

# Indian troops committing grave HR abuses with impunity

**ISLAMABAD:** Indian troops enjoying unbridled powers under draconian laws are committing systematic human rights violations with impunity in Indian illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir on a daily basis. According to Kashmir Media Service (KMS), human rights abuses by Indian troops have witnessed a massive surge in IIOJK since 5 August 2019, when Narendra Modi-led fascist Indian government repealed the special status of the territory.

It maintained that several UN reports have confirmed that India is a violator of human rights in IIOJK while global rights groups have repeatedly raised alarm about worsening human rights situation in the occupied territory. The Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights in its two reports released in 2018 and 2019 has called for independent investigations into serious human rights violations by Indian troops in Kashmir. Recently, a London-based law firm Stoke White filed an application with the British police seeking the arrest of Indian army chief, General Manoj Mukund Naravane and Home Affairs Minister Amit Shah over their roles in war crimes in disputed Jammu and Kashmir. The law firm said that it submitted extensive evidence based on over 2,000 testimonies taken between 2020 and 2021 to the Metropolitan Police's War Crimes Unit documenting how Indian troops headed by General Manoj Mukund Naravane and Amit Shah were responsible for the torture, kidnapping and killing of activists, journalists and civilians. The report pointed out that the BJP-led Indian regime has unleashed a reign of terror against the Kashmiri people and massacres, disappearances, torture and molestations have become a routine in IIOJK, adding that the Modi regime is blatantly violating

every human rights principle in IIOJK.

The report maintained that the global powers must demand that India respect its human rights obligations. The worsening situation in IIOJK needs urgent international attention. World community must help end rising rights' violations in IIOJK. Modi must be held accountable for Indian atrocities on the Kashmiri people," it added.

**NHA takes emergency measures after prediction of heavy snowfall:** National Highway Authority (NHA) has taken precautionary emergency measures keeping in view of the prediction of heavy snowfall in Murree. Required machinery and personnel have been dispatched to the possibly most affected areas. The Chairman NHA and relevant authorities are monitoring the entire process. Senior officers and staff of NHA has also paid a detailed visit to Murree Expressway. NHA has delivered two front blade loaders, a front blade dumper, a tractor and two jeeps to the site to deal with the heavy snowfall situation. In addition, ten tons of salt has been stockpiled. Snow removal machinery as well as support staff from the NHA and National Highway and Motorway Police were on alert to deal with any emergencies.

**NCOC team, AC Rawalpindi check Covid-19 SOPs compliance, impose fines on violators:** National Command and Operation Center (NCOC) team along with Additional Deputy Commissioner Rawalpindi on Saturday visited various areas of the city to check compliance of Coronavirus SOPs to ensure implementation of new guidelines regarding Omicron spread. The teams visited several hotels, restaurants, markets, various shops in areas including Chandni Choke, 6th Road, Murre Road, Commercial Market. —APP



**KARACHI:** A health worker inculcates a dose of a coronavirus vaccine to a shopkeeper during door-to-door vaccination campaign due to a spike in Omicron variant cases.

# Farmers, citizens demand to establish organic food testing authority

**ISLAMABAD:** With no sign of the pandemic ending soon, citizens have realized the importance of healthy eating. Organic farmers in Pakistan, which are scant in number, with support from health-conscious eaters demanded the establishment of an organic food testing authority.

Where the demand for healthy edibles has raised, so is the number of fake organic food sellers who are taking advantage of this situation.

They deceptively sell chemically-altered edibles as organic in the market, with even innocent customers travelling all the way to the farm houses to pick veggies.

A representative of the national standard body shared as organic farming is still in its nascent stage here, a holistic policy and enforceable action plan have not been materialized as of now.

Talking to APP, Senior Scientific Officer, Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PARC), Dr. Nausherwan Nobel Nawab said the PARC has no monitoring cell and it was only providing guidelines to organic farmers on how to manage the growth of their crops without using chemical fertilizers and pesticides.

Founder Desipoultry.co Mehryar Ali Khan, whose venture offers a range of organic fresh produce and finished goods, said the term organic has become a "marketing gimmick" and unfortunately innocent people were being allured by fake sellers. But the only way consumers can assure the genuineness of a product was to ask relevant questions, he suggested.

On this matter, Rustam Organic Dairy Farm's owner Muhammad Umar advised visiting the farms as genuine organic farmers allow

consumers to drop by their farms "as seeing is believing."

Meanwhile, Founder Pakistan Organic Association Qasim Tareen shared, "This body was formed to protect organic farms, reintroduce this thousands of years old farming technique and promote healthy eating culture."

He further added, "We have approached PARC and relevant authorities to commission a testing authority with their collaboration".

Tareen and other organic farmers are hopeful that sooner or later more farmers will join them in their cause.

However, they all stressed the need of the hour was to constitute a regulatory body to prevent fake sellers from putting health of unaware consumers in jeopardy and to avoid letting the efforts and hardware of organic products sellers go in vain. —APP

# Special persons source of inspiration, motivation for normal people, says Buppi

**MULTAN:** Pakistan Tehreek Insaf (PTI) Senator, Aon Abbas Buppi, said on Saturday that the special persons were source of inspiration and motivation for normal people.

He expressed these views while addressing during wheelchair handball match held at Basketball arena near sports ground here.

He appreciated for conducting event for special persons and hoped that such events would also be or-

ganized in future. Aon Abbas Buppi said that the incumbent government was taking all measures to provide maximum facilities to players and promotion of sports.

Buppi said that he always came in Special Person events and brought new thinking and inspiration from them every time.

Meanwhile, Bull Busters defeated Fire Smashers during the wheelchair handball match with six goals. Bull Busters scored 12 goals while Fire

Smashers made six goals as international player Muhammad Amir scored seven goals and Arif Anwar four goals from Bull Busters team.

Malik Amir from Fire Smashers scored four goals.

Muhammad Amir was declared man of the match.

On this occasion, Divisional Sports Officer (DSO) Rana Nadeem Anjum, Society for Special Persons (SSP) president Zahida Hameed and others were also present. —APP

# EU calls on Israel to stop demolitions in East Jerusalem

**JERUSALEM:** The European Union has urged Israel to halt demolitions in occupied East Jerusalem, calling the displacement of Palestinians illegal under international law. The EU urged Israel not to proceed with its plan to construct 1,450 settlement-housing units between Har Homa and Givat Hamatos, according to a statement issued late Wednesday night by Peter Stano, the lead spokesperson for the bloc's diplomatic service.

"Settlement expansion, demolitions and evictions are illegal

under international law," he said. He called the increasing number of demolitions and evictions in the West Bank a "worrying trend," and stressed that the possibility of further evictions of Palestinian families would fuel tensions.

Israel's construction plan "would further undermine the possibility of Jerusalem serving as the future capital of both States and to halt all settlement activities," he added. Israeli authorities demolished the Saliyeh family's home after forced evacuation in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood of occupied East

Jerusalem. The family said they had lived in the home since 1948, after being expelled from the Ein Karen neighborhood of West Jerusalem.

The West Bank, including East Jerusalem, is seen as an occupied territory under international law, thus making all Jewish settlements there illegal. Like Turkey and much of the international community, the EU does not recognize Israel's sovereignty over the territories it has occupied since 1967. Since 2001, the bloc has repeatedly called on Israel to end all

settlement activities and to dismantle the already existing

## COURT NOTICE

In The Court of Abdul Haq Jappa Judge Banking Court Bahawalpur Summons u/s 9 (5) of The Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finance) Ordinance XLVI, 2001

Suit No 576/2021 Plaintiff ZTBL Ahmedpur east Tehsil Ahmedpur east District Bahawalpur. Versus Kareem Buksh et al. Defendants Summons/Notice to Defendants. Kareem Buksh (Deceased) S/o Allah Wasaya through his legal heirs Muhammad Imtiaz, Hafiz Fayyaz Ahmad, Muhammad Ijaz Sons all by caste Mahar R/o Tibbi Dikhwan P.O Ahmedpur east Tehsil Ahmedpur east District Bahawalpur.

Suit for the Recovery of Rs. 765772/- Whereas the plaintiff aforementioned has instituted suit against you for the recovery of Rs. 765772/- along with costs including cost of funds: the instant summons as required u/c 9(5) of the financial institutions (recovery of finances) ordinance, XLVI of 2001 is accordingly issued to you. it be clarified that you shall not be entitled to defend the suit unless. You Obtain leave from the court to defend the same by making an application within 30 days of the date of service of this notice. please be aware that in case of default of you doing so, the court may pass a decree in favour of the plaintiff as prayed for in the plaint. copies of plaint, statement of A/c and other & relevant documents relating to the grant of finance are available in this office which be obtained against due acknowledgment. Next date for further proceedings in the case has been fixed on. 24-01-2022. Given under my hand and the seal of the court this 22-01-2022

**JUDGE Banking Court Bahawalpur**

# Ivanka Trump asked to cooperate with lawmakers in US Capitol assault probe

**WASHINGTON:** Lawmakers investigating the 2021 US Capitol assault asked Donald Trump's daughter Ivanka Trump to cooperate with their inquiry, in a significant escalation of attempts to seek testimony from the inner circle of the former president.

The House Jan 6 select committee told the 40-year-old business-

woman — then a senior advisor to her father — it had evidence that she had pleaded with him to call off the violence as his supporters stormed Congress. "Testimony obtained by the committee indicates that members of the White House staff requested your assistance on multiple occasions to intervene in an attempt to persuade President Trump to ad-

dress the ongoing lawlessness and violence on Capitol Hill," chairman Bennie Thompson wrote to her. Investigators are looking into how the attack, which shut down Congress as they were certifying the 2020 presidential election, took place and to what extent then-president Donald Trump and his aides had a part in encouraging it. —Reuters

## DOCUMENTS LOST

My name is Aqsa Sarwar D/O Ghulam Sarwar, my Master Degree, Registration No US-21-83-06, Annual Exam 2011, University of Sargodha has been lost somewhere in Lorry Adda area, Shapur Saddar. Finder may return at this address. Aqsa Sarwar D/O Ghulam Sarwar, R/O Mohallah Thanewala, Shahpur, Saddar, Tehsil Shahpur, Dist Sargodha.

## CORRECTION OF FATHER'S NAME



I Arif passed the Secondary School Certificate Annual Examination 2021 under Roll No 603861 from B.I.S.E. My father's Name is Abdul Kareem Khan whereas on certificate my Father's name has been mentioned as Abdul Kareem which is incorrect. I want to get changed my father's Name from Abdul Kareem to Abdul Kareem Khan. If any person/organization/agency has any objection, then the same may be intimated in writing to the Secretary, Board of Intermediate & Secondary Education, Near 49-Tail Faisalabad Road, Sargodha within 15 days.

# Deadly explosion rocks Ghana's mining region

**GHANA:** At least 17 people were killed and 59 injured in a devastating explosion in a western Ghana town after a truck carrying explosives collided with a motorcycle, the government said.

The blast left a huge crater and reduced dozens of buildings to dust-covered piles of wood and metal in Apate, near the city of Bogoso some 300 kilometres (180 miles) west of the mineral-rich

West African country's capital Accra.

Rescue workers were still searching through the rubble for victims, while the smell of dead

bodies filled the air, he says. Many houses have been completely flattened, leaving at least 380 people without shelter. —AFP

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas Muhammad Akhtar Pervaiz Son of Amam Din Cince No 34104-7501186-3 Allottee Of Residential plot 61-3/Y3/1/2 & 63-3/Y3/1/2 area development scheme no 1 gujranwala appointed Mr Shahnaz Mehmood Butt Wife Of Sultan Mehmood Butt Nic No 34101-2437921-7 as his /her general attorney registered vide sub registrar no 01 dated 01-01-22 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 Hafiz Abdul Waheed Son of Abdul Rehman Nic No 341017-082927-5 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

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# UN says Philippine typhoon destruction 'badly underestimated'



**UNITED NATIONS:** The United Nations said destruction caused by Typhoon Rai in the Philippines had been "badly underestimated" in initial assessments, tripling the number of people "seriously affected" to nine million.

A UN campaign to raise \$107.2 million in aid for victims was launched a week after the storm ravaged southern and central regions of the archipelago on December 16, leaving 406 people dead and hundreds of thousands homeless.

But UN Resident Coordinator in the Philippines Gustavo Gonzalez said Thursday the target would be revised after more than 66 field assessments showed the destruction was far worse than initially thought. "One month since the first landfall of Super Typhoon Rai we realise that we have badly underesti-

mated the scale of devastation," Gonzalez told a virtual briefing.

More than 1.5 million houses were damaged or destroyed in the storm — almost a third more than in 2013's Super Typhoon Haiyan — Gonzalez said, adding more resources were "badly needed".

Only 40 percent of the funds had been received, Gonzalez said, calling for solidarity with the Philippines to avoid the typhoon becoming a "forgotten crisis".

Typhoon-hit areas already struggling with Covid-19, poverty and malnutrition had seen their economies "literally flattened". "This is a very fragile region," he said. Humanitarian groups have been working with the government to distribute food packs, drinking water, tents and materials to rebuild houses. —AFP