

**IG orders Additional IG Investigation to oversee probe into rape case**



**LAHORE:** Inspector General of Police (IGP) Punjab Inam Ghani has said that the accused involved in crimes of violence and abuse against women do not deserve any concession and getting such accused the most strict punishment is the top priority of Punjab police.

He directed Additional IG Investigation Punjab, Fayyaz Ahmed Dev, to complete the investigation of the case of rape of a woman in Kasur under his supervision and no effort should be spared for providing immediate justice to the victim while fulfilling the requirements of merit and law.

He further said that all the reports of involvement of police personnel in the incident were against the facts while 155-C action has been taken against T/ASI Rizwan for delay in registration of case. He added that delay in registration of FIR is not tolerable because it is tantamount to helping the aggressor.

He issued these instructions on the report of the Kasur rape case.

Additional IG Operations informed IG Punjab that the case has been registered on the statement of the victim. —PR

**LUMS celebrates Graduating Class of 2021**



**LAHORE:** LUMS hosted an online convocation ceremony to honour the Class of 2021 the other day.

The ceremony was streamed via Facebook Live. President of Pakistan and Chancellor, LUMS, Dr. Arif Alvi, joined the University's senior leadership, including Founding Pro Chancellor, Syed Babar Ali; Rector, Mr. Shahid Husain; Pro Chancellor, Mr. Abdul Razak Dawood and Vice Chancellor, Dr. Arshad Ahmad to congratulate 1,281 graduating students. The keynote speaker at the ceremony was Ms. Faiza J. Saeed, Presiding Partner at the prestigious USA law firm, Cravath, Swaine & Moore in the USA who delivered an inspiring address to the graduates. Dr. Alvi praised the graduating class for their per-



**LAHORE:** People enjoy boat riding in the River Ravi.

**Public service core agenda of PTI Govt: Punjab CM**

— Says no one could dare stop journey of development and transparency under leadership of PM Imran

**By Our Staff Reporter**

**LAHORE:** The PTI has never indulged itself in the politics of allegations as public service is the core agenda of the PTI-led government.

In a statement issued here on Monday, Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar regretted the past rulers remained immersed in the politics of accusations adding that voters have rejected them forever.

These elements, flagrantly, violated the norms of transparency and merit-based governance in their tenure and are, now, contriving to discontinue the journey of public service by spreading chaos in the society, he continued.

He made it clear that no one could dare stop the journey of development and transparency under the leadership of PM

Imran Khan.

Those trying to stop the mission of a transparent and democratic Pakistan have no future, he stated.

The CM regretted that mafias ruled everywhere as the past rulers patronized every sort of mafia for saving their interests. Regrettably, the stakes of the past rulers and mafias were common and this mafia, even, existed today in its crude form, he added. Pakistan's composite development and the culture of political transparency, under the leadership of PM Imran Khan, is against the stakes of this mafia but the PTI will eliminate every sort of mafias, the CM maintained and added that those protecting and patronising the mafias in their tenure have ended up as a symbol of disgrace.

**CM message on martyrdom anniversary of Capt Col Sher Khan**

Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar has paid rich tributes to the bravery and valour of Capt. Col. Sher Khan who sacrificed his life for keeping the Pakistani flag fluttering at an altitude of 17000 feet.

In his message, the CM said Capt. Col. Sher Khan incurred heavy losses to the wicked enemy and foiled her nefarious designs with his valour and intrepidity. It is heartening that Capt. Col. Sher Khan set a high example of devotion, responsibility and commitment in the Kargil crisis, he added. The chief minister declared that Capt. Col. Sher Khan was a proud symbol of patriotism, boldness and, even, the enemy acknowledged his absolute fearlessness and gallantry. The whole nation is proud of the great sacrifice rendered by Capt. Col. Sher Khan while defending the beloved motherland, concluded the CM.

**Certificate of excellence awarded to Additional Commissioner**

**By Our Special Correspondent**

**LAHORE:** Chief Commissioner of Corporate Tax Office Lahore Amina Hassan has given certificate of excellence along with cash reward of 9 basic salaries to Akhtar



Abbas, Additional Commissioner of said office. He remained posted both in Audit enforcement wings of Tax office during FY 2020-2021. He was announced the best performer of the year and his services were applauded by all seniors.

It is worth mentioning here that Akhtar Abbas was supervising steel sector, real Estate sector, electronics, beverages and oil & ghee sector.

Abbas especially focused on companies with name starting from O to S alphabet.

Owing to his vast experience he is also working as Coordinator of throughout Pakistan Inland Revenue Enforcement network wherein illicit tobacco is confiscated and monthly performance report is sent to Prime minister office.

Abbas belongs to 35th common of civil services and in past remained posted on key posts like deputy director intelligence & intelligence and additional secretary in information & culture department of Pun.

**Customs Collectorate impounds illegal luxury vehicles worth Rs 4.2b**

**By Our Special Correspondent**

**LAHORE:** During the financial year 2020-21, Pakistan Customs, under the leadership of the Member Customs (Operations) contributed significantly towards revenue collection and devised a strategy for counter smuggling and enforcement.



All the field formations of Customs Enforcement executed the vision with sheer commitment and hard work. Resultantly, during the anti-smuggling operations in the country, goods worth more than Rs. 58 billion were seized. The Collectorate of Customs Enforcement, Lahore, utilized the services of its young officers and material resources, to play a vital role in implementation of FBR's vision. During the course of various anti-smuggling operations on roads and at storage places inside and outside city limits of Lahore the Collectorate made seizures of POL products, cloth, cigarettes, auto parts, betel nuts, skimmed milk, welding rods, tires, luxury vehicles etc. worth more than Rs. 4.2 billion.



**LAHORE:** Motoreycles and vehicles on the way during rain that experienced.

**On educating the common people**

**Iqra liaquat**

Pakistan is mainly a land of villages. Most of people live in villages. They work on the fields and feed the nation. But the life these cultivators is a very dismal sight. Often these villages are ravaged by epidemics. In fact morality is a common thing in the villages. So the deep groans of mothers are constantly blended with the murmur of the leaves and books. For all their hard labour they cannot reap rich harvests. They are always worn out with cares and anxieties. In short, they suffer from all the ills of ignorance and send their plaintive but ineffective supplications to heaven.

Education can, however, bring about a complete change. When they become conversant with rules of hygiene and the value of sanitation, they will cease to die by thousands. If it is brought home to them their method of cultivation is woefully out-moded and that there are improved methods, they will give up their conservative attitude and take to new ones that bear the promise of a better life and happiness. And for all this spread of education is essential.

In the present circumstances, we cannot think of adopting over-ambitious plans, so general education may at present extend over a period of six years. Of these one year may be devoted to making the children acquainted with vernacular and Arabic Alphabets and figures used for differ-

ent Arithmetical calculations, for the boys and girls of the illiterate parents are believed to come to school without this initial preparation. This class may be called the infant class, which should be followed five years of studies. Arithmetic, religious teaching, geography and hygiene should be introduced in the mother tongue. As the glorious history of our past achievements has a decision influence in shaping our present and future so interesting lives and incidents may be included in the vernacular texts. After the completion of this course, the boys and girls should be taught different subjects in separate schools.

This is the vocational stage and this may be two years' duration. At this stage the boys should receive a knowledge of the facts of elementary science, such as, why some metal take rust and how to prevent it etc. Which has some relation to daily life. The course will include training in modern cultivation, in the use of different fertilizers and manures, preparation of manures from refuse materials, plant protection, cattle breeding and their care, and effective food preservation. But this should include not only theoretical lectures but also practical demonstration.

Girls student should, at this stage, be assigned to the care of women teachers. Their education here should consist of things peculiar to themselves. The course must include sewing, house keeping, prevention against and remedies for female dis-

eases, child-care and sanitation. All these subjects are very important to making the home happy, and much of the efficiency of men-folk depends on the condition that exists at the homes.

The need for adult education is also imperative and facility for much education needs to be available for all. No village should go without its adult education centre where the villagers may receive elementary knowledge of and training in agriculture methods and the use of means to get in good harvest. They should also learn to read and write so that they can gather further knowledge from the books and journals.

Libraries are to be started in every village. These libraries will have to collect all sorts of agricultural literature and some other things and receive information of the latest developments in the field. Popular lecture may also be arranged from time to time, and some eminent specialists may be invited to address the cultivators. The task that lie ahead is formidable one and asks for immediate attention. No progress seems to be possible unless the cultivators are sufficiently conversant with modern trends of things. A country like ours which is predominantly agricultural, cannot achieve any prosperity until education has spread among them. So an education of the tillers should precede all other development projects.

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**This is the vision of Benazir Bhutto Democracy is the best revenge**

**Syed Shakeel Gilani**



The celebrations of 68th birthday of Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto, Two times elected Prime Minister of Pakistan 1988 to 1990 and 1993 to 1996 and the brilliant daughter of late Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto. She was really seasoned politician, brave leader, charismatic personality, talented, visionary, sympathizer of the nation and also was the champion of "women rights". Author of three books. Her struggle for the political stability, democracy and rule of law in the country will always be remembered, remarks passed by the exiting leadership of Pakistan People's Party on the occasion of her birthday during the cake cutting ceremony at the Bilawal House, Lahore and Karachi.

Similarly cake cutting ceremony of her birthday was arranged at Multan by former MPA Makhdoom Syed Ahmad Mujtaba Gillani, former Governor Punjab Makhdoom Ahmad Mahmood and Sardar Latif Khan Khosa were also present in the ceremony. Syed Ahmad Mujtaba Gillani delivered a short speech on the occasion and

emphasized on BB Shaheed great words with the audience "Democracy is the best revenge" and said that PPP is the only voice of the nation and committed for their bright future with "Roti Kapra and Makan". Bilawal Bhutto leading the PPP with the vision of BB sahiba, we are prayerful for his long life, prosperity and young leadership. I am bound to fulfill all responsibilities and tasks given by PPP to me he said.

The PPP co chairperson and former president of Pakistan Asif Ali Zardari replied about the political learning of Bilawal that a fish inherently knows how to swim, Bilawal progressing at his own and would take the next generationsaid on the occasion.

It is absolutely unfortunate that the most popular and favorite political party in Punjab, possessed only seven seats in the assembly which is entirely questionable for Pakistan People's Party, needs to rethink and find the reasons why the public not acknowledging and considering the sacrifices of PPP from the founder and Chairman Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto. Whereas the brave leadership of PPP always faced every crises, problems and discrimination but never thought to proceed abroad

for skin saving. This is the futuristic vision of PPP, laid the foundation to make the Pakistan 1st Atomic Power among Muslim ummah, planned a free and independent policy for foreign affairs, Strengthen friendship with the China, given political awareness to the people of Pakistan, In-



creased 100% salary packages of Government employees whereas the PTI enhanced only 20% in recent budget and PPP fixed Rs 25,000 minimum wages which is entirely maximum among provinces.

Pertinent to mention that President Asif Ali Zardari lost his golden 11 years in the prison, where an attempt was made to cut his tongue and also bore a

many tortures. Being President, Asif Zardari set a new example of political amnesty and particularly forgiven to all his enemies and preferred the way of Reconciliation. PPP believe on democracy, its visionary and liberal political party. The preferred slogan and narrative of PPP nowadays is Pakistan Khappay

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**Surge for Microsoft for Startups' GrowthX Accelerator programme**

**LAHORE:** Microsoft on Monday called for startups across Pakistan to act now and register their applications for its GrowthX Accelerator programme before the 7 July deadline, as interest in the initiative continued to surge across the region.

Hailed as a major boost to the region's vibrant startup ecosystem, Microsoft's GrowthX Accelerator – announced in January and opened for registrations in May – is part of a larger strategic partnership between the Abu Dhabi Investment Office (ADIO) and Microsoft to accelerate opportunities in the emirate for startups. "Startups catalyse innovation

and pioneer technologies that have the potential to create positive and lasting societal impact," said Dr. Tariq Bin Hendi, Director General of ADIO. "Recognising the advantages offered by startups, Abu Dhabi creates a nurturing environment for these businesses as they develop their ideas, and acts as a launchpad for their growth, both locally and globally. As founding partner of GrowthX Accelerator, we are excited to work with Microsoft to bring startups and corporations together, unlocking opportunities for innovative businesses at all stages of growth." The GrowthX Accelerator will in-

clude virtual and physical workshops and training sessions, as well as a series of VC demo days, corporate access days, and networking events where startups can showcase their visions to venture capitalists and Microsoft's regional customers. For the first cohort, which will be running from August to November, Microsoft will recruit 15 startups from across the region that solve the corporate challenges of its partners.

Microsoft for Startups has already announced that Ethad Airways, Unilever, Akbank, and KPMG will be participating in the first cohort as Corporate Engagement Partners. —