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Quick Read

LG Gram lineup proves portability, performance, battery can coexist

LAHORE: LG Electronics' newest gram laptop computer series – the LG gram 17 (model 17Z90N), LG gram 15 (model 15Z90N), LG gram 14 (model 14Z90N) and 14-inch LG gram 2-in-1 (model 14T90N) – is designed to set a new standard for portable computing and will satisfy the needs of the most demanding users. The 2020 lineup of LG gram laptops stick to the company's winning formula – lightweight, compact, long battery life – while adding even more performance.

At the heart of the new series is the 10th Generation Intel® Core™ processor with Iris® Plus graphics and up to 24GB of dual-channel DDR4 memory. With double the graphics processing power of last year's models, content creators will love having the speed and power to edit 4K video on-the-go and users will marvel at how smooth games can be with Iris Plus built-in.

With a larger 80Wh battery in both the 17Z90N and 15Z90N, users can still enjoy hours and hours of use away from an outlet with no sacrifice in portability. The new LG grams also come with Wi-Fi 6 ensuring enhanced wireless connectivity, better efficiency and lower battery consumption. The new LG grams feature Mega Cooling System to keep the devices running cool and quiet under all usage scenarios.

A CES® 2020 Innovation Award winner, the flagship LG gram 17 is the ultimate solution for anyone looking for maximum productivity in a portable form factor. The expansive 17-inch Wide Quad Extended Graphics Array (WQXGA) IPS display delivers highly detailed images with incredibly precise colors. The device's 16:10 display provides more room to work when editing videos, photos and documents.—PR

Telenor becomes first network to enable FTTH

LAHORE: Leading a new era of communication with yet another industry-first, Pakistan's leading telecom services provider, Telenor Pakistan, has enabled FTTH (Fiber to the Tower) on its network. The initiative is aimed at enhancing customer experience and strengthening Telenor's network to achieve optimum readiness for emerging technologies.

As the hunger for data grows at an unprecedented pace both in terms of speed and volume, Telenor Pakistan continues to deliver on its commitment to innovate and provide an unmatched customer experience. The FTTH (Fiber to the Tower) technology truly enables Telenor Pakistan to be 5G ready while allowing for much higher bandwidth transport capability for every FTTH-powered site.

Ultimately, it is Telenor Pakistan's customers who will benefit from this significant network enhancement. FTTH will allow for a much faster and smoother internet experience, lag-free online gaming for games such as PUBG & Fortnite, improved voice and video calls over IP applications such as Skype and WhatsApp.—PR



LAHORE: Workers busy in repairing of windows mirrors of the Punjab Institute of Cardiology (PIC) as after the attack of lawyers on hospital. —Online

CM orders to complete all uplift projects as early as possible Govt committed to promoting trade, commerce: Buzdar

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab Chief Minister Usman Buzdar Friday said the government is committed to promoting trade and commerce with the active cooperation of private sector and expediting the process of completing Allama Iqbal Industrial City, a prioritized Special Economic Zone (SEZ) of Faisalabad Industrial Estate Development and Management Company (FIEDMC) under CPEC.

"Issues relating to the special economic zones would be solved on a priority basis and for this purpose relevant provincial departments must keep close coordination with FIEDMC," this was disclosed by FIEDMC Chairman Mian Kashif Ashfaq while talking to media persons here on Friday.

Chief Minister Punjab further directed the concerned authorities to make sure that arrangements would be finalised speedily for ground breaking ceremony of Allama Iqbal Industrial City. Prime Minister Imran Khan will inaugurate Allama Iqbal Industrial City

during the last week of the instant month.

He said during the meeting with CM Punjab, all the ongoing development projects were reviewed in details and Chief Minister directed the concerned departments to take exigent measures to complete these projects as soon as possible. He further ordered to complete the construction of three and half kilometer road from Sahianwala to Liberty Power Station and other arteriaries roads on speedy track.

CM Punjab also gave orders to conclude land acquisition process as soon as possible besides this, he also directed to provide foolproof security to Special Production Units especially those which are being operated by Chinese and other foreign companies.

He said that special economic zones were being established in Punjab and special incentives would be offered to the investors to strengthen the economy and to promote job opportunities. He directed the officials concerned to dispose of matters relating to the establishment of SEZs without any delay.

FIEDMC Chairman Mian Kashif said Allama Iqbal Industrial City is one of the three Special Economic Zones out of nine which were prioritized by the government under CPEC and this industrial city is the first of its nature being launched in Punjab.

He also appreciated Chief Minister Punjab for extending all kinds of supports to speed up ongoing development projects of FIEDMC. He said promoting international trade and investment was the pivot around which Pakistan seeks to devise its economic development and poverty alleviation strategies.

Mian Kashif said the government was also encouraging financial inclusion and public-private partnership so the investors could take advantage of the opportunity.

Safe Games Gold Medalist calls on CM: Arshad Nadeem resident of Mian Chunnu and a player who set a new record in javelin throw in South Asian Games 2019 called on Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar in CM's office today. It is worth mentioning that Arshad Nadeem won gold medal in

SAF games held at Kathmandu by throwing javelin to a distance of 86.29 meter and qualified for Tokyo Olympics. The chief minister congratulated Arshad Nadeem for setting a new record and for qualifying Tokyo Olympics. He also gave cheque of Rs.5 lakh to Arshad Nadeem. Usman Buzdar said that Arshad Nadeem by winning gold medal in SAF game bring laurel home. The chief minister also congratulated the parents of Arshad Nadeem. Provincial Minister for Sports Taimur Bhatti, DG Punjab Sports Board, parents of Arshad Nadeem, brother and minor daughter were also present on this occasion.

CM condoles deaths of mother of former DGPR: The Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar has expressed deep sense of sorrow and grief over the sad demise of mother of former DGPR Amjed Hussain Bhatti. In his condolence message, the chief minister said that words are not enough to describe the grief over the loss of the mother who is a precious gift from Allah Almighty.

PU holds energy, environment conference

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab University Centre for Coal Technology in collaboration with Pakistan Institute of Chemical Engineers (PICHE) has organised national conference on environment and energy here on Friday. University of Jhang Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Shahid Munir, Dean Faculty of Engineering & Technology Prof Dr Taqi Zahid Butt, CCT Director Dr Mahmood Saleem, scientists, researchers and students from various universities participated in the conference.

In his address, Prof Dr Shahid Munir presented various solutions to resolve energy issues being faced by the country. He also highlighted the reasons behind creation of Pakistan's first Centre for Coal Technology at any university. Conference Chair Prof Dr Mahmood Saleem said that CCT was providing excellent opportunity for the students to do research on energy and environment.

He said that the centre would play its role for the development of country and give technological and academic solutions to various problems in environment and energy sectors. He said as many as 40 research papers have been presented in the conference.

Later, the CCT director presented souvenirs to the distinguished guests.

Chinese delegation visits CSAS
A Chinese delegation from China Foreign Affairs University (CFAU) has visited Punjab University Centre for South Asian Studies (CSAS) and discussed CPEC, Pak-China relations and regional politics. On this occasion CSAS Director Prof Dr Umbreen Javaid, faculty members and MPhil/PhD scholars were present.

In her address, Dr Umbreen briefed about the centre and its activities. She expressed willingness in extending any kind of cooperation that would facilitate mutual cooperation with China Foreign Affairs University.

The delegates also stressed on exploring various avenues of academic cooperation and welcomed proposals in this regard.

Balochistan officers visit Punjab Planning & Development Board

Plan to have knowledge about low-income group people

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: A team consisting of seven officers from Balochistan Government visited the Planning & Development Board Punjab to meet with stakeholders and government departments to gain knowledge about working and implementation methodology of various social protection programmes in Punjab.

Provincial Secretary Planning & Development Balochistan Ghulam Farooq

Marri was leading his delegation accompanied by the team Rauf Baloch Secretary Social Welfare Department, Balochistan, Balach Aziz, Secretary Religious Affairs, Saeed Ahmed Sarparah, Director General Labour, Asif Khosha Deputy Director Women Development, Ali bin Mahmood Assistant Chief (FA) P&D and Enayatullah Research Officer (FA) P&D Balochistan. Addressing the delegation, Hamed Yaqoob Sheikh, Chairman Planning & Development Punjab, during the knowledge sharing

briefing, said that the purpose of social protection policy was to bring ease in the lives of the impecunious strata. For that purpose, special projects are being started for the deserving women, children and the elders and new programs will also be formulated for speedy well-being of the low-income families.

Chairman P&D told that one-window welfare counters are being established at e-khidmat centres to facilitate the needy segments of the society who will be provided the services of Punjab So-

cial Protection Authority through these counters. The government is also taking steps for the education, free treatment, screening, legal and psychological consultation and shelter of the transgender children. On the occasion, Balochistan team leader Ghulam Farooq Marri Secretary P&D Government of Balochistan said that the government with the assistance of World Bank is in the process of finalising the draft bill of Balochistan Social Protection and Poverty Alleviation Authority.



LAHORE: A worker makes hand-made bamboo tools for sifting, winnowing and cleaning of grain, mostly used in rural areas, on a roadside.

Minister gives cheque to PIC victim's family

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab Minister Housing & Urban Development Mian Mahmoodur Resheed on Friday visited the residence of Gulshan Munir, who died in the PIC rampage and presented a cheque of one million rupees to her husband.

He also conveyed the condolence messages of Prime Minister Imran Khan and Chief Minister Usman Buzdar to the bereaved family.

He said that on the special instructions of Chief Minister Usman Buzdar, financial aid was being provided to the heirs of deceased who lost their lives in this incident.

He said that strict legal action would be taken against those involved in the tragic incident, adding that forcefully

preventing doctors to treat patients and rampage was a cruel act.

Lodhran police arrested 398 POs in 45 days

LAHORE: Lodhran police arrested 398 proclaimed offenders (POs) including 18 of A category and 380 of B category during the last one-and-a-half months. The police also registered 706 cases, sent 689 accused to jail after submitting challan in 400 cases during this period. Valuables worth Rs 56 lakh were recovered and handed over to the owners.

Moreover, 50 cases were registered for illegal arms, recovering three Kalashnikov, four rifle, two guns, 38 pistols, one repeater and 145 bullets. Also, 90 cases were registered and 60-kilogram opium, 43.5-kg charas, 2208 bottles of liquor, 730-litre raw liquor, 110-gram heroin and 11.5-kg bhng were seized.

Nine criminal gangs were busted and members of 27 gangs were arrested with Rs 3.424 million looted money. Raids were conducted on gambling dens in order to eliminate the curse of gambling and 39 accused were arrested after registering 10 cases. Seven accused have been arrested for giving shelter to proclaimed offenders.—APP