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Guns in PTI long march Sanaullah now brings forward Gundapur audio

From Our Staff Correspondent

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Interior Rana Sanaullah has brought forward an alleged audio of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) leader Ali Amin Gandapur and unknown person regarding guns and men in the long march and accused party chairman Imran Khan of planning to spread chaos.

Rana Sanaullah brought forward an alleged audio during a news conference, in which PTI leader Ali Amin Gandapur spoke to an unidentified person.

According to the audio, PTI leader and former federal minister Ali Amin Gandapur talked to an unknown persons regarding bringing men and guns in the long march. Earlier

today, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif had formed a committee, consisting of the federal ministers on PTI long march which started from Liberty Chowk, Lahore.

As per sources, the committee will be headed by Interior Minister Rana Sanaullah. While the sources have further revealed that coalition government leaders Ayaz Sadiq, Khawaja Saad Rafique, Qamar Zaman Kaira, Syed Aminul Haque, Mian Iftikhar, Maulana Asad and Marriyum Aurangzeb are included in the committee.

Later, two more cabinet members were added to the committee. BAP Sardar Khalid Magsi and JUI-F's Maulana Hassan Baloch has been added. Now the

Shehbaz shows resentment over IK speeches

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister (PM) Shehbaz Sharif while expressing resentment over Imran Khan speech against army chief and Director General ISI has said no one will be allowed to use derogatory remarks against the state and no intimidation, coercion, pressure and blackmailing is acceptable.

An 11-member committee with reference to talks on the matter of Long March has been constituted under the interior minister Rana Sana Ullah. According to sources PM Shehbaz Sharif has made consultations with the allied parties of the government on the prevailing situation.

During the meeting contacts were made with Nawaz, Zardari and Maulana Fazlur Rehman. Detailed discussion

was made on Imran long march and anti-army agenda in the meeting.

The PM Shehbaz while expressing annoyance over the speech by Imran Khan against army chief and Director General ISI made it clear on PTI that any pressure, coercion and blackmailing is neither acceptable nor any one will be allowed to use abusive language against the state.

PM greets Erdogan on Republic Day of Turkey
Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has felicitated Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan on the 99th Republic Day of Turkey.

The heroic struggle of Turkish people for independence under the leadership of Ghazi Mustafa Kemal Ataturk holds a prominent place. —Online

Imran asks CJP, COAS for justice in Swati case

LAHORE: On its second day, the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) march led by its Chairman Imran Khan has reached Shahdara and has been heading towards Kamoke.

When Imran reached Shahdara, the PTI workers showered him with rose petals. Standing on his container, Imran addressed the marchers at Shahdara.

During his address, Imran called upon Army Chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa and Chief Justice of Pakistan to take action on the torture claim made by Senator Azam Swati urging them to do justice. He said, "Imagine how pitiful that stage must be when one thinks of committing suicide if he is not Muslim. How much humiliation he

must have felt. Our constitution safeguards human dignity. I request Chief Justice of Pakistan to take action on the appeal made by Azam Swati and tell the nation that we are a human society where justice is dispensed. But no justice is dispensed in animals' kingdom. It is our right to get justice," Imran roared.

PTI terms govt body for talks as non-serious
The PTI has termed the committee formed by the government to hold talks as non-serious.

In an exclusive interview with a private television channel, PTI vice-president Shah Mahmood Qureshi said that the nature, terms of reference (ToRs) and agenda of the committee is not clear. —APP



KARACHI: Minister for Finance and Revenue Ishaq Dar chairs a meeting with the heads of Forex Exchange Companies at the State Bank of Pakistan.

■ 10,000 people participated on first day of PTI long march

Govt not to succumb to PTI pressure of holding snap polls

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Muslim League Nawaz (PML-N) Senator Muhammad Zubair on Saturday said that the federal government would not succumb to any pressure, especially related to holding early elections, of the long march staged by Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf Chairman Imran Khan.

Talking to a private news channel, the senator said that the coalition government would decide itself the best time for holding general elections. He also held the government under the leadership of Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif would complete its constitutional tenure. "Nobody would be allowed to create instability in the country, he said, adding, the long march was neither good for the country nor in Pakistan's interest.

Replying a question, he said that "Imran can not hide his reality by taking his political ambitions to the streets as his lies stand exposed." "No group will be allowed to make the state hostage as their nefarious designs will be dealt with an iron hand", he warned.

Another report adds: As many as 9,000 to 10,000 people were included in the PTI's long march, when it started

from Lahore's Liberty Chowk, on Friday.

According to the special report released by the Punjab Police on Saturday, on the first day of the march, PTI workers and supporters remained only within 1.5 kilometers of the city. Giving details about the number of vehicles in the march, the report said that total 22 vans, three Mazda trucks, fitted with light and sound systems, 34 Prado cars, 19 coasters, four buses, six trailers, 20 double cabin vehicles, 66 cars and three tractors were included in it.

The federal government departments, on the other hand, estimated that total 5,000 to 6,000 people were part of the march at the time of its start. Provision of security to the participants of PTI's long march will prove the Punjab Police costly as the Force has demanded over Rs50 million in funds from the Punjab government for arranging meals for the cops as well as under different other heads.

Quoting police officials, the channel reported that more funds would be demanded from the provincial govt if duration of the long march was prolonged

so that the needs of thousands of police personnel, manning different routes of Lahore and the GT Road, could be met.

Police warn guesthouses against accommodating PTI marchers

In order to counter Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf's (PTI) long march, which is on its way from Lahore to Islamabad, Islamabad Police have issued instructions to the owners of hotels and guesthouses in the federal capital not to rent a room to any of the marchers, or otherwise get ready to face the consequences.

The police have conveyed to them that all hotels and guesthouses will be searched on a daily basis, and that strict action will be taken if any PTI worker or supporter is found staying there.

Thousands of people joined the PTI's long march which began from Lahore's Liberty Chowk on Friday, under the leadership of former prime minister and party Chairman Imran Khan to press the government to call early elections.

People could be seen walking on foot along with the container, carrying Imran and the party's top leadership, as well as travelling in cars and on motorcycles as the march made its way

Govt, PTI reveal trust deficit, show no interest on dialogue

ISLAMABAD: In the wake of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf's long march, the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) led government and the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf have indulged in political wrangling as both have said that they are not interested in talks showing an extreme kind of trust deficit in each other.

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Friday night formed a political committee of the Federal Cabinet for holding negotiations with the long marchers. The committee comprising 13 members will be led by Interior Minister Rana Sanaullah Khan. The members include: Ayaz Sadiq, Saad Rafiq, Qamar Zaman Kaira, Khalid Maqbool, Mian Iftikhar, Asad Mahmood, Marriyum Aurangzeb, Dr Tariq Fazal Chaudhry and Tariq Basheer Cheema.

The premier said the committee was established to maintain law and order and hold political talks regarding the long march. He said if anyone wanted to talk about the long march, it would be done with the committee as their doors were always open for negotiations.

But, PTI leader Fawad Chaudhry termed the news of government's offer for negotiation a frivolous one saying that on one hand, the government was arresting the PTI activists and on the other, had formed a non-serious committee only to engage the Azadi march. In his tweet posted on Saturday, Fawad wrote: "The news of government's invitation for talks is frivolous. On the one hand, PTI workers are being arrested and there are restrictions on the coverage of Haqeeqi Azadi March, on the other hand, the news of formation of a non-serious committee is only to engage the Azadi March. These tricks will not do, give the election date."

Meanwhile, Information Minister Marriyum Aurangzeb has said that the foreign funded fraudsters and group of liars have nothing to say and there is no chance of holding negotiations with them. In a state-

ment, the minister said that the foreign funded Fitna (disruptors) wanted to create anarchy and disruption in the country and they wanted to spill blood.

The reality of foreign funded Fitna cannot be concealed by spreading mental filth on roads. Now their lies have been exposed," she added.

Asad clarifies about heated arguments with Hammad

A video of PTI leaders Asad Umar and Hammad Azhar having a heated argument on the container during the long march is circulating on social media.

PTI Chairman Imran was also present at the container when arguments between Umar with two other party leaders Azhar and Sheikh Intiaz took place. The video was also shared by PML-N official Twitter page. The PTI leaders were arguing on numbers of participants in the march, Asad Umar clarified that someone commented that Asad Umar is angry with the local leaders. —DNA

China grants 5b Yuan more aid for flood victims

ISLAMABAD: The People's Republic of China Saturday took an important decision of further donating 5 billion Yuan to Pakistan on emergency grounds. According to the sources, the additional amount will be given for the restoration and renovation in the flood struck areas of Pakistan.

China has informed Pakistan about their grant of the additional emergency funds. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed by PM Shehbaz Sharif in his China tour. China announced the grant of 3 billion Yuan in September, 2022. —DNA

No extension of IT return filing deadline: FBR

From Our Staff Correspondent

ISLAMABAD: The Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) will not extend the late date for filing of income tax returns beyond the deadline of October 31, 2022.

In this connection, the FBR conveyed to the field formations that the late date for filing of income tax returns is October 31, 2022. According to the FBR's instructions to the field formations here on Friday, since it has been decided that no further extension would be granted in the last date of filing of income tax returns, the relevant field offices of all Large Taxpayer Offices (LTOs), Medium Tax Offices, Regional Tax Offices and Corporate Tax Offices would remain open and observe extended working hours till 12 midnight on October 31, to facilitate the taxpayers in the submission of income tax returns.

The FBR has further directed that all chief commissioners should ensure that all applications for extension of filing of returns received within the prescribed time limit may be processed promptly to facilitate the taxpayers. It is reiterated that since last date of filing of income tax returns is October 31, all out efforts must be made to ensure submission of maximum returns to achieve the already assigned targets in this regard.

IK cancels party membership of Faisal Vawda

ISLAMABAD: Chairman PTI Imran Khan has cancelled party, membership of Faisal Vawda for not giving reply to the show cause notice issued to him asking him to clarify his position in regard to press conference held in Islamabad.

The notification on the cancellation of membership of Faisal Vawda by Imran was shared in the tweet made from official account of PTI. It was said in the notification this notice is being issued with reference to show cause notice issued to him on October 26 for violating party policy. The notification said as you have not filed reply to the notice within the stipulated period therefore, your party membership is cancelled. —Online

Old Guantanamo Bay prisoner released: FO

ISLAMABAD: A Pakistani known for being the oldest detainee at the US-run Guantanamo Bay detention facility in Cuba was released to his home country on Saturday, the Foreign Ministry said.

The secretive US military prison once housed hundreds of suspected militants captured by US forces during America's so-called "war on terror" following the 9/11 attacks by Al-Qaeda in 2001. Businessman Saif Ullah Paracha was detained in 2003 in Thailand and accused of financing the militant group, but he has maintained his innocence and claimed a love for the United States. Like most detainees at Guantanamo, Paracha -- aged 75 or 76 -- was never formally charged and had little legal power to challenge his detention. —APP



LAHORE: Punjab Chief Minister Ch Parvez Elahi meets with an eminent businessman and an industrial tycoon Sir Anwar Pervaiz.

CM approves Rs 12 billion funds for flood affectees

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Punjab Chief Minister Ch Parvez Elahi presided over a high level meeting at CMO in which the Head of Punjab Ehsas Programme Dr. Sania Nishtar, Provincial Minister Mohsin Leghari and former Federal Minister Moonis Elahi attended.

The CM accorded approval of the funds amounting to Rs 12 billion on the whole for the rehabilitation and settlement of the flood-affected people adding that Rs 3.2 billion were being collected in the telethon on the

appeal of Chairman PTI Imran Khan in which he also participated.

He disclosed that Rs10 billion have been allocated to redress the losses of houses and the livestock while Rs 2 billion have been allocated to provide financial assistance to the farmers whose fields were ruined due to the flood. He apprised that the farmers having less than 12.5 acres of land will be disbursed Rs 5000/per acre while Rs 2 lac/financial aid will be given on the falling down of adobe houses while Rs 4 lac/financial aid will be given to the owners of the bricked houses. He informed that the owners of the livestock will also be given financial aid

in the flood-affected areas.

Parvez highlighted that the Punjab government is doing the rehabilitation work of the flood-affectedees from its own resources and from the CM Flood Relief Fund. He vowed that we will fulfil our responsibility by redressing the losses of all the flood-affected people. CM denounced that the financial assistance not being given to the flood-affectedees of Punjab by the Federal government is highly sorrowful and worth condemnation adding that the Federal government left the flood-affectedees of Punjab alone.

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