

# KP assembly passes Child Protection, Welfare Bill

**PESHAWAR:** The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) Assembly Tuesday passed Child Protection, Welfare (Amendment) Bill, 2018 and deferred 'The Continuation of Laws in Erstwhile Provincially Administered Tribal Areas (PATA) Bill, 2018' after huge debate on the bill. Both the bills were moved by provincial Minister for Law and Parliamentary Affairs, Sultan Muhammad in the House with Speaker Mushtaq Ahmed Ghani in the chair. The bill required setting up of child protection unit at district level under administrative control where Social Welfare Officer of the district concerned would be in-charge.

A Chief Protection Officer would be appointed for a period of three-year, extendable by the government. The funds for the unit would consist of grant –in-aid, donations, endowment, fee and bequest received from any source.

The protection unit would provide shelter, education and provision of parental/ family environment to infant. Meanwhile, the Law Minister presented 'The Continuation of Laws in Erstwhile Provincially Administered Tribal Areas (PATA) Bill, 2018' in the House.

He insisted that the bill must be passed to give legal cover to the existing laws in PATA, adding that after passage of 25th constitutional amendment by the National Assembly the Article 247 was revoked thus making all the Presidential reg-

ulations ineffective.

The Opposition argued that after passage of the bill PATA would become under tax net, adding the government promised to give relaxation to PATA in this regard while amending the 25th constitutional amendment.

They demanded of the government to fist give assurance about not to impose tax in Malakand division. Later, after thorough discussion, the opposition staged walk out from the House in protest against the bill. The opposition said they were not consulted over the bill. On the assurance of Minister for Information Shaukat Yousofzai, Minister for Finance Taimur Salim Jhagra and Minister for Law Sultan Muhammad, the opposition ended their boycott and came back to the House. The Minister for Law requested the Speaker to defer the bill for consultation with the opposition.

## KP Police check record of 7.50m people through VRVS

The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa police by demonstrating smart policing has checked the record of seven and half million people through Criminal Record Verification System and nabbed 380 criminals during the current year.

The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa police has devised a systematic and professional approach to tighten the noose around the neck of hardcore criminals. Through these steps.—APP

# UoS launches anti-drugs campaign, holds seminar to create awareness among youth

By Our Staff Correspondent

**SARGODHA:** The University of Sargodha (UoS) on Tuesday launched Anti-Drugs Awareness Campaign and held a seminar to create awareness among youth in general and students of the University in particular about the cruel effects of drugs addiction.

The event was jointly organized by the Departments of Communication and Media Studies, the Department of Sociology and Criminology and the Divisional Police Office, Sargodha following the instructions of the Supreme Court of Pakistan to end the supply and use of drugs in educational institutions.

The speakers appreciated the campaign and stressed on the fact that citizens from all walks of life can play a part in discouraging drug-use among students. They urged the students to engage themselves in healthy co-curricular activities such as sports to help prevail a culture of positivity and discourage the use of drugs among the youth.

A sub inspector of Anti-Narcotics Force (ANF) Zain-ul-Abdin, talked about the consequences of drug peddling that adolescent alcohol and other drug-related problems appear to be linked with poor family management practices, low family bonding and conflict, neighborhood deterioration, and economic



deprivation. Safdar Iqbal, Incharge Rescue 15 Sargodha informed the seminar that proliferation of drugs and psychotropic substances within Pakistani society, particularly in youth and university students, causing an upsurge of drug addict population, is another emerging challenge confronted by Law Enforcement Agencies.

Police has registered 28 cases against those who were involved in the drug peddling at academic institutions and about 2000 cases against other drug peddlers in all the police stations of District Sargodha during 2018, he added. Khalid Hussain Tarar, the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sargodha city urged students to focus on

their studies, indulge themselves in healthy co-curricular activities and help anti-narcotics forces in wiping out drugs from the society. The Dean Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Dr Nawaz Mehsud called for elimination of poverty and ignorance which sowed seeds of pessimism in youths and led them to drug addiction. He urged the government, NGOs, civil society and the public to take serious steps to desist from drug use to lead a safe and healthy life. Dr Mudassar Hussain, In-charge Department of Communication and Media Studies stressed to inform and educate the youth, particularly the university students regarding the consequences of drug selling and addiction.

## Draw of 200 Prize Bond held at Hyderabad, Draw No 76

### First prize of Rs 750,000 Bond No 817984

Second Prize of Rs 250,000/- Each, Bond Nos 430351 520366 538174 570991 915757

Third Prizes of Rs.1250/- Each (2394 Prizes)

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