

Azerbaijan keen to promote trade, strengthen economic ties with Pakistan

PESHAWAR: Ambassador of Azerbaijan in Pakistan, Khazar Farhadove stressed the need for further strengthening mutual trade and economic cooperation with Pakistan.

He invited the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa businessmen to make investments in potential sectors in Azerbaijan.

He was addressing a meeting chaired by Sarhad Chamber of Commerce and Industry President Hasnain Khurshid Ahmad here at the chamber's house on Tuesday.

SCCI Senior Vice President Imran Khan Mohmand, Executive members Muhammad Aurangzeb, Pervez Khattak, Tameotah Khalilov and Shoaib Khan from Azerbaijan embassy in Pakistan, importers, exporters, and traders were present during the meeting in a large number.

Hasnain Khurshid while speaking on the occasion emphasized the need for further enhancement of bilateral trade and economic relations between Pakistan and Azerbaijan.

He emphasized it was imperative that joint initiatives and ventures should be launched to give further boost to the present trade volume between Pakistan and Azerbaijan. The SCCI president viewed that vast opportunities were available for foreign investors to



make investment in potential sectors in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, like oil, gas, mine, minerals, hydel power generation, furniture, handicrafts, precious and semi-precious stone, etc.

KP is a safe and attractive province for investment and business, all the local and international investors can invest here without fear, says Khurshid

Therefore, the SCCI chief invited the Azari investors to make investment in all

those afore-mentioned potential sectors in KP.

KP is gate-way to Afghanistan onward to the Central Asian Republic, so the region has great significance and role toward promotion of regional trade, said Khurshid.

He stressed the need of taking pragmatic steps for promotion of regional trade. Khazar Farhadove said that his country is enjoying cordial relations with Pakistan. He said Azerbaijan was giving much important to enhance mutual economic and trade cooperation with Pakistan

The diplomat informed that a number of working groups have been formed between Azerbaijan and Pakistan, which are working efficiently to remove hurdles and problems, which were being faced by the business community of the two countries. He said his country is a lucrative destination for foreign investors and invited the KP potential investors to make investments in important sectors in Azerbaijan. Earlier, in the meeting, the participants pointed out a number of problems and issues that were hampering mutual trade between Pakistan and Azerbaijan and gave a number of suggestions for their amicable resolution. —APP

Orange Line connected with Faizabad for direct connectivity with New Islamabad Airport



ISLAMABAD: Within a week of the announcement by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, the authorities concerned have connected Orange Line with Faizabad to provide a direct connectivity to and from New Islamabad Airport. After this linkage, the citizens would be able to travel between Faizabad and New Islamabad Airport, a PM Office statement said calling it the fulfillment of another commitment with residents of the twin cities. The prime minister had operationalized the Orange Line project within four days of assuming his office which had been lying incomplete for last four years. While announcing the project, he had also announced that the residents of Islamabad and Rawalpindi would enjoy free Metro traveling during Holy Ramadan. —

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The court has called you again and again, but the implementation seems difficult, therefore this ad is being issued for you to appear in this court on 28-04-2022 at 9:00 am yourself or through your lawyer. Otherwise the action would be taken against you and after that no excuse or objection would be accepted.

Cash-strapped Sri Lanka to sell 'golden' visas

COLOMBO: Cash-strapped Sri Lanka announced on Tuesday it would sell long-term visas to attract desperately needed foreign currency after the island nation ran out of dollars to pay for food and fuel.

Foreigners who deposit a minimum of \$100,000 locally will be granted permission to live and work in Sri Lanka for 10 years under the "Golden Paradise Visa Programme," the government said.

The money should be locked in a local bank account for the duration of the stay, the government said in a statement. "This scheme will help Sri Lanka at a time when we are facing the worst financial crisis since our independence," media minister Nalaka Godahewa told reporters in Colombo.

The government also approved the granting of five-year visas to any foreigner spending a minimum of \$75,000 to buy an apartment on the island. Acute shortages of food, fuel and medicines have triggered widespread protests, with thousands of people camped outside President Gotabaya Rajapaksa's seafarer office

to demand his resignation.

The government has signalled a willingness to consider constitutional reforms that could pare back the authority of the president, who gave himself sweeping powers to appoint and sack ministers, judges and public servants after his 2019 election. His government also rolled back democratic reforms that gave statutory independence to the police, civil service, election commission and the judiciary. Sri Lanka's economic collapse began to be felt after the coronavirus pandemic torpedoed vital revenue from tourism and remittances.

Utilities unable to pay for fuel imports have imposed lengthy daily blackouts to ration power, while long lines snake around service stations as people queue for petrol and kerosene. Hospitals are short of vital medicines, and the government has appealed to citizens abroad for donations and record inflation has added to everyday hardships. Sri Lankan officials arrived in Washington last week to negotiate a bailout with the International Monetary Fund. —AFP



SKARDU: An attractive and eye catching view of mountain and tree reflection in Katpana Desert Lake in the catchment area of Pakistan.

Turkish court sentences Erdogan critic Kavala to life in jail

ISTANBUL: A Turkish court on Monday sentenced leading intellectual and rights campaigner Osman Kavala to life in jail on highly controversial coup plot charges that had already seen him locked up without a conviction for more than four years. The panel of three judges also sentenced seven other defendants to 18 years in jail each on charges of aiding the attempt to topple the government.

The judgement is almost certain to attract a chorus of condemnation from Turkey's main allies in the Nato defence alliance. The court's ruling drew boos from a packed audience that included Western diplomats who

have been trying to stress the importance of rights issues and judicial independence in their relations with Ankara. Emma Sinclair-Webb of Human Rights Watch called it "the worst possible outcome to this show trial". "Today, we have witnessed a travesty of justice of spectacular proportions," Amnesty International's Europe director Nils Muiznieks added. Kavala's attorneys immediately vowed to appeal. 'Conspiracy theories' The Paris-born philanthropist told the court by video link form his high-security prison near Istanbul that he viewed the entire process as a "judicial assassination". "These are

conspiracy theories drafted on political and ideological grounds," Kavala told the court moments before the sentence. The three judges took less than hour to issue their sentence in one of Turkey's most high-profile trials in years. The marathon hearing has been gnawing on Turkey's strategic but tenuous ties with its main Western allies since Kavala's unexpected arrest in Oct 2017. The 64-year-old was then best known as a soft-spoken businessman who was using a part of his wealth to promote culture and projects aimed at reconciling Turkey and its arch-nemesis Armenia. —AFP

Carrefour Pakistan invests Rs 1 billion towards two new stores

LAHORE: Carrefour, fully owned and operated by UAE based Majid Al Futtaim in Pakistan, signed a Joint Venture Agreement with the Defence Housing Authority (DHA) Lahore on 26th April 2022, to establish two stand-alone stores.

The agreement was signed by Umer Lodhi Country Manager, Carrefour Pakistan at Majid Al Futtaim Retail and Administrator Defence Housing Authority (DHA) Lahore in the presence of Thierry Louis Joulin Chief Operating Officer Majid Al Futtaim Retail at DHA Head Office, Lahore. The stores will not only expand the local footprint of the retail leader in the country but also provide economic support to at least 500 households through creation of direct and indirect jobs.

Carrefour's PKR 1 billion investment for the establishment of these two new stores brings the total investment to PKR 11 billion the retailer has already made towards the retail industry in Pakistan. Notably, these ventures underscore Car-



refour's dedication to becoming a trusted local partner that creates value for the industry and Pakistani economy. As a testament to this, Carrefour works with more than 700 suppliers and partners

across Pakistan, sourcing 99 per cent of its products locally. This most recent investment will bring customers greater access to affordable, high-quality products while also supporting the nation's supply

chain.

Speaking at the occasion, Umer Lodhi Country Manager Carrefour Pakistan, said: "As the economy begins to return to its pre-pandemic course and both Carrefour stores prepare to serve a wider customer, we are also working together to provide economic support to hundreds of households. This reflects our commitment in action for the local economy's revival as we provide business and employment opportunities for greater and more inclusive economic prosperity."

Administrator Defence Housing Authority (DHA) Lahore said "This Joint Venture with Carrefour is our testament on building on our commitment of creating a world class sustainable and congenial community living experience for our worthy residents." In addition to the convenience of in-store shopping for quality products at its ten stores in Pakistan, Carrefour also offers its delivery service through Carrefour Pakistan app to better serve its customers. The app can be downloaded from Google Play

US believes Ukraine can beat Russia

KYIV, UKRAINE: The United States believes Ukraine can win the war against Russia if it has the "right equipment", Pentagon chief Lloyd Austin said on Monday, following a landmark trip to Kyiv alongside Secretary of State Antony Blinken. —AFP

BANKING COURT NOTICE

In the court of judge banking court No. II, Lahore, Old State Bank building, Opp GPO, The Mall Road, Lahore Suit No 72/20

Allah Dita Nobahar s/o Nizam Din versus Bank Alfalah Limited

Summon U/S 9(5) of the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finance) Ordinance, 2001. (Ordinance No: XLVI of 2001.) Summons to: Bank Alfalah Limited having one its branch office at Main Boulevard Gulberg, Lahore through its Branch Manager

Whereas: the aforesaid plaintiff has instituted suit against you and others for the recovery of Declaration. Along with markup/interest and costs etc, claimed to be payable by you. Summon u/s 9 (5) of Ordinance XLVI of 2001, referred to above is hereby issued requiring you to make within 30 days of the service of this summon, an application for leave to defend the suit u/s 10 ibid.

Take notice that on your failure to file such application within time specified above, the Banking Court shall pass a decree as prayed in the plaint, in favour of the plaintiff Banking Company. Next date of further proceedings, in the case has been fixed on -28-04-2022.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 25th day of April 2022.

Judge Banking court No. II, Lahore

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In The Court Of Naziat Ali Civil Judge Sialkot Suit Declaration, Liaquat Malak VS Ijaz Ahmed Notice to Ijaz Ahmed S/O Noor Hussain R/O Goud Pur Sialkot Whereas service of defendant respondent is not going to be effected through proclamation in the newspaper you defendant respondent are directed to appear in the court on 27/04/22 at 8 am filing which ex-parte proceeding shall be initiated against you.

Crew of first private flight to ISS set for splashdown

WASHINGTON: Three businessmen and a former Nasa astronaut are set to splash down on Monday off the Florida coast after spending two weeks aboard the International Space Station. After a dizzying descent, a SpaceX Dragon capsule carrying the Axiom-1 crew should hit the water at 1:06 pm (1706 GMT), with a ship close by to pick them up. It will mark the official end of the first fully-private mission to the orbiting outpost. Axiom Space paid SpaceX for transport services and Nasa for use of the ISS, while charging the three tycoons a reported \$55 million each for the privilege. American real estate mogul Larry Connor, Canadian financier Mark Pathy and Israeli impact investor Eytan Stibbe and veteran Spanish-American astronaut Michael Lopez-Alegria had blasted off on April 8. They were originally scheduled to spend only eight days on the space station but bad weather forced repeated delays. "Thanks once again for all the support through this amazing adventure that we've had even longer and more exciting than we thought," Lopez-Alegria tweeted. "We really appreciate your professionalism and with that we'll sign off." —AFP

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