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National Assembly calls budget session on June 5



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National Assembly has called a budget session on
June 5.
According to sources, National Assembly's
session will be presided over by Speaker Ayaz
Saddiqon June 5 at 5pm at Parliament House. Saddiqon June 5 at 5pm at Parliament House.
It is pertinent to note that the federal budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 will be presented in National Assembly on June 8.
Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb will present the federal budget 2024-2025.
According to sources, the debate on budget will be commenced from June 10.

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Meanwhile, approval of budget will be done on last week of June after Eid ul Adha.

It is pertinent to note that Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government announced its first budget of Rs1.7 trillion for the upcoming fiscal year on May 24, called its session today for discussion on the budget.

Pakistan's second satellite mission 'PAKSAT MM1' set for launch



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Pakistan's latest communication satellite MM1 is
slated to launch on May 30, Thursday.
SUPARCO's vision is a developed digital
Pakistan. SUPARCO's vision to provide internet
in remote areas is becoming a reality.
PAKSAT MM1 will help to improve the TV
broadcasts, celluar phone service, and broadband
service. It will initiated its services from August of
this year.

Sardar Tanveer Ilyas granted bail in diplomatic passport misuse

case



Soon Times Correspondent

SIAMAISAD
The Islamabad sessions court has ordered the release of former prime minister of Azad Kashmir Sardar Tanveer Ilyas by granting him bail. Tanveer Ilyas's counsel stated that maximum conviction under the section was of three years. He demanded that accused Tanveer Ilyas must be greated bail. granted bail

granted bail. He also informed the court that his client Ilyas's confiscated passport had also been returned. During the hearing, Federal Investigation Agency's (FIA) officials presented the record in court. However, the FIA prosecutor raised reservations on the bail of Sardar Tanveer Ilyas. Consequently, Judicial Magistrate Abbas Shah approved the bail of Ilyas in illegal diplomatic passport case against Rs 100,000 surety bonds. Sardar Tanveer Ilyas was accused of possessing his diplomatic passport after stepping down from the position of premier.

Seven soldiers martyred, 23 terrorists killed in three KP operations

Captain Hussain Jehangir and Havildar Shafiqullah embraced shahadat on May 26



RAWALPINDI
Security forces have eliminated 23 terrorists in three operations in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
The Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR), in a statement, said seven soldiers were martyred during the operations

27.

On May 26, an intelligence-based operation was conducted in general area Hassankhel, Peshawar, where six terrorists were successfully neutralised by the security forces and multiple hideouts were busted.

"Capitain Hussain Jehaneir"

also embraced Shahadat on May 26, while fighting gallantly," said the statement. On May 27, security forces conducted another operation in Tank district, where troops effectively engaged the terrorists location, as a result of which 10 terrorists were killed. The hird engagement occurred in general area Bagh, Khyber District, where security forces killed seventerorists. He had to be a second to the second

Seven desks established under SIFC to attract foreign investment: Atta Tarar

Correspondent ISLAMABAD ISLAMABAD
Minister for
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Attaullah Tarar has
said seven desks
have been
established under Special Investment acilitation

Council to attract investment from Saudi Arabia, UAE, Qatar, China, European Union, the US and Far East. Addressing a news conference in Islamabad today, he said the investors of friendly countries

today, he said the investors of Iriendly countries are expressing their satisfaction over the one window facility being provided by the SIFC. He said the UAE has announced to make ten billion dollars investment in Pakistan while there is also progress of bringing five billion dollar investment from Saudi Arabia. He was according to the these investments will be the province that the province the province of the province that the province the province confident that these investments will

Economic Corridor (CPEC) project. Attaullah Tarar said the country's economy is taking off. He said the Current Account Deficit and inflation have declined while IT exports are witnessing surge. He pointed out that the world financial institutions are also acknowledging our economic revival The Information Minister regretted the posture of a particular political party savine its narrative of a particular political party savine its narrative.

The Information Minister regretted the posture of a particular political party saying its narrative is based on enmity against the country. He said the narrative of this party will not succeed and Pakistan will continue its journey towards development.

Information Minister said Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif will also visit China in a few days' time to

future' with Aurangzeb



US envoy Blome discusses 'economic

Soon Times Correspondent ISLAMABAD

United States Ambassador Donald Blome said on Monday Washington "is a strong partner for Pakistan's economic

future."
According to a US Mission in Islamabad press release, Ambassador Blome met Amoassador Blome met Pakistan Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb here "to discuss key aspects of the US-Pakistan trade, investment, and economic relationship. The Ambassador highlighted ongoing US support for Pakistan's economic reform

agenda." The press release added that "Ambassador Blome noted the "Ambassador Blome noted the United States is committed to working with Pakistan in technical and development initiatives, emphasizing that the United States remains Pakistan's largest export market, a major source of high-quality investment and a strong partner for list comounic future."

'After Quaid-e-Azam, Nawaz Sharif made Muslim League popular'



Adviser to Prime Minister on Political and Public Affairs Rana Sanaullah said that after Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, Nawaz Sharif made the Muslim-League the most 'popular' political

party,
Addressing a presser, Rana
Sanaullah who is also the Pakistan
Muslim League-Nawaz's (PML-N)
intra-party Chief Election

are being field in a wantermanner.
He said that the aspiring PML-N members could submit in nomination papers from 10 am to 12 pm on May 28 and can withdraw the same by 2 pm on the

same day.
"The final list of candidates of the candidates will be released by 3 pm," he added
To a question, he said that former

Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi can also collect and submit nomination papers, submit nomination papers, adding that his eligibility will be decided by the scrutiny

committee.

Rama Sanaullah said that the
PML-N's president slot was
vacated after Prime Minister
Shehbax Sharif's resignation.
He said that according to the
party's constitution, the election
process has started.

Sargodha: Punjab Minister for Minority Affairs Visits Mujahid Colony

He shared that Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif had directed that all possible measures be taken to save human lives.

SARGODHA Provincial Minister for Minority

Provincial Minister for Minority Affairs, Ramesh Singh Arora, visited Mujahid Colony on Monday to inspect the site of the tragic incident that occurred two days earlier and to gain insight into the situation. Speaking to the media on the occasion, he described the Mujahid Colony incident as heart-wrenching and an attack on the Constitution of Pakistan. He shared that Chier Minister Maryam Nawaz. Sharif had directed that all possible measures be taken to save human lives. Responding to a question, he revealed that the cases had been registered under terrorism question, he revealed that the cases had been registered under terrorism charges against 250 to 300 midentified individuals involved in the incident. He said, "based on solid evidence, police have arrested 44 suspects, out of which 33 have been remanded to judicial custody." Arora



and the country. He commended the police officers for their bravery in rescuing the affected families without regard at the cost of their own lives. He clarified that no fatalities occurred in the incident, with only one injured person currently receiving treatment. "The Chief Minister, after taking the oath, had declared that minorities are a crownjewel of the nation, and measures are being taken to prevent such incidents in the future,", the minister

added Commissioner Muhammad Ajmal Bhatti, RPO Shariq Kamal Siddiqui, Deputy Commissioner Captain (R) Aurangzeb Haider Khan, MPAs Jigaz Alam Augustine, Sonia Ashar, and Shakeela Ather, along with Christian leaders and religious figures, accompanied him during the visit. Earlier, the minister participated a meeting held at Commissioner office on the said incident.......

Editorial & Opinion

"Azadi Fellows" from IRCRA

Studies Islamabad (ISSI) hosted a delegation of the International Research Council for Religious Affairs (IRCRA) as part of their Azadi Fellowship program, which aims to engage University and madrasa graduates to deepen their understanding of regional and global affairs. The event provided a platform for a wide range exchanges on critical issues with the young delegates drawn from different parts of Pakistan.Director General ISSI Ambassador Sohail Mahmood, in his address on the subject of "Regional Stability in a Global Context," emphasized the importance of the current historical juncture, noting another defining moment in world politics. He reflected on the ongoing debate among intellectuals regarding the perceived 'decline of the West' and the 'rise of the rest', particularly the shift of the global center of gravity from the West to the East. He also touched upon the concept of the 'Thucydides Trap,' the intensifying competition between the U.S. and China, as well as the impact of longstanding unresolved disputes such as Palestine and Kashmir on regional and global stability. He also highlighted transnational terrorism; the critical food, fuel and financial crises (3Fs); and the existential threat posed by climate change. Additionally, he highlighted the effect of emerging technologies and the risks posed by

their militarization. The DG ISSI underscored the intrinsic link between internal strength and external influence and stressed that a stable polity, a robust economy, and nimble diplomacy, were indispensable to respond effectively to the current and future challenges and to realize the opportunities. Earlier, Dr. Talat Shabbir, Director of the China-Pakistan Study Centre, provided an introduction of ISSI and its research work. He elaborated the Institute's rich history, organizational structure, and core mission. He highlighted ISSI's commitment to policy inputs, fostering dialogues, advocating for critical issues, extending outreach, and conducting in-depth analysis

on various strategic matters. During the question-and-answer session, the "Azadi Fellows" and other attendees posed insightful questions, leading to a lively and informative discussion. Topics ranged from specific regional conflicts to broader global strategic trends, providing an opportunity for deeper understanding and exchange of ideas. At the end of the discussion, the President of IRCRA, Mr. Israr Madni, thanked ISSI for the opportunity for "Azadi Fellows" for an insightful discourse. The event concluded with closing remarks from Ambassador Khalid Mahmood, Chairman BoG, ISSI.

Miracles are present everywhere, and that's what a doctorate

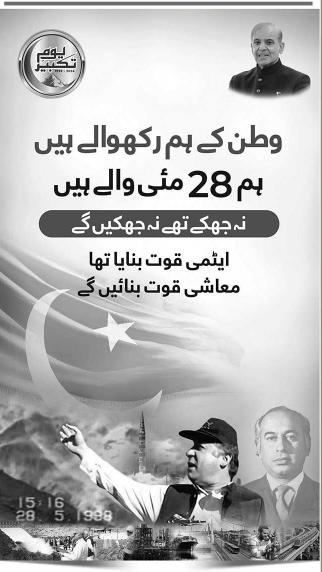
Itrat Zahra

Witnessed in a small drop of stagnant wastewater under the lense of a microscope. Her research is under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Farah Rauf Shakoori. She has also worked at John's Hopkins university USA in Betenbaugh's laboratory. Dr. Itrat is working from last 7 years on a

"Paramecium" from which she has successfully extracted chemical compounds that have the same chemical properties as synthetic plastics. These microbial-based plastics are known as polyhydroxyalkanoates or Green Plastics and they can be a good alternative to synthetic plastics that are causing environmental

pollution. This is a first-time report introducing Paramecium in the field of Biopolymer technology. The discovery has been published in International Journal of Environmental Science and Technology. Now, there is a need to culture these tiny but miraculous species at a large-scale to solve the environmental issues arising from high plastic buildum.

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.Peace in South Asia and the Middle East



Dr. Muhammad AkramZaheer

The rapidity with which the newly appointed Pakistani Prime Minister, Shehbaz Sharif, embarked on his inaugural official visit to Saudi Arabia underscored the significance of the relationship between the two nations. However, what truly captured global attention was the outcome of this visit, marked by a joint declaration that not only reaffirmed Saudi Arabia's commitment to invest \$5 billion in Pakistan but also urged for the resolution of longstanding disputes between Pakistan and India, notably the contentious issue of Jammu and Kashmir.This diplomatic move by Saudi Arabia aligns with a broader trend of Gulf nations actively engaging in efforts to facilitate peace between India and Pakistan. The United Arab Emirates, in particular, had previously brokered a crucial ceasefire between the two South Asian neighbors in 2021, effectively diffusing escalating tensions and averting potentially catastrophic cross-border conflicts that had flared up since 2019. The motivations driving Saudi Arabia and the UAE to step into the role of mediators in the India-Pakistan conflict are multifaceted and rooted in both regional geopolities and historical dynamics. Understanding the complexities behind their intervention necessitates a nuanced appreciation of the evolving landscape in both the Middle East and South Asia.Firstly, the Gulf states have strategic interests in fostering stability in South Asia. given its proximity to the energyrich region they inhabit. Instability or conflict in the Indian subcontinent could have ripple effects on global energy markets, which the Gulf economies heavily rely on. Additionally, Saudi Arabia and the UAE seek to position themselves as key players in regional diplomacy, enhancing their geopolitical stature and influence on the world stage.Furthermore, both countries have historical ties with Pakistan, shaped by shared religious affiliations and longstanding economic partnerships. However, they also maintain significant

relations with India, the world's largest democracy and a crucial trading partner. By advocating for peace between Islamabad and New Delhi, Saudi Arabia and the UAE aim to navigate a delicate balancing act, maintaining cordial relations with both countries while promoting regional stability. Moreover, the Gulf States' involvement in mediating the India-Pakistan conflict reflects a broader trend of increased diplomatic activism in the region. As traditional power dynamics undergo shifts and new geopolitical fault lines emerge, Saudi Arabia and the UAE are seeking to assert themselves as key arbiters of peace and stability, not only within the Middle East but also in neighboring regions.

The ties between the Middle East and South Asia have a rich and complex history, spanning centuries of commercial, religious, and cultural interactions. These connections have endured through various historical epochs, but recent times have seen significant developments, particularly since the establishment of modern Middle Eastern states after the collapse of the Ottoman Empire and the partition of India and Pakistan Saudi Arabia emerged as a crucial supporter of Pakistan shortly after its inception in 1947. Despite being resourceconstrained, Pakistan, with its substantial Sunni-majority Muslim population, found a reliable ally in Saudi Arabia. Over the years, Saudi Arabia, along with the UAE, has provided Pakistan with essential financial assistance in the form of loans, grants, and concessional oil. Pakistan reciprocates by sending a significant portion of workforce, numbering 12.4 million overseas workers, predominantly to these Gulf states. These workers, constituting over 77% of nearly 830,000 who ventured abroad for employment in 2022, contribute substantially to Pakistan's economy through remittances. The relationship between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia extends beyond economics to encompass strategic and security dimensions. Pakistan played a pivotal role in training "holy warriors" alongside Saudi Arabia and the US to combat the Soviet Union's presence in Afghanistan following its occupation in 1979. Furthermore, during the Iran-Iraq war in the 1980s, Pakistan stationed tens of thousands of troops in Saudi

Arabia. Military collaboration, including training and arms exports, has been a consistent feature of Pakistan's engagement with Saudi Arabia and the UAE. Additionally, Pakistan, along with Saudi Arabia and the UAE, supported the rise of the Taliban in Afghanistan during the early 1990s, perceiving it as a buffer contrasted with India and Iran's backing of the multi-ethnic Northern Alliance, reflecting broader regional power dynamics.Despite its close ties with Saudi Arabia and the UAE Pakistan also seeks to maintain relations with Iran, mindful of its significant Shi'a minority. Iran was the first country to recognize Pakistan's independence, and both nations enjoyed closer security cooperation during the reign of the shah, particularly through their involvement in the Baghdad Pact. However, the 1979 Iranian revolution altered the geopolitical landscape, fracturing alliances and forcing Pakistan to navigate a divided Middle East marked by the rivalry between Iran and Saudi Arabia. Pakistan found itself embroiled in a sectarian proxy war. exacerbated by the rise of Sunni militant groups nurtured by Saudi and American support for the Afghan jihad. Consequently, sectarian tensions have become entrenched within Pakistan, posing challenges to its internal stability.

In recent years, Pakistan has made concerted efforts to strengthen its ties with Iran, albeit hindered by American sanctions on Iran and concerns regarding crossborder militancy. The prospect of being drawn into Saudi-Iranian proxy conflicts has further complicated Pakistan's diplomatic stance, notably demonstrated by its 2015 parliamentary decision against joining the Saudi-led coalition aimed at combating the Iranian-backed Houthi rebels in Yemen and reinstating Yemen's internationally recognized government. This neutrality in Yemen's conflict was a difficult choice for Pakistan, given its historically strong relationship with Saudi Arabia, which has provided crucial diplomatic and financial support, particularly during times of international isolation following Pakistan's nuclearization in response to India's tests in 1998.Former Prime Minister Imran Khan's efforts to foster alliances with Muslim.



Regional News

Martyrdom of ATI worker Roman Sajid will be the first step for the freedom of Palestine: Nasir Abbas

Central Chairman of Imam Hasar Central Charman of Imam Hasan Council of Pakistan and Gadi Nashin of Darbar Hazrat Pir Muhammad Yar Bhatti Nowshahi Qadri known as Baba Mali Shah Sarkar Sahibzada Pir Nasir Abbas Nowshahi Qadri Advocate has said that the worker of Anjuman Tulba Islam International Islamic Islam International Islamic Islam international Islamic University Islamabad, student of B.S. Husoul e Din 5th Semester, Muhammad Roman Sajid, was participating in the protest camp of Anjuman Tulba Islam for the freedom of Palestine when he was ma





Roman Sajid was a resident of Kotli Azad Kashmir. With his martyrdom, Anjuman Tulba Islam has lost a fearless and active worker. Muhammad Roman Sajid's martyrdom will prove to be the first step for the freedom of Palestine. His killers and

Palestine. His killers and guardians of killers should be aware that the blood of Martyrs of Anjuman will not go in vain. The workers of Imman Hasan Council Pakistan and Anjuman Tulba Islam are protesting across the country over the martyrdom of Muhammad Roman Sajid.

Pakistan's gas transmission system 'at risk' due to line pack pressure

Soon Times Correspondent ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's gas transmission and distribution system is at and distribution system is at risk due to increasing line pack pressure which has surged to a dangerous level of 5.13 billion cubic feet (bcf) after May 5. The pressure in the gas transmission system remained at a manageable level of 4.570-4.97bcf between May 5 and May 25 but has now soared to critical

level of 4,570-4,576cb between May 5 and May 25 but has now soared to critical levels owing to the reduction in the use of Re-Gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) by the power sector, a senior official told the publication. "Now, the gas system has come again under durees on May 25-26 mainly because of reduction in the use of RLNG by the power sector," the official said, adding that the pipeline could burst any time as the gas transmission system becomes more vulnerable if the gas pressure surges past 5bef-mark. The official's remark come as line pack pressure stood at 5,13bef on Sunday as opposed to Saturday's 5,17bef. The local Exploration and Production (E&P) companies have

Production (E&P) companies have reduced gas flows by 176mmcf from 783 to 605mmcf, which is dangerous



for the operation of gas fields. The power sector has slashed its RLNG use to 475mmcf as fuel for electricity generation owing to which the line pack pressure has increased to 1.530bcf, putting the gas transmission system

putting the gas transmission system under duress. Meanwhile, gas consumption in the fertiliser industry stands at 52 mmcf as compared to Saturday's consumption of 40mmcf with low RLNG consumption (24mmcf) by Fatima Fertiliser due to start up of their plant at 1900 hrs on May 24 after completion of their Annual Turn Avanual (ATA) Around (ATA).

Around (AIA).
Furthermore, system gas consumption
by Engro Fertilizer was suspended at
2200 hrs on April 22 due to start up of
Annual Turn Around of their plant for
about 54 days

With the current RLNG consumption

rate standing at 32 mmcfd, the data warns extreme high-pressure condition prevails throughout the transmission network due to reduced offtake of RLNG by the power sector. Commenting on the steps taken to tackle the situation, he said that authorities have

taken to tackle the situation, he said that authorities have started reducing gas flows from local gas fields into the Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) system to reduce the line pack pressure. However, the official noted that reduction in gas flow from local gas fields poses significant risks to maintaining the current local gas production level. Recalling the repeated warnings by exploration and production companies against the "perilous" practice of decreasing local gas flows to safeguard the gas transmission system, he said that gas wells nearing depletion are compelled to reduce natural gas flows, causing irreparable damage, and they cannot recharge to their original flow levels.

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The wells require capital-intensive investment through artificial lift methods to resume production, he concluded.

SHC slams K-Electric, expresses fury over loadshedding in Karachi

The Sindh High Court Monday expressed ispleasure over loadshedding in areas displeasure over loadshedding in areas where people live hand to mouth, reprimanding the K-Electric lawyer in the case pertaining to unannounced power cuts in Jamshed unters on Jahangir Road. SHC's Justice Salahuddin, who was haring a petition related to the aforementioned matter, asked the company's counsel to submit an affidavit and told him to write under each should the

and told him to write under oath about the extent of load shedding being done in the

Responding to the court, the K-Electric lawyer said the company objected on the



petitioner who fights cases and charges

court remarked how much mone The court remarked how much money could this lawyer have earned from fees and that there are some people who do such cases for public interest. The court also questioned about the financial status of the impacted area's

residents, responding to which the petitioner said it is mostly comprised of poor, middle-class people who do not even have an air conditioner in their homes. There is load shedding where people don't even have an AC and where people

don't even have an AC and where people have nothing to eat," the court remarked. Meanwhile, addressing the prosecutor, Justice Salahuddin Panhwar said: "European countries give funds for plantations. They pay money to plant trees on thousands of acres here." The judge told the prosecutor that solar panels should be installed using this money for people in such areas. He added that the government won't install solar panels in schools and libraries.

Over 1,000 students rescued amid Haripur school inferno

Soon Times Correspondent HARIPUR All the students and teachers were safely rescued after fire engulfed a school in Haripur district of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Monday, as the inferno torched the entire building.

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The fire was triggered by short-circuit, as over 1,000 students were attending their classes at the Government Girls Higher Secondary School in Sirikot – a village located at a distance of 23 kilometres from the district headquarters. Rescuers and locals failed to contain the fire which got out of control because of material in the structure, especially the wooden furniture in classrooms, as firefighters rushed from the nearby towns.

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However, the local people managed to evacuate the students and staff members before the first orched the entire building before the arrival of 'Oficials' from different departments.
Later, the rescuers confirmed the reports that none of the persons present in the school

received any injuries in the horrific incident, as strong winds were making the efforts to extinguish the fire.

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thus ruling out the
possibility of fire spreading to other buildings.
The incident occurred amid the persistent
heatwave affecting Pakistan for over a week,
which is expected to continue for another two

which is expected to continue for anomer two-days.
However, the school building is fortunately isn't located in a congested area, thus ruling out the possibility of fire spreading to other buildings. It worth noting that summer vacations in Islamabad, Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa usaully start from June I till August 15. However, the change in weather pattern and rising temperatures mean that there is an urgent need to modify the schedule, as the month of May is now associated with heatwaves, pushing the mercury over 45 degree Celsius in even those areas where it was previously considered unthinkable or at least an anomaly.

Govt announces public holiday on Youm-e-Takbeer

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif declares May 28 as public holiday



ISLAMABA).

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Monday announced a public holiday on Younne-Takbeer falling on May 28 (tomorrows) to mark the historic day when Pakistan conducted successful nuclear tests in the hills of Chaghai in 1998.

In a statement, PM Shehbaz said the Younne-Takbeer reminded the Pakistani nation of unity omake the defence of the country in vincible. On this day, the premier said, the entire nation had resolved for the integrity of this country that no compromise would be made on the country's defence by accepting any kind of external pressure.

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On this day, we also pay tribute to [former PM] Zulfåra Ali Bhutto for initiating Pakistan's nuclear programme and the scientists who played an important role in its maintenance; the premier added.

PM Shehbaz said that the entire nation

including him also pledged that they would work hard day and night to ensure the economic security of this country like they made the defence of this country inpregnable on May 28, 1998. The muke tests Pakistan's nuclear tests not only demonstrated the nation's resolve to safeguard the country's territorial integrity, independence and sovereignty but also the desire to preserve strategic balance in South Asia. India tested its "device" for the first time in 1974 which compelled Pakistan to expedite its nuclear programme with renewed commitment. Amid slogans of "Allah-o-Akbar", Pakistan conducted its first test on May 28, 1998, at the Ras Koh hills in the Chaphain District of Balochistan.

Balochistan.
Pakistan is committed to the promotion of an environment of peace and stability in South Asia while preserving its capability to ward off aggression or adventurism in any form.
Islamabad is a partner in international efforts to strengthen the global non-proliferation regime based on the principles of non-discrimination and equal security for all states adheres to the latest international standards on export controls and maintains the highest standards of nuclear safety and security.

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- Vender will be applicable for the whole financial year 2023-24.

Suspect arrested after 5-year-old girl married to 13-year-old boy in Sheikhupura

Police on Monday arrested at least one suspect in the

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one suspect in the case pertaining to child marriage after a five-year-old girl was married to a 13-year-old boy in Sheikhupura's Kot Nazir area.
Police said the suspect was arrested in a raid.

while more raids were being conducted to catch the other suspects involved in the child marriage. It should be noted that it is illegal in Punjab to marry before the age of 16. Yet, child marriages

are prevalent in the province.

The police spokesperson said a case had been registered on behalf of assistant sub inspector of Sadar Muredke police station under the Child

Marriage Act.
The first information report (FIR) mentioned that the children were forcibly being married, adding that the suspects fled away as soon as they saw

police coming.

According to the FIR, grandfather of the kid, identified as Yousaf, admitted that he along with his son Muzammil Abbas was forcibly marrying his grandchild.

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South Africa's Steenhuisen wages mission to stop 'doomsday coalition'



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On paper, South Africa's election this week should present a golden opportunity for the opposition Democratic Alliance (DA) and its leader John Steenhuisen.

The African National Congress (ANC) — the party of Nelson Mandela in power for the last 30 years — has little to boast about. The economy has barely grown in the last decade. The jobless rate is among the world's highest Liffastructure is crumbling.

The DA, the country's second biggest party, can point to an objectively better track record in Western Cape, its stronghold and the sole province not controlled by the ANC.



New Caledonia state of emergency to be lifted, says Paris

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PARIS/SYDNEY

Seven more mobile force units will soon arrive as reinforcements in New Caledonia, the Elysie said in a statement on Monday, also indicating a state of emergency would end as planned in the French Pacific territory on Tuesday morning local time. The state of emergency would end on Monday evening at 8:00 pm in Paris (Tuesday 5:00 am in Nounca). Seven people have been killed hundreds arrested and large numbers of buildings and cars destroyed in a fornight of upheaval triggered by a contested electoral reform and fuelled by sharp economic disparities between the indigenous Kanak population and people of European background. Police shot dead a man on Fridad people of European background.



Israeli airstrikes kill at least 35 in Rafah, Gaza authorities say

Strikes occurred in Tel Al-Sultan, where thousands have sought shelter after fleeing city's eastern areas

CAIRO:
Israeli air strikes killed on Monday at least 35
Palestinians and wounded dozens in an area in the
southern Gaza Stripe riyo of Rafah designated for the
displaced.
The Israeli military claimed its air force struck a
Hamas resistance group's compound in Rafah and that
the strike was carried out with "precise ammunition
and on the basis of precise intelligence."
Without specifying the casualties, the Israeli military
further claimed that the air strike targeted and
eliminated two officials of the resistance group
Hamas.

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"The IDF is aware of reports indicating that as a result of the strike and fire that was ignited several civilians in the area were harmed. The incident is under review."

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The spokesman for the health ministry in Gaza, Ashraf Al-Odra, said 35 people were killed and dozens others, most of them women and children, were wounded in the attack.

The strike took place in the Tel Al-Sultan neighbourhood in wester after in the Tel Al-Sultan neighbourhood in wester after in many of del man area of the city where Israeli forces began a ground offensive over two weeks ago.

The International Committee of the Red Cross said its field hospital in Rafah was receiving an influx of casualties, and that other hospitals also were taking in a large number of patients.

Senior Hamas official Sami Abu Zuhri deseribed the attack in Rafah sa "massace", holding the United States responsible for ading Israel with weapons and money.

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"The air strikes burnt the tents, the tents are melting and the people's bodies are also melting," said one of the residents who arrived at the Kuwaiti hospital in Rafah.

EU-Israel relations take a nosedive as Spain, Ireland set to formally recognize a Palestinian state

BRUSSELS
Relations between the European Union and Israel took a noseditive on the eve of the diplomatic recognition of a Palestinian state by EU members Ireland and Spain, with reland and Spain, with same tions a fixed to the southern Gaunst Israel for its continued attacks in the southern Gaza city of Rafah.

the southern Gaza city of Rafahi. Israeli: Foreign Minister Katz told Spain that its consulate in Jerusalem will not be allowed to help Palestinians. At the same time, the EU's foreign policy chief Josep Borrell, a Spaniard, threw his full weight to support international Criminal Court, warmed against Prime Minister Benjiamin Relanyahu and others, including the leaders of Hamas.

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"The prosecutor of the court has been strongly intimidated and accused of antisemitism," Borrell said. "The word antisemitic, it's too heavy. It's too

important."

Angry words abounded Monday, with Katz accusing Spain of "revarding terror" by recognizing a Palestinian state, and saying that "the days of the state, and saying that "the days of the state, and saying that "the days of the inflamous Spainsh institution started in inflamous Spainsh institution started in the 15th century to maintain Roman Catholic orthodoxy that forced Jews and Muslims to flee, convert to Catholicism or, in some instances, face death. "No one will force us to convert our religion or threaten our existence — those who harm us, we will harm in return," said Katz.

South Africa's election could bring the biggest political shift since it became a democracy in 1994



CAPETOWN

South Africans will vote on Wednesday to South Africans will vote on Wednesday to decide whether their country will take its most significant political step since the moment 30 years ago when it brought down aparthed and achieved democracy. This national election will not be as momentous as the one South Africa held property of the work of the property of the work of the property of the work of the property of the prope

Mandela led the African National Congress party to victory as Black South Africans who were the majority were allowed to vote for the first time. Officially ended a half-century of racial segregation under apartheid — a violently enforced system that attracted the world's outrage — and hundreds of years of white minority rule. But while the ANC still governs in 2024, it is want frigin file goundary for the property of the prop

But while the ANC still governs in 2024, it is amid rising discontent caused largely by high levels of unemployment and poverty. That could result in a majority of Sound Africans choosing another party this week over the one that led them to freedom. "Thirty years of South African democracy does not mean we should endure an eternity under the ANC," John Steenhuisen, the leader of the main opposition Democratic Alliance party, said in the run-up to the election.

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Any change is not expected to be sweeping, though. The possible repercussions are complex because while several polls have the ANC's support at less than 50%, suggesting it is in danger of losing its majority for the first time, no opposition party has risen to a position to overtake it. The ANC is still widely expected to be the largest party, well ahead of an increasing number of opposition movements that are splitting the disaffected vote.

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But without an outright majority, the ANC
would likely have to strike agreements or
coalitions with others to remain in
government and reelect President Cyril
Ramaphosa.



Sports & Showbiz

T20 World Cup: Jaw-dropping prices of tickets for Pakistan, India match



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(Web Des.)

Ticket prices for the T20 world cup match between arch-rivals India and Pakistan have gone through the roofs. Marquee T-20 tournament will commence across the Atlantic in US and West Indies on June 1. Both subcontinent teams from group A will come across each other on June 9. Cricket Iovers have been eagerly waiting for the Indo-Pak Tixture. Meanwhile, PIN-S ex commissioner Laiit Modi has accused ICC of taking the ticket prices to \$20,000 taking the ticket prices for \$20,000 taking the grabe of promoting cricket buffs under the garb of promoting cricket.

in the USA.

On his X handle, he claimed that the price of a single Diamond Club ticket was \$20,000 (Rs.56 million) and that of a normal stand \$2.750 (Rs.0.76m approximately).

He said the purpose of organising T-20 World Cup in the USA was to promote erricket and establish contact with cricket enthusiasts but profiteering from them in the name officekets was uncalled for. According to some media reports, tickets for few high-octane matches are being sold aft high rates whereas ICC hasn't issued any statement in this regard.

She also recently uploaded the latest pictures adorning the sky blue colour on

Sana Nawaz talks about



Australia captain

provides injury

update ahead of

(Web Desk)
Australia captain Mitch Marsh has declared himself fit
and ready to go for the start of his side's ICC Men's
T20 World Cup campaign.
The all-rounder injured his hamstring during the early
stages of the Indian Premier League and has not
played at any level since failing to trouble the scorers
at the start of April for the Delhi Capitals against
eventual champions Kolkata Knight Riders.
But with the start of the T20 World Cup less than a
week away, Marsh looked in good touch when joining
a group of his teammates at training in Trinidad on
Sunday and will be fit to take on Oman in their
tournament opener in Barbados on June 5.

difficulties in life and ways to cope with them



LAHORE

Pakistan showbiz industry well-known actor Sana Nawaz recently speaks her heart out on how to live calmly and peacefully so that one is able to enjoy the beauty of nature which is often hidden in the materialistic lives.

h e r Instagram handle. Captioning the post she said, many incidents occur in lives where a person's character is "Often undue criticism is aimed at the person but it does not mean, the actor continued, that life should not be cherished but it requires efforts to defeat these forces which are targeting the one's life."

Spain name Torres, Perez in Euro 2024 squad, Asensio left out



MADRID
Forward Marco Asensio was the surprise omission when three-time champions Spain named their 29-man preliminary squad for the European Championship on Monday as Ferran Torres and Ayoze Perez made the cut.

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Monday as Ferran Torres and Ayoze Perez made the cut. Barcelona teenagers Lamine Yamal and Pau Cubarsi were also included along with team mate Fermin Lopez who received his first call—ye. Real Madrid centre back Nacho returned to the squad as defenders Sergio Ramos, Pau Torres and Pedro Porro missed out but the omission of Paris St Germani's Asensio was the biggest shock: "I admire Asensio. Let's focus on those who are here and give them the value they deserve," coach Luis de la Fuente told a news conference on Monday.

Monday. "I am left with their (Torres and "I am telt with their (Torres and Perez) enthusiasm. In addition to their talent, they have shown enthusiasm. They are very versatile players. Fermin is going to make a leap forward with this call-up. I hope they show all the potential they have."

have."
"Maybe one of those players that
now I'm thinking that wouldn't make
the cut for the tournament changes

my mind and make his case to deserve a place in the final 26-man squad* De La Fuente said. The deadline for naming the final squad is June 7. "Unfortunately, there could be injuries," De La Fuente said. "We want to give guarantees and minimises the risks." Last year's UEFA Nations League champions Spain play home friendlies against Andorra and Northern Ireland before travelling to Germany where they begin their Group B campagian against Croatia on June 15 in Berlin.

De La Fuente said he was confident Spain had the ability to go deep in the tournament. "In everyone's mind are the teams

"In everyone's mind are the teams that are going to go all the way in this European Championship," he said. "This story has a certain end. Only two teams are going to make it. We are going to try to fight to go all the way."
Spain preliminary squad: Spain preliminary squad: Goal Keepers: Unai Simon (Athletic Bilbao), Alex Remiro (Real Sociedad), David Raya (Arsenal). Defenders: Dani Carvaial (Real

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