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## Quick Read

### Probiotics Research Lab inaugurated at UVAS

**LAHORE:** The Institute of Microbiology of the University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Lahore established a "Probiotic Research Lab" to develop indigenous probiotics and evaluate imported probiotic products for human, poultry and livestock sector. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad inaugurated 'Probiotics Research Lab' while Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani, Director Institute of Microbiology Prof Dr Tahir Yaqub and many faculty members attended the ceremony. Probiotic Research lab is currently running two research projects for development of Probiotics funded by HEC, Pakistan. It will also execute another recently awarded project "Metagenomic analysis of udder microbiome and development of indigenous probiotics for control of bovine mastitis" from Punjab Higher Education Commission. This laboratory will further strengthen the collaboration with pharmaceutical industry, dairy industry and other stakeholders for the development of probiotic products in Pakistan. —APP

### New steps for welfare of Railway police employees' families

**LAHORE:** Pakistan Railways (PR) Inspector General of Police (IGP) Arif Nawaz Khan has given approval to various revolutionary steps for families of martyrs, in service, retired and deceased police employees. According to a notification, issued here on Saturday, dowry grant had been increased for these families from Rs 20,000 to Rs 40,000, pension support increased from Rs 2,000 to Rs 4,000 per month. Pension support would also be given to the widows of railway police martyrs now. Significant increases have also been approved in scholarships and medical aid for the families of the PR police employees. —APP

### PHA Chairman launches tree plantation drive

**LAHORE:** Parks and Horticulture Authority (PHA) Chairman Yasir Gillani inaugurated Monsoon tree plantation drive by planting a sapling at the premises of Govt Degree College for Women, Kahna, here on Saturday. The chairman called for large scale plantation to arrest the air pollution, adding that collective efforts were needed to create healthy and green environment. "The PHA is coordinating with public, private schools and other educational institutes to increase green area in the city". He added that during the campaign PHA would plant one million saplings in various area of the city. —APP

### PU declares MA, MSc Part-I results

**LAHORE:** Punjab University Examinations Department has declared the results of MA English Part-I annual examination 2020, MA History Part-I annual examination 2020, MSc Social Work Part-I annual examination 2020, MSc Statistics Part-I annual examination 2020, MSc Zoology Part-I annual examination 2020 and MSc Information Technology Part-I annual examination 2020. Details are also available at www.pu.edu.pk. —APP



**LAHORE:** On the occasion of the 129th birth anniversary of the Mother of the Nation Fatima Jinnah, workers cut a cake with Justice (Retd) Begum Nasira Javed Iqbal and Begum Mehnaz Rafi at the Aiwan-e-Karkunan Tehreek-i-Pakistan.

## Governor urges EU to resolve Kashmir issue

### Ch Sarwar informs EU Parliament about alarming human rights situation in IIOK

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Governor of Punjab Chaudhry Mohammad Sarwar held telephonic conversation with Dr Fabio Massimo Castaldo Vice President of European Parliament over Kashmir Issue, Dr. Fabio Massimo Castaldo and other members of EU Parliament concern over the alarming human rights situation in the Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOK).

Vice President and 16 other members of EU Parliament in a letter to Ursula Von Der Leyen, President of the European Commission urged the European Union to raise its voice against the Indian forces violations of human rights in IIOJK. Members of EU Parliament also appreciated PM Imran Khan's efforts for peace in the region.

According to the details Governor Punjab Chaudhry Mohammad Sarwar who always



remain active on diplomatic front for Kashmir issue, telephoned Dr. Fabio Massimo Castaldo Vice President of European Parliament and told him about human rights violations and cruelties by Indian army in Indian held Kashmir, ergo, Fabio Massimo Castaldo and other 16 members of European

Parliament wrote a letter to the President and the Vice President European Commission.

They urged EU to take notice and force India through diplomatic pressure to stop human rights violations and other cruelties in IIOK. During conversation Dr. Fabio said

that he and EU Parliament members cannot remain silent on the worst human rights violations in Occupied Kashmir. He demanded an immediate end to the ongoing atrocities in Kashmir and asked India to provide basic human rights to the Kashmiri people.

Punjab Governor Chaudhry Mohammad Sarwar thanked Dr Fabio and other members for raising their voice for the rights of Kashmiris and said that India is violating basic human rights and innocent Kashmiris are being massacred by Indian forces. He said that until Kashmir issue is not resolved, peace in the region can't be maintained.

He said vociferously that Pakistan will always be standing by Kashmiri brothers and sisters and they will never be left alone. "I am also in close contact with other members of EU and British Parliament over Kashmir issue", Governor Punjab added.

## Coronavirus claims 22 more lives, 728 new cases reported in Punjab

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Coronavirus claimed 22 more lives while 728 new cases were reported in Punjab during the last 24 hours. According to the data shared by the spokesperson for the Punjab Primary and Secondary Healthcare

Department (P&SHD) here on Saturday, death toll reached 11,039 and a total number of cases were recorded 356,211 while recoveries 332,429 in the province.

As per the data provided by the P&SHD, currently 12,743 patients are under treatment in different hospitals and 351 ones have been recovered in the last 24 hours.

The health department conducted 18,571 tests for COVID-19 during the last 24 hours which turned the total tests into 6.16 million so far.

Meanwhile, during the last 24 hours 551,089 citizens had been vaccinated in 662 centres and a total number of vaccinated people reaches 15,591,082 in the

province. The Punjab health department has urged the masses to follow SOPs for their protection and cover their faces with masks. The people should wash their hands with soap several times in a day to protect themselves from COVID-19. Contact 1033 immediately on symptoms of coronavirus, the health care department urged the citizens.

**Covid-19: LGH takes special step to protect people:** In view of the rapid spread of the 4th wave of coronavirus, the administration of Lahore General Hospital (LGH) has taken a special step as a precautionary measure and allocated separate entrances and exits in the Outdoor Department to the hospital to protect the people.

Duties have also been assigned to the medical staff to guide the patients to their respective departments while the patient will be able to go to the doctor's room for medical examination and a caregiver will also be allowed to accompany the patient.

Post Graduate Medical Institute Princi-

pal Prof. Dr. Sardar Muhammad Al-freed Zafar while talking in this regard said that this step has been taken in view of the seriousness of the current situation. He said that everyone should ensure the use of face masks in all cases and take full advantage of the free vaccination facility provided by the Government and avail it as soon as possible. He added that apart from all the threats of Corona, the treatment is going on uninterruptedly at LGH and doctors, nurses and paramedics are risking their own lives to perform their professional duties with full dedication and diligence.

Prof. Al-freed Zafar appealed that Corona SOPs issued by experts are being ensured in hospitals and now citizens also have a responsibility to play their full role in combating the epidemic. Principal PGMI said that Indian Delta Virus is very deadly so citizens should protect their lives and the lives of others by taking precautionary measures and co-operate with the medical staff in present situation.

### PCB expresses displeasure over BCCI for forcing countries to pull back players from KPL

**LAHORE:** Pakistan Cricket Board has expressed its displeasure over reports that the Board of Control for Cricket in India has called multiple ICC Members and forced them to withdraw their retired cricketers from the Kashmir Premier League.

A spokesman of the PCB said here on Saturday that PCB believes the BCCI has once again breached international norms and the spirit of the gentleman's game by interfering in internal affairs of the ICC Members as the KPL has been approved by the PCB. "The PCB considers that the BCCI has brought the game into disrepute by issuing warnings to multiple ICC Members to stop their retired cricketers from featuring in the Kashmir Premier League, further threatening they will not be allowed entry into India for cricket-related work. —APP



**LAHORE:** A view of a motorcyclist wearing rain coat during heavy rain.

## No space for land grabbers in City

**LAHORE:** Capital City Police Officer (CCPO), Lahore Additional IG Ghulam Mahmood Dogar has said that there is no space for Land grabbers and Badmash Mafia in the city. Lahore police will deal with iron hands to those who have illegally possessed the land and property of poor citizens.

A special Anti Qabza Mafia Cell as well as a dedicated non-emergency Helpline 1242 established at CCPO office have been providing service to the complainants



for redress of their grievances.

Lahore police, in supervision of SP Model Town and Police station Kahna, responding to the written complaint of an old citizen Ijaz received at Anti Qabza Mafia Cell,

in a successful crackdown, retrieved house of the citizen situated at Kahna area which was in illegal possession of influential land grabbers Mehar Liaqat and Mehar Rashid for the last four years. The accused land

grabbers had harassed and tortured the old citizen and his wife, throwing them out of their own property. The old couple who got back the possession of their property visited Capital City Police Headquarters today and

met with CCPO Lahore Ghulam Mahmood Dogar. The old couple expressed their gratitude for taking personal interest to restore the possession of their house.

They lauded the vision of Prime Minister of Pakistan Imran Khan and Chief Minister Punjab Sardar Usman Buzdar as well as continuous indiscriminate efforts of Capital City Police Chief Ghulam Mahmood Dogar to make provincial capital Lahore free of Badmash Mafia and land grabbers. —PR