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Baton-wielding policemen in Quetta in action to maintain law and order situation: Photo Manan Mandokhail

Secretary Information Highlights Balochistan's Potential Through Short Film Competitions

QUETTA: Secretary Information Imran Khan, during his visit to the Directorate of Public Relations Balochistan, presided over a significant meeting on short film documentary competitions aimed at engaging boys' and girls' government schools across the province.



This initiative, spearheaded by the Information Department, is designed to foster creativity among students while promoting Balochistan's positive image. Awards are set to be given to the top three entries, with certificates distributed to all participants as a gesture of encouragement.

Key Highlights:

Attendees: The meeting included DCPB Balochistan Muhammad Noor Khetrar, Director Public Relations Syed Tanveer Akhtar, Director Public Relations Saeed Ahmed Shahwani, Deputy Director Public Relations Muhammad Naseebullah, Manzoor Ahmed Magsi, and other senior officials.

Objective: To showcase student talent and highlight Balochistan's cultural heritage and tourism potential through creative short documentaries.

Secretary Information Imran Khan praised the initiative, aligning it with Chief Minister Mir Sarfaraz Bugti's vision to enhance public awareness of government policies, development projects, and welfare initiatives.

"These competitions are a platform for nurturing student skills while reflecting Balochistan's bright future.

The younger generation will play a vital role in portraying a positive image of the province through their creative endeavours," said the Secretary.

The competitions underline the province's dedication to empowering youth and celebrating its rich cultural and historical landscape, reinforcing Balochistan as a hub for innovation and artistic expression.

2024: A Year of Terrorism, Crime, and Governance Challenges in Balochistan

Syed Muhammad Qaseem:

QUETTA: The year 2024 proved to be a tumultuous one for Balochistan, with hundreds of civilians and law enforcement personnel falling victim to terrorism, crime, and governance issues. Bomb blasts, target killings, kidnappings, and highway blockades severely impacted daily life, while the provincial government grappled with mounting challenges to maintain law and order.

Security Challenges and Rising Crime

Incidents of terrorism and crime had a far-reaching negative impact on the lives of Balochistan's residents. The year saw 83 IED explosions, 91 landmine blasts, 114 hand grenade attacks, and 81 target killings. Kidnapping for ransom, robberies, and sabotage remained rampant, with 13,589 cases registered in total. National highways, particularly the Quetta-Karachi Highway,

became increasingly unsafe due to repeated attacks, robberies, and kidnappings. Blockades on this critical route left passengers stranded for hours, with women, children, patients, and the elderly being the worst affected. The worsening security situation was a major topic of debate in the Balochistan Assembly. Opposition members criticized the government's failure to ensure safety, but Chief Minister Mir Sarfaraz Bugti attributed the unrest to "foreign hands" allegedly fueling the province's low-scale insurgency, which has persisted for over two decades.

Governance Highlights

Despite security challenges, the Balochistan government made significant efforts to improve education and health. The launch of the Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Scholarship Program for

students marked a milestone in supporting education. For the first time, thousands of teachers were recruited on a contract basis, leading to the reopening of several previously closed ghost schools across the province. In the healthcare sector, the government worked to enhance facilities at public hospitals. However, these efforts faced resistance from the Young Doctors Association, which criticized the government's approach and called for reforms.

A Mixed Outlook

While the year 2024 highlighted the resilience of the Balochistan government in tackling education and health challenges, the persistent security issues and rising crime painted a grim picture. The province's law and order situation remains a critical challenge, requiring robust measures to restore peace and ensure the safety of its citizens.

BNP-Mengal Supports JUI-F Candidate Usman Pirikani for PB-45

Staff Reporter:



BNP leader Sajid Tareen Advocate, Maulana Abdul Wasey of JUI F addressing a joint press conference: Photo by Muhammad Ismail

QUETTA: The Balochistan National Party-Mengal (BNP-M) has announced its support for the Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam-Fazl (JUI-F) candidate, Mir Usman Pirikani, in the upcoming PB-45 elections. The announcement was made during a joint press conference addressed by BNP-M leader Sajid Tareen Advocate and JUI-F Balochistan Amir Maulana Abdul Wasey.

Sajid Tareen Advocate expressed confidence in the alliance, stating, "Our decision to back Mir

Usman Pirikani reflects our shared vision for the betterment of Balochistan.

"He added, "Together, we will work to address the pressing challenges faced by our province and ensure the rights of our people are safeguarded."

Maulana Abdul Wasey appreciated BNP-M's support, calling it a testament to their commitment to unity.

"This alliance sends a strong message of collaboration for the greater good," he remarked.

"Usman Pirikani's leadership and dedication make him the ideal candidate for PB-45."

The contest for PB-45 is expected to be closely fought, with Usman Pirikani facing Ali Madad Jattak of the Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) in what many are calling a neck-to-neck competition. The alliance aims to consolidate votes and secure a decisive victory in the constituency. Both leaders appealed to voters to support their candidate for a prosperous future.

Section 144 Enforced Across Balochistan Amid Protests: Shahid Rind

Manan Mandokhail:

QUETTA: The Balochistan government has implemented Section 144 across the province to address the ongoing protests disrupting national highways, government spokesperson Shahid Rind announced during a press conference on Monday. Protests erupted yesterday, leading to the closure of several national highways. Spokesman Shahid Rind emphasized that while peaceful protests are a democratic right, blocking vital routes will not be tolerated. "The provincial government allows reviews protests, but it will not permit anyone to block national highways," Rind stated. Chief Minister Mir Sarfaraz Bugti has taken notice of the highway closures and directed authorities

to ensure the restoration of traffic. Meanwhile, the Grand Health Alliance has assured compliance with the High Court's orders concerning their protests. Buy vitamins and supplements Rind also dismissed rumors of hospital privatization, reaffirming the government's commitment to public health services. He noted that past protests have played a role in the recovery of missing persons, highlighting the government's responsiveness to such demonstrations. Protests are currently ongoing at three locations in Balochistan, with officials working to resolve the situation swiftly. The government urges citizens to cooperate and avoid disrupting public life.



Polio Immunization Campaign in Balochistan Faces Challenges Amid Health Concerns

Health Desk:

QUETTA: A new polio eradication campaign in Balochistan is set to begin tomorrow, but disagreements about its execution raise serious concerns. The Grand Health Alliance Balochistan has opposed plans for hospital privatization and public-private partnership policies, which previously derailed the campaign twice in the province.

With 27 polio cases reported in Balochistan, the province faces a growing public health threat. The Grand Health Alliance has criticized the decision to involve untrained and non-professional staff for the campaign instead of experienced health department personnel, citing significant risks to children's health.

Why the Concerns Over Polio Campaign Staff?



Karachi roads to be cleared before Maghrib, says city police chief on ongoing protests

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Call to Action: Ensuring Safe Polio Campaigns

Healthcare experts and the Grand Health Alliance have urged the government to prioritize trained and experienced personnel for the campaign. They warn that rushing an unprepared campaign could lead to more polio cases, further worsening Balochistan's already critical health situation.



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School Meal Program in Balochistan - A Step Towards Better Education and Nutrition

Editorial: The signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Balochistan Education Department and the World Food Programme (WFP) marks a significant step towards addressing critical issues of malnutrition and low school enrolment in Balochistan.

Under this two-year initiative, 20,000 students in 65 schools will benefit from 5 million nutritious meals, aiming to combat nutritional deficiencies, improve attendance, and enhance learning outcomes.

Balochistan, despite being resource-rich, faces severe developmental challenges. Malnutrition, stunting, and anaemia, particularly among women and children, are widespread.

Hidden hunger—a condition where essential nutrients are lacking—contributes to high child mortality rates. Poverty and unemployment exacerbate these issues, leaving millions of children vulnerable.

Education Minister Rabeela Hameed Khan Durani emphasized the transformative potential of this program in boosting enrolment and improving student health.

However, with over 3 million out-of-school children and 1 million enrolled in schools across the province, this initiative must be expanded.

Global organizations like the WFP should extend their support beyond the initial 20,000 students to reach marginalized neighborhoods and backward districts.

Providing free meals to all school-going children could significantly improve enrolment, retention, and overall well-being.

This program not only addresses nutrition but also promotes education as a tool for empowerment in Balochistan. Scaling up such initiatives is essential to secure a healthier, more educated future for the province's children.

Informal learning

By Nazir A. Jogezari:

SHADOW education refers to informal learning. It is meant to supplement formal learning and is a global trend and has been expanding as more candidates take competitive international, regional, and local exams as well as entrance tests to gain access to elite educational institutes and good jobs.

The financial cost makes it accessible to many others not able to afford it. Shadow education lives the offspring of the rich more opportunities for further education. Wealth-based access to shadow education exposes the divide between the 'privileged' and 'underprivileged' learners.

Effective education takes place in a more diverse social ecology. The larger social cost is that the educational landscape becomes vulnerable to greater learning inequalities, with education becoming more of a commodity. The resort to shadow education also reflects how schools may not be catering to the needs of the education of their children.

Moreover, teachers in shadow education settings are more responsive to learners' needs than they may be in schools, and the students thrive as compared to those who study only in school.

While such informal learning has been accepted, there is little debate about its potency and shortcomings. Traditionally, shadow education is used interchangeably with 'tutorials', which are managed beyond school hours, with additional costs and in private settings.

Shadow education comprises diverse learning events such as summer camps, extra evening classes, preparation for competitive exams, and institutional entry tests. The focus is on addressing learners' deficiencies in particular subjects, all of which come at an additional cost.

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Egypt's victory against malaria

By Muhammad Moazzam Tauheed:

ON Oct 20, 2024, Egypt received a certificate from the World Health Organisation (WHO) declaring it malaria-free. A disease that once plagued the pharaohs is now history. Health experts noted that this milestone marked the end of malaria as a threat to Egypt. Achieving malaria-free status requires three consecutive years without a single case of local transmission, and Egypt met this rigorous criterion. Maintaining this success, however, remains a priority.

For countries like Pakistan, where cases of malaria and other mosquito-borne diseases are on the rise, Egypt's success offers valuable lessons. Why has Egypt been able to achieve this victory, while nations like Pakistan continue to struggle?

What lessons can be learned from Egypt's approach to eliminating malaria, and why is it crucial for Pakistan to take similar steps? Understanding Egypt's journey can help policymakers and health professionals in Pakistan identify what may be hindering progress and the potential consequences of not acting swiftly.

Egypt's victory against malaria represents the culmination of decades of concerted efforts spanning nearly a century. This achievement

relied on a multifaceted and multidimensional approach encompassing public awareness, vector control, disease management, and environmental improvement. Key initiatives included large-scale drainage projects aimed at removing stagnant water from the Nile delta, agricultural fields, and irrigation canals. Stagnant water serves as a breeding ground for Anopheles mosquitoes, the primary vectors of malaria. Additionally, irrigation systems were modified to ensure continuous water flow, significantly reducing breeding sites.

To minimise environmental harm and prevent mosquito resistance, Egypt implemented the rotation of safer insecticides. This ensured that mosquitoes did not develop immunity to control measures. Biological control methods also played a crucial role, as mosquitos were introduced into irrigation canals and other water bodies, while specific vegetation was planted to attract natural mosquito predators, fostering an environment where mosquito populations could be naturally suppressed.

Year after year, Pakistan's mosquito-borne diseases have not developed immunity to control measures. Biological control methods also played a crucial role, as mosquitos were introduced into irrigation canals and other water bodies, while specific vegetation was planted to attract natural mosquito predators, fostering an environment where mosquito populations could be naturally suppressed.

Health workers collected data, tracked potential outbreaks, and ensured prompt action. Public health campaigns educated rural communities on the importance of eliminating mosquito breeding sites near homes, using bed nets, and seeking early treatment for symptoms. Community participation was another cornerstone of the strategy. Residents were trained to identify mosquito breeding grounds and encouraged to report stagnant water. This active involvement turned local populations into malaria-eradication exercise.

Given the risk posed by travellers from malaria-endemic regions such as sub-Saharan Africa, strict screening protocols were implemented. Imported cases were promptly treated to prevent re-establishment of local transmission.

In Pakistan, the battle against vector-borne diseases like chikungunya, dengue fever, and malaria has escalated into a national health crisis. Despite support from international organisations like the WHO and numerous government and NGO campaigns, these infections continue to exact a heavy toll. All segments are affected—from rural communities to urban populations—underscoring these diseases' pervasive nature. Year after year, Pakistan sees

A volatile world in 2025

By Malecha Lodhi:

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The global order has been fragmenting for some time now. Meanwhile, the shift to a more multipolar world is gathering pace, with Western dominance eroding and multilateral institutions coming under greater stress. The Middle East powers will play a growing role in shaping geopolitics in a landscape of the US, promoting a global balance of power.

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Security plan for New Year night finalized

RAWALPINDI (INP) Rawalpindi District Police have finalized fool-proof security arrangements to ensure law and order during New Year's Eve celebrations. All available resources will be utilized under an effective security plan to protect the citizens, and prevent aerial firing, fireworks and one-wheeling on the New Year night. More than 6000 officers of Rawalpindi Police would be deployed with all activities monitored via CCTV cam-

eras, said City Police Officer, (CPO) Rawalpindi Syed Khalid Hamdani. He said that more than 800 traffic wardens would also be on duty to regulate traffic on city roads. 32 special pickets have been set up across the city to prevent one-wheeling, the CPO informed. Additional pickets have also been set up in the jurisdiction of all the police stations to prevent aerial firing and fireworks. Khalid Hamdani said adding that a ban on aerial firing, fireworks and one-wheeling has been imposed and strict action would be taken against the violators. FIRs would be registered against those involved in aerial firing, he said and informed that Dolphin Force, Mohafaz Squad, and police station mobiles would be on patrolling duty in different areas to ensure security. On New Year's night, effective arrangements have also been made for the security of the churches and worship of the Christian community, he added. He informed that the police officers have been directed to remain on high alert and monitor anti-state elements closely. He said that activities such as one-wheeling, aerial firing, and unruly behaviour would not be tolerated, warning that troublemakers harassing women or citizens would face immediate detention. Protection of lives and property of the citizens and enforcement of the law would be ensured at all costs, the police spokesman said.



LAHORE: Chairman Senate Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani addressing at Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry (LCCI).

World peace impossible without solution to Palestine, Kashmir conflicts: Lord Qurban

ISLAMABAD (INP) Lord Qurban Hussain, a member of the British House of Lords, has said that world peace is impossible without an immediate solution to the conflicts of Palestine and Kashmir in the light of the United Nations resolutions. According to Kashmir Media Service, Lord Qurban Hussain talking in Islamabad to the President of the Institute of Peace and Development (INSPAD) Dr. Muhammad Tahir Tabassum said the massacre and brutality in Gaza is unparalleled in human history. International organizations should take effective measures for an immediate ceasefire. Lord Qurban Hussain said the extremist government of India is not only committing atrocities in Kashmir, but is also involved in persecution under black laws against Muslims, Sikhs and all minorities. He said that Pakistanis and Kashmiris living in Britain are highlighting the Kashmir dispute according to their standards. "We will never leave the people of occupied Jammu and Kashmir alone. Lord Qurban, appreciating the laudable activities of INSPAD, praised the efforts of Dr. Tahir Tabassum regarding the Kashmir dispute. The INSPAD President hailed the long struggle and meritorious service of Lord Qurban in the House of Lords and hoped that he would continue to guide and mentor in the future.



ISLAMABAD: Bureau Chief Dawn News, Ifkhar Hussain Sherazi and vice President of Pakistan Association of Australia, Ali Munir presenting a shield to Chairperson Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP), Senator Rubina Khalid.

Technology use in health sectors being increased for better results'

ISLAMABAD (INP) Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has stated that the use of technology is being increased in all health sectors, including polio eradication, to modernize the process of public healthcare and achieve better results. He was talking to the national anti-polio team, which called on him in Islamabad on Monday. The Prime Minister said unfortunately, the number of polio-affected children is rising in Pakistan, which needs even more collaborative efforts. He instructed to prepare a systematic roster of visits of FIA experts to 18 officials, personnel from Gujrat, Gujranwala, Sialkot districts

FIA expels 18 officials, personnel from Gujrat, Gujranwala, Sialkot districts

ISLAMABAD (INP) The Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) has banished 18 of its officials and personnel, who were allegedly linked to the Greece boat tragedy, from Gujrat, Gujranwala and Sialkot districts as a first step in the departmental action against these individuals. The government had decided to put the names of 31 Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) officials and personnel, who were allegedly linked to the Greece boat tragedy in which several Pakistanis lost their lives, on the passport control list. Of these 31 FIA inspectors, sub-inspectors and personnel, 19 are deputed at Faisalabad airport, five at Quetta airport, three at Sialkot airport, two at Lahore airport and an equal number at Islamabad airport. Several Pakistanis lost their lives while dozens went missing after the wooden boat carrying them to Europe capsized off Greece's southern island of Gyfokos.

Australia take seven wickets after tea to beat India in Melbourne

MELBOURNE (INP) Australia took an incredible seven wickets after tea on day five to win the fourth test against India by 184 runs and take a 2-1 series lead into the final match in Sydney. India were coasting on the back of Yashvir Jaiswal and Rishabh Pant's partnership through the entire middle session but crumbled in front of a mammoth crowd of 74,362 to be all out for 155 at the Melbourne Cricket Ground. Australia captain Pat Cummins and fellow pacer Scott Boland finished with three wickets apiece, with spinner Nathan Lyon chipping in with one in a dramatic final day which was tinged with controversy over the use of the Decision Review System (DRS). "Fantastic way to finish the week. I think it's been five days of fantastic cricket," said Australia's Mitchell Starc. "There was always belief in the group. I think this has been a feature of this group for a number of years - this calmness and just go with the flow and adapt to what's thrown at us." India were 112 for three when they resumed after lunch.

BEFORE THE JUDGE BENKING COURT QUETTA OFFICE AT DISTRICT COURT/KACHEHY SHARA-E-IQBOL QUETTA

SUIT NO.43/2024
House Building Finance Company Limited, Branch Office, Quetta. PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
Mrs. Mukhtiar Bibi W/o Abdul Shakoor. CNIC: 53403-137427-0. R/O H.No: 10-B, Main Jable Noor City, Spiny Road Quetta, Muhallah Khosa Colony, Dera Allah Yar. Tehsil Jhat Pat, District Jaffarabad. DEFENDANT
Dr. Shahbaj Khatoon W/o Javed Shakoor CNIC: 42501-1466993-2. Designation: Lady Medical Officer (LMO), Provincial Sandaymon, Civil Hospital, Health Department Balochistan, Quetta, Muhallah Khosa Colony, Ward No 2 Dera Allah Yar. Tehsil Jhat Pat, District Jaffarabad. R/O H.No: 10-B, Main Jable Noor City, Spiny Road Quetta. (GUARANTOR)
Javed Shakoor S/o Abdul Shakoor, CNIC: 53403-3905342-9. Designation: MSO, Meher Foundation (NGO), Shaheed Murad Colony, Dera Allah Yar, District Jaffarabad. Muhallah Khosa Colony, Ward No 2 Dera Allah Yar. Tehsil Jhat Pat, District Jaffarabad. R/O H.No: 10-B, Main Jable Noor City, Spiny Road Quetta (GUARANTOR)

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: 12,99,889.21/- 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 7-2-2025.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the court, this 26th day of December, 2024. (SAIFULLAH KHAN) Registrar Banking Court Quetta

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SUIT NO.44/2024
National Bank of Pakistan through its Manager, Manan Chowk Branch Quetta. PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
1. Naseem Ajaz S/o Muhammad Shafi, R/O H.No. 3, 3urd Street Sariah Road, Quetta. Cell: 0333-8283178. DEFENDANT
2. Shalazad Hanayun S/o Muhammad Shafi, R/O H.No. 3, 3urd Street Sariah Road Quetta. Performing his duties in Anti Narcotics Force regional Directorate Rawalpindi. (GUARANTOR)

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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: 5,80,928/- 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 7-2-2025.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the court, this 27th day of December, 2024. (SAIFULLAH KHAN) Registrar Banking Court Quetta

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New Gwadar Airport to bring prosperity to area: Prime Minister (PM)

ISLAMABAD (INP): Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif has directed for improving the communications and road network between New Gwadar International Airport and other areas of the country, especially Balochistan province.

He was chairing a review meeting in Islamabad on Monday, regarding the New Gwadar International Airport.

The Prime Minister also directed the officials concerned to devise a workable strategy for making the Airport a busy transit point.

He said operationalization of New Gwadar International Airport will bring prosperity to

the area and create employment opportunities.

The Prime Minister said Gwadar International airport is a vivid illustration of Pak-China friendship and we are grateful to our great friend China for this modern airport of international standards.

He directed that fool-proof security arrangements should be ensured at the Airport.

The meeting was briefed that the New Gwadar International Airport is the largest airport in the country in terms of area and can handle four hundred thousand passengers annually and A-380 aircrafts.

Flights from Gwadar to Muscat will start from 10th of

next month while talks are underway with private airlines of Pakistan, China, Oman and United Arab Emirates for starting domestic and international flight operations from Gwadar.

The meeting was also briefed that to improve road connectivity with the New Gwadar Airport, the first phase of East-Bay Expressway has been completed while feasibility of the second phase is being prepared.

He further pointed out that Personnel of Pakistan Airport Authority, Airport Security Force, Pakistan Customs, Anti-Narcotics Force, Federal Investigation Agency and Border Health Service have been deployed at the airport.



ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's Special Representative on Afghanistan Muhammad Sadiq Khan called on Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif.

APHC expresses concern over political detainees' plight in jails

SRINAGAR (INP): The All Parties Hurriyat Conference has expressed concern over the plight of illegally detained Hurriyat leaders and activists, languishing in various jails across India and Indian illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir.

According to Kashmir Media Service, APHC spokesman Abdul Rashid Minhas, in a statement issued in Srinagar, said that India was victimizing Kashmiri detainees for challenging its illegal occupation of their homeland. He mentioned that many prisoners had developed serious health issues due to the denial of basic facilities, including medical care and hygienic food,

in the jails.

The spokesman appealed to international human rights organizations, including the UN Human Rights Council, Amnesty International, and Human Rights Watch, to play a role in securing the release of the Kashmiri prisoners to save their lives.

The APHC spokesman highlighted that many political detainees were suffering from various ailments in their respective jails.

The spokesman reminded United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres that the long-pending right of Kashmiris to self-determination had been neglected, and the Modi regime

was treating the Kashmiri people, especially Muslims, as slaves.

He further pointed out that in the eyes of Indian rulers, Kashmiri Muslims had no value, and India had disregarded the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Geneva Convention, and even the UN Human Rights Commissioner's 2018 and 2019 reports on occupied Jammu and Kashmir.

The spokesman urged the United Nations to send a team to IOJK to assess the suffering of the oppressed people and the plight of illegally detained Kashmiri Hurriyat leaders and activists.

18 dead, 35 injured in separate motorway accidents in Punjab, Sindh

NEWS DESK: At least 18 people lost their lives while 35 were injured in two separate accidents on Monday morning, as a van and truck collided near Sindh's Moro city, while a bus overturned in Punjab's Attock District.

Fatal road accidents on highways occur frequently in Pakistan, with in two separate accidents on Monday morning, as a van and truck collided near Sindh's Moro city, while a bus overturned in Punjab's Attock District.

In Punjab's Attock, ten people lost their lives while 22 were injured as a bus overturned at the Fitch Jhang Interchange on M-14 Motorway, Rescue 1122 said. In a statement, Rescue 1122 said the vehicle was a Yutong bus going from Mianwali to Rawalpindi.

The rescue service said it was alerted about the accident at 8:08am, following which six vehicles and 14 rescuers were dispatched to the site of the incident.

The bodies and the injured had been shifted to the tehsil

headquarters hospitals in Attock, it added. The "probable cause" reported by Rescue 1122 was overspeeding.

On Saturday, as many as 10 people, including five women of a family going for a mehndi function, were injured in Sahwal when their bus overturned while trying to avoid a tractor-trolley.

The same day, seven persons of a family from Lahore died and two others were injured in an accident caused by heavy fog on the road going from Syedwala Interchange on the M-3 to Tandlianwala in Faisalabad.

Over two weeks ago, a car accident on the Multan-Sukkur Motorway near Jalalpur Peerwala in Lodhran district killed a couple from Khampur, while their three children sustained serious injuries.

Earlier this month, for-mer MNA Makhdoom Ali Hassan Gilani, a close relative of Senate Chair-man Yousaf Raza Gilani, was among two people killed in a road accident near Nahipur village

on Uch Sharif Road in Bahawalpur.

Meanwhile, in Sindh's Naushahro Feroze District, eight people died and 13 others were injured earlier today when a truck and a van collided on the M-6 Motorway near Moro, officials said.

People bring injured to a hospital in Moro after a van and trawler collided on M-6 Motorway in Sindh on Dec 30, 2024. — screenshot via Quurban Ali Naushahro Feroze Deputy Commissioner (DC) Arsalan Saleem confirmed the casualties in today's accident, saying that another injured individual succumbed to his injuries, raising the death toll to eight.

According to DC Saleem, the van was returning from a wedding in Hyderabad when it met with the accident.

Sangharh Malik, Naushahro Feroze senior superintendent of police (SSP), said the truck's driver managed to flee from the incident site.

TENDER NOTICE
Applications are invited up to 14 Jan 2025 for issuance of tenders for under mentioned works by Garrison Furniture Vendors Quetta from approved Contractors / Firms borne on the list of QMG Fur Cng within the specified limit. Drawing/specification of all items are available with the undersigned.
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Journalist Progressive Alliance wins big in Lahore Press Club elections

LAHORE (INP): In the annual elections of the Lahore Press Club, Arshad Ansari of the Journalist Progressive Alliance has been re-elected as

President for the 13th time, securing 1,108 votes. Zahid Abid from the Journalist Panel won the Secretary's seat with 904 votes.

The Journalist Progressive Alliance dominated the elections, winning 9 out of 15 seats. The Pioneers Progressive, Friends, and EMPRA Grand Alliance secured 5 seats, while one seat was taken by an independent candidate.

Afzal Talib of the Journalist Progressive Alliance was elected Senior Vice President with 1,123 votes, while Saima Nawaz of the Pioneer Progressive Alliance won the Vice President's seat with 989 votes.

CM Maryam invites UAE investment in Punjab

LAHORE (INP): Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif met with the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Ambassador Hammad Obaid Ibrahim Al-Zahbi in Lahore to discuss mutual cooperation and economic partnership. Both sides agreed to establish a Punjab-UAE working group to elevate bilateral collaboration to new heights. The meeting focused on economic cooperation, the promotion of tourism, and developmental projects in Punjab. During the discussion, Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif invited UAE investors to explore opportunities in Punjab.

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