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## Quick Read

### Scholar Dr Mughees-ud-din passes away

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Dr Mughees-ud-Din Sheikh, international scholar, former head of Media & Communication Department, Punjab University and Lahore Press Club (LPC) life member on Wednesday died of coronavirus. Dr Mughees was put on ventilator last night after his health deteriorated.

The late professor completed his Master and PhD in Journalism from School of Journalism and Mass Communication, The University of Iowa in USA. LPC president Arshad Ansari, senior vice president Rai Husnain Tahir, vice president Qaddafi Butt, secretary Babar Dogar, joint secretary Hafiz Faiz Ahmad, members of governing body and others expressed deep sorrow and grief over his death. They termed the death of Dr Mughees uddin a great loss to the journalist community and said that he was like an institution for the journalists. They said, Dr Mughees uddin had made every effort to highlight the importance of education at every forum, while he also contributed in introduction of modern techniques and skills in communication studies. Thousands of students of Dr Mughees uddin were significantly contributing to the field of journalism besides others in the world.

### Rain forecast in various parts of province

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Rain with wind-thunderstorm is expected in the most parts of the province including provincial capital during next 24 hours. According to synoptic situation, a shallow westerly wave is present over upper parts of the country. Weak moist currents are penetrating northeastern parts of the country. According to Meteorological department, rain wind-thunderstorm is expected in most parts of the province including Rawalpindi, Jhelum, Attock, Chakwal, Murree, Taxila, Sialkot, Narawal, Gujranwala, Mianwali, Lahore, Sargodha, Faisalabad, Jhang and Gujrat. Rain-thunderstorm with dust raising winds are also expected in Multan and D G Khan after noon time. During past 24 hours, rain occurred in most districts of the province including Jhelum 58mm, Attock 25mm, Narawal, Hafizabad 23mm, Mandi Bahauddin 20mm, Islamabad (Saidpur 22mm, Airport 15mm, Bokra 3mm, Zero Point 2), Sialkot (City 18, Airport 9mm), Joharabad 12mm, Gujranwala 11mm, Murree 10, Layyah 8, Rawalpindi (Chaklala 5mm, Shamsabad 1), Gujarat 5, Faisalabad 3, Lahore (Airport 2mm, City Trace), Bhakkar, Noorpur Thal 2, Jhang 1.

### Augustine recovers from coronavirus

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Punjab Minister for Human Rights & Minority Affairs Ijaz Alam Augustine thanked to Almighty Allah and said that now he has been fully recovered after positive result of corona virus. In a statement issued here on Wednesday, the minister also thanked to the entire nation and well wishers on his quick recovery from corona virus.



LAHORE: A view of motorcyclists rush at a local petrol pump as due to shortage of petrol in Mughalpura.

## Markets, bazaars failing to observe SOPs will be closed down, CM warns

### Parliamentarians call on CM

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** MPAs from different districts called on Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar at his office and congratulated him for presenting a relief-oriented budget for 2020-21. They also apprised the CM about the problems of their areas and the chief minister assured that development work will be done on a priority basis and no one will be allowed to create hurdles in the solution of genuine issues.

The CM added that most affected areas have been sealed to control the spread of coronavirus.

The assembly members should monitor implementation of governmental instructions in their areas because public support is essential to overcome the spread of coronavirus, he said. He expressed the satisfaction that recent restrictions have produced encouraging results.

People should make a habit to observe precautionary measures, the CM maintained and warned that markets and bazaars, failing to observe SOPs, will be closed down.

He asserted that restrictions about wearing face masks are being implemented strictly at public places and government offices and citizens should fulfil their social responsibility by observing the precautionary measures. Those who called on CM included Provincial Ministers Yasir Humayun, Mian Khalid Mehmood, Chief Whip in Punjab Assembly Syed Abbas Ali Shah, Secretary Good Governance Committee Col (R) Ejaz Hussain Minhas, assembly members Umer Aftab, Khurram Ejaz, Sher Akbar Khan, Muhammad Sibtain Raza, Muhammad Raza Hussain Bukhari, Sarfraz Hussain, Shahida Ahmed and Sabrina Javed.

Takes notice of death of an accused due to police torture

Buzdar has sought a report from RPO DG Khan about the death of an accused due to police torture. He directed to submit a report within 48 hours and legal action be initiated against the guilty officials.

Moreover, the requirement of justice be fulfilled and justice be provided to the heirs at every cost, he further directed.

**Condole death of Prof Mughees uddin:** Buzdar has expressed a deep sense of sorrow over the death of Prof Mughees Uddin Sheikh, a famous teacher of journalism and extended sympathies to the bereaved family. I pray to Allah Almighty to rest the departed soul in eternal peace.

He has rendered invaluable services in the field of journalism and I am deeply saddened over the death of Mugheez Uddin, he added.

**MPAS CALL ON CM PUNJAB:** A number of MPAs called on Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar at his assembly chamber set up in a local hotel on Wednesday and discussed different issues. Talking on this occasion, the CM maintained that the country is going through unusual circumstances due to coronavirus and asked the public representatives to utilise their energies for dealing with it. The Punjab government has made concerted efforts to overcome the spread of coronavirus and daily testing capacity of the province has also reached to 12 thousand, he added. He asked the public representatives to monitor the prices of essential items in their districts while remaining in constant contact with the administration. Similarly, they should also visit hospitals to monitor the medical facilities and

encourage the doctors and paramedics engaged in serving the ailing humanity, he added. It is time to heal the wounds of the ailing humanity and I have also visited more than 20 districts to take stock of public problems, the CM said.

The CM regretted that opposition leaders only made tall claims and they are hiding in their houses while leaving the affected people alone in this difficult moment. The opposition parties have weakened the national unity through their negative politics on corona and did nothing except lip-service, he maintained.

Those who are making hollow claims have not done anything practical for the eradication of coronavirus. It is easy to lecture but requires commitment and passion to heal the wounds of ailing humanity, he said. He said that one can make tall claims while sitting in the drawing-room but could not perform any practical step to mitigate the spread of coronavirus.

The opposition, which has left the affected alone in this hour of trial, is itself isolated. The 22 crore people know that the government has taken timely steps for dealing with coronavirus and collective decisions have been made in consultation with the stakeholders, the CM concluded.

Those who called on the CM included provincial ministers Raja Basharat, Hashim Jawan Bakht, Muhammad Ali Raza Khan Khaqani, Muhammad Jehanzeb Khan Khitchi, Abdul Hai Dasti, Muhammad Hanif, Syed Rafiqat Ali Gillani, Khurram Sohail Khan Leghari, Sardar Ferooz Amanullah Dareshk, Ch. Iftikhar Hussain, Abdul Rehman Khan, Adil Pervaiz, Umer Farooq, Sonia Ali Raza Shah and others.

## US consulate to set up Lincoln Corner in Vehari



By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** United States Consulate, Lahore will set up Lincoln Corner in the library of University of Education (UoE), Vehari Campus to help Pakistani students nurture their English language skills and critical thinking to meet challenges of the world.

US Consul General Catherine Rodriguez and Vice Chancellor UoE Lahore Prof. Dr. Talat Naseer Pasha, Sitara-i-Imtiaz signed an agreement here on Wednesday which will enable the students of the Southern Punjab to benefit them.

Located within universities, public libraries, and other institutions, Lincoln Corners provide information about the United States, English language learning opportunities, study abroad advice, cultural programs, and alumni activities. These spaces provide and promote a platform for open dialogue and build bridges of understanding. Visitors gain free access to Wi-Fi and current and reliable information about the United States through books, magazines, videos, internet databases, and programmes for the general public. Speaking

on the occasion, CG Rodriguez said with this Lincoln Corner in Vehari, we were reaching out to a new community and helping to create a platform for interactions between the United States and the people of the region, adding that university and high school students as well as members of the community will benefit from the exchange of ideas and programming from around the world.

The US diplomat said, "We look forward to grow this great partnership with the University of Education." VC UoE Lahore, Prof. Dr. Talat Naseer Pasha said, "I believe this collaboration between the University of Education Lahore and US Consulate General Lahore, in the form of Lincoln Corner in the library of Vehari Campus, is sure to benefit not only our students and faculty but the community in general." He said the potential of this corner was huge, adding that it would not only groom but also provide a window of access to the academic resources and opportunities. He said, "I am very certain that the cause of development and uplift of our community will be very well served with such initiatives."



LAHORE: Workers of WAPDA busy in repairing transformers on Habib Ullah Road.

## PM Imran unveils Indian identity at every world forum, says Aleem

By Our staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Commenting on the current Pak-India situation, Senior Punjab Minister Abdul Aleem Khan has said that India did not shy away from violating diplomatic etiquette for its nefarious purposes.

He added that blaming others with various tricks and its aggressive intentions and violation of international norms for fulfillment of its designs is an old way of Modi and India which he has always been ashamed of.

He said that Modi, who dreamed of becoming a world power, would have to face the realities and he could no longer hide his country's internal weaknesses with such clever tactics. Abdul Aleem Khan further said that Prime Minister Imran Khan

has unveiled the Indian identity in every international forum and now the real face of Modi has come out before the whole world. He clarified that if Pakistan was manipulated under the guise of a specific purpose, it would be reminiscent of February last year. Senior Punjab



Minister Abdul Aleem Khan said that the Pakistan Army was fully capable of responding to any aggres-

sion and if a difficult time comes, the whole Pakistani nation will be a leaden wall with its soldiers. Senior Minister Abdul Aleem Khan said that India, which does not take into account the terms of an international forum, has to deal with its weak economy and internal problems. He will be drowned and its reputation will be further lost. Abdul Aleem Khan said that Imran Khan had also taken India by surprise in his address to the National Security Council at the United Nations and now the present Government is by no means behind in showing the mirror to Modi again. He said that all these operations were aimed at diverting attention from the Kashmir struggle in which Indian elements would never succeed and they would have to abide by international norms.