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## Nawaz sitting in London as an absconder: Chohan

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Information Minister Punjab Fayyaz ul Hassan Chohan, in his reaction to statements of PML (N) spokesperson Marriyum Aurangzeb against Prime Minister Imran Khan, has said that she is only hewing against the high, with baseless and hollow criticism. Fayyaz ul Hassan Chohan said that Maryam Aurangzeb need peek in her own collar to find that PML (N) leader Nawaz Sharif is sitting in London with a certified badge of abscondence, while Shahbaz Sharif, Leader of Opposition in National Assembly, is hiding in his own drawing room.

Sharif Brothers did not celebrate any Eid in Pakistan during their stints in power except in 2017 when they were arrested and were in prison, Chohan added. Fayyaz ul Hassan Chohan said that Prime Minister Imran Khan has preferred his own country instead of going abroad to spend his official holidays, unlike previous heads of state, and is managing matters of the state with due diligence.

## Hot, dry weather forecast for City during next 24 hour

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Hot and dry weather is expected in the most parts of the province including provincial capital during next 24 hour. Meteorological department said that hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the province, while very hot in central and southern districts.

On the Thursday, hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the province, very hot in central and southern districts. While rain-wind-thunderstorm is also expected in potohar region, Sargodha and Gujranwala. Maximum and minimum temperature was recorded as 44 & 28 centigrade respectively on Wednesday.

According to synoptic situation, continental air is prevailing over most parts of the country. Westerly wave is likely to enter upper and central parts of the country on Thursday and may persist till Sunday.

## PHA distributes gifts to employee

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Parks and Horticulture Authority (PHA) Vice Chairman Hafiz Zeeshan Rasheed distributed suit gifts to the PHA employees.

Vice Chairman distributed these gifts during "Eid Millan gift distribution ceremony" here at PHA Headquarters Jilani Park on Wednesday.

On the occasion, PHA Chairman Engineer Yasir Gilani said the PHA shared the joys and sorrows of its employees, adding that PHA strived for development and prosperity of the organization in accordance with the constitution and law. PHA Vice Chairman Hafiz Zeeshan Rasheed said that the gardeners and workers of the Parks and Horticulture Authority were playing a key role in the



LAHORE: Young children enjoy at a local park on Mahmood Boti Ring Road as without any social distancing while the government imposed Section 144 and closed all parks, public places amid coronavirus outbreak. —Online

# 'Corona politics' of opposition will not work now: CM



By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar has said that "Corona Politics" of opposition leaders will not work now.

First opposition made politics a business and now they are playing political-gamic over corona issue.

He said 22 crore people have been fed up from the negative politics of the dual face politicians.

Pakistani nation will not forgive those who are politicizing corona pandemic. He said that attitude of opposition leaders are like "Pot Calling the Kettle Black". He said that those who were making tall claims have been exposed in front of people. He said that opposition parties has displayed non-serious attitude even in the extraordinary circumstance. Despite of emergency, opposition leaders have tried to serve their self-interests.

Time has proved that government took timely decision under the leadership of Prime Minister Imran Khan. Farsighted initiatives of government helped a lot to deal with this situation. He said that government has to stop the spread of coronavirus as well as safeguard the people from the poverty and hunger. Those who are doing the criticism for the sake of criticism are totally unaware about the ground realities.

Opposition leaders, despite Corona Pandemic, made a vicious attempt to destroy national solidarity.

The opposition harmed the national interests for the personal gain. Opposition's attempt to divide the nation in this time of trail is highly condemnable. Usman Buzdar said that the opposition leaders have made a new record of lip serving on corona pandemic and their practical performance remained zero. Government has adopted a comprehensive and effective strategy to deal with coronavirus.

Prime Minister Imran Khan without wasting time took decisions with consultation. Opposition just created hue and cry and did nothing for the people. He said that the leadership of PTI understands the suffering and pain of poor people.

Opposition should know that this important time is not for point scoring but time to remain united.

**Directs to protect crops from attack of locust**

Buzdar has directed to take all necessary measures to protect the crops from the attack of locust. He said that concerned departments should remain alert for the protection of crops especially in the districts of Southern Punjab.

He said that aerial spray should be focused to contain locust attack besides speed up the spray work through vehicles. Usman Buzdar while instructing surveillance on daily basis to control locusts said that effective campaign should be carried out in a scientific manner to protect the crops. He said that keeping in view the present scenario, concerned departments and institutions will have to remain alert round-the-clock.

He said that field officers should perform their duties in a vibrant manner. A vigilant eye should be

kept 24/7 through control centres set up at central and district level. All out resources should be utilized to safeguard the cultivators, he added.

**Strongly condemns murder of journalist Zulfiqar Mandrani**

Buzdar has strongly condemned the murder of journalist Zulfiqar Mandrani in Jacobababad.

He expressed a deep sense of sorrow and grief over this tragic incident. He extended heartfelt sympathies and condolence with the bereaved family members and prayed that may Allah Almighty rest the departed soul in eternal peace and grant courage and strength to the members of bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss with fortitude.

**Expresses deep sense of sorrow over sad demise of Presidential Award holder Ijaz Qaiser**

Buzdar expressed a deep sense of sorrow and grief over the sad demise of Presidential Award holder Ijaz Qaiser. Usman Buzdar extended heartfelt sympathies with the bereaved family members.

Paying homage to the artistic services of Ijaz Qaiser, Usman Buzdar said that Ijaz Qaiser has a unique style in Ghazal singing and proved his worth in singing field with hard work.

**Expresses deep sense of sorrow over loss of precious human lives in traffic accident**

Buzdar has expressed a deep sense of sorrow and grief over the loss of precious human lives in a traffic accident on Motorway near Rajhana Interchange. He also expressed heartfelt sympathies and condolence with the heirs of deceased persons. He directed the administration to provide best treatment facilities to the injured. He has also sought a report from the administration about the accident.

## Crackdown against criminals, anti-social elements continues — Vehari police arrest 133 POs last month



By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** As per directions of Inspector General of Police (IGP) Punjab Shoaib Dastagir, crackdown against criminals and anti social elements in all districts of the province is continued on and in this regard Vehari police under supervision of district police officer Ahsan Ullah Chohan, during Ramadan achieved landmark success after clenching the necks of criminals.

Vehari police during last month arrested 133 Proclaimed Offenders (POs) involved in murder, dacoity and robbery among them 11 are of A category whereas 122 criminals are of B category. During this period, cases of weapons were registered and 62 accused have been arrested, in which 03 Kalashnikovs, 02 rifles, 07guns, 48 pistols, 02 revolvers and hundreds of bullets have been recovered from the accused.

During this period, 134 cases of drugs have been registered and 55 kg chars, 3271 litre alcohol and 17 working alcohol manufacturing kilns have been recovered from the accused.

Following the implementation of laws under national action plan, 12 cases have been registered among which, 14 cases under violation of loud-

speaker act, 07 cases under tenancy act (temporary residence) and 12 cases under security ordinance have been registered.

Moreover 02 cases have been registered against firework, 48 cases under over speeding, 30 cases of power theft, 04 cases of kite flying, 02 cases under price control, 07 cases under gambling act and many cases have been registered against illegal patrol agencies and illegal gas refilling.

Moreover, 30 cases have been registered under section 144 with respect to Corona virus. Moreover, 101 cases under crime property among which 65 cases have been traced and more than 56 lakh 16 thousand rupees of property have been recovered.

During this period, in different police stations of Vehari 14 gangs have been traced and 36 accused have been arrested and amount of 52 lakh 73 thousand having theft motorcycle, jewelry, cash amount and cattle are included whereas police of thana gagu and Tiba Sultanpur traced members of dacoity cum murder and recovered theft amount from them.

DPO Vehari Ehsaan Ullah Chohan while giving details told that month of Ramadan was not less than from any challenge where police were on the front line to counter coronavirus and at the same time police officials were also present for security duties of sensitive programs, isolation centers, quarantine centers wheat sale points, Ramadan duty, yum e Ali duty churches and other worship places therefore police achieved many success by utilizing All resources in better way and same spirit shall also be continued in the future also.



LAHORE: Motorcyclists on their way while they covered their faces and heads due to warm weather on local road.

## India's tug-of-war with China aims to harm Pakistan: Aleem

— Says Modi Govt not digesting Pak-China friendship and launching biased campaign for its own designs

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Senior Minister Punjab Abdul Aleem Khan has said that the real purpose of India's tug-of-war with China is to harm Pakistan as the Modi Government is not digesting Pak-China friendship and launching biased campaigns for its own designs.

Aleem while commenting on the Laddakh issue said that India's teeth were bitten and once again it had to face humiliation at international level. He said that if any attempt was made to tamper with Pakistan, India would get a stern response.

He added that Pakistan Army is fully capable to respond its enemy in

a better way. Senior Minister Punjab Abdul Aleem Khan said that Prime Minister Imran Khan has taken a firm stand against India from day one and he has exposed Indian oppression in every international forum including the United Nations.

He said that Modi's Intention in the name of democracy has never been good, secularism has been exposed and Indian atrocities in Kashmir have not been reduced even during Eid-ul-Fitr. Aleem Khan said that the international community should take immediate notice of this situation and react strongly to India's unwarranted tension with China. Commenting on the reports



coming out between China and India in Ladakh, Abdul Aleem Khan said that India has once again faced defeat and the best thing is for Modi and his followers to focus on their internal problems instead of confronting other countries and alleviate the oppression and poverty of the people of India.