجوں سے توجہ ہٹانا اور محض تلک نظر ملکی سیاسی مفادات کے حصول کے لیے پاکستان کو بیان میں مزید کہا گیا ہے کہ ’انڈیا کی بے بنیاد اور گمراہ کن باتیں بین الاقوامی توجہ کو پاکستان کی کامیابیوں سے ہٹا دینا اور انڈیا کی ریاستی سرپرستی میں ہونے والی دہشت گردی، ٹارگٹ کٹنگ اور غیر ملکی علاقوں میں تحریکی کارروائیوں سے نہیں بچا سکتیں۔‘ تاہم یہ پہلی مرتبہ نہیں کہ انڈین حکام کی جانب سے تلک میں مبینہ شدت پسندانہ کارروائیوں کے حوالے سے ’شہزاد بھٹی نیٹ ورک‘ کا نام لیا گیا ہو۔ اس مبینہ شدت پسند نیٹ ورک کو چلانے والے شہزاد بھٹی ہیں کون اور انڈین حکام ان پر کیا الزام لگاتے آئے ہیں؟ اس کی تفصیل میں جانے سے قبل جانتے ہیں کہ امت شاہ نے کیا دعویٰ کیا تھا؟

ضلع امبالہ کے بلڈ بینگر پولیس سٹیشن میں ہونے والے دھماکوں کے مبینہ منصوبہ ساز بھی تھے۔ 11 جولائی کو این آئی اے کی جانب سے جاری ایک اور بیان میں کہا گیا کہ این آئی اے نے امبالہ کے بلڈ بینگر پولیس سٹیشن کی پارکنگ میں ہونے والے کار بم دھماکے کے مقدمے میں شہزاد بھٹی سمیت آٹھ افراد کے خلاف فرد جرم دائر کر دی ہے۔ این آئی اے کے مطابق این آئی اے نے ہریانہ کے شہر چنگولہ میں قائم خصوصی عدالت میں جمع کرائی گئی چارج شیٹ میں شہزاد بھٹی کے علاوہ کرم جیت سنگھ عرف ٹونی، آکاش، سورب عرف سونی عرف سوبھ، رمن کمار، ستم، سکھ دیو سنگھ عرف سکھا اور امرجیت سنگھ عرف اسی کے نام بھی شامل تھے۔

تحقیقاتی ادارے نے دعویٰ کیا کہ شہزاد بھٹی نے انڈیا میں کارروائیوں کے لیے مقامی نیٹ ورک قائم کیا تھا اور مقامی افراد کو پولیس تنصیبات پر حملوں کے لیے لاجیک معاونت اور دھماکے خیز مواد کا انتظام کرنے کی ذمہ داریاں سونپی تھیں۔ ادارے کا کہنا ہے کہ آکاش انڈیا میں شہزاد بھٹی کا مرکزی رابطہ کار تھا اور وہ دیگر ملزمان کے ساتھ حملوں کی منصوبہ بندی اور رابطہ کار کی ذمہ دار تھا۔

این آئی اے کا کہنا تھا کہ تحقیقات سے یہ بھی معلوم ہوا کہ شہزاد بھٹی نے سوشل میڈیا پلیٹ فارمز اور خفیہ مواصلاتی ذرائع کے ذریعے ملزمان کو بھرتی کیا اور انھیں شدت پسند نظریات کی جانب مائل کیا۔

بم، ہتھول، کارتوس اور جاسوسی کے لیے استعمال ہونے والے سی ٹی وی کیمرے بھی برآمد ہوئے ہیں۔ انھوں نے یہ بھی دعویٰ کیا کہ چکڑے لگے مبینہ سیکریت پسندوں سے جاسوسی کے لیے استعمال ہونے والے سی ٹی وی کیمرے بھی برآمد ہوئے ہیں۔ رواں برس نو جون کو انڈیا کی فیملی انویسٹی گیشن ایجنسی (این آئی اے) کی جانب سے شہزاد بھٹی نیٹ ورک کے خلاف کارروائیوں کے متعلق ایک بیان جاری کیا گیا۔ بیان میں کہا گیا کہ مبینہ شدت پسند شہزاد بھٹی سے منسلک شدت پسند گینگسٹر نیٹ ورک کے خلاف تین مقدمات کے سلسلے میں انڈیا کی ریاستوں، پنجاب اور ہریانہ کے نو اضلاع میں 18 مقامات پر واقع مختلف عمارتوں میں مربوط کارروائیاں کی گئیں اور کئی افراد سے پوچھ گچھ کی گئی۔

این آئی اے کا کہنا تھا کہ چھاپوں کے دوران مختلف مواصلاتی نیٹ ورکس، مالی لین دین اور ان تین مقدمات میں زیر تفتیش افراد کی سرگرمیوں سے متعلق پوچھ گچھ کے علاوہ کئی ڈیجیٹل آلات اور دستاویزات بھی ضبط کی گئیں۔ ادارے کا کہنا ہے کہ مارچ 2025 میں پنجاب کے شہر جالندھر میں سوشل میڈیا انفلوئنسر راجہ سدھو کی رہائش گاہ پر ہونے والے گریپڈ حملے میں شہزاد بھٹی کے ملوث ہونے کا سراغ ملا ہے اور اپریل 2026 میں اس مقدمے میں شہزاد بھٹی کو مفروضہ ملزم قرار دیا گیا ہے۔ این آئی اے نے دعویٰ کیا کہ شہزاد بھٹی نومبر 2025 میں ہریانہ کے ضلع سرسا کے دوہین پولیس سٹیشن اور جنوری 2026 میں ہریانہ کے

ایکس پر جاری بیان میں انڈیا کے وزیر داخلہ امت شاہ نے دعویٰ کیا تھا کہ انڈین سیوری فورسز نے 14 ریاستوں میں مختلف مقامات پر مربوط کارروائیاں کرتے ہوئے پاکستان کی خفیہ ایجنسی آئی ایس آئی کی حمایت یافتہ مبینہ شدت پسند تنظیم ’شہزاد بھٹی نیٹ ورک‘ کو توڑ دیا۔ امت شاہ نے اسے دہشت گردی کے خلاف انڈیا کی ’زیرو ٹولرنس‘ پالیسی کی مثال قرار دیا۔ انڈین وزیر داخلہ نے دعویٰ کیا کہ نیٹ ورک کے قبضے سے بڑی مقدار میں اسلحہ اور دھماکوں کا سامان برآمد ہوا ہے اور انڈیا کی حکومت نے یوم آزادی سے قبل پاکستان

اسلام آباد اور نئی دہلی نے ایک دوسرے کے ہائی کمیشن کی عمارتوں کے باہر موجود ’تجاوزات‘ ہٹا دیں

انڈیا کے دارالحکومت نئی دہلی میں واقع پاکستانی ہائی کمیشن کی عمارت کے باہر بنے کچھ عارضی ڈھانچوں کو تجاوزات قرار دے کر گرادیایا گیا ہے

پاکستان کے دارالحکومت اسلام آباد کی ضلعی انتظامیہ اور پولیس کے سینئر اہلکاروں نے نام ظاہر نہ کرنے کی شرط پر تصدیق کی ہے کہ گذشتہ دنوں ڈپلومیٹک انکلیو میں تجاوزات کی کارروائی کی گئی تھی جس دوران انڈین ہائی کمیشن، مصری سفارتخانے اور اقوام متحدہ کے فوڈ آفس کے باہر سے تجاوزات کو ہٹا دیا گیا ہے۔ یہ ساحل اس حوالے سے پاکستان اور انڈیا کی وزارت خارجہ کی جانب سے کوئی

باضابطہ بیان جاری نہیں کیا گیا ہے۔ انڈین نیوز ایجنسی ’اے این آئی‘ کی رپورٹ کے مطابق دلی میں حکام نے ٹریفک بولارڈز اور دیگر ایسی رکاوٹیں ہٹائی ہیں جو پاکستان کے سفارتی کمپاؤنڈ کے باہر نصب تھیں۔ اسی طرح پاکستانی ہائی کمیشن آنے والے وزیٹرز کے لیے بنائے گئے ڈھانچے بھی ہٹائے گئے ہیں۔ تجاوزات کے خلاف ہونے والے اس آپریشن سے متعلق ’اے این آئی‘ نے کچھ ویڈیوز بھی جاری کی ہیں۔ جبکہ خبر رساں ایجنسی نی ٹی وی نے حکام کے حوالے سے بتایا ہے کہ جو ڈھانچے گرا گئے ہیں وہ پاکستانی ہائی کمیشن کو محض گئی زمین کے باہر بنائے گئے

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انڈیا میں دہشت گردی میں ملوث ہونے کا الزام: پاکستانی ’ٹک ٹاکر‘ شہزاد بھٹی کون ہیں؟

اسلام آباد انتظامیہ کے ایک سینئر اہلکار نے بتایا کہ وفاقی ترقیاتی ادارے (سی ڈی اے) نے چند ماہ قبل ڈپلومیٹک انکلیو میں سڑکوں اور فٹ پاتھ کی کشادگی اور تیز و آرائش کا منصوبہ بنایا تھا اور اسی منصوبے کے تحت لگ بھگ ایک ماہ قبل وزارت خارجہ میں تمام سفارتخانوں کے نمائندوں کو بلا کر تفصیلی بریفنگ دی گئی تھی اور بتایا گیا تھا کہ سی ڈی اے وہاں کس نوعیت کا ترقیاتی کام کرنا چاہتا ہے۔ ایک اہلکار نے بھی بات کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ کینٹرل ڈیولپمنٹ اتھارٹی نے اس ضمن میں دو دن قبل ڈپلومیٹک انکلیو میں تجاوزات کے خلاف مہم شروع کی تھی۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ جن سفارتخانوں کے لیے عارضی کمرے ’کینٹرینز‘ گاڑے گئے تھے، ان کو ہٹا دیا گیا ہے۔ دونوں اہلکاروں نے تصدیق کی کہ اس کارروائی کے دوران اسلام آباد کے ڈپلومیٹک انکلیو میں انڈین ہائی کمیشن کے باہر بھی تجاوزات ہٹائی گئی ہیں۔ سینئر پولیس اہلکار نے بھی تصدیق کی کہ سفارتخانوں کے حکام کو پہلے ہی بتا دیا گیا تھا کہ وہ ان تجاوزات کو از خود ہی ہٹا دیں۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ انڈیا کی حکومت نے اس مہم پر ہتھیار ڈال دیے ہیں۔ انھوں نے کہا کہ انڈیا کی حکومت نے یوم آزادی سے قبل پاکستان

ایف آئی آر رپورٹ

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اگرچہ پاکستان کے دارالحکومت اسلام آباد کی ضلعی انتظامیہ اور پولیس کے سینئر اہلکاروں نے نام ظاہر نہ کرنے کی شرط پر تصدیق کی ہے کہ گذشتہ دنوں ڈپلومیٹک انکلیو میں تجاوزات ہٹانے کی کارروائی کی گئی تھی جس دوران انڈین ہائی کمیشن، مصری سفارتخانے اور اقوام متحدہ کے فوڈ آفس کے باہر سے تجاوزات کو ہٹا دیا گیا ہے۔ یہ ساحل اس حوالے سے پاکستان اور انڈیا کی وزارت خارجہ کی جانب سے کوئی

باضابطہ بیان جاری نہیں کیا گیا ہے۔ انڈین نیوز ایجنسی ’اے این آئی‘ کی رپورٹ کے مطابق دلی میں حکام نے ٹریفک بولارڈز اور دیگر ایسی رکاوٹیں ہٹائی ہیں جو پاکستان کے سفارتی کمپاؤنڈ کے باہر نصب تھیں۔ اسی طرح پاکستانی ہائی کمیشن آنے والے وزیٹرز کے لیے بنائے گئے ڈھانچے بھی ہٹائے گئے ہیں۔ تجاوزات کے خلاف ہونے والے اس آپریشن سے متعلق ’اے این آئی‘ نے کچھ ویڈیوز بھی جاری کی ہیں۔ جبکہ خبر رساں ایجنسی نی ٹی وی نے حکام کے حوالے سے بتایا ہے کہ جو ڈھانچے گرا گئے ہیں وہ پاکستانی ہائی کمیشن کو محض گئی زمین کے باہر بنائے گئے

ایجنسی نے ہائی کمیشن کے باہر کی ایک تصویر شائع کی ہے جس میں غن کی چادریں، لوہے کی ریٹنگ اور لوکڑی کے کچھ ڈھانچے اور دیگر لمبے کوز زمین پر پڑا دکھایا گیا ہے۔ بی ٹی وی نے مطابق یہ کارروائی پاکستانی ہائی کمیشن کے ویزا کونسل کے احاطے کی جانب کی گئی ہے۔ ’اس طرف کئی کھوپڑیاں بنی ہوئی ہیں۔ ان کھوپڑیوں پر ویزا اور نوٹیشن جمع کی جاتی تھیں۔ لوگوں کو قطار میں کھڑا کرنے کے لیے ریٹنگ لگائی گئی تھی اور اوپر غن کا شیلہ تھا۔ اب یہ بھی گرا دی گئی ہیں۔ جب دونوں ملکوں کے تعلقات معمول پر آتے، ان نوٹس ہیاں ویزا لینے والوں کی بھی جمع رہتی تھی۔‘

اسے این آئی نے حکومتی ذرائع کے حوالے سے یہ دعویٰ کیا ہے کہ انڈین حکام نے ایسا اسلام آباد میں انڈین ہائی کمیشن کے باہر موجود پارکنگ پول بنانے کے جواب میں کی ہے۔ جبکہ بی ٹی وی نے رپورٹ کے مطابق گذشتہ دنوں اسلام آباد میں پاکستانی حکام کے ذریعے انڈین ہائی کمیشن کے سامنے سکيورٹی بریکڈ اور پارکنگ پولز بنائے جانے کے بعد دلی میں حکام نے یہ قدم اٹھایا ہے۔

PSG start Ligue 1 defence with eye on Champions League hat-trick



SPORTS DESK, PARIS: Paris Saint-Germain kick off their Ligue 1 campaign as overwhelming favourites to win a sixth successive title, but will have one eye firmly on their bid for a third straight Champions League crown.

The capital giants eased to a record-extending 14th French top-flight triumph last season, despite often prioritising their European ambitions.

They start their Ligue 1 campaign against Rennes on Sunday, hoping to make a quick start before the Champions League begins on September 8.

"When the season starts, everyone says the league is easy," said head coach Luis Enrique. "Nothing is easy -- I don't recall any easy French league campaigns, at least not in the last three years."

Their six-point winning margin over

second-placed Lens last term was the second closest they have come to slipping up domestically since being beaten to the title by Lille in 2021.

Two seasons ago, they finished a whopping 19 points clear of closest challengers Marseille. Across the past five campaigns, PSG have enjoyed an average title-winning margin of 10 points.

After finally ending their long wait to translate that success to Europe in 2024/25, they backed it up with a second successive Champions League final victory, over Arsenal on penalties in May.

Only three clubs have won three consecutive European Cups -- Real Madrid, Ajax and Bayern Munich.

"Everyone thinks we can win, but that's just theory. Now we have to prove on the pitch that we're up to the task," Luis

Enrique said when asked PSG's Champions League chances this season.

"Historically, it's hard to find a team that wins all the time, but we're trying to be right there alongside those kinds of teams." Qatar-backed PSG have once again strengthened in the transfer market and held on to all of their most important players. Ferran Torres has joined from Barcelona after scoring Spain's winning goal in the World Cup final, while France left-back Lucas Digne has returned as back-up for Nuno Mendes.

"Like last year, we're still hungry for victories, trophies," said PSG midfielder Vitinha. "It's very difficult to maintain those levels but we're still hungry and we'll be aiming to win." PSG comfortably rotated their side in Ligue 1 last term to boost their Champions League hopes and

will be expecting to be able to do so again this time around.

Ballon d'Or holder Ousmane Dembele only started 11 of their 34 Ligue 1 games last season. Lens impressed by finishing second to PSG last season and led the table for long periods before falling away.

They could not hold on to coach Pierre Sage who left for mid-table Premier League club Crystal Palace.

However, they passed their first test under new boss Dino Toppmoller with flying colours by defeating PSG with 10 men in the Champions' Trophy last weekend and will be expecting to compete for second place again. "I have a great rapport with the coach. He called me very soon after his appointment, while I was still on vacation," said Lens playmaker Florian Thauvin.

Verstappen commits to Red Bull until end of 2030

SPORTS DESK, ZANDVOORT: Max Verstappen signed a contract extension with Red Bull to the end of 2030 on Thursday, ending speculation about the four-time world champion's near-term Formula One future.

The 28-year-old already had a contract to the end of 2028 but with break clauses offering a potential way out should the team fail to meet his expectations and provide a winning car. Such performance-related clauses were believed to have been triggered this season, according to Dutch media reports. Red Bull lie fourth overall this season, and Verstappen sixth, 110 points behind Mercedes' Kimi Antonelli, after 11 races and ahead of his home grand prix this weekend.

The Dutch driver had been linked in media reports to both McLaren, who have signed his race engineer Gianpiero Lambiase from 2028 at the latest, and championship leaders Mercedes.

"I am really pleased with the contract extension," Verstappen, who joined Red Bull's junior programme in 2014 and has won all his titles with the team, said in a team statement.

"We have the best people and I'm excited to keep working together with everyone to get back to the top again. This remains the ultimate goal that all of us have been working towards and will continue to pursue.

"I have always said it: The team is like a second family for me and I feel very at home ... to continue this journey with the same Team that I have been with my whole career is really special and something I have always wanted to do."



South Africa name squad for Zimbabwe tour

SPORTS DESK, South Africa Women will tour Zimbabwe for the first time next month, with the neighbours set to meet in their maiden bilateral T20I series.

Regular captain Laura Wolvaardt will lead the squad featuring three uncapped players -- seamer Caitlin Wyngaard, former South Africa Under-19 star Nthabiseng Nini and off-spinner Luyanda Nzuza. The 21-year-old Wyngaard earned her maiden call-up after impressing for South Africa Emerging Women during their recent tour of Bangladesh. Nini and Nzuza also caught the selectors' eye with standout performances for the Emerging side. The trio are joined by Faye Tunnicliffe, Anneke Bosch, Ayanda Hlubi, Eliz-Mari Marx, Seshnie Naidu, Nondumiso Shangase and Miané Smit, who all missed the recent ICC Women's T20 World Cup in England. Wicketkeeper-batters Sinalo Jaftha and Karabo Meso, along with all-rounders Kayla Reyneke and Annerie Dercksen, further strengthen the squad.

Mourinho begins second Real Madrid reign

SPORTS DESK, BARCELONA: Jose Mourinho's second spell at Real Madrid begins in Barcelona this weekend in La Liga, although at Espanyol rather than up against his and Los Blancos' bitter rivals.

The veteran Portuguese coach returns to the club 16 years after first being appointed but charged with a similar task, deposing Barcelona as the leading club in Spain.

Mourinho is also aiming to restore some of the intensity and attitude that defined his first Madrid reign, between 2010-2013, after two seasons without winning a major trophy steered president Florentino Perez back to him.

The 15-time European champions have suffered dressing room turbulence, with tensions between players and a succession of coaches unable to find a convincing balance on the pitch. None of Carlo Ancelotti, Xabi Alonso or Alvaro Arbeloa could fit the team's attacking stars -- Kylian Mbappe, Vinicius Junior and Jude Bellingham -- in together without compromising the team defensively.

Perhaps disciplinarian Mourinho might be the man to make it work, to turn superstars into willing runners without dulling their attacking edge.

The Portuguese says he returns as a different coach, more mature after years of experience in England, Italy, Turkey and elsewhere.

"I'm much more mature, less emotional, and more in control... as always, learning from mistakes," said the 63-year-old this week, although he insisted he was not "more boring".

Mourinho made clear from his first days back at Madrid's Valdebebas



training ground what it is he wants from his team.

"I am here... to create a culture of work, responsibility, ambition," said Mourinho, describing his role as a "mission". Perez has certainly given Mourinho the ammunition he needs to catch up with Barca. Los Blancos spent heavily this summer, making Ivorian winger Yan Diomande their record signing at 140 million euros (\$163m) and bringing in Bernardo Silva and Marc Cucurella among a series of high-profile arrivals.

However some would argue that in not signing Rodri, who they were linked with before he joined rivals Barcelona, Madrid have not reinforced sufficiently in midfield.

Diomande's arrival adds yet another major attacking threat to a

squad that already boasts plenty of them. It may be former Manchester City midfielder Silva who proves the more significant signing when it comes to balance.

Madrid have spent years trying to move on from the era of Toni Kroos and Luka Modric, whose ability to control matches allowed the forwards great freedom and reduced the team's exposure to relentless opposition attacks. Silva is not a direct replacement for either, but his technical quality gives Mourinho an option for solving a problem that has persisted since their departures. Whether he will be enough to give Madrid a foothold in the biggest games, including against Hansi Flick's double defending Spanish champions, remains to be seen.



Young players showcase their skills in various games during the closing ceremony of the Pakistan Independence Celebrations U-14 Kids Sports Gala at the Sports Gymnasium.

Kane hopes for Ballon d'Or after 'best season ever'

SPORTS DESK, MUNICH: Bayern Munich striker Harry Kane has set his sights on the Ballon d'Or after receiving his second European Golden Shoe in Munich on Wednesday.

The England captain collected the prize after scoring the most goals in Europe's top divisions last season.

Kane won the 2023-24 award after a prolific first season at Bayern, but said this year's honour "tasted even better than the first". The 33-year-old scored 36 goals in 31 Bundesliga games last term, the third most in a German top-flight campaign, while winning the league and cup double.

He also netted six times at the



World Cup, becoming England's top goalscorer at the competition with 14 career goals. In total, he scored 73 goals for club and country last season. Kane said he hoped to receive football's highest individual honour after his "best season ever".

"Obviously, that's out of my control. I know, of course, there's going to be a lot of talk about it from now until October when it's announced," he said. "Ultimately, I've done everything I can last season. It was my best season by far. I achieved a lot with the teams I was in." Kane made it to the Champions League semi-finals with Bayern, who were narrowly defeated by eventual winners Paris Saint-Germain. He also reached the semi-finals of the World Cup with England before an agonising 2-1 loss to Argentina. Only serial Ballon d'Or winners Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo have won the Golden Shoe more often than Kane.

Sabalenka, Zverev stunned in Cincinnati

SPORTS DESK, CINCINNATI: Top seeds Aryna Sabalenka and Alexander Zverev crashed out of the Cincinnati Masters in a matter of hours on a rainy Wednesday of fourth-round action.

American Tommy Paul saved a match point on the way to a 4-6, 7-6 (8/6), 6-4 upset of Germany's Zverev.

But the biggest shock came on the women's side where Czech Sara Bejlek, ranked 35th, stunned world number one Sabalenka 7-6 (9/7), 6-4 in a gritty match that finished up shortly after the clock ticked past midnight into Thursday morning.

Former champion Sabalenka led by a break in the opening set and was up 5-1 in the tiebreaker before Bejlek roared back to pocket the set in 65 minutes.

Bejlek broke the Belarusian three times in the second set, rallying from 4-1 down and securing the win with a love game capped by an ace. "I lost my words -- it feels incredible," Bejlek said after her first win over a top-10 player. "I was playing what I was feeling and not really thinking. I was trying not to be nervous and just play. I believed in myself no matter what." Bejlek, who won the Abu Dhabi hard court title in February as a qualifier, booked a quarter-final clash with American Madison



Keys. It was yet another setback for Sabalenka as the start of the US Open looms on August 30. The four-time Grand Slam champion was ousted in the fourth round of the Toronto Masters last week, having lost in the same round at Wimbledon and in the quarter-finals at Roland Garros.



Kaio Jorge (C) of Cruzeiro controls the ball during the second leg of the Copa Libertadores round of 16 football match between Brazil's Flamengo and Cruzeiro at the Maracana stadium in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil,



Chairman Senate of Pakistan Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani addressing the closing ceremony of "Strategic Planning and Leadership Excellence Programme" at National Institute of Banking & Finance (NIBAF).

Gilani calls for strategic leadership, innovation, strong governance in universities

APP- ISLAMABAD: Chairman Senate Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani on Thursday emphasised the need for effective leadership, sound governance and strategic planning to strengthen Pakistan's higher education sector and transform universities into centres of excellence, research, innovation and entrepreneurship.

Addressing a gathering on "Strategic Planning and Leadership Excellence" as Chief Guest, organised by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) through the National Academy of Higher Education, the Chairman Senate said that universities today have responsibilities far beyond imparting knowledge.

He said higher education institutions must equip young people with critical thinking, creativity, ethical values, leadership skills and the capacity to respond to a rapidly changing world.

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CUI ranked No. 1 in Pakistan in U.S. news best global universities rankings

APP- ISLAMABAD: COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI) has emerged as the highest-ranked Pakistani university in the U.S. News & World Report Best Global Universities 2026-2027 Rankings, securing 410th position globally with an overall score of 52.

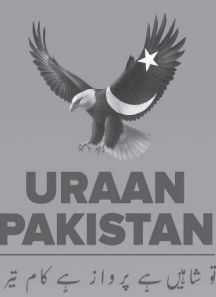
CUI leads Pakistani universities in the global ranking, followed by Quaid-i-Azam University at 451st, The University of Lahore at 479th, University of Management and Technology (UMT) at 573rd and National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) at 590th position globally. The ranking underscores Pakistan's growing presence in international, research-based university assessments, with the U.S. News Best Global Universities Rankings placing particular emphasis on academic research performance, research reputation and global scholarly impact. The achievement reflects CUI's sustained focus on high-quality research, impactful publications, international collaboration and enhanced global academic visibility. Commenting on the achievement, Rector COMSATS University Islamabad Prof. Dr. Raheel Qamar said CUI's standing as Pakistan's leading university in the prestigious global ranking reinforced its commitment to research excellence, innovation and international collaboration.

Mohsin Naqvi praises security forces after five militants killed in Panjgur operation

APP- ISLAMABAD: Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi on Thursday praised the security forces for a successful intelligence-based operation carried out under Operation Radd-ul-Fitna 3 in the Kali Suran area of Panjgur, where five militants linked to Fitna al-Hindistan were killed.

In his statement, Naqvi commended the forces for their professional conduct and operational performance, saying the action helped prevent the plans of terrorist elements targeting peace in the region.

He said the security forces acted in a timely manner and successfully neutralized the threat posed by the militants. He said the operation reflected the preparedness and commitment of the forces in dealing with terrorism and maintaining stability in Balochistan. Mohsin Naqvi stated that the successful actions carried out by security forces against groups working against peace in Balochistan deserve recognition. He said such operations demonstrate the determination of state institutions to counter terrorism and protect the public. The minister also appreciated the courage of the personnel involved in the operation. He noted that intelligence-based actions remain an important part of efforts aimed at disrupting terrorist networks and preventing attacks.



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