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'Prosecution Dept to spend Rs2b on residential scheme for hostels in province'

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: The prosecution department would construct residential hostels for prosecutors with an amount of Rs.2 billion in 36 districts across the province.

This was disclosed by Secretary Prosecution Punjab Nadeem Sarwar while presiding over a meeting here on Thursday.

Nadeem Sarwar said that the prosecutors face difficulties to find suitable residences as they are not posted in their domiciled districts. In order to overcome their residential problems, hostels would be constructed in all the districts; he said and disclosed that a summary has been forwarded to the government in this regard. This scheme would be included in the next ADP and the prosecutors would benefit from this project to perform their duties in a conducive environment, he added.

SBP, Pakistan Rugby Union to jointly host Tri-Nation Asian Rugby Division-II event

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Sports Board Punjab (SBP) Director General (DG) Javed Chohan said on Thursday that the Sports Board Punjab and Pakistan Rugby Union will jointly host Tri-Nation Asian Rugby Division-II event at Punjab Stadium in the last week of May.

He said that hosting an international rugby tournament is definitely a great honour for the Sports Board Punjab. "The rugby lovers will witness exciting competitions in the championship featuring hosts Pakistan, Thailand and Chinese Taipei. The visit of international rugby teams is a good omen for the future of rugby in Pakistan," he added.

Javed Chohan further said that the SBP would make excellent arrangements for the Tri-Nation Asian Rugby Division-II event.

"We are quite determined that the game of rugby will be promoted among the younger generation through this international event," he elaborated.

Four dead, 1,087 injured in 1,031 accidents in Punjab

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: At least four people were killed and 1,087 injured in 1031 accidents in Punjab during the last 24 hours.

According to the Rescue 1122, 536 drivers, 31 underage drivers, 110 pedestrians, and 445 passengers were among victims of the road traffic crashes.

The statistics show that 271 accidents were reported in Lahore which affected 280 people placing the provincial capital top of the list followed by 81 Multan in with 84 victims and third Faisalabad with 79 accidents and 81 victims.

According to data, 932 motorcycles, 94 rickshaws, 114 cars, 25 vans, eight buses, 30 trucks and 85 other vehicles besides slow-moving carts were involved in the accidents.

PFA operation continues to ensure quality food to citizens across Punjab

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: The Punjab Food Authority (PFA) on Thursday stopped the production of two famous restaurants over violations in the Walled City of Lahore.

The authority also imposed hefty fines on two eateries and served warning notices for improvement to a food business operator (FBO) while carrying out an operation under the supervision of its Director General at Food Street Lahore located between Fort Road and Roshnai Gate of the Walled City.

PFA DG Shoaib Khan Jadoon said that the food authority imposed emergency prohibition orders on Riway and Andaz Restaurants for failing to meet hygienic working environment and using substandard ingredients in the preparation of food dishes.

Similarly, the food safety teams penalized Arif Chatkhara in Shahi Mohallah and Haveli Restaurant at Food Street due to the worst condition of hygiene. Meanwhile,

Stops production of two famous restaurants in Walled City, imposes heavy fines

Shahi Bawarchi Khana was served with a warning notice to improve the arrangements, he added. He said that the operation of the food authority is being continued to ensure the provision of quality food to the citizens at the time of Sehri and Iftar. He said the provincial food regulatory body is strictly monitoring the food quality, hygiene issues and food safety standards from small food points to big manufacturers of the food.



LAHORE: An attractive splendid stunning view of historical Badshahi Mosque decorated with lights to mark Lailatul Qadr.

LHC adjourns petitions challenging LB polls for June 6

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Lahore High Court (LHC) Multan Bench on Thursday adjourned three petitions challenging local bodies elections for June 6, 2022, for further hearing.

The three petitions came up for hearing before Justice Chaudhry Muhammad Masood Jahangir, a week after Justice Muhammad Shan Gul had issued a restraining order dated April 21 and had sought reply from respondents including election commission of Pakistan

(ECP), secretary local government Punjab and others. Petitioners Muhammad Aslam Kamboh r/o Khanewal, Dilwar Khan r/o Vehari and Ghulam Abbas r/o Sahiwal, through counsel advocate Rana Asif Saeed, had requested the court to stop the June 9 local bodies election and declare the notification of ECP for holding elections as illegal.

Rana Asif Saeed told APP that comments and reply from some respondent(s) had not yet reached the court. Moreover, he added similar petitions challeng-

ing LB polls had also been filed at the principal seat.

Justice Chaudhry Muhammad Masood Jahangir adjourned the case for June 6.

It may be noted that ECP had announced first phase of LB polls in seventeen districts of Punjab which the petitioners had challenged on the grounds that ECP announced LB elections despite the fact that no election rules were notified under Local Government Ordinance 2021.

The counsel had further argued that elections had to be

held under local government ordinance 2021 which has not yet been made an Act of parliament. He also challenged the extension in the ordinance.

Under the Ordinance, voting had to be held through machines but no such system was in place. Rana Asif Saeed had contended that section 213 of LG Ordinance 2021 required the provincial government to notify rules for the purpose of conduct of local government elections and announcing elections before notifying rules was like putting the cart before the horse.

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Vast opportunities of mutual interest exist between Pakistan and Azerbaijan: Gandapur

PESHAWAR: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Minister for Local Government, Elections and Rural Development Faisal Amin Khan Gandapur has said there are vast opportunities for enhancing friendly relations and trade activities between Pakistan and Azerbaijan.

He assured the provincial government would endeavor to promote economic and trade relations between the two countries wherein concrete steps would be taken on a priority basis to enhance mutual contacts. He however acknowledged that increasing regional trade was need of the time for boosting bilateral trade and stabilizing the national economies, which would further strengthen the fraternal ties between the two brotherly countries as well. He was speaking at an Iftar dinner hosted in the honor of visiting Azerbaijani Ambassador to Pakistan, His Excellency Khazar Farhadov at University Town Club Peshawar.

Besides Provincial Minister for Finance and Health Taimur Saleem Jhagra, some other members of Provincial Assembly, Secretary Local Government and Rural Development Syed Zaheerul Islam Shah, Special Secretary to Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Muhammad Khaliq Kaka, Syed Zafar Ali Shah, MD, Small Industries Development Board, Secretary Local Council Board, Director General PDA and Regional, Town Municipal Officers, and Azerbaijani diplomats also attended the Iftar dinner.

On the occasion, the minister for Local Government discussed in detail issues of mutual interest and briefed the Azerbaijani ambassador on the geographical and political significance of the province, prevailing local government system, economic and tourism opportunities and ongoing development activities in the province especially in the newly merged districts.

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World Veterinary Day observed at UVAS

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: The University of Veterinary and Animals Sciences Lahore in collaboration with Nawan Laboratories and Selmore Pharmaceuticals observed World Veterinary Day with the theme "Strengthening Veterinary Resilience" on Thursday here at City Campus Lahore.

Various activities including a walk, a seminar, a poster competition, a free medical treatment camp and renowned veterinarian massages featured the day in a befitting manner to create awareness about the welfare of animals in the community.

Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad led the walk while Principal Officer City Campus Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf, Chief Executive Officer Forward Solution Animal Health Company Dr Asim Mahmood Khan, Incharge Pet Centre Prof Dr Asim Khalid and a large number of students from Vets Care Club, faculty members and industries representatives participated.

The walk started from in front of the Vice-Chancellor office and culminated at UVAS Outdoor Hospital where Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad along with other dignitaries inaugurated free medical treatment camp.

Later, a seminar was arranged to sensitize people about the importance of animal welfare, health and treatment.

Addressing the students in the seminar, Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad said that UVAS successfully completed its 20 years due to its quality of education and research.

He said that Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree is the flagship programme of the UVAS and it is direly needed to adopt the latest technologies, diagnostics and skills to uplift veterinary profession in the country.

Dr Asim Mahmood Khan as a guest speaker delivered a lecture to students on the topic of strengthening veterinary resilience. He advised students to select any field related to genetics, breeding, pet practices,

diagnostics, animal nutrition & animal management and they need to learn innovative knowledge to excel in their selected fields for the uplift of veterinary profession.

In their recorded messages, senior veterinarians Prof Dr Aneela Zameer-Durrani, Prof Dr Asim Khalid, Prof Dr Amjad Riaz, Prof Dr Hamad Bin-Rasheed, Dr Rehanul Haq urged the importance of veterinary ethics, positive uses of social media, animal diseases, cope up challenges related to diseases outbreaks and measures, awareness, innovation, learning about modern technologies & skills and academia industry linkages to fill the gap in the veterinary profession, etc.

At the end, Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf chaired the concluding ceremony of the seminar and gave away a shield to Dr Asim Mahmood Khan and distributed cash prizes among the winners of poster competition. Similar activities were also held on other UVAS campuses to observe World Veterinary Day.

