

Pakistan-Italy to enhance trade, tourism

From Our Staff Correspondent



VEHARI: A delegation from Vehari Chamber of Commerce and Industry called on Italian Ambassador Andryas Ferreris.

The delegation was led by Sheikh Naem Pasha, President Vehari Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

The meeting focused on enhancing bilateral trade and tourism.

Italian Ambassador Andryas Ferreris described the demand for Pakistani products in Italy and said that there was a demand for Pakistani commodities, textile products and leather products in Italy.

And by taking advantage of GSP Plus, members of Vehari Chamber of Commerce and Industry can export their products to Italy and the Italian Embassy will provide full support to Vehari Chamber members in accessing the Italian market.

At the same time, there is a demand for Italian products in Pakistan, including machinery, food items and various franchises. Sheikh Mohammad Naem Pasha President Vehari Chamber of Commerce and Industry expressed his desire to send a trade delegation to Italy soon so that bilateral trade relations could be established between the two countries. In this important meeting, Sheikh Mohammad Naem Pasha, Shahid Hussain, Hafiz Mumtaz, Ran Muhammad Asif Noor and Khurshid Anwar Secretary General VCCI Vehari participate here.

Meeting at AIOU University Vehari campus held

A meeting was held at AIOU University Vehari campus under the leadership of Regional Director Dr Nighat Shakir. In the meeting, Regional Director Allama Iqbal Open University Vehari Dr. Nighat Shakir conveyed the message of Director Admission Allama Iqbal Open University for the convenience of students, the admission date of MA, MSC has been extended till June 30, 2022 with late fee. Dr Nighat Shakir, Regional Director, AIOU University Vehari campus further said students, who have been left behind for Bachelor & #39s Result should take advantage of this golden opportunity provided by Director Admission Allama.



LAHORE: A large number of people stand in a queue for buy grocery outside Utility Store at the Shalimar. —Online

Two held for firing on neighbours, illegal weapons recovered

MUZAFFARGARH: Police on Saturday claimed to have arrested two accused involved in injuring three persons over petty dispute and recovered illegal weapons from their possession.

A citizen namely Nadeem Nawaz along with his friends Umair and Aziz was coming back to his house when outlaws Kashif, Zubair and Yousef along with four unknown accomplices opened fire on them, the police informed.

The cause of firing was a minor dispute that occurred between them a few days ago.

City Police Kot Addu registered a case against seven including three nominated and four unknown accused on the application of Nadeem's father.

DPO Tariq Wilayat took the notice of the incident and ordered immediate arrest of the accused on which SHO City Kot Addu Police Station Ghulam Mujtaba raided and arrested two accused Kashif and Yousef through latest technology and recovered two Kalashnikov from their possession used in the incident.

The SHO said that further interrogation was underway and rest of the accused would also be arrested soon. —APP

'Agri Expo 2022' to help promote agricultural exports, says Leghari

— Says present govt taking all possible steps for development of agriculture sector

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab Finance Minister Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari said on Saturday that 'Pakistan Agri Expo 2022' would prove to be an important platform for increasing agricultural exports.

He was talking to the media at the inaugural ceremony of two-day exhibition here at Expo Centre Johar Town.

He said that the present government was taking all possible steps for development of agriculture sector.

In spite of financial difficulties, the Punjab government had allocated Rs 53.19 billion for agricultural development and prosperity of farmers in the FY2022-23 budget, out of which Rs 3.65



billion had been allocated for increasing production of crops.

He said that the government was taking all steps to increase agricultural exports.

The event would be very beneficial for importers, exporters and other stakeholders, he added.

Punjab Agriculture Secretary Captain (retd) Asadullah Khan said that the Agriculture Department had organised the exhibition to promote the agricultural products and increase exports.

At the expo, 150 stalls had been set up by local and foreign companies while from 12 different countries, about 70 foreign delegations, along with 2,000 farmers, were participating in the exhibition. The exhibition would increase the de-

mand for Pakistani agricultural products in world markets and increase our exports and strengthen the national economy, he added.

Special Secretary Agriculture (Marketing) Punjab Waqar Hussain, Additional Secretary Agriculture (Planning) Shirin Naz, Director General Agriculture (Extension) Dr. Anjum Ali, Director General Agriculture (Water Management) Malik Muhammad Akram and Director Agricultural Information Muhammad Rafiq Akhtar along with other senior officers participated in the inaugural ceremony of the exhibition.

A seminar was also organised at the exhibition for creating awareness among farmers.



LAHORE: Activists of Awami Falahi Party hold a protest in favour of their demands outside the Lahore Press Club. —Online

Price control body meeting being held at DC office daily

SIALKOT: The district price control committee meeting is being held at the DC office Sialkot daily as per the directions of Punjab Chief Minister Hamza Shehbaz. In this regard, the 16th meeting was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner/ District Price Controller Sialkot Maisam Abbas and Conveyer Member Price Control Committee Naveed Ashraf.

The meeting was attended by Members of Price Control Committee, Members of Provincial Assembly (MPAs) Pakistan Muslim League Nawaz (PMLN) Chaudhry Arshad Javed Warraich, Rana Liaquat Ali, former MPA Chaudhry Tariq Subhani, Member Price Control Committee Badar Chauhan, District Officer Industries Rashida Batoal, President Anjuman-e-Tajiran Mehr Ghulam Mujtaba, General Secretary Anjuman-e-Tajiran Sheikh Javed Haider and others.

The performance of district administration and price control magistrates including supply and demand of essential commodities, sale at government rates, urea and other matters were reviewed. Suggestions and consultations were also discussed and the proposed government plan to close shops, markets and other business and commercial centers at 9pm due to power shortfall also came under review. —APP

Work on WB Burewala model city project starts

BUREWALA: Work on the Rs 1.39 billions World Bank project to transform Burewala tehsil into a model city formally began on Saturday.

In this regard, a special meeting under the chair of Deputy Commissioner (DC) Rafique Ahsan was held in which local parliamentarians and government officials participated. The meeting decided to issue tenders for re-construction of 19 roads and purchase of new machinery to handle solid waste material in the city. Besides, a mother and child care hospital will also be established in the city to facilitate local people. The DC said that all possible steps would be taken for uplift of Burewala, which was one of the vibrant city of district Vehari and had immense potential of generating revenue, as well as promoting business, education and sports activities.

Eradication of crimes top priority: DPO

The district police were determined to eradicate crimes as protection of lives and property of people was top priority of the police, said district police officer Syed Zeeshan Raza. After his introductory meeting with journalists here on Saturday, he said that he and his team would be ever ready to take any step which could help to resolve the public issues and maintain a peaceful environment.

He urged the media to

extend their full cooperation with police and other law enforcement agencies to make the Sialkot a peaceful district. He said that journalists should do positive journalism so that crimes could be eradicated from the district.

He said that justice would be provided to every citizen without any discrimination. The DPO said that criminal elements would be dealt with an iron hand. He believed that cooperation of general public and media as well, was vital for the eradication of crimes from the society.

Commissioner reviewed under construction work in Company Bagh

Commissioner Sargodha Dr. Irshad Ahmed on Saturday visited the Company Bagh and reviewed the construction work at Jinnah Hall, Women and Children Park, Library, Football and Hockey Ground.

According to official sources, Parks and Horticulture Authority (PHA) DG Project Yasir Bhatti, Divisional Sports Officer Tariq Mahmood, Chief Officer Municipal Corporation (COMC) Tariq Parvaiz and Deputy Director Technical Rana Shahid were also present on the occasion. DGP PHA Yasir Bhatti said on the occasion that the incumbent government was taking all possible steps for the provision of recreational activities to the citizens. He directed to prepare an esti-

mate for the construction of road from the gate of Company Bagh to the football ground and patchwork on other roads. The Commissioner also inspected the Ghalib Library and directed to further improve the cleanliness in the Library.

He announced the provision of five hundred more books to the Library.

Sialkot DPO shuffles SHOs District Police Officer (DPO) Sialkot Syed Zeeshan Raza has shuffled station house officers (SHOs) in the district.

According to a police spokesperson, the DPO transferred Inspector Iqbal Khan as SHO Cantt Police Station and appointed him as SHO Sambrial Police Station, Inspector Muhammad Riaz Bajwa was transferred as SHO Sambrial and appointed SHO Cantt police station, Sub Inspector Altaf Hussain was transferred as In-charge CIA staff and appointed SHO Rangpura police station, Sub-Inspector Irfan Ashraf was transferred from Homicide City Circle and appointed as SHO Saddar police station Daska, Inspector Muhammad Taseer Riaz was transferred as Focal Person DSP Legal 2 and appointed as SHO City Pasrur Police Station, and Sub-Inspector Afzal Hussain was transferred from Cantt Police Station and appointed as In-charge CIA Staff. —Agencies

Performance of Price Control Magistrates reviewed

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KASUR: The review meeting regarding performance of price control magistrates, chaired by Additional Deputy Commissioner Revenue Muhammad Arshad Bhatti, was held in the DC committee room last day. Which was attended by all concerned officers. The meeting was told in the briefing that price control magistrates across the district, while doing more than 70,500 rupees against the farmers, filed cases against 5 shopkeepers and 6 shopkeepers were arrested. Additional Deputy Commissioner Revenue said that all price control magistrates are visiting general markets on a daily basis to ensure the uninterrupted supply of affordable and quality goods for the public.

AC Kasur reviews prices, quality of fruits, vegetables Assistant Commissioner (AC) Kasur Aurangzeb Sadhu's visit to vegetable and fruit market reviewed the prices and quality of fruits and vegetables.

On the direction of Deputy Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner visited the city's vegetable and fruit market and reviewed vegetable fruit prices, cleaning, staff attendance.

He also checked the process of auction of fruits and vegetables

and the presence of rate lists at the shops.

Door-to-door education awareness campaign continues

On the directive of the Punjab government, the door-to-door awareness campaign organized by the government special education center Kasur continued. Last day, under the leadership of special District Education Officer Tahir Hussain Ghazi, women teachers of government special education are performing indoor to indoor awareness campaign 2022 in Kasur and surrounding areas.

He says that disabled people are human beings like me and themselves and their education and training is very important. The head teacher institute, madam Noreen ghafoor, said that special facilities are being provided by the punjab government, which includes free education, free admission, free books, free uniforms, free pick and drop, free assessment inspection complete guidance.

Dengue awareness seminar held

The dengue awareness seminar organized by the school education department was held in government training school kasur last day.

In which Deputy Commissioner Kasur Fayyaz Ahmed Muhal attended the event, while chief Executive Officer Education Authority district Kasur Malik

muhammad Anwar Nadeem, District Anta Malojist Muhammad Khurram Ibrahim, DEO Abdul Hafeez, Deputy DEO Muhammad Amin Sandhu, Principal Institute of Health Muhammad Rafiq and a large number of students were present. On this occasion, Deputy Commissioner said that the Punjab government is working hard to eliminate dengue and all institutions are active and active in this regard. A clean environment projects not only from dengue but also from many other diseases. Eliminating dengue is the responsibility of all of us for which we have to play our role. He added that during the rainy season, the possibility of dengue larva's growth increases and we have to take special care of the cleaning in order to deal with it in a timely manner. The best way to prevent dengue is by adopting the basic principles of health and hygiene to root out the possibility of mosquito birth and breeding that causes this disease.

Chief Executive Officer education said that the school education department is playing its role in eliminating dengue and further efforts will be made to eliminate this disease. He instructed all android users of education to intensify dengue surveillance activities and play a full role in dengue activity on a daily basis.

FESCO Sargodha circle staff get commendatory certificates

SARGODHA: Protection of customers' rights was the top priority of FESCO board of directors while efforts of the operation, grids and construction staff of Sargodha circle was commendable.

This was stated by Faisalabad Electric Supply Company (FESCO) Board of Directors Chairman Syed Husnain Hyder while addressing a function arranged for the distribution of commendatory certificates among officers and official of Sargodha circle on Saturday. He appreciated the efforts of Sargodha circle employees who worked on war-footing to restore the electricity supply system during various conditions. He said that change of damaged and tilted electricity poles, cables and transformers in a record time period was the result of twenty four hours working of staffers. The BoD chairman further said that FESCO BOD was not only working hard for the provi-

sion of best electricity facilities to consumers, but also utilizing all possible resources to resolve electricity related problems of people.

Earlier, Executive Engineer Bhalwal Muhammad Haroon briefed the Chairman Board of Directors, Syed Husnain Hyder and Board of Director Dr Irfan Ahmed Chaththa about the overall performance of the circle office Sargodha and briefed that thunderstorm of last week had created an emergency situation in Sargodha including its adjoining areas and badly affected the power distribution system. In that difficult situation the Chief Executive officer FESCO along with Executive Engineer personally visited the Sargodha circle and monitor the restoration work of electricity supply. The Chairman Board of Directors hailed the brilliant performance of Sargodha circle employees and distributed best performance awards to