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### Quick Read

#### ANF recovers hashish; arrests two accused

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Anti Narcotics Force (ANF) in two different operations managed to recover over 66 kgs Hashish and arrested two accused.

According to an ANF Headquarters spokesman, ANF D.I.Khan on Wednesday conducted an intelligence based operation near Mufti Mehmood Chowk, D.I.Khan and recovered 32 kg Hashish.

The spokesman informed that ANF team intercepted a Toyota Corolla car bearing registration no LEE-9707 and recovered 32 kgs Hashish while an accused namely Muhammad Ismail resident of district Tank was also arrested. In another raid, ANF Peshawar in collaboration with Frontier Corps (North), arrested an accused namely Abid Ullah resident of district Orakzai near FC Khost Torray Khel Check post and recovered 34.750 kgs Hashish from possession of the accused. Separate cases have been registered against both the accused while further investigations were under process.

#### DC to ensure all facilities for Youm-e-Ali procession

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** The district administration Lahore will provide all necessary facilities for the central procession on Youm-e-Ali.

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Lahore Umar Sher Chattha said this while reviewing the arrangements for central procession on 21st of Ramazan, here on Wednesday.

He ordered the departments and authorities concerned to ensure cleanliness in parks and water sprinkling in the route of procession. Officials of Metropolitan Corporation Lahore (MCL) have also been instructed to remove encroachments on the procession route.

The DC said that fire brigade, ambulances and rescue unit would be deployed on the route of the central procession. Officials of Police, WASA, LWMC, MCL and other allied departments were attended the meeting.

#### 12 dead, 928 injured in 879 accidents in Punjab

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** At least 12 people were killed and 928 injured in 879 accidents in the province during the last 24 hours. According to Rescue 1122, 450 drivers, 35 underage drivers, 122 pedestrians, and 368 passengers were among the victims of the road traffic crashes.

The statistics showed that 245 accidents were reported in Lahore which affected 250 people placing the provincial capital top of the list followed by 70 Faisalabad in with 88 victims and third Gujranwala with 61 accidents and 58 victims.

According to data, 737 motorcycles, 84 rickshaws, 93 cars, 29 vans, seven buses, 23 trucks and 92 other vehicles besides slow-moving carts were involved in the accidents.

## LHC CJ to hear plea for Hamza Shehbaz oath taking today

— LHC office fixed petition for hearing after removing objection on it

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** Lahore High Court (LHC) Chief Justice Muhammad Ameer Bhatti will hear a petition for oath taking of Punjab Chief Minister Hamza Shehbaz today (Thursday).

The LHC office fixed the petition for hearing after removing objection on it. The office had objected on impleading governor Punjab as a party in the petition. However, after removal of objection, the matter was fixed for hearing. Earlier, on Tuesday, the LHC office had returned the petition after declaring it incomplete. The LHC office maintained that necessary documents were not attached with the petition. Newly-elected Punjab Chief Minister Hamza Shehbaz filed the petition over refusal by Punjab Governor Omar Sarfraz Cheema to administer him the oath of office.



Hamza Shehbaz submitted that he had been elected as Punjab chief minister in an assembly session held on April 16.

### Man gets plot on Ombudsman's intervention

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** A resident of Mustafa Abad Lahore has succeeded in getting possession of his residential plot after 35 years due to intervention of the Punjab Ombudsman's office.

In a statement issued here on Wednesday, a spokesman said that the applicant, Maqsood Hussain, an octogenarian, had approached the Ombudsman office stating that he had deposited all installments of his five-marla plot number 480-E in Tajpura Housing Scheme, Lahore, which was allotted to him in 1987 by the LDA. However, he was still unable to get possession of the plot. The Ombudsman's office directed the LDA staff to give possession of the plot to the applicant within 15 days and a compliance report should also be submitted to the office. The LDA complied with the orders and submitted the compliance report. The applicant has thanked Ombudsman Punjab Maj (retd) Azam Suleman Khan for redressing his complaint.



LAHORE: Workers prepare traditional breakfast item 'Pheoni' at their working area. —Online

## 7918 cases registered against kite flying, aerial firing in Punjab

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** On the direction of Inspector General of Police Punjab Rao Sardar Ali Khan, special operations of police teams are underway in the province to prevent kite flying and aerial firing.

The IG Punjab directed all supervisory officers of the province to bring those kite-flyers who fly kites in dark of night to justice and wreak crackdown on those selling online kites and metallic cords, says a news release issued here on Wednesday.

He said that special operations should be carried out against kite-flyers in Lahore, Gujranwala, Rawalpindi, Faisalabad, Multan and other major cities and there should be no delay in taking actions against accused involved in manufacturing and selling of kites

and metallic strings.

He said that even the accused who spread terror by firing in the air do not deserve any sympathy and strict legal action should be taken against violators. He said that in case of any incident of death by metallic string in any district in future, the concerned supervisory officers would be called for reply.

The IG Punjab said that special campaign should be intensified in collaboration with district administration, civil society and parents for prevention of kite flying. He stressed the citizens to report 15 against cases of kite flying and aerial firing so that immediate action could be taken against the violators.

Punjab Police spokesperson said that in the first three months of this year, 7918 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing

in the province and 8500 persons were arrested.

In this regard, 639,151 kites and 15,859 pulleys were recovered. Giving details of other ranges of province, he said that 2032 cases of kite flying and aerial firing were registered in Lahore and 2069 people were rounded up.

In Rawalpindi region, 1136 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing and 1166 people were arrested.

In Faisalabad region, 1327 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing while 1395 people were arrested. In Gujranwala region, 1719 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing while 1958 people were arrested. In Sheikhpura region, 522 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing while 602 people were arrested.

In Multan region, 389 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing while 423 people were arrested. In Sahiwal region, 254 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing while 280 people were arrested. In Sargodha region, 445 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing while 466 persons were arrested.

Similarly, in Bahawalpur region 51 cases were registered against kite flying and aerial firing and 63 persons were detained. Similarly, in DG Khan region, 43 cases were registered against kite

flying and aerial firing and 78 persons were arrested. The Punjab Police Spokesperson further said that operations against kite-flyers and perpetrators of aerial firing would continue on priority basis in all districts of the province.

### Digital challan system introduced in south Punjab

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** A paperless challan initiative, commonly known as digital challan system, introduced in South Punjab to bring transparency, reduce traffic rules violations and facilitate citizens.

In a ceremony addressed by SSP Headquarters Syed Muhammad Abbas Shah, here on Wednesday, it was informed that digital challan system was introduced in Multan, Dera Ghazi Khan and Bahawalpur divisions. Information Technology interventions are playing very important role in easing day to day affairs. Due to digital facility, the officers of traffic police will have access to data related to NADRA and Excise Department.

On this occasion, a complete briefing regarding digital challan system was given to the participants. The digital challan system will bring matchless transparency, Abbas stated. Earlier, paper challan, having three pages were issued. Although, it was also transparent but the officer had not access to record. Now, the officers will have information about previous violations of the drivers. The violations will add negative points in record of the drivers.

The step will help reducing traffic rules violations.

### Around 4,000-litre substandard oil confiscated

By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** The Punjab Food Authority (PFA) foiled an attempt to supply a consignment of 4,000-litre unhygienic oil in the name of cooking oil in the provincial metropolis, here on Wednesday.

The raid was conducted under the supervision of PFA Director General Shoaib Khan Jadoon. He said that substandard oil was produced after adding different chemicals to the oil, extracted from animal fat. The hazardous oil was supplied to different shops in the stinky and dirty drums to deceive the food authority, he added. The DG asked people to inform the PFA about the adulteration mafia and food related issues on its Facebook and Toll-Free number 0800-80500.

## Lawyers, PTI worked side-by-side for independence of judiciary: Cheema



By Our Staff Reporter

**LAHORE:** A delegation of lawyers from different districts called on Governor Punjab Omar Sarfraz Cheema at Governor House

Lahore on Wednesday. Talking on the occasion, Punjab Governor Omar Sarfraz Cheema said that the struggle of PTI was for establishing justice system in the country and for supremacy of con-

A delegation of lawyers from different districts calls on Governor Punjab

stitution and law. He said that lawyers' community and PTI have worked side by side for the independence of the judiciary.

He said that provision of justice could not be ensured in the country without judicial reforms.

He said that no society can develop without justice.

Punjab Governor Omar Sarfraz said that the people running the institutions are the guardians of the honour and dignity of these institutions. He said that in order to take Pakistan forward, we have to ensure the rule of law and justice.



LAHORE: Workers of Pakistan Muslim League-Q shout slogans during protest in favour of their demands. —Online