

## MWC sets up 14 awareness camps to maintain clean environment

From Our Staff Correspondent

**MULTAN:** Multan Waste Management Company (WMC) set up 14 camps in different parts of the city on Friday to provide citizens awareness about maintaining clean and healthy environment tomorrow on Eid occasion.

Special advisor to CM Punjab Javed Akhtar Ansari, Spokesman to CM MPA Nadeem Qureshi paid visit to different camps here. DC Amir Khatak, ADC Revenue Muhammad Tayyab Khan and CEO WMC were present at moment of inspection.

Javed Akhtar Ansari said the company had made all-out arrangement to lift up of fall in more quantity as compared to last year. He praised district administration team for chalking out good planning to avoid garbage accumulation anywhere around the residential places.

MPA Nadeem Qureshi said WMC improved its image in a year which could be an example for rest of public departments to increase their productivity. However, citizens expected more from management of the company, he remarked.

Meanwhile, DC ordered to provide biodegradable bags among residents of the city. He asked to send machinery and required equipment in different areas of the city for removing garbage from every sector of the city.

CEO WMC giving briefing to the visiting dignitaries, said aforesaid camp offices were set up at Nishtar area, Gulghast Colony, Eidgah and Kumharan Walla intersection. Moreover they were also established at Sameejabad, Pak Gate, Chowk Shaheedan and Jinnah Park as well.

## 'Local resources being used to produce cheap electricity'

From Our Staff Correspondent

**MULTAN:** Provincial energy minister Dr Akhtar Malik said incumbent government was employing local energy resources to produce cheap electricity to come out from deep-rooted energy crisis once for all.

In a statement issued here Friday, he said it had initiated solar biogas power system in different villages of the district. In connection to this, different energy projects of 550 KW were about to complete in Vehari and Samandri which would offer cheap and eco-friendly electricity to about 600 homes.

Hybrid biogas project would provide gas to villages and people living in far flung areas to cook their food at affordable prices.



LAHORE: A view of closed road due to security proposes during the Urs of Bibi Pak Daman. —Online

# Pakistan moving towards development, claims

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Punjab Senior Minister Abdul Aleem Khan on Friday said the country was on the path of rapid development and prosperity with significant improvement in the stock market and major achievements in the tax collection target.

He said that Prime Minister Imran Khan was making serious efforts for the development of the country and that, despite the coronavirus pandemic, he had been able to rescue the beloved homeland from a difficult situation.

Abdul Aleem Khan said the first month of new financial year was a clear sign of significant improvement and tax collection of Rs 57 billion in July alone was the best performance, says a handout.

He said that significant progress was also being made in the construction sector as 40 industries related to this sector were being developed, which would accelerate the wheel of the economy, provide employment opportunities to the people and stabilize the situation in the country.

Abdul Aleem Khan said that Imran Khan's vision was to make Pakistan the

## Former PU Controller shot dead

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Former Controller of the University of Punjab, Ahmed Ali Chatta, was shot dead while he was travelling from his house to farm on Friday, a private news channel reported.

Unidentified men on motorcycles opened fire on his vehicle within the jurisdiction of the Mustafa Town police station, one bullet hit him and he died on the spot, the police said. Dr Asmatullah, one of his friends, said Chatta did not have any enemy. The police have registered a case against unknown killers. Punjab Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar has taken notice of the killing and ordered the im-

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Capital City Police Officer (CCPO) Zulfikar Hameed has formed an inquiry committee to probe the murder incident of former PU additional controller Ahmad Ali Chatta.

The inquiry committee formed on Friday included SP Sadder Investigation, DSP CIA Sadder and SDPO Sadder Circle. The CCPO directed the committee to submit an inquiry report about the murder incident as soon as possible and said that accused involved in the murder should be arrested through the help of CCTV footage of Safe Cities cameras.

## August 4 to be commemorated as Police Martyrs Day in Shangla: DPO

From Our Staff Correspondent

**SHANGLA:** The program has been finalized to commemorate August 4 as Police Martyrs' Day in Shangla and in this connection arrangement has been made for the guard of honor to the Martyrs Police Personnel who rendered the precious lives for restoring peace.

Like every year, this year Police Martyrs' Day will be observed in Shangla on August 4.

All the ceremonies have been arranged to commemorate the Day with pride, honor and dignity, DPO Shangla Cadet Asif Gohar said.

He said in the memory of the martyred police personnel, the week of martyrs has been formally kicked off including presenting guard of honor on the graves of the martyred policemen. District Police Officer Cadet Asif Gohar, had directed all SHOs to meet the heirs of all the martyrs before Eid and distribute Eid gifts among them and post pictures of martyrs and stories of their sacrifices at more places across the district.

DPO Cadet Asif Gohar has directed all police officers to display special portraits, posters and banners, recite Quran Khawni in the masajids, recite Fateha and offer prayers in the memory of police martyrs. Expressing solidarity with the families of martyrs on Eid-ul-Adha, Cadet Asif Gohar while paying homage to the unparalleled sacrifices of the police martyrs said that visit their homes, find out the problems of their children and relatives, and make them feel at home.

He said that police martyrs are heroes and benefactors of the entire nation and their sacrifices can never be forgotten. He said that police martyrs have left indelible imprints on history with their blood, which is appreciated by the international community, and their sacrifices are a beacon to the world.

## 'Torture marks on slain watchman's body indicate killing'

From Our Staff Correspondent

**HYDERABAD:** The Hyderabad police say the watchman whose dead body was found from the underground water tank in a bungalow in Qasimabad the other day was actually killed.

The Qasimabad police informed here Friday that the slain watchman Rustam Solangi was apparently killed because his body bore marks of torture.

The police said the body was found in the bungalow of a Sub Engineer of Education Works Department on Thursday.



LAHORE: Policemen stand guard at a closed market during lockdown.

# AJK all set to celebrate Eid-ul-Azha today

The Business Report

**MIRPUR:** The people of Jammu and Kashmir dwelling both sides of the line of control are all set to celebrate Eidul Adha with traditional religious zeal and fervor today Saturday.

The day will begin with special prayers in the mosques for the stability, integrity, unity and solidarity of the Muslim Ummah, progress and prosperity of Pakistan and Azad Jammu & Kashmir and the liberation of Indian Illegally occupied Jammu Kashmir. The Indian Illegal occupational forces have locked all mosques and other sites of worships to resist Muslim population attending Eid congregations to offer the Eid prayers.

As such People of Indian occupied Jammu and Kashmir, besieged in the curfew-clamped bleeding valley were being deprived of celebrating the sanctified day, because of the total siege of the internationally-acknowledged disputed Indian Illegally occupied Jammu Kashmir state by over 1.50 million the Indian occupying armed forces in follow up of the August 5, 2919 unilateral Indian abortive attempt of revocation of special status of the Internationally acknowledged disputed Himalayan state. Valiant Kashmiri Muslims in the occupied state, are, however, reportedly determined to celebrate Eidul Adha with full religious zeal and fervor despite the exceptional restrictions imposed by the occupational Indian forces, with renewal of the pledge to continue the liberation

struggle, a report reaching from across the line of control here Saturday said. The biggest eid prayer congregation is reportedly scheduled by the Kashmiri Muslims to be held in all circumstances at Dargah Hazrat Bal and the Central Jamia mosque in Srinagar, the report revealed.

Other big Eid congregations will also be held, despite all restrictions, imposed by the Indian occupational forces, at Eidgahs and Jamia mosques in Baramulla, Kupwara, Islamabad, Pulwama, Jammu, Poonch, Rajouri, Udhampur, Kargil and Leh, the report added.

In Azad Jammu and Kashmir, special Eid ul Adha prayer congregations will be held at all small and major cities and towns of all ten districts of the liberated territory including the state's metropolis Muzaffarabad, Mirpur, Kotli, Bhimber, Haveili, Hattiyar, Bagh, Sudhanoti, Rawalakot and Neelam valley districts where the people will offer Eid prayer at the mosques, eid gahs and open places.

Later on the 'farzandan-e-Touheed' will sacrifice animals following the Sunnah of the Hazrat Ibrahim (AS).

AJK government has announced July 31 to Aug 02 three official holidays for celebrating the Eid festival. Entire detained Kashmiri leadership in the occupied state including the stalwarts of All Parties Hurriyat Conference (APHC) and several former "chief Ministers" of the disputed state have in their respective Eid messages from behind the bars and house arrests, reiterated that the people of Jammu & Kashmir living both

sides of theoC and rest of the world would continue their ongoing struggle for liberation from the Indian clutches in spite of all obstacles, the report added. Ends.

**KP CM felicitates nation on Eid-ul-Azha**  
Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Mahmood Khan has extended his heartfelt felicitations to the nation on the auspicious occasion of Eid-ul-Azha.

He appealed the people to celebrate this festival with simplicity at their homes and strictly follow the precautionary measures including maintaining the social distance in order to stem the spread of corona virus.

In his special message issued here Friday, the chief minister stated that Eid ul Azha is the most important festival in the Islamic world which presents the ideal of highest commitment, sacrifice and character and teaches us to take care of each other.

"The day of Eid ul Azha renews the sunnah of Hazrat Ibrahim (AS) through the act of sacrificing his beloved son in the name of Allah the almighty and which has also been declared by the beloved Prophet of Allah Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH) as an essential religious practice for the whole Muslim Ummah till the Day of Judgment," he added.

Mahmood Khan urged upon the people particularly rich segment of the society to share their happiness with the deserving people around them adding that due to the current situation of corona pandemic its significance has increased more.

# Five percent minorities' quota being observed in govt jobs: PA

From Our Staff Correspondent

**PESHAWAR:** Khyber Pakhtunkhwa assembly was informed on Friday that the provincial government is implementing 5 percent quota for minorities in government jobs in letter and spirit and strict action has been warned in case of violation.

KP Minister for Food Qalandar Lodhi and Minister for Labour Shaukat Yousafzai responding to Call Attention Notice of Minorities' MPA Ranjit Singh told the House that all departments are implementing the minorities quota and if someone identifies the complaint in any advertisement the government would take action against the department.

Shaukat Yousafzai said that minority are enjoying freedom, equal rights and protection in Pakistan and the government is strictly implementing their rights and has been allocating funds in the annual budget for their welfare.

He assured the House that if any department was pointed out for not observing the minority quota in

jobs the government would take legal action.

Earlier Minorities MPA Ranjit Singh on his call attention notice said that some departments were not implementing the minority quota and they didn't even mention minorities seats in their advertisements.

Meanwhile PTI MPA Aysha Bano on her call attention notice said that the government was spending huge money on training of investigation officers on each posting and termed it wastage of money, she suggested that such officers should be deployed for not less than a period of three to four years in a department.

Minister for Food Qalandar Lodhi responded that an investigation officer was deployed to a department for a minimum of two-year period and if deems necessary they were appointed on deputation basis in other departments. He however said that such practice has stopped now. Later, the KP assembly unanimously passed KP Khasadar Force amendment bill 2020 while KP Local Government (Amendment) ordinance 2020 was presented in the House.

## Entry of tourists banned in Mansehra

From Our Staff Correspondent

**MANSEHRA:** District Administration Mansehra Friday imposed a ban to visiting tourists spots of Mansehra including Kaghan and Naran valleys amid at to contain the spread of corona virus pandemic.

The ban was imposed under section 144. Owing to the scratching heat in Punjab, KP, and Sindh a large number of tourists were expected to visit the beautiful areas of upper Hazara division including Kaghan and Naran but the district administration has imposed a ban on the tourism till 20th August.

District Police Officer (DPO) Mansehra requested people to cooperate with police which has been deployed at all entry points of the district and would stop the tourists from entering Mansehra.

To maintain law and order situation in district Mansehra during the vacations of Eid ul Adha Mansehra police also chalked out foolproof security programme. Aerial firing, the show of arms one wheeling was banned, violators would face strict action against. According to security plane the DSPs of all four circles of district Mansehra have conducted meetings with local elders and religious scholars for the strict enforcement of the ban on aerial firing, the show of arms and one wheeling. DSPs have started monitoring and visiting sacrificial animal markets of the district while the Eid vacations of all DSPs and Station House Officers (SHO) have been canceled.

# '21 agri labs get ISO 17025 accreditation'

**MULTAN:** Secretary Agriculture Punjab Wasif Khurshid said on Friday that ISO 17025 accreditation has got approved for twenty-one (21) laboratories of provincial agriculture department.

These laboratories were conducting tests on vegetables, fruits, other crops, water, soil, fertilizers and pesticides, he said in a statement. ISO/IEC 17025 is a company level accreditation based on a standard published by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) titled "General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories". Wasif Khurshid said that farmers, government and semi

government organizations, importers and exporters, private seed and fertilizers companies can avail the facility after payment of fixed test fee.

He said that Punjab government was taking necessary steps to increase cultivation and production of traditional and non-traditional crops. He said that farmers of Thal districts including Layyah, Bakhar and Mianwali were getting portable solar irrigation systems at subsidized price. He said a sum of Rs 300 billion was being spent under Prime Minister's agriculture emergency programme to increase production of wheat, rice, sugarcane and oilseed crops besides other initiatives.

# NICVD establishes 18th Chest Pain Unit at Keamari, Karachi

From Our Staff Correspondent

**KARACHI:** National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases (NICVD) in collaboration with the Government of Sindh has inaugurated its 18th "Chest Pain Unit" at Keamari, to facilitate patients with chest pain with easy access and free of cost services.

PPP MNA, Abdul Qadir Patel formally inaugurated the Chest Pain Unit on Friday, at Keamari, Adjacent to St. George Church, Spicier Mole Road, Opposite Special Branch head office here, said a statement.

Talking to media, Abdul Qadir Patel termed the establishment of the 18th Chest Pain Unit at "Keamari Karachi" as another gift for the people of Karachi.

He said that this Chest Pain Unit will link with the main NICVD, where all cardiac care facilities, including angiography, angioplasty and cardiac surgeries are available.

He said that NICVD has introduced a new era of heart healthcare with the inauguration of "Chest Pain Units" to serve the nation at their quick approachable areas. This service is one of its kinds and is available for 24/7 throughout the year.