

No power can defeat democracy, says NA Speaker

ISLAMABAD: National Assembly (NA) Speaker Raja Parvez Ashraf said Friday that no power can defeat democracy provided that peoples believe and trust it. Ashraf was addressing a ceremony here at Turkish Embassy to mark two years of failed military coup in Turkey. Addressing a ceremony, the Speaker said Pakistan and Turkish youth can play a role of bridge between the two countries. Addressing the ceremony, the Turkish Envoy to Pakistan Mehmet Pachachi said Turkish citizens, exactly two years ago had defended Turkey from terrorist group led by Fethullah Gulen. He said the terrorist group had killed 251 innocent citizens. Speaker NA Raja Parvez Ashraf, while referring to

the failed military coup in Turkiye said that world saw how a brave nation ruthlessly defended democracy at that night. Online **'Kashmiris determined to continue martyrs' mission against all odds': Report** The Kashmiris in Indian Occupied Jammu and Kashmir have once again made it clear to New Delhi rulers that they will carry on the mission of their martyrs to free their motherland from Indian clutches, come what may. An analytical report released by Kashmir Media Service said that Modi must remember that the Kashmiris' resolve to resist Indian illegal occupation cannot be subdued through military might and that all the hegemony and bullying powers in history had to suffer humiliating defeat at last.

The report stressed that the Kashmiri people are ready to face Indian bullets on their chests but will never accept India's illegal hold of their territory, adding killings, arrests and torture have failed to defeat their urge for freedom. It pointed out that the ongoing people's heroic struggle against Indian tyranny will remain a golden page in Kashmir's history. The report maintained that the Kashmiri people are united to defeat Indian nefarious designs and the day is not far off when Kashmir will see the dawn of freedom. The report urged the international community to stop Modi regime from its genocidal policy against the Kashmiris and end its brutal military occupation of Jammu and

Kashmir, saying Indian government's intransigence and its hegemonic designs driven by extremist Hindutva policy have endangered peace and stability of south Asia and beyond. **MIH conducts first pediatric cardiathoracic surgery** Maroof International Hospital (MIH) has successfully conducted its first pediatric cardiathoracic surgery on a six-month child. The child had a hole in the septum that separates the lower two chambers of the heart, also known as ventricular septal defect, spokesperson MIH hospital, Rubina Afzal said while talking to media on Friday. This defect allowed oxygen-rich blood to leak into the oxygen-poor blood chambers of

patient's heart. A small hole may close on its own but this little child's hole required a surgery. The operation was conducted by Dr. Mahim Akmal Malik, an American Diplomat in Congenital Cardiac Surgery. The child was discharged after 72 hours' speedy recovery, she added. Rubina Afzal said that since June 2022, Maroof International Hospital has started operating open-heart surgery, valve repair and procedures of infants, children, and adolescents. A team of foreign qualified Pediatric Cardiologists and Cardiothoracic Surgeons was supported by physicians, intensivists, nurses, and anesthesiologists, led by Dr. Mahim Akmal Malik, Pediatric Cardiothoracic Surgeon and Dr. Muhammad Tariq Jamil, Pediatric Inten-

SHC seeks final reply from FIA on probe against Mohsin Baig

KARACHI: The Sindh High Court (SHC) has sought final reply from FIA regarding inquiry pertaining to senior journalist and Editor-in-Chief Online News agency Mohsin Jamil Baig till August 12. The court has also sought details in respect of bank accounts of Mohsin Jamil Baig. A two members bench of SHC comprising Justice Iqbal Kalhoro and Justice Kausar Sultana took up for hearing Mohsin Jamil Baig petition against FIA inquiry and for restoration of his bank accounts Friday. During the hearing of the case Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Irfan Memon told the court the investigation officer of the case is outside Karachi. Justice Muhammad Iqbal Kalhoro inquired if you want to quash the case registered against Mohsin Jamil Baig.

The DAG told the court according to his information case against Mohsin Jamil Baig has been abolished and only signatures have to be made. The court inquired "are you closing the inquiry. The DAG took the plea "I cannot say any final thing regarding closure of the case but only director signatures have yet to be made on it. Latif Khosa, counsel for Mohsin Jamil Baig took the plea on the absence of the investigation officer what is this that investigation officer is not in Karachi. Investigation officer has not returned from EID so far. Latif Khosa told the court further basic rights of Mohsin Baig were trampled. Three cases for arrest were registered against Mohsin Jamil Baig in one day. Action was taken simultaneously in Karachi and Islamabad.

Latif Khosa told the court further former federal minister Murad Saeed had also filed application against Mohsin Jamil Baig. However his complaint stands abolished now. We want this bench should give final decision in this case. Latif Khosa took the plea his grievances were heard being journalist. What treatment will have to be meted out by them to commonman. Justice Muhammad Iqbal Kalhoro remarked the courts hear every petitioner equally. Latif Khosa requested the court to impose fine today for not filing the reply. The court remarked how can we impose fine on law officer. We would have slapped fine had he been private counsel. The court while cautioning FIA remarked "we give last chance to FIA.

The court ordered that FIA should file reply till August 12 about inquiry in respect of Mohsin Jamil Baig. The court also sought the details of bank accounts of Mohsin Jamil Baig. Latif Khosa advocate while talking to media men in the premises of the court said detailed judgment of the Supreme Court against the unconstitutional ruling of deputy speaker has come and article 6 should be imposed in the light of this decision. However the court has left this matter to the parliament that it should determine. In the light of the court's decision president Arif Alvi, former Prime Minister Imran Khan and former deputy speaker National Assembly Qasim Soori have trampled the constitution. If this matter comes before PPP CEC then party will decide about the strategy on this matter, he added. —Online

Fresh Covid wave sweeps Asia; NZ warns of pressure

WELLINGTON: A new wave of coronavirus infections is rapidly spreading through Asia, prompting warnings for residents from New Zealand to Japan to take precautions to slow the outbreak and help prevent healthcare systems from being overwhelmed. The renewed surge in cases, mostly of the BA.4/5 Omicron variants, provides a further challenge for authorities grappling with the economic fallout. —AP

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President Biden heads to Saudi Arabia amid tension on oil, Khashoggi killing

NEW YORK: US President Joe Biden will discuss energy supply, human rights, and security cooperation in Saudi Arabia on Friday on a trip designed to reset the US relationship with a country he once pledged to make a "pariah" on the world stage. Biden will hold meetings with Saudi King Salman bin Abdulaziz and Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman along with other government officials, a senior Biden administration official told reporters. The visit will be closely watched for body language and rhetoric. US intelligence concluded that the Saudi prince directly approved the 2018 murder of Washington Post columnist Jamal Khashoggi, while the crown prince denies having a role in the killing. White House advisers have declined to say whether Biden will shake hands with the prince, the kingdom's de facto ruler. Biden will meet with a broader set of Arab leaders at a summit in the Red Sea port city of Jeddah on Saturday. "The president's going to meet about a dozen leaders and he'll greet them as he usually does," the administration official said. At the start of Biden's trip to the Middle East, officials said he would avoid close contact, such as shaking hands, as a precaution against Covid-19. But the president ended up engaging in handshaking in Israel. Biden said on Thursday his position on Khashoggi's murder was "absolutely" clear. Biden made his "pariah" comment less than two years ago after the journalist's killing and while campaigning for president. Biden said he would raise human rights in Saudi Arabia, but he did not say



Saudi mindset shows signs of shift towards Israel

RIYADH: Israeli journalist Yoav Limor did not know what to expect when he travelled with a colleague this month to Saudi Arabia, a country long notorious for promoting anti-Israel sentiment in textbooks and in sermons by some imams. They were in for "a pleasant surprise", he wrote in a subsequent column for the Israel Hayom newspaper, as Saudi market vendors and taxi drivers mostly greeted them with curiosity rather than disdain. "Some smiled and shook their head in disbelief or worry. Others were curious and struck up a conversation," wrote Limor, adding that "no one made us feel unwelcome". US President Joe Biden's trip to the Middle East, which began on Wednesday, has fuelled speculation of a possible breakthrough in normalising ties between Israel and Saudi Arabia, which does not recognise the Jewish state. Biden's trip to Middle East fuels speculation around possible "normalisation" of ties with Israel. The kingdom has repeatedly said it would stick to the decades-old Arab League position of not establishing official ties with Israel until the conflict with the Palestinians is resolved. Analysts stress that despite growing behind-the-scenes business and security contacts, any immediate gains are likely to be more incremental than the US-brokered Abraham Accords which created ties between Israel and two of the kingdom's neighbours, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain. —AFP

specifically if he would broach the Khashoggi murder with its leaders. Saudi ambassador to the United States Reema bint Bandar Al Saud, writing in US magazine Politico, reiterated the kingdom's "abhorrence" of the killing, describing it as a gruesome atrocity, and said it cannot define US-Saudi ties. She said the relationship should also not be seen in the "outdated and reductionist" oil-for-security paradigm. "The world has changed and the existential dangers facing us all, including food and energy security and climate change, cannot be resolved without an effective US-Saudi alliance." Energy and security interests prompted the president and his aides to decide not to isolate the kingdom, the world's top oil exporter and regional powerhouse that has been strengthening ties with Russia and China, particularly at a time of Gulf concern over perceived US disengagement from the region. The United States is eager to see Saudi Arabia and its Opec partners pump more oil to help bring down the high cost of gasoline and ease the highest US inflation in four decades. "The Saudis definitely are intending to boost capacity and with oil prices so high they have the wherewithal to do that, particularly as they see production constraints elsewhere in a market that is still growing," said Daniel Yergin, S&P Global vice chairman and an expert in world energy markets. Biden will encourage peace and press for a more integrated Middle East during his trip, the administration official said. Topics would include strengthening a truce in the war in Yemen, "balance" in energy markets, and technological cooperation in 5G and 6G. —AFP

Protesters break into Sri Lanka PM's office



COLOMBO: Thousands of anti-government protesters stormed into Sri Lanka Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe's office Wednesday, hours after he was named as acting president. Men and women breached military defences and entered the premier's office to raise national flags, witnesses told AFP. Police and troops failed to hold back crowds despite firing tear gas and water cannon to prevent. Wickremesinghe in a televised address said he had instructed security forces to restore order, but troops were seen backing down at his office leaving gates open for protesters to stroll in. "I have ordered military commanders and the police chief to do what is necessary to restore order," Wickremesinghe said. "Those who stormed into my office want to stop me from discharging my responsibilities as acting president." His private home was set ablaze on Saturday after protesters captured the president's office and home on Saturday. "We can't tear up our constitution. We can't allow fascists to take over. We must end this fascist threat to democracy," he said adding that the state buildings occupied by protesters must be returned to state custody. The protesters' actions were a repeat of Saturday's capture of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa's home and office, which forced him to eventually flee the country earlier Wednesday. —AFP

Russia and Ukraine seek to break grain impasse in

ISTANBUL: Russia and Ukraine were due Wednesday to hold their first talks with UN and Turkish officials aimed at breaking a months-long impasse over grain exports that has seen food prices soar and millions face hunger. The four-way meeting in Istanbul comes with Russia's invasion of Ukraine showing no sign of abating and the threat of food shortages spreading across the poorest parts of the world. Ukraine is a vital exporter of wheat and grains such as barley and maize. It has also supplied nearly half of all the sunflower oil traded on global markets. But exports across the Black Sea have been blocked by Russian warships and mines Kyiv has laid to avert a feared amphibious assault. The negotiations are being complicated by growing suspicions that Russia is trying to export grain it has stolen from Ukrainian farmers in regions under its control. US space agency data released last week showed 22 percent of Ukraine's farmland falling under Russian control since the February 24 invasion. UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres tried on Tuesday to play down expectations from the Istanbul talks. "We are working hard indeed, but there is still a

way to go," the UN chief told reporters. The meeting will involve military delegations from the three countries and diplomats from the UN. Turkish Defence Minister Hulusi Akar said they would focus "on the safe shipment to international markets of grain waiting in Ukrainian ports". NATO member Turkey has been using its good relations with both the Kremlin and the Western-backed leaders in Kyiv to try and broker an agreement on a safe way to deliver the grain. Turkey says it has 20 merchant ships waiting in the region that could be quickly loaded and sent to world markets. A plan by the UN proposes the ships follow safe "corridors" that run between the known location of mines. Experts say de-mining the Black Sea is a complex operation that could take months -- too long to address the growing global food crisis. Ukraine estimates that up to 25 million tonnes of grain are currently blocked in its ports. A report by the International Rescue Committee international relief group warned last month that 47 million people faced the threat of "acute hunger" this year. —AFP