

PM's decisions put country on right track: Farrukh

ISLAMABAD: Parliamentary Secretary of Railways Farrukh Habib Friday said that Prime Minister Imran Khan's timely and wise decisions put the country on the track to progress, prosperity and development.

Speaking in the National Assembly, he said it was predicted that Pakistan would have shortage of water in 2025, but all the previous governments failed to start work on big dams. "Many water related projects were buried in files by the previous governments," he added.

He alleged that all the previous governments started projects to receive kickbacks, commissions and personal benefits.

He said that a visionary leader always thinks about the next generation not the next elections and Imran Khan was a leader who was thinking about the next generation and not the elections. The parliamentary secretary said under the vision of the prime minister, after start of physical work on the much-awaited Mohmand Dam in May 2019, the government had also started work on the strategically important mega project Diامر Bhasha dam which would prove to be a game changer for the country. Diامر Bhasha Dam with gross water storage capacity of 8.1 million acre

feet (MAF) and power generation capacity of 4500 megawatts (MW) will go a long way in stabilizing the economy. Construction of the project will also enhance life of Tarbela dam by 35 years, he added. Farrukh said that the project would also help reduce the current water shortage of 12 million acre feet to 6.1 million acre feet while its economic value for agriculture was estimated at \$ 1.2 billion per annum.

He said that at present 60 percent expensive electricity was being generated through oil and gas. He criticized Pakistan Muslim League (Nawaz) and Pakistan People's Party governments for not starting work on dams and said, "the two parties signed charter for democracy for ruling the country but unfortunately did not sign any agreement to construct dams." He asked the opposition to appreciate the good work being done by Prime Minister Imran Khan.--APP

Ali Muhammad suggests open debate on CPEC in Senate

Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs Ali Muhammad Khan on Friday categorically said China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) programme was being rolled back and suggested open debate on it in this august house.

Replying to various supplementary

questions during Question Hour, the Minister informed the Senate that CPEC was a strategic project adding no one could even think to roll back it under any foreign pressure.

He said Special Economic Zones (SEZ) proposed to be established under the CPEC programme were included Rashakai SEZ (CPEC), Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (1000 Acres), Allama Iqbal Industrial Park (CPEC), Faisalabad, Punjab (3278 Acres), Bostan SEZ (CPEC), Balochistan (200 Acres), Dhabeji SEZ, Thatta, Sindh (1530 Acres), ICT SEZ, Islamabad (Yet to be decided), Mogpandass SEZ, Gilgit Baltistan (250 Acres), Mirpur SEZ, AJK (1088 Acres), Momand Marble City SEZ, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (350 Acres) and Jinnah Pakistan Steel Mills, Karachi, Sindh (1500 Acres).

Mohmand Marble City SEZ, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa comprising of 350 acres was part of CPEC SEZ Program and formal application to notify Mohmand Marble City as SEZ under SEZ Act-2012 was being prepared.

He said Rashika Special Economic Zone was granted SEZ Status and it would cost \$ 128 Million (Rs. 20 Billion approx.). Bostan Economic Zone was also part of CPEC, he said. —APP



RAWALPINDI: A view of vehicle pass through on flooded road during heavy rain.

Construction of dams is our govt's top priority, says Faisal Javed

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf Senator Faisal Javed Friday said that his government under Prime minister Imran Khan was focusing on construction of dams which will protect thousands of acres of land from getting barren where opposition was only politicizing the national cause for their own interests.

Talking to a private news channel, he said with the construction of dams and water reservoirs the underground water level will rise, the inauguration of Diامر Bhasha Dam project was highly significant in post COVID-19 scenario which would create more jobs opportunities besides resolving the power crisis.

He said that the decision to build the dam was taken 50 years ago but the work has begun now.

He also said that main target of the PTI government was to make Pakistan green and preserve wildlife in its natural forests.

He mentioned PTI government in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa was the first government which took the first major step to deal with the climate change by launching the Billion Tree Tsunami project which included cleaning of rivers and air and waste disposal system. "PTI government has now embarked upon an ambitious plan of planting ten billion trees, we will start massive tree plantation drives across the country," he added.

Replying a Question, he criticized that the opposition had the desire that the Prime Minister Imran Khan should fail at every moment but the PM Imran Khan with his vision, courage and constant struggle, has always proved his critics wrong.

He said PML-N is taking the credit of Bhasha Dam

but PTI is not just inaugurating but it is committed to implement this project for its long term fruitful policies.

He regretted that the opposition parties were always busy thinking to protect their political interest.

He also said the rising water crisis could jeopardize the economic future of the country, adding, the shortage of water is the global issue and it is need of the hour to take concrete measures to address this threat.--APP

Ministry devising payment of Rs 62b subsidy to agri tubewell, NA told

Minister for Energy and Petroleum Division Omar Ayub Khan said Finance Ministry has been tasked to devise a mechanism for paying Rs 62 billion subsidy to agriculture tubewells.

Responding to a Calling Attention Notice, moved in the National Assembly by Chaudhry Aamir Sultan Cheema regarding the removal of meters of domestic consumers by Faisalabad Electric Supply Company (FESCO) on the pretext that the same are being used for agricultural purposes, he said Prime Minister has already directed the concern to provide optimum facilities to farmers community. Flat rate of Rs 5.35 per unit was announced for agriculture tubewells. The actual subsidy was Rs 29 billion and accumulative subsidy reaches to Rs 62 billion after including General Sales Tax (GST), Fuel Add-judgment Surcharge and others.

Responding to a question, he said Chief Executive Officer FESCO has been summoned to Islamabad to look into the issue of the removal of domestic meters on being allegedly used for agricultural purposes. —APP



KARACHI: A floral wreath is being placed at the coffin of Iqbal Muneeb, Collector of Customs, who passed away on Thursday night in the Agha Khan Hospital, Karachi after suffering from leukemia. His colleagues and friends have offered dua for the departed soul and courage to the bereaved family.

US virus cases shatter records and rise by 77,000 in single day

NEW YORK: The United States shattered its daily record for coronavirus infections reporting more than 77,000 new cases as the number of deaths in a 24-hour period rose by nearly 1,000, according to a Reuters tally.

The loss of 969 lives was the biggest increase since Jun 10, with Florida, South Carolina and Texas all reporting their biggest one-day spikes on Thursday.

More than 138,000 Americans have died from COVID-19, a toll that experts warn will likely surge following recent record spikes in case numbers and an alarming rise in hospitalisations in many states.

The hardest-hit areas in Texas and Arizona are running out of places to store bodies as their morgues fill up and are bringing in



coolers and refrigerated trailers.

US deaths peaked in April, when the country lost on average 2,000 people a day. Fatalities have steadily fallen, averaging 1,300 a day in May and under 800 a day in June before rising again in July, according to a Reuters tally. Americans have become increasingly divided on issues such as the reopening of schools and businesses and wearing face masks in public, hindering the fight against the virus. —AFP

Hydroxychloroquine ineffective against mild COVID-19: study

NEW YORK: The anti-malaria drug touted by US President Donald Trump as a COVID-19 treatment was ineffective for patients with a mild version of the disease in a study conducted by researchers at the University of Minnesota.

About 24 per cent of the patients given hydroxychloroquine in the study had persisting symptoms over a 14-day period, while roughly 30 per cent of the group given a placebo were determined to have persistent symptoms over the same period. The difference was not statistically significant, the researchers said. "Hydroxychloroquine did not substantially reduce symptom severity or prevalence over time in non-hospitalised persons with early COVID-19," the researchers wrote in an article to be published in the Annals of Internal Medicine journal on Thursday.

The randomised, placebo-controlled study was conducted on 491 non-hospitalised patients. Owing to test shortages in the United States, only 58 per cent of participants were tested for the disease.



Although it was not an endpoint of the study, five individuals who were given hydroxychloroquine were hospitalised or died because of COVID-19, compared with eight people given a placebo. The study "provides strong evidence that hydroxychloroquine offers no benefit in patients with mild illness," Dr Neil Schluger of New York Medical College said in an commentary on the study, also scheduled to be published on Thursday. —AFP

COURT NOTICE

In The Court of Judge Banking Court-I, Gujranwala

Suit No.51-1/2020 title Habib Bank Ltd. Branch Jalal Balagan. VERSUS Ch.Muhammad Zafar. Summon to Ch Muhammad Zafar S/o Ch. Muhammad Ali, Caste Rajpoot Munj, R/o village Chak Saan, PO Kot Asad Ullah, Tehsil Wazirabad and District Gujranwala. WHEREAS, the aforesaid plaintiff has instituted a suit against you and others for the recovery of Rs.15,36,042.31/- along with marks up /Interest and costs etc claimed to be payable by you. A summons U/S 9(5) of Ordinance No.XLVI of 2001 referred to above is hereby issued requiring you to make within 30 days of the service of the summons an application for leave to defend the suit in the form of written statement U/S 10 of the said Ordinance.

Take notice that on your failure to file such application within time specified above, the Banking Court shall pass a decree as Prayed for in the Plaintiff, in the favour of the plaintiff Banking Company. Next date for further proceedings, in the case has been fixed on 16-09-2020 Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 17-07-2020

COURT NOTICE

In The Court of Judge Banking Court-I, Gujranwala

Suit No.50-1/2020 Habib Bank Ltd. Branch Data Zaidka VERSUS Muhammad Qadeer. Summon to Muhammad Qadeer S/o Muhammad Qadeer, Caste Jutt Saroya, R/o village Kotli Virk, PO Ghachli Virk, Tehsil Muridkay and District Gujranwala. WHEREAS, the aforesaid plaintiff has instituted a suit against you and others for the recovery of Rs.26,71,810.63/- along with marks up /Interest and costs etc claimed to be payable by you. A summons U/S 9(5) of Ordinance No.XLVI of 2001 referred to above is hereby issued requiring you to make within 30 days of the service of the summons an application for leave to defend the suit in the form of written statement U/S 10 of the said Ordinance. Take notice that on your failure to file such application within time specified above, the Banking Court shall pass a decree as Prayed for in the Plaintiff, in the favour of the plaintiff Banking Company. Next date for further proceedings, in the case has been fixed on 16-09-2020 Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 17-07-2020

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In The Court of Judge Banking Court-I, Gujranwala

Suit No.49-1/2020 Title Habib Bank Ltd. Branch Ali Pur Chatha. VERSUS Nadeem Khizar etc. Summon to (1)Nadeem Khizar(2) Waseem Khizar (3) Zaheer Khizar sons of Khizar Abbas Late(4) Mst. Maryam Khizar D/o Khizar Abbas Late, Caste Jutt Chhattah R/o Mohallah Daur-ul Quaran, Ali Pur Chhattah, Tehsil Wazirabad and District Gujranwala.2nd Address: Village Allau Din Kay, PO soonian wala, Tehsil & District Hafizabad. (5) Naveed Abbas Chhattah S/o Ghulam Abbas Chhattah, Caste Jutt Chhattah Mohallah Daur-ul Quaran, Ali Pur Chhattah, Tehsil Wazirabad and District Gujranwala WHEREAS, the aforesaid plaintiff has instituted a suit against you and others for the recovery of Rs.17,25,221.73/- along with marks up /Interest and costs etc claimed to be payable by your failure to file such application within time specified above, the Banking Court shall pass a decree as Prayed for in the Plaintiff, in the favour of the plaintiff Banking Company. Next date for further proceedings, in the case has been fixed on 16-09-2020 Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas Mr Muhammad Saleem nice no 135-47-348346 son of Haji Abdul Rehman allottee of residential plot no 104-A/y-3/1/2 area development scheme no 1 Gujranwala appointed Mr Khalil -Ur-Rehman son of Muhammad Siddique khan nice no 42000-4986890-5 as his /her general attorney registered vide sub registrar no 368 dated 12-2-86 and authorized him / her to perform all acts including transfer of the said plot the said general power of attorney has submitted an application -affidavit for transfer of the said plot / building in favor of Musrat Perveen Noce no 42101-4559073-0 wife of Khalil -Ur-Rehman opportunity is provided to all concerned that written objections against the proposed transfer of plot through general attorney appointing of this general attorney if any be presented before the undersigned within fifteen days from the publication of this notice after expiry of this time limit this department shall not accept any responsibility Deputy director secretary D.H.C Punjab housing and town planning sub-region Gujranwala ph 0559230024

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas Mr Muhammad Ashraf nice no 286-43-261883 son of Sardar Muhammad allottee of residential plot no 106-A/y-3/1/2 area development scheme no 1 Gujranwala appointed Mr Khalil -Ur-Rehman son of Muhammad Siddique khan nice no 42000-4986890-5 as his /her general attorney registered vide sub registrar no 362 dated 12-2-86 and authorized him / her to perform all acts including transfer of the said plot the said general power of attorney has submitted an application -affidavit for transfer of the said plot / building in favor of Musrat Perveen Noce no 42101-4559073-0 wife of Khalil -Ur-Rehman opportunity is provided to all concerned that written objections against the proposed transfer of plot through general attorney appointing of this general attorney if any be presented before the undersigned within fifteen days from the publication of this notice after expiry of this time limit this department shall not accept any responsibility Deputy director secretary D.H.C Punjab housing and town planning sub-region Gujranwala ph 0559230024

Swiss officials warn over faulty masks bought during COVID-19 rush

ZURICH: Swiss officials have opened investigations into importers and dealers of defective respiratory masks, they said warning users of protective devices to be vigilant for flawed products rushed into the country during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Swiss Federal Office for Accident Prevention (BFA) and Swiss National Accident Insurance Fund (SUVA) said 60 per cent of the protective masks they reviewed offered insufficient protection. —AFP

CORRECTION OF FATHER'S NAME

I Talha Ashraf have passed the Secondary School Certificate annual examination 2018 under Roll No 228243, & Higher Secondary School Certificate annual Examination 2020 under Roll No. 415271 from BISE Sargodha. My father's name is Ashraf Ali name whereas on certificate my father's name has been mentioned as Muhammad Ashraf Ali which is incorrect. I want to get change my father's name from Muhammad Ashraf Ali to Ashraf Ali. If any person /organization /agency have any objection then the same may be intimated in writing to the Secretary Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education near 49-Tale Faisalabad Road Sargodha within 15 days.

COURT NOTICE

In The Court of Mr.Mumtaz Ahmed, ADJ, Kharian.

Suit for Civil Appeal. Farukh Nadeem Vs Khuram Iqbal.

Notice to Khuram Iqbal s/o Muhammad Iqbal Caste Gojar r/o Vill. Bhago Tehsil Kharian District Gujrat. Whereas in the above-mentioned case it has been proved to the satisfaction of the court that the above-mentioned defendants cannot be served in the ordinary way- It is therefore, proclaimed under order 5, rule 20 CPC that if the said defendants will /shall not appear personally are through a duly authorized agent or pleader in court at 08:00 am on 25-07-2020 the proceedings will be taken ex-parte. No arguments of any nature shall be entertained thereafter. Given under my hand and seal of the court. (A.H)

Birthday torte and mask gifts at EU's 'elbow bump' summit

BRUSSELS: In a major test for global diplomacy during a pandemic, EU leaders met physically in Brussels and the elbow bump was the greeting of choice.

The 27 European heads of state and government are holding their first sit-down since COVID-19 lockdowns spread across the globe in March. This summit will have been the most hygienic ever, the EU insisted, with tweets showing staff members scrubbing down the conference room with chiffons and power sprays. Other images showed workers scrubbing their hands assiduously.

Leaders entered the summit room in the Europa building to be greeted by the host and chair, EU council chief Charles Michel, with a slight bow and a tap of the elbow. They wore masks during this traditional on-camera meet and greet, circling around to say hello to their long lost counterparts. —AFP