

# QUETTA VOICE

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## Suspected robber lynched by mob in Karachi

**KARACHI:** A suspected robber acting alone was lynched by an angry mob in Itchhad Town, Karachi on Wednesday, officials said.

Speaking to Dawn.com, Station House Officer (SHO) Rao Shahbir said the suspect, armed with a pistol, attempted to loot a citizen near Babu Chowk in Qaimkhani Colony.

The citizen put up resistance, and was joined by others standing nearby, who got hold of the suspect.

The mob beat him severely with blunt instruments, resulting in his death on the spot, SHO Shahbir said. The body was shifted to Civil Hospital, Karachi, where the suspect's identity could not be ascertained immediately, according to SHO Shahbir.

The police claimed to have recovered one pistol along with rounds, the SHO added.

Recent reports indicate a significant surge in street crime in Karachi, with daily occurrences of theft and violence. **NEWS DESK.**

## AJK court rejects poet Ahmed Farhad's bail petition

**MUZAFFARABAD:** Agreeing with the contentions of the prosecution, an anti-terrorism court in Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) on Tuesday rejected the bail plea of detained poet Ahmed Farhad Shah, holding that the legal points advanced by his counsel did not apply to the case in hand.



Mr Shah, who had gone missing from his Islamabad residence on May 15, had surprisingly "resurfaced" in Gujjar Kohala, a village near the AJK border with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, on May 29 when the Islamabad High Court was hearing a petition seeking his recovery. Justice Mehmood Akhtar Kayani, the senior justice judge of the IHC, had framed 12 questions mostly related to the functions and obligations of agencies i.e. Inter-Services Intelligence, Military Intelligence and the Intelligence Bureau. The court was informed by AGIF Man-soor Usman Awan. **NEWS DESK.**

## IHC orders de-sealing of PTI's central secretariat in capital

**ISLAMABAD:** The Islamabad High Court (IHC) on Tuesday ordered de-sealing of the central secretariat of Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf (PTI) in the G-8 sector of the capital.

IHC Justice Saman Rafat Imtiaz allowed a petition filed by PTI General Secretary Omar Ayub through his counsel Mohammad Shuaib Shaheen.

The PTI had challenged the Capital Development Authority (CDA)'s operation conducted on its secretariat in G-8/4 on May 23. The civic agency had sealed the premises for violation of its by-laws. In the petition, the PTI termed the operation and sealing of its secretariat "without having lawful authority, mala fide, political victimisation, without adopting due process of law and contrary to the provisions as enunciated under the constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973."

As per the petition, "Arshad Dad and Naseem Rehman, both members of PTI central finance board, through an agreement dated 17/07/2020, purchased commercial plot No. 1-A, measuring 30 X 48, 160 Sq. Yards situated at shopping centre G-8/4-2, Islamabad, from Sartaj Ali."

When the seller wrote a letter to the CDA on July 29, 2020, for the transfer of the allotment of plot, the civic agency on July 30, 2020 allotted/transfered the plot in the name of the PTI.

However, "on May 23, 2024, at about 11:15pm, the petitioner through electronic media came to know that the CDA in connivance



Scores of people gathered outside a coal mine where 2 miners were trapped in Dukk: Photo provided by the author

## Quetta Sanjodi Tragedy Exposes Systemic Failures: A Call for Accountability and Reform

Syed Ali Shah:

**Quetta:** Yesterday's coal mine explosion in Sanjodi Quetta, Balochistan, has left our hearts heavy and our resolve unwavering. Eleven lives lost, families shattered, and a community in mourning—this is neither the first nor the last incident. It's time to confront the grim reality: our government and mine owners bear responsibility for this tragedy.

### 1. Safety Negligence: A Reckless Gamble

The gas filling mishap that led to the explosion underscores the negligence prevailing in our mines. The lives of our miners are treated as expendable commodities, sacrificed at the altar of profit. The Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) and the mines department must be held accountable for failing to enforce safety protocols. We demand transparency in their investigations and immediate action to prevent further loss of life.

### 2. Broken Families, Broken Promises

Shahid Rind's condolences are empty words unless backed by tangible support. Families left without breadwinners deserve more than sympathy—they need compensation, education, and emotional care.

The government's promises must translate into action. We call upon the authorities to establish a relief fund for the affected families and ensure their well-being.

### 3. Urgent Reforms: A Matter of Life and Death

The collapse of mine sections trapped our workers, revealing the fragility of our mining infrastructure. Stricter safety protocols are non-negotiable. The Balochistan government must overhaul its approach, invest in modern equipment, and promote worker safety. Lives are not expendable; they are our most precious resources.

### 4. Beyond Condemnations: A Collective Responsibility

As we grieve, let us channel our anger into collective action. Mine owners, government officials, and the entire community must unite to prevent such tragedies. We demand:

**Independent Oversight:** A committee comprising experts, labor representatives, and civil society members to monitor safety compliance.

**Worker Empowerment:** Unions and associations must be strengthened to advocate for miners' rights.

**Public Awareness:** Educate communities about the risks and demand accountability.

This editorial is a call to arms. Let us honor the fallen by demanding change.

The Sanjodi tragedy must mark the turning point—a wake-up call for safety, justice, and compassion.

Note: The views expressed in this editorial are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the newspaper's official stance.

## High-Level Meeting Ensures Enhanced Security for Anti-Polio Campaign in Balochistan

Manan Mandokhail:

**QUETTA:** A high-level meeting was held under the chairmanship of Inspector General Police Abdul Khaliq Shaikh at the Central Police Office to review and enhance security measures for the ongoing anti-polio campaign in Balochistan. This meeting followed an attack by an angry mob in Chaman the previous day, which resulted in injuries to two female polio workers and two Levies personnel guarding the team.

Key officials in attendance included Commissioner Quetta Hamza Shafaq, Coordinator for Balochistan Polio Zahid Shah, AIG Operation Dr. Sami, SSP Operation Muhammad Baloch, Captain Retd Anwar Al-Haq, Coordinator National Emergency Operation Center Polio Islamabad, Brigadier Retired Abdul Hasan, and Ghulam Dasgri Ghazal.

The meeting featured a detailed briefing on the steps taken to protect the anti-polio teams across the province. The focus was on providing foolproof security to ensure the success of the polio campaign. Despite facing extreme weather conditions and unspecified threats, police personnel assigned to protect the polio teams have been provided with essential facilities.

Inspector General Police Abdul Khaliq Shaikh emphasized the critical importance of eradicating polio, describing it as a vital



national duty. He praised the dedication and bravery of the police officers who have risked their lives to ensure the safety of polio workers. The IG stressed the necessity of assigning additional personnel to areas with significant security challenges to ensure the smooth administration of polio drops.

The IG Balochistan reaffirmed the police force's steadfast commitment to making Balochistan a polio-free province. He assured that all necessary security challenges would be addressed to meet the demands and ensure the security of polio workers. The bravery and dedication of the police officers were commended, with a promise that their sacrifices would be duly recognized.

This high-level meeting underscores the relentless efforts and unwavering commitment of Balochistan's police force in the fight against polio, ensuring that every child in the province receives the crucial polio vaccine despite the challenges faced.

## New Gwadar airport clears calibration flight test

**RAWALPINDI:** A calibration aircraft successfully test-landed on Tuesday at the New Gwadar International Airport (NGIAP), a key milestone of the airport project which is expected to be operational by the fourth quarter of this year.

The Pakistan Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) in a press release termed the successful test-landing of the aircraft an important milestone for the New Gwadar International Airport (NGIAP).

A spokesman for the PCAA said in a press release that the calibration aircraft was welcomed to the airport with a customary water cannon salute by the Rescue and Fire Fighting Services Department of CAA.

The accomplishment is the result of the collaborative efforts of the Chinese and Pakistani test teams, the spokesman said.

The airport is projected to

be completed and become operational by the fourth quarter of this year.

The completion of the New Gwadar International Airport is likely to have a transformative impact on the development of Gwadar and its surrounding areas, as well as improve lives of the people of Balochistan province and the coastal region, the press release said.



Being built over 4,300 acres of land, the airport, which will handle domestic and international flights, is an important part of the CPEC, an energy and infrastructure corridor between the two countries. **NEWS DESK.**

## Tensions Escalate in Chaman Following Attack on Deputy Commissioner

Sardar Muhammad Khondai:



**CHAMAN:** Tensions have significantly increased in Chaman following an attack on Deputy Commissioner Raja Athar Abbas by members of the sit-in committee during negotiations. The incident followed the arrest of key leaders of the sit-in, leading to heightened unrest in the area.

In response, a large number of people initiated a sit-in outside the Deputy Commissioner's office. The situation, already tense due to a recent attack on a police team in Chaman, has worsened. As a precaution, the administration has suspended mobile and internet services for two days. The closure of markets, government offices, and other businesses in Chaman has disrupted daily life and economic activities.

According to Deputy Commissioner Raja Athar Abbas, members of the sit-in committee attacked him and vandalized his office. He was protected by his bodyguards. The arrested leaders include Sadiq Achakzai, Ghosulullah, Bugai, Mustafa Agha Khan, Muladad, Baki Khan, and Inayat, who have been transferred to Quetta.

An FIR has been registered against ten members of

employees from receiving their salaries. Local administration officials have condemned the protesters' actions, stating that challenging the state is unacceptable and that those who do so do not deserve any concessions.

On the other hand, the protesters have denied these allegations, accusing the government of using excessive force. The Pashtoonkhwā Milli Awami Party has strongly condemned the government's ac-

tions, calling it an abuse of power against peaceful protesters. They have warned that if their leaders are not released, they will intensify their protests.

This situation underscores the growing unrest in Chaman and the challenges faced by both the administration and the protesters. Efforts to mediate and find a peaceful resolution are crucial to restore normalcy and ensure the safety of all involved.



China's holistic approach to medicinal plant conservation to benefit Pakistan: Experts

CHITRAL (INP): Pakistan can learn from China's holistic approach to medicinal plant conservation, which combines traditional knowledge, sustainable practices, and collaborative research.

By combining indigenous wisdom with scientific advancement, both countries can contribute to global efforts to protect these valuable resources. "China's achievements in large-scale landscape forest restoration provide valuable insights to global plant conservation efforts.

Collecting medicinal plants, especially in rural areas, can provide additional income for collectors, especially women. Sustainable harvesting or cultivation practices can help alleviate poverty while ensuring the protection of these plants.

China's experience in sustainable harvesting and cultivation can guide Pakistan in balancing economic benefits with conservation goals. Joint research on genetic stability, material basis, effectiveness, and safety of medicinal plants can yield valuable insights.

Comparing seeds from space (e.g., Pakistan's medicinal seeds sent to space) with their counterparts on Earth can lead to the discovery of new medicinal plants found in the country.

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ISLAMABAD: Vice Chancellor, Quaid-i-Azam University Prof Dr Niaz Ahmad Akhtar called on President Asif Ali Zardari at Aiwan-e-Sadr.

Slovenia becomes latest EU country to recognise Palestine

LJUBLJANA (INP): Slovenia became the latest European Union country to recognise an independent Palestinian state after its parliament approved the move with majority vote on Tuesday, dismissing a call for a referendum on the issue by the largest opposition party.

The government last week decided to recognise Palestine as an independent and sovereign state following the steps of Spain, Ireland and Norway as part of a wider effort to coordinate pressure on Israel to end the conflict in Gaza. "Today's recognition of Palestine as a sovereign and independent state sends

hope to the Palestinian people in the West Bank and in Gaza," Prime Minister Robert Golob said on X.

The vote was scheduled for Tuesday and a parliamentary group for foreign affairs on Monday endorsed the government decision with majority vote. The right-wing Slovenian Democratic Party (SDS) of former premier Janez Jansa, however, then submitted a proposal on a consultative referendum on the recognition bid, which would have delayed the vote for at least a month.

The SDS, the largest opposition party, argued it was not the right time to recognise an independent Palesti-

nian state and that the move would only award the terrorist organisation Hamas. After the ruling coalition, which holds a majority in Slovenia's 90-member parliament, tried to find the way around the referendum demand and proceed with the vote, the SDS withdrew their proposal but submitted it again hours later.

The parliament committee for foreign affairs declared it inadequate and dismissed it at an extraordinary session.



ISLAMABAD: Governor KPK Mr. Faizal Karim Kundli called on Federal Minister for Law and Justice Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar.

BEFORE THE JUDGE BENKING COURT QUETTA DISTRICT COURT KACHEHRY SHARA-E-JOBL QUETTA SUIT NO. 11/2024

Bank Alfalah Limited M.A.Jinnah Road Branch Quetta, Through its Attorney, Plaintiff versus Fahim Khan Son of Bazai Bashir Ahmed Resident of Hazoo House New Najmuddin Road Quetta. Cell # 0301372243. CNIC # 54400-2430174. Office address: Branch Manager, Sales Department, Bank Islami Ltd, Gwalmandi Chowk Quetta. Defendant

SUIT FOR RECOVERY OF RS: 331370/49 ALONG WITH COST OF FUNDS/9 OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (RCOVERY OF FINANCES) ORDINANCE 2001.

NOTICE UNDER FORM IV APPENDIX B OF C.P.C 1908 Notice to - The above noted defendant. WHEREAS the plaintiff has instituted a suit against you under section 9(5) of the Banking Companies Ordinance XLVI of 2001 for RS 331370/49 balance of principal & interest/mark up/rent due to him of which copy can be obtained from this court, on or, hereby summoned to obtain leave from the court within 30 (thirty) days, from the service hereof to appear and defend the suit, and within such time to cause an appearance to be entered for you.

WHEREAS the plaintiff has instituted a suit against you under section 9(5) of the Banking Companies Ordinance XLVI of 2001 for RS 331370/49 balance of principal & interest/mark up/rent due to him of which copy can be obtained from this court, on or, hereby summoned to obtain leave from the court within 30 (thirty) days, from the service hereof to appear and defend the suit, and within such time to cause an appearance to be entered for you.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the court, this 4th day of June, 2024. (SAIFULLAH KHAN) REGISTRAR Banking Court Balochistan Quetta

BEFORE THE JUDGE BENKING COURT QUETTA DISTRICT COURT KACHEHRY SHARA-E-JOBL QUETTA SUIT NO. 12/2024

Askani Bank Limited, MA Jinnah Road Quetta, Plaintiff versus Saqib Fazil Son of Muhammad Fazil PA No 7372181, Designation: L.Nark/Nursing, Parent Unit/HQ, Combined Military Hospital (CMH), Quetta. Address: 1. QIMS College, Quetta, Cantt. 2. Street Dhok Bazar P O Box Khas Talla Gang District Chakwal. Cell# 03055916762. CNIC # 372054334011-3. Defendant

SUIT FOR RECOVERY OF RS: 134186/89 ALONG WITH COST OF FUNDS/9 OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (RCOVERY OF FINANCES) ORDINANCE 2001.

NOTICE TO - The above noted defendant. WHEREAS the plaintiff has instituted a suit against you under section 9(5) of the Banking Companies Ordinance XLVI of 2001 for RS 134186/89 balance of principal & interest/mark up/rent due to him of which copy can be obtained from this court, on or, hereby summoned to obtain leave from the court within 30 (thirty) days, from the service hereof to appear and defend the suit, and within such time to cause an appearance to be entered for you.

WHEREAS the plaintiff has instituted a suit against you under section 9(5) of the Banking Companies Ordinance XLVI of 2001 for RS 134186/89 balance of principal & interest/mark up/rent due to him of which copy can be obtained from this court, on or, hereby summoned to obtain leave from the court within 30 (thirty) days, from the service hereof to appear and defend the suit, and within such time to cause an appearance to be entered for you.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the court, this 4th day of June, 2024. (SAIFULLAH KHAN) REGISTRAR Banking Court Balochistan Quetta

BEFORE THE JUDGE BENKING COURT QUETTA DISTRICT COURT KACHEHRY SHARA-E-JOBL QUETTA SUIT NO. 10/2024

Bank Alfalah Limited M.A.Jinnah Road Branch Quetta, Through its Attorney, Plaintiff versus Muhammad Aslam Son of Muhammad Khan Resident of House No. 27, street No. 5, Shahbaz Town Phase 1 Quetta. Cell # 03228188845 CNIC # 54400-6088992-7. Office address: Designation BSM, Department OPS, Allied Bank Ltd, Chaman Phatak Branch Quetta. Defendant

SUIT FOR RECOVERY OF RS: 587650/52 ALONG WITH COST OF FUNDS/9 OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (RCOVERY OF FINANCES) ORDINANCE 2001.

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GIVEN under my hand and seal of the court, this 4th day of June, 2024. (SAIFULLAH KHAN) REGISTRAR Banking Court Balochistan Quetta

Fire breaks out in three places of different cities including Excise Office

SUKKUR, PAKPATTAN, LAHORE: A severe fire broke out in Excise Office Sukkur Tuesday night. According to police the cause of the fire is not known. After the incident, police and fire brigade personnel arrived. Vehicles parked in the Excise Office premises have been damaged badly, police said.

It seems that there was sparking from electric wires or someone was burning cigarette butt. Meanwhile, a fire broke out at a jewelry shop in Pakpattan's Dargah Bazar as a result many shops in the market were engulfed in flames. However, Rescue 1122 brought the fire under control after a long struggle.

Moreover, the fire in a chemical factories located at Karol Ghati Lahore was brought under control after nine hours.

According to rescue officials, after controlling the fire in the chemical factory, the cooling process continued. As many as 50 personnel along with 13 rescue vehicles participated in the fire-fighting. The fire broke out in four chemical factories located on six Kanal. Three factories were located in a row in which all the equipment was burnt to ashes. The fire first broke out in a factory with an area of two and a half kanals. A chemical drum burst in the big factory, causing a fire in the other three factories in the 20-foot street. Due to the narrow and dark passage, the rescuers faced difficulties in extinguishing the fire. The fire continued to burn throughout the night but the district administration, DC Lahore and officials of concerned departments did not come to inspect the incident.

TENDER NOTICE. The Director General, LG & RD invites bids from eligible bidders for supply of materials. Includes details on bid submission, opening, and contact information for the Director General, LG & RD, Balochistan Quetta.

### Pakistan, Italy agree to action against illegal immigrants

ROME (INP): Pakistan and Italy have agreed to a coordinated and effective action plan against illegal immigrants and human trafficking.

This came at a meeting between Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi and Italian Interior Minister Matteo Piantedosi in Rome. Minister for Overseas Pakistanis Chaudhry Salik Hussain was also present in the meeting.

The two sides also agreed to undertake joint efforts against drug trafficking.

Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi said, "Steps have been taken at all levels to stop illegal entry of Pakistanis to Italy

and to counter drug trafficking. A zero-tolerance policy has been adopted against human trafficking and drug mafia".

Mohsin Naqvi also spoke about the 146 Pakistanis imprisoned in Italy and demanded the handover of 42 to Pakistan.

He invited the Italian counterpart to visit Pakistan and that strong mutual cooperation would help stop human trafficking, anti-narcotics and border security.

In his remarks, Chaudhry Salik Hussain stated Italy can benefit greatly from Pakistan's skilled manpower. He emphasized the early finalization of the Skilled Manpower Agree-

ment will discourage illegal immigration.

The Italian Interior Minister added his country will cooperate with Pakistan in matters of border security and human and drug trafficking. He appreciated the steps taken by Mohsin Naqvi for the prevention of human trafficking and anti-narcotics and assured cooperation for anti-narcotics, border security and human trafficking.

In the meeting, the Italian Interior Minister, Ali Javed, Pakistan's ambassador to Italy, and senior officials of the Italian Interior Ministry were also present on the occasion.



ROME: Federal Minister for Interior Mohsin Naqvi and Federal Minister for Overseas Pakistanis Chaudhry Salik Hussain visiting the Embassy of Pakistan in Rome.

### Budget 2024-25: How much raise in salaries will govt employees get?

ISLAMABAD (INP): The federal government is expected to present the budget for the fiscal year 2024-25 on June 12.

Sources said the government is working on different proposals for salary increases in the range of 10 to 15% for public sector employees in the upcoming budget FY 2024-25.

On the salaries front, the Ministry of Finance wants to raise the salary by just 10%, say sources.

There is another proposal under consideration to jack up monetisation for higher grade officers of grades 20, 21, and

22 in the range of 20 to 25%.

The grade 20 officers have been getting monetisation of cars in the range of Rs67,000 per month, grade 21 officers in range of Rs77,000 per month and grade 22 officers of Rs87,000 per month.

Now it is being considered that it might be jacked keeping in view inflationary pressures.

The budget 2024-25 which was earlier scheduled to be presented on June 10 is now likely to be presented on June 12. The Pakistan Economic Survey 2023-24 will be presented on June 11 after a meeting of the council on June 10,

the sources said.

The federal budget 2024-25 will likely get approval from the Senate by June 26. The Pakistan government is likely to end tax exemptions in the FY2024-25 budget on IMF's demand.

According to budget proposals for the budget 2024-25, Pakistan is likely to end exemption on sales and income tax, phase-wise.

The government is also considering imposing a sales tax on tractors and pesticides, potentially leading to price hikes for these essential agricultural products.

### Omar Ayub seeks Hamood-Ur-Rehman Commission report from FIA

ISLAMABAD (INP): Opposition leader Omar Ayub replied to the notice to FIA over the 'controversial' video uploading case on founder PTI Imran Khan's X account and asked the agency for a copy of the Hamood-Ur-Rehman Commission report.

Omar Ayub also announced to challenge the issue of the FIA notice in Parliament and challenge it in the court as well.

The defamatory notice was "vague, dubious and illegal questions."

"The notice is related to the collapse of Dhaka on which the government had constituted a commission. The government

never rejected the commission report nor denied its contents. Hamood-Ur-Rehman Commission is available in Cabinet Division."

FIA's sole objective is to target PTI leadership for revenge.

"A copy of the Hamood-Ur-Rehman Commission report should be given to prepare the answer," Omar Ayub.

Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) has issued summons to Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) top brass on Imran Khan's controversial X (formerly Twitter) post over the 1971 debacle.

Notices have been dispatched to Omar Ayub, Bar-

ister Gohar Khan, and Rauf Hassan, calling them for questioning on Tuesday at 11 am.

The inquiry, spearheaded by the FIA's Cyber Wing, focuses on the illegal use of PTI founder Imran Khan's social media account to disseminate a provocative video.

The video, uploaded on May 26, allegedly incited public unrest by addressing the findings of the Hamoodur Rahman Commission Report, with a contentious remark: "Every Pakistani should study the Hamoodur Rahman Commission Report and get to know who was the true traitor, General Yahya Khan or Sheikh Mujibur Rahman."



SHENZHEN/CHINA: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif addresses Pakistan-China Business Conference held in Shenzhen.

### PM hails "Shenzhen Speed" at Pak-China Business Conference

SHENZHEN (INP): "Shenzhen's modernization offers Pakistan lessons to copy and emulate."

A few decades ago, Shenzhen was a small fishing village, but today, with a population of 17 million people, it has created a GDP of around USD 500 billion", Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif said at the Pakistan China Business Conference held today in Shenzhen, according to a report carried by China Economic Net (CEN) on Wednesday.

"The Shenzhen speed is remarkable achievement. Going back to Pakistan, it's enough for us to learn from", he said.

Going through the history of China, he attributed China's dynamic economic advancement to the "solidarity" of Chinese people, their "unfiring efforts" and "forward-going visions" of the leadership.

He also highlighted China's achievements in erasing corruption, poverty alleviation, and youth empowerment.

Referring to the ensuing B2B session of the conference, which provides opportunities "of unprecedented scale" for bilateral companies in ICT, EV, solar, textile, steel, agriculture, etc. to explore chances of cooperation, he urged Pakistani companies to sit down with Chinese counterparts and find

out how to attract China's industries to Pakistan.

"Pakistan's mining sector is worth USD 10 trillion, but for now only USD 30 million is availed.

Today is the moment for you to capture", he said, adding that support will be provided like never before for mutual benefit.

He also extolled China's commitment to bringing peace to the world, Hailing China's role as a friend, neighbor, and close partner of Pakistan through thick and thin, he pledged to spare no effort in protecting the lives of Chinese brothers and sisters in Pakistan.

### World Environment Day being marked today

LAHORE (INP): Like other parts of the globe, World Environment Day is being observed in Pakistan today to put a global spotlight on pressing environmental challenges and raise awareness about environmental protection.

This year, the theme of the day is 'Land Restoration, Stopping Desertification and Building Drought Resilience'.

According to the UNDP, Pakistan generates approximately 20 million tonnes of waste annually, with five to ten percent being plastic waste, which significantly contributes to the spread of diseases.

Ranked among the top 10 countries affected by climate

change, Pakistan faces unbearable heatwaves in summer and escalating cold intensity in winter, often resulting in droughts and catastrophic floods.

Last year, the country experienced widespread devastation from floods, making it one of the countries most profoundly impacted by climate change.

According to the Global Climate Risk Index by German Watch, Pakistan ranks among the countries most susceptible to natural disasters induced by climate change.

From 2000 to 2019, the country experienced 173 such disasters, leading to a loss equivalent to 52 percent of its

GDP. With 23 percent of Pakistan's GDP reliant on agriculture, extreme weather conditions negatively impact crop production.

Transitioning to climate-smart agriculture is imperative for food security.

Environmental experts accentuate that combating the adverse effects of climate change requires effective government policies and individual accountability.

Experts caution that addressing climate change necessitates not only halting deforestation and water wastage but also mitigating other sources of pollution, including plastic.



ISLAMABAD: PM's Coordinator on Climate Change & Environmental Coordination Roshna Khurshid Alam in a group Photo with Customs & Enforcement officers on Montreal Protocol & HCFC Control on the eve of World Environment Day

BEFORE THE JUDGE BENKING COURT QUETTA DISTRICT COURT/KACHEHRYSHIARA-E-IQBOL QUETTA

SUIT NO. 08/2024

Bank Alfalah Limited M.A.Jinnah Road Branch Quetta, Plaintiff

versus

Muhammad Ibrahim Bilal Son of Bilal Ahmed, Resident of House No. 45, Muhalla Azam Town Spini Road, Near Killi Muharak Chwk Quetta. Cell #03005889553 CNIC # 54401-0527291-9

Office address: United Refrigeration IND Ltd. Sales Department (A.S.M), Dandar Service Center House # 53/3, Gurdast Singh Road Quetta. Defendant

**SUIT FOR RECOVERY OF RS: 29677722 ALONG WITH COST OF FUNDS & INTEREST MARK UP DUE TO HIM OF WHICH COPY CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THIS COURT ON OR, HEREBY SUMMONED TO OBTAIN LEAVE FROM THE COURT WITHIN 30 (THIRTY) DAYS, FROM THE SERVICE HEREOF TO APPEAR AND DEFEND THE SUIT, AND WITHIN SUCH TIME TO CAUSE AN APPEARANCE TO BE ENTERED FOR YOU.**

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WHEREAS the plaintiff has instituted a suit against you under section 9(5) of the Banking Companies Ordinance XLVI of 2001 for RS 29677722 balance of principal & interest mark up rent due to him of which copy can be obtained from this court, on or, hereby summoned to obtain leave from the court within 30 (thirty) days, from the service hereof to appear and defend the suit, and within such time to cause an appearance to be entered for you.

In the default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled at any time after expiration of such 30 (thirty) days to obtain decree as prayed in the plaint.

Leave to appear may be obtained on an application to the court supported by an affidavit or declaration showing that there is defense to the suit on the merits, or, i.e. if, it reasonable that you should be allowed to appear in the suit. Date of hearing is 04-07-2024.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the court, this 4th day of June, 2024.

(SAIFULLAH KHAN) REGISTAR Banking Court Balochistan Quetta

BEFORE THE JUDGE BENKING COURT QUETTA DISTRICT COURT/KACHEHRYSHIARA-E-IQBOL QUETTA

SUIT NO. 09/2024

Bank Alfalah Limited M.A.Jinnah Road Branch Quetta, Plaintiff

versus

Muhammad Zubair Son of Ghulam Muqtada Resident of House No. D-48, Wahdat Colony, Brewery Road Quetta. Cell #03337624491 CNIC # 56302-3038767-9, & House No. A12/16-8, Mecongi Road Quetta. Office address: Steno Grapher Population Office Taj Mir Khan Road Chaman. Defendant

**SUIT FOR RECOVERY OF RS: 327838/77 ALONG WITH COST OF FUNDS & INTEREST MARK UP DUE TO HIM OF WHICH COPY CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THIS COURT ON OR, HEREBY SUMMONED TO OBTAIN LEAVE FROM THE COURT WITHIN 30 (THIRTY) DAYS, FROM THE SERVICE HEREOF TO APPEAR AND DEFEND THE SUIT, AND WITHIN SUCH TIME TO CAUSE AN APPEARANCE TO BE ENTERED FOR YOU.**

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In the default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled at any time after expiration of such 30 (thirty) days to obtain decree as prayed in the plaint.

Leave to appear may be obtained on an application to the court supported by an affidavit or declaration showing that there is defense to the suit on the merits, or, i.e. if, it reasonable that you should be allowed to appear in the suit. Date of hearing is 04-07-2024.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the court, this 4th day of June, 2024.

(SAIFULLAH KHAN) REGISTAR Banking Court Balochistan Quetta

**WAPDA takes legal action against housing societies illegally using its name**

ISLAMABAD (INP): Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) has initiated legal proceedings against those cooperative housing societies that have been using the power development authority's name unlawfully.

According to a statement issued on Wednesday, the power development authority has been approaching all legal forums including Registrar Cooperative Housing Societies and FIA to curb this practice.

The statement says that WAPDA, a statutory body corporate established under WAPDA Act 1958, publicly renounces its association, nexus, and direct or indirect affiliation with any cooperative housing society, except WAPDA Town Cooperative Housing Society (Phase I and II), situated in Lahore, which is authorised to use the name of WAPDA.

As such, the unlawful and illegal use of a registered name i.e. the power development authority, for other housing societies or projects, by any other entity or person, amounts to a gross misrepresentation.

Therefore, the power development authority cannot be held responsible for liabilities, if any, that may be raised by the public, pursuant to investment in such rogue, illegal, and unlawful societies, the statement further says.

The housing societies, using WAPDA's name unlawfully and illegally include Employees Cooperative Society, Islamabad, Employees Cooperative Society Ltd, Multan, Employees Cooperative Society, Gujranwala, Employees Cooperative Society Ltd, Faisalabad, Employees Cooperative Society, Sargodha, Employees Cooperative Society Ltd, Shekhupura.