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Quick Read

China offers to provide treatment to Shahbaz

LAHORE: Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson has made telephonic contact with Shahbaz Sharif and extended offer for cooperation in connection with his treatment against corona virus epidemic.

The Chinese spokesperson also wished for speedy recovery of Shahbaz Sharif.

Shahbaz expressed gratitude to Chinese authorities for their offer on account of his treatment adding this offer is manifestation of love and amity existing between the two countries.

This love, feelings for me from China is a perpetual source of pride for me. —Online

RAW former director should not cross limits, says Chuhan

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab information minister Fayyaz-ul-Hassan Chuhan has said it will be better that former RAW directors does not cross his limits.

In a statement issued by him on twitter he said constructing modern war ships by Turkey for Pakistan is a bilateral matter between the two Muslim countries. This amity speaks for brotherly sentiments existing between the two countries.

He held both Pakistan and Turkey have stood shoulder to shoulder with each other in the moments of sorrow and joy. People of Pakistan are exulting over the jealousy reeking from Modi government, RAW and retired major of ISI, he added. —Online

LGH Chief Sanitary Inspector succeeded in defeating corona

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Chief Sanitary Inspector of Lahore General Hospital Tariq Mahmood Khan has succeeded in defeating the corona virus. He has announced to donate his plasma to deserving people suffering from Corona Virus to help them in recovery. Since then, he has also started performing his duties in office affairs.

Speaking at this occasion, Chief Sanitary Inspector Tariq Mahmood Khan said that Corona is a very dangerous virus but there is a need for every citizen to show seriousness in these difficult situation and implement SOPs in all cases and make sure the virus is controlled as soon as possible. Tariq Mahmood Khan said that there is no doubt that both illness and recovery are in the hands of Allah Almighty but instead of panicking about the virus, take precautionary measures as well.

He said that Punjab Government and Health Department are taking the best measures but it is also responsibility of the people to lend a helping hand to the Government and take care of social distance, use of sanitizers and safety masks. Similarly obeying the SOPs so that this problem can be solved as soon as possible. He prayed to Allah Almighty to heal all the patients of Corona as soon as possible and to return to normal life in the beloved homeland.

Opp doing point-scoring on COVID-19: Buzdar

PM, CM exchange views on coronavirus, locust attack

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Coronavirus and locust situation in the province has been discussed by Prime Minister Imran Khan and Chief Minister of Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar.

Prime Minister Imran during his two days visit to Lahore will preside over an important meeting of Punjab corona cabinet committee.

Day-to-day growing number of coronavirus cases will be the focus of this meeting. Certain important decisions will be taken aimed at containing the spread of the novel virus.

Prime Minister Imran Khan will also chair a meeting on locust situation in the province besides holding a meeting with governor

Punjab Chaudhry Sarwar.

Another report adds: Punjab Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar has strongly condemned and regretted over the attitude of the opposition parties towards an epidemic like Corona. He said that opposition leaders did not even bother to stay away from point scoring on the most important national issue.

The nation knows that the opposition leaders run the campaign against coronavirus by chanting hollow slogans. He said that 22 crore people have been fed up from the negative politics of the opposition parties. He said that the opposition parties are busy in doing politics by leaving the Corona affected people alone. The opposition does not has any plan against Corona but

to safeguard its corruption. He said that the nation will never forgive the opposition leaders who left the suffering humanity alone in difficult times. He said that the government has taken every decision with mutual consultation, under the leadership of Prime Minister Imran Khan. Government will always standing beside their corona affected brethren, he added.

Buzdar expresses grief

Punjab Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar has expressed deep sense of sorrow and grief over the sad demise of renowned scholar Dr. Mazher Mehmood Shirani.

In his condolence message Usman Buzdar prayed that may Allah Almighty rest the departed sold in eternal peace and grant

courage and strength to the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss with equanimity.

CM takes notice of fire at Services Hospital

Punjab Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar has taken notice of the fire eruption incident in the Medical Emergency of Services Hospital Lahore. He has also sought a report from the Provincial Minister for Health and Secretary Specialized Healthcare and Medical Education.

He directed to probe into the incident of fire eruption and sent a comprehensive investigation report from every aspect to the CM office within 24 hours. He further directed that affected patients should be shifted to other wards and all possible medical

facilities should be provided to them.

PTI Parliamentary Party meeting tomorrow

The meeting of PTI Provincial Parliamentary Party will be held on 15th June under the chair of Punjab Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar. The meeting will decide the strategy for the budget session 2020-21 of the Punjab Assembly

Punjab Governor, CM call on PM

Governor Punjab Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar and Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar Saturday separately called on Prime Minister Imran Khan, according to PM office media wing.

The prime minister has arrived here on a day-long visit.



LAHORE: An elderly labourer carries a loaded cart of iron rods on Circular Road for earning livelihood during the warm weather. —Online

Ensure sale of sugar at Rs 70 per kg: CS

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Chief Secretary Punjab Jawwad Rafique Malik has directed that sale of sugar at Rs. 70 per kg be ensured in all the districts of the province and stern action be taken in case of overcharging.

In the orders issued to all deputy commissioners, the Chief Secretary said that the sale of sugar above the fixed price in any district would not be allowed. Any negligence on the part of the administration is intolerable in providing relief to the people, he added.

He said that shopkeepers would sell sugar to consumers at Rs. 70 per kg, adding that instructions have been issued to the Sugar Mills to extend full cooperation for the uninterrupted supply of the commodity and its availability at shops at the fixed rate.

He said that for uninterrupted supply, the food department would allot districts to the sugar mills.

Lahore teen killed over pet parrot

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: A 14-year-old boy was killed by his relative for refusing to give him his pet parrot in Lahore's Liaquatabad Saturday afternoon, a private news channel reported while quoting the police sourced as saying.

Nabeel was fond of keeping pets and had several pet parrots at home, his family said. "His cousin, identified as Nadeem, had visited him and asked him to give him one of the parrots and Nabeel refused," a police officer said. "Nadeem then murdered the boy with a knife."

The suspect managed to escape from the crime scene following which the police have been on a look out for him. Raids are being conducted to arrest Nadeem as soon as possible.

A case has been registered by the boy's parents. "He was our only child," they said, adding that the suspect should be arrested.

The victim's body has been shifted to the hospital for a post-mortem examination.

In a similar case earlier this month, an eight-year-old girl Zohra Shah, who was working as house-help at a house in Lahore, was beaten to death by her employers for setting their pet parrot free.

The employers, a couple, has been arrested by the police. The case sparked anger in the country after which Human Rights Minister Shireen Mazari had promised to punish such perpetrators. —APP

Yasmin grants approval to FJWU budget, research posts

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab Health Minister Dr. Yasmin Rashid chaired the 18th Syndicate Meeting of the Fatima Jinnah Medical University here on Saturday. Special Secretary Specialized Healthcare and Medical Education Department Silwat Saeed, Vice Chancellor Fatima Jinnah Medical University Professor Amir Zaman Khan, Vice Chancellor University of Health Sciences Professor Dr. Javed Akram, Dr. Sohail Shahzad, Medical Superintendent Ganga Ram Hospital and other officials attended the meeting.

Registrar FJWU presented the agenda items of the Syndicate meeting to the Chair. The Minister inquired about the progress on the construction of the quaternary Mother and Child Hospital Project at the Ganga Ram Hospital. The Minister granted approval for the 17th Syndicate meeting decisions as well as the nomination for the inclusion of new members.

The Minister okayed the policy of two research posts as well as granted approval for the Annual Procurement Plan of the Fatima Jinnah Medical University for the



year 2020-21. Further, the Minister approved expenses for the medical journals for the library and for the refurbishing of the Shujat Ali Hall Waris Road Hostels. The Minister also approved the contract for the repair and maintenance of the 14 Anesthesia machines.

The Minister also directed an inquiry into the outsourcing of security at Ganga Ram Hospital.

30 WAPDA House employees tested positive

Thirty employees of the WAPDA House have tested positive for coronavirus and the building has been closed for nine days from June 13.

A notification in this regard has been issued by WAPDA secretary according to which all officers will work from home and will be available on telephone. Furthermore, important meetings will be held at Sunny View office.

The security and administration officials have been directed to get the office disinfected by spray.

Three held with contraband

Police claimed on Saturday to have arrested three drug dealers and recovered narcotics and weapons from their possession.

During a continued drive against drug pushers and criminals, teams of different police stations conducted raids at various places in their respective jurisdiction and arrested Khalil, Shahid and Wajid Hussain and recovered 5,500 kg hashish and 2 pistols from them.

Cases have been registered against the accused.

Buzdar hails federal budget, flays Indian firing

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi called on Punjab Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar at the CM's Office on Saturday. Matters regarding mutual interest, political situation, steps taken to deal with Corona as well as setting up of secretariat in Southern Punjab were discussed during the meeting. The two leaders also strongly condemned the Indian atrocities in occupied Kashmir and the unprovoked firing by the Indian Army on the Line of Control.

Usman Buzdar said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Imran Khan, the federal government has presented an excellent, balanced and people-friendly budget, in difficult times. He also congratulated Prime Minister Imran Khan, Federal Minister Hamad Azhar and his team. He

said that opposition should avoid criticism for the sake of criticism on Tax-Free Budget.

He further maintained that the priorities have been rightly set in the budget and best budget has been presented in the present circumstances. The budget does not put additional burden on the poor and underprivileged segment of the society. The chief minister said that the posts for Add. Chief Secretary and Additional IG for South Punjab Secretariat have been approved and notification has been issued in this regard.

Additional Chief Secretary and Additional IG will be posted in Bahawalpur and Multan. Southern Punjab Secretariat will be functional soon. People of Southern Punjab will not have to travel to Lahore for the solution of their issues.

He said that government is giving back the right to the people of South

Punjab which were robbed by the former rulers and for many years they just entertained them merely with hollow slogans. He said that the former rulers used the funds taken on the name of development of South Punjab in their constituencies, whereas, PTI government has closed the chapter of unfair distribution of development funds. The government is fulfilling its promises made with the people of South Punjab and keeping its focus on the development of the backward areas. 35% development funds have been allocated for South Punjab. The budget allocated for the Southern Punjab cannot be utilized for any other purpose.

The funds of Southern Punjab will only be spent on development and prosperity of the people of southern Punjab. He said that India wants to push the region into the war by levelling baseless allegations.



LAHORE: Police personnel ride on bike as violating traffic rules and regulations on Mall Road while traffic police warden stands there. —Online