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## Quick Read

### Lashari elected LCCI Pak-Iran Joint Chamber of Commerce Chief

By Oure Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** LCCI former President Engr. Sohail Lashari was elected President Pak-Iran Joint Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday.



The Annual Elections of Pak-Iran Joint Chamber of Commerce for the year 2020-21 were held in which Haji Sher Ali Bangalzai Senior Vice President and Syed Dost Muhammad was elected Vice President. Newly elected President Engr. Sohail Lashari has served the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry as Senior Vice President in 2005 and as President back in 2014. He is also an accredited mediator and founding head of LCCI Mediation Centre.

Sohail Lashari has also set up Sozo Amusement Park and is also actively involved with LCCI in various capacities. He served as Convener of LCCI standing Committee on Horticulture, Hospitality and Tourism and Fruits and Vegetables.

### Amjad Ali Noon appointed new LWMC Chairman

By Oure Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Malik Amjad Ali Noon has been appointed as the new Chairman of Lahore Waste Management Company (LWMC). The cabinet committee for legislation has approved the nomination while local government and community development department has issued the notification.

Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar has tasked the new LWMC chairman to ensure best cleanliness arrangements and authorised him to select a new team for the cleanliness operation. Malik Amjad Noon has stated that there is a need to take innovative steps including the waste-to-energy project to dispose of the solid-waste. It may be added here that Mr Noon has been the youngest ever Pakistani diplomat besides working as Chairman PM Inspection Team and District Nazim Sargodha.

### ATC orders holding of identification parade of suspect

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** An anti-terrorism court (ATC) on Tuesday extended judicial remand of accused Shafiqat Ali alias Bagga, involved in motorway gang-rape case, till October 6.

ATC Judge Arshad Hussain Bhutta conducted the case proceedings and ordered the investigation officer to ensure holding of identification parade of the accused by next date of hearing. Investigation Officer Zulfiqar Cheema told the court that identification parade of the ac-

# Relations with allied party stronger than before: CM

— Speaker Punjab Assembly Pervez Elahi calls on CM

By Oure Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Speaker Punjab Assembly Ch. Pervez Elahi called on Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar at his office and discussed different matters of mutual interest.

Ch Moonis Elahi MNA was also present on this occasion. Both condemned the nefarious effort of making national institutions controversial and expressed the commitment that every conspiracy against the state institutions will be fully countered. No compromise will be made on the respect of state institutions, they added.

The CM stated that respect of state institutions is binding on all of us and targeting the state institutions under a specific agenda is deplorable.

Pakistan is going through a sensitive phase of its history and the elements trying to spread unrest are pursuing enemy's agenda, he said.

The relations with the allied party are stronger than before and PML-Q is included in decision making.

The disappointed opposition could not hoodwink the people, he added. Speaker Ch. Pervez Elahi reiterated to stand with state institutions adding that those issuing statements against the institutions are not loyal to the nation.

The opposition wants to achieve its ne-



farious objectives by making the institutions controversial, he added. He said that it is time to maintain unity instead of engaging in negative politics and opposition should reconsider its conduct. He said that opposition's APC drama remained unsuccessful adding that joint work will be continued to provide more facilities to the people.

Chairman P&D and Secretary Punjab Assembly were also present on the occa-

sion. **PTI govt actively working for development of livestock sector: CM**

Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar inaugurated the veterinary academy of University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (UVAS) on Tuesday.

He also inspected the pet centre and distributed commendatory certificates among the staff.

While addressing the ceremony, the CM expressed the satisfaction that UVAS is included among the top ten universities of the country.

He hoped that veterinary academy will play an important role in the education and professional development of the experts through top-notch specialists so that national targets could be achieved.

The academy is providing training certificates to faculty in collaboration with Royal Veterinary College London by arranging 16 domestic, 5 international trainings and 8 online courses.

The livestock sector was badly ignored in the past but the

PTI government is actively working for its development because this sector can play an important role in poverty alleviation and ensuring food security, he said.

The government is committed to promoting the milk and meat production and it is sanguine that the livestock department

has introduced different schemes for increasing earning opportunities for rural dwellers, he added.

The UVAS's efforts of increasing livestock production, in collaboration with the private sector, are praiseworthy and it is hoped that veterinary specialists will play their role in national development after getting modern training from the veterinary academy, concluded the CM.

Livestock Minister Sardar Hasnain Bahadur Dreshak said that CM is taking a personal interest in the development of livestock sector and all appointments are made purely on merit as the government is taking durable steps to promote livestock on modern lines.

VC UVAS Prof. Dr Waseem Ahmed and secretary livestock Saqib Zafar also addressed the ceremony. Livestock Advisor Faisal Jabwana and parliamentary secretary Rana Shahbaz Ahmed were also present.

### CM condoles loss of lives in road accident

Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar has expressed a deep sense of sorrow over the loss of human lives in a road accident at Kamalia Road near Chichawatni and extended sympathies to the bereaved heirs. He has also directed the administration to submit a report of the accident.



LAHORE: People in trouble due to closure of road during the hearing of Opposition Leader Mian Shehbaz Sharif at Session Court. —Online

# Coronavirus kills 8 Pakistanis, infects 672 in one day

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Pakistan has reported 8 deaths in last 24 hours by novel coronavirus as the number of positive cases has surged to 311,516.

The nationwide tally of fatalities has jumped to 6,474. According to the latest figures by the National Command and Operation Center (NCOC) 672 persons have been tested positive for COVID-19 in 24 hours.

Sindh remains the worst-hit province by the pandemic in terms of cases followed by Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Islamabad.

Till now 136,395 coronavirus cases have been confirmed in

Sindh, 99,292 in Punjab, 37,727 in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, 16,532 in Islamabad, 15,177 in Balochistan, 2,663 in Azad Kashmir and 3,730 in Gilgit-Baltistan.

Furthermore 2,495 individuals have lost their lives to the epidemic in Sindh, 2,234 in Punjab, 1,259 in KP, 145 in Balochistan, 181 in Islamabad, 88 in GB and 72 in Azad Kashmir.

Pakistan has so far conducted 3,482,206 coronavirus tests and 32,665 in last 24 hours. 296,340 coronavirus patients have recovered in the country whereas 419 patients are in critical condition.

**Two fresh dengue cases reported in Punjab, toll reaches 62**

The number of confirmed dengue fever cases in Punjab has jumped to 62, this year so far, after two new cases reported on Tuesday.

According to the spokesperson of the Primary and Secondary Healthcare Department Punjab, the fresh cases were reported in Rawalpindi and Faisalabad. Patients are under treatment.

He further said that out of 62 total patients, 58 dengue patients have recovered their health. No deaths have been reported in the ongoing year due to the dengue virus, the health department spokesperson said.

The masses are advised to contact helpline 1033 in case of

any signs of dengue fever or can register their complaints. Earlier in the month of August, as many as 533 suspected patients of dengue fever were reported in Punjab in a single day.

The patients after tests were declared fit and sound and were allowed to leave to their homes. Punjab Health Minister Dr Yasmin Rashid had said that emergency measures being taken by the provincial government against dengue outbreak.

She had said that all concerned authorities have been clearly advised that stagnant water ponds be immediately filled with soil and anti-dengue fumigation should be carried out on such places.

### All main rivers continue to flow normal: FFC

By Oure Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** The Federal Flood Commission (FFC) has said all main rivers (Indus, Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi and Sutlej) are flowing normal.

According to daily FFC report on Tuesday, actual river flows and reservoir elevations indicates that Tarbela and Mangla reservoirs are at elevation of 1547.80 feet and 1231.25 feet respectively i.e. 2.20 feet and 10.75 feet below their respective Maximum Conservation Levels of 1550.00 feet & 1242.00 feet. The Combined Live Storage of the country's major reservoirs is 12.513 MAF (91.91 % of the total live storage capacity of 13.614 MAF). A fresh trough of shallow Westerly Wave lies over Northern parts of Afghanistan whereas weak Seasonal Low lies over Northeastern Balochistan and adjoining areas. No significant rainfall event has been reported by FFD, Lahore, in the country during the past 24 hours except for Dir=09 mm, & Drosh=06 m.

### Ashiana Housing case put off till Oct 5

By Oure Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** An Accountability Court (AC) on Tuesday adjourned hearing of the Ashiana-e-Iqbal Housing scheme case till October 5.

Accountability Court Judge Amjad Nazir Chaudhry conducted the case proceedings, wherein the jail authorities produced accused Ahad Cheema and others.

The court recorded the statement of a witness during the proceedings. The court directed prosecution to present further witnesses on the next date of hearing while adjourning the matter.

# Basharat stresses rationalisation of over lapping public entities

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Punjab Minister for Law, Parliamentary Affairs and Social Welfare Muhammad Basharat Raja Tuesday said that at present there were several government agencies and subsidiaries engaged in the same work which could be rationalised by ending the overlapping.

He was addressing a meeting of the Committee on Child Protection at the Civil Secretariat. The meeting considered a new draft law to improve the performance of institutions related to child and women protection and their rights.

Secretaries of relevant departments including Additional Chief Secretary Home, Secretary Law, DG Child Protection Bureau and a representative of UNICEF Pakistan were also present.

A briefing was given on previous laws and new draft law relating to the welfare of children and women.

Muhammad Basharat Raja said that with regard to child protection, there were many institutions and laws including Social Welfare Department, Labor Department and Child Protection Bureau which should be reviewed and rationalized. He also set up a special committee to give proposals for rationalization and amendments to the existing laws. He directed the Committee to submit its recommendations within a week.

**PTI govt afraid of Shehbaz Sharif, APC**

Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) spokesperson Marriyum Aurangzeb on Tuesday has said that the incumbent government of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) is afraid of party president and Opposition

Leader in National Assembly (NA) Shehbaz Sharif.

In a statement, Marriyum Aurangzeb said that the federation is also afraid of PML-N and All Parties Conference (APC) and wants to disrupt the decisions taken in the opposition parties' meeting.

Shehbaz Sharif was arrested so that the government can engineer the Gilgit-Baltistan polls just like General Elections 2018, she told.

On the other hand, PML-N's Ahsan Iqbal has told that a meeting of Pakistan Democratic Movement will be held on Tuesday to discuss the situation created after the arrest of Shehbaz Sharif.

PML-N spokesman Ahsan Iqbal has told that the leaders of joint opposition will participate in the session. He said that strategy on the political revenge of PTI government will also be devised.



LAHORE: A vendor pulls hand cart to earn his livelihood at the Circular Road. —Online