

PHP granted resources for prevention of crimes, accidents on highways

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab Highway Patrol (PHP) has been granted resources for prevention of crimes and accidents on highways.

Currently, 360 operational posts of PHP in Punjab. 14 PHP posts are under construction whereas summary for creation of 88 new Posts is also being sent to Punjab government. With the establishment of 88 new posts, performance of PHP will be enhanced.

The Punjab Government has sanctioned law and order allowance and new vehicles for PHP. Likewise, 362 new vehicles will be provided to PHP for round the clock patrolling in concerned beat areas. Law and Order allowance has also been approved for encouragement and welfare of PHP personnel.

PHP came into existence by incumbent CM Punjab back in 2003 with the motto of "Safe highways—Safe Punjab". PHP performs its duties all over the Punjab, especially in rural areas.

Since its inception PHP has been facing shortage of resources but now the incumbent government has decided to provide all possible resources for making its performance better. Laced with modern technology and other resources, PHP will be able to control crimes and prevent accidents on highways more effectively.

IG Punjab takes notice of killing of two real brothers

IG Punjab Faisal Shahkar took notice of the incident of murder of two real brothers due to enmity in Kahna, Lahore and asked for a report of the incident from CCPO Lahore. IG Punjab has directed officers to form special teams for the quick arrest of the accused with the help of Safe City cameras and forensic evidence. IGP emphasised upon quick arrest and punishment of the accused. IGP further directed officers to keep in close contact with the relatives of the victims.

PCB fulfills wish of visiting Irish women team

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Pakistan Cricket Board has fulfilled the wish of Irish women's cricket team by making arrangements to watch the T20 World Cup after the completion of training session here on Monday.

The foreign team has expressed wish to watch their men team in action against Australia in the mega event being played in Australia. The Ireland women cricket team has come to Pakistan to play a series of ODI and T20 matches these days and it has started the preparations for the series which will be played at the Gaddafi stadium.



LAHORE: A view of a polo horse sculpture Lite-up with pink colour to observe breast cancer awareness. —Online

Bidding process of fruits, vegetables being monitored regularly: DC

— Inspects prices of commodities at the Shadman Market

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Deputy Commissioner (DC) Muhammad Ali visited the fruit & vegetable market Shadman here on Monday and inspected the quality, availability and prices of commodities.

He witnessed the bidding process and said that bidding process of fruits and vegetables in the vegetable markets was being monitored regularly so that prices could be kept stable. He reviewed the bids for tomatoes, lemons, garlic, onions, green chilli, apples, bananas and other commodities and directed the officials of market committee to continue monitoring of bidding process so that price of items could not witness any unnecessary increase. Rate list should be issued immediately after bidding process, he added. The DC also directed the assistant commissioners to visit the vegetable market in the provincial

capital regularly.

Meanwhile, Assistant Commissioner Model Town Sonia Sadaf, AC Raiwind Hamid Rasheed conducted price inspections in their jurisdiction on the DC's direction and imposed fines on the violators.

Punjab PDWP approves 13 development projects

Punjab Provincial Development Working Party (PDWP) approved 13 development schemes of various sectors with an estimated cost of Rs 36,517.44 million, here on Monday. These schemes were approved in the 23rd PDWP meeting of the fiscal year 2022-23, with Chairman Planning & Development Board Abdullah Khan Sumbal in the chair.

The approved development schemes included strengthening of Muhammad Nawaz Shareef University of Agriculture, Multan, at a cost of Rs 650 million, rehabilitation of road from Chunian to Habib

Abad Lahore Multan Road, Length 19.95-km, district Kasur (revised) at the cost of Rs 449.621 million, widening/ improvement of Jhang-Sahiwal-Sargodha road from 59 to 114.45 kilometre, length 55.45-km in district Sargodha (revised) at the cost of Rs 2,180.206 million, rehabilitation/ reconstruction of road from Faisalabad Road to Lahore Road, along with canal bank, length 28.47-km in district Sargodha (revised) at the cost of Rs 1,179.868 million, widening/ improvement/ reconstruction of road from Millat Road Chak No 115/JB to 62/JB via 114/JB, 113/JB, 111/JB, 112/JB, 1/JB 46/JB, 47/JB, 50/JB Baba Bakala, 56/JB, 60/JB, length, 55-km, district Faisalabad, at the cost of Rs 911.852 million, construction of dual carriageway from Sheikh Fazal to Chichawatni, length 24.15-km, Sahiwal at the cost of Rs 4,555.787 million, improvement of energy efficiency in WASA systems at the cost of Rs 495

million, feasibility study for solarization of courts and district sessions courts of Punjab (PC-II) at the cost of Rs 10 million, improvement of bus stops, Sahiwal at the cost of Rs 110.109 million, high street livable model road, Arra Tullah Road livable model road, pedestrian and cycling track, Sahiwal, at the cost of Rs 1,639.831 million, grade separator at railway crossing at Shahabpur Road, Sialkot, at the cost of Rs 2,105.57 million, signals and junctions improvement at Sialkot at the cost of Rs 1,483.40 million and construction of parking sheds for solid waste machinery in Sahiwal and Sialkot city (2nd revised) at the cost of Rs 507.406 million.

Provincial Secretary P&D Board Dr Muhammad Sohail Anwar Chaudhry, all members of the P&D Board, provincial secretaries of departments concerned and other representatives of the relevant provincial departments also attended the meeting.



LAHORE: Residents of Pattoki hold a banner during protest in favour of their demands outside the Lahore Press Club. —Online

'Long march negatively impacts economy'

MUZAFFARGARH: Cattle breeders said that the PTI's long march had negatively impacted the economy and it was also causing increased inflation in the country.

Talking to APP on Monday, many people associated with the said business lamented that opposition whose primary duty was to highlight problems of society had forgotten everything and was consumed by the power struggle.

Ali Haider, Kumail, Sibtain, Mustafa, Akhtar and other cattle breeders said cost of living increased since inflation hit new high in the country.

The price of cattle food has increased manifold, with ascending electricity prices affecting largely their routine work life.

They said the cattle sale downed remarkably in markets. Even prices of hay rack jumped tremendously. A hay rack once available at Rs.2,500 is now available at the price, they said adding that the prices of wanda (cattle feed) had also increased manifold.

They demanded both the govt and the opposition parties to chalk out a mutual strategy to rid masses of inflation and assure of food security. —APP

Robbery worth more than Rs12 lac

From Rizwan Asghar

KASUR: Central officials of Press Club Kasur, District Bar Kasur and Anjuman Tajran besides Private Schools Association emphasized on the robbery worth more than twelve lakh rupees with the family of Senior Vice President of Press Club Kasur. Condemned. Last day, an emergency meeting was held in the Press Club Kasur, in which the robbery with the family of Meher Mohammad Ashfaq, Senior Vice President of the Press Club Kasur, in which his residence outside Pakiza Colony Kasur, along with his wife and two sons. The incident of robbery of gold ornaments and mobile phones worth more than 12 lakh rupees

by motorcycle-riding robbers was strongly condemned. Similarly, District Bar Kasur, Anjuman Tajran and private schools and other civil society organizations condemned this incident. Condemned in the strongest terms and demanded the immediate arrest of the accused from DPO Kasur Syed Imran Karamat Bukhari.

Leader of dacoit gang along with his accomplice held On the special instructions of DPO Syed Imran Karamat Bukhari, police station president Kasur arrested the leader of the dacoit gang along with his accomplice. Kudos to DPO Syed Imran Karamat Bukhari for his good performance. On the special instructions of Po-

lice Station President Kasur, Shoaib alias Shoaibi, who was involved in several serious cases of extortion, was arrested along with his accomplice. Rs. 3 lakh cash, 2 motorcycles, 4 kg of hashish and weapons were recovered from the possession of the accused. They used to steal money, mobile phones and motorcycles from the passers-by while riding on a motorcycle. Apart from the robberies, the accused were also involved in drug dealing in Kasur. During the investigation, 10 More serious incidents have been revealed, further investigation is going on with the accused, DPO Syed Imran Karamat Bukhari congratulated Police Station Sadar Kasur for their good performance.

Meeting of executive committee of VCCI held

From Our Staff Correspondent

VEHARI: The meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry was held at the Vehari Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI) office under the chairmanship of Mian Khalid Hussain, President of the Vehari Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

The meeting will set the goals for the year 2022-23 and it was intended to arrange a programme for the economic development of Vehari district.

Mian Khalid Hussain, President

Vehari Chamber of Commerce and Industry welcomed the distinguished executive members and congratulated them on their election and said that we all resolve together to uphold the tradition of our organization to our members and the district. will not leave any shortfall in economic and social development.

I trust my team Muhammad Usman Senior Vice President, Muhammad Ali Vice President, Sheikh Amir Bashir Vice President and all the executive members that with our hard work and dedication we will not succeed in

bringing new industry to increase the export of our district and provide employment to the young generation. We have formed 40 sub-committees this year to guide the members. Muhammad Usman Senior Vice President said that we will work hard in the industrialization and commercialization of our district. Foreign investors and overseas Pakistanis will be brought to Pakistan for investment.

Delegations of businessmen and industrialists of the district will be taken to foreign countries. And will play their role in the early industrialization of industrial acetate.

Steps being taken to develop Revenue Department

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Senior Member Board of Revenue Punjab Zahid Akhtar Zaman has said that under the leadership of Punjab Chief Minister Chaudhry Pervez Elahi, steps are being taken to develop the revenue department on modern lines and to make it a people-friendly institution under the reform agenda.

He said that commissioners and deputy commissioners across Punjab have been instructed to speed up the ongoing initiatives and complete them on time so that corruption can be eradicated as well as the performance of this important department can be clearly improved.

Govt of Punjab trying to ensure food security in country: Gardezi

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: The third one-day "Agriculture and Food Sciences Innovation Event" was organised in MNS Agricultural University Multan with the support of DISE.

The event was inaugurated and presided over by Minister for Agriculture, Punjab Syed Hussain Jahania Gardezi. Speaking on the occasion, Minister Agriculture said that innovation in agriculture and food sciences is the need of the hour to ensure food security through healthy and hygienic food. He further said that universities are engines of research. Such activities are indispensable for students to develop new and innovative ways of

doing business, he maintained.

Vice-Chancellor MNS University, Multan Prof. Dr. Asif Ali said that the University of Agriculture has provided a conducive environment for the development of entrepreneurial skills among the students so that the students can be equipped with the required skills. By which the business related to agriculture and food can be promoted. Secretary Agriculture South Punjab Dr. Faisal Zahoor said that Government is trying to ensure food security in the country through coordinated efforts. He further said that the Department of Agriculture is striving hard to create awareness among farmers as well as provide relevant technology to deal

with the issue of climate change. DG Agriculture Punjab Dr. Anjum Butar said that the agriculture department will achieve its target of wheat cultivation. DG Research Punjab Nawaz Khan Makan said that the Agriculture Research Wing is working to develop new varieties of crops which is very important for the development of agriculture. CEO DISE Dr. Khurshid Qureshi said that meeting the nutritional needs of climate change and growing population is a big challenge. Students and faculty members of more than 30 universities presented more than 90 innovative business ideas in these competitions. More than 20 stalls of various industries and businesses were set up



LAHORE: A labourer makes bricks at a local kiln in the outskirts of the City. —Online