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Political Developments

IHC declares poet Ahmed Farhad 'missing person' till he reaches home safe

Dawn, 10 June 2024

Islamabad High Court's (IHC's) Justice Mohsin Akhtar Kayani has ordered that Kashmiri poet Ahmed Farhad be declared an 'enforced disappearance/missing person' till he reaches his home safely. A written order stated that 'Syed Farhad Ali Shah is declared an enforced disappearance/missing person until he reaches his home safely.' Farhad had been allegedly abducted from his home on 15 May, with the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan calling for his immediate release. A petition had been filed by Farhad's wife in the IHC the same day, requesting that he be found and produced before the court and to identify, investigate and prosecute those responsible for his disappearance.

Justice Kayani had also framed 12 questions, mostly related to the functions and obligations of spy agencies the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), Military Intelligence (MI) and the Intelligence Bureau (IB). After multiple IHC orders, Farhad resurfaced on 29 May when the government informed the court that the poet was in the custody of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) police under the case registered the same day of obstructing public servant's duties. On 1 June, Farhad was brought to a health facility

in Muzaffarabad for his medical check-up hours after his counsel had requested the same before an anti-terrorism court (ATC).

Last week, an 'AJK' ATC rejected the poet's bail plea, holding that the legal points advanced by his counsel did not apply to the case in hand. On 7 June the IHC had disposed of the petition seeking Farhad's recovery, with the remarks that apparently it was causing hardship to the incarcerated poet. In the written order issued today for the same hearing, Justice Kayani observed that when Farhad would reach his home, the investigation officer of Islamabad's Lohi Bher police station was bound to record his statement 'under Section 164 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) before a judicial magistrate and proceed with the investigation as a result.'

On the matter of combining all such cases of enforced disappearance sub judice before the IHC and forming a larger bench to hear them, Justice Kayani ordered that the cases be presented before IHC Chief Justice Aamer Farooq so he, using his administrative powers, may form a larger bench so that this matter of public interest can be dealt with in a better way. Further, the judge directed the IHC registrar to invite the director generals of the ISI, MI and the IB as well as the Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) incharge at the next meeting of the Criminal Justice Committee so they could present their requests and recommendations.

The meeting's aim would also be for all institutions — including the Islamabad police, inspector general and chief commissioner as well as the interior and law ministries to protect citizens' rights and deal with a heinous crime such as enforced disappearance while remaining within the legal jurisdiction, the order added. It further stated: All such cases that pertain to national security affairs be fixed for in-camera hearing and if it is an important matter, then a larger bench may hear them after being briefed by heads of top investigative institutions. And directives shall be issued to not report such cases in media. The IHC appreciated all court assistants (amicus curiae) who assisted it on the matter of enforced disappearances during the case.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1839048/ihc-declares-poet-ahmed-farhad-missing-person-till-he-reaches-home-safe>

Kashmir issue highlighted during EU parliament election campaign: Ali Raza

Pakistan Observer, 10 June 2024

Chairman of Kashmir Council EU, Ali Raza Syed, has said that the organization has tried to highlight the issue of Kashmir, especially the human rights of the oppressed Kashmiris, during the recent election campaign of the European Parliament. According to Kashmir Media Service, Ali Raza Syed in a statement issued in Brussels said that during the election campaign, they had meetings with leaders of various political parties, important European

personalities, and candidates participating in the elections, and informed them about the background of the Kashmir issue and the current situation in occupied Kashmir. Syed said that they have told various European circles and expected members of the European Parliament that the Kashmir problem is a globally recognized issue pending for over seven decades at the United Nations agenda.

He claimed that the current situation in 'occupied Kashmir' is dire, with India deploying around one million troops who are oppressing the people using black laws. He expressed hope that the new European Parliament will understand the rights of Kashmiris and play a role in stopping the violation of their rights. He said that humanitarian circles in Europe do not ignore human rights issues, and they will highlight the rights of the oppressed people of 'occupied Kashmir' to the newly elected European parliamentarians who have humanitarian sympathy.

<https://pakobserver.net/kashmir-issue-highlighted-during-eu-parliament-election-campaign-ali-raza/>

APC wants Gilgit-Baltistan's constitutional status determined

Dawn, 10 June 2024

An all parties' conference (APC) has demanded the determination of the constitutional status of Gilgit-Baltistan (GB), holding of the long-delayed local government elections and a share for the region in the National Finance Commission (NFC) award. The

conference to make a consensus on constitutional rights was convened by the PPP in Skardu. PML-N chapter president and farmer chief minister Hafeezur Rehman, PPP president Amjad Hussain advocate, Ahmed Hussain Turabi from Islami Tehreek Pakistan, Najaf Ali from Awami Action Committee, Skardu district bar association president Mohammad Sherbaz, High Court Bar Association general secretary Shujat Hussain, political leaders Fida Mohammad Nashad, Ibrahim Sanai, Ashraf Saada, Jamil Ahmed and others attended the conference.

The conference adopted a joint declaration which demanded the federal government to provide basic and political rights to the people of the region. It said the constitutional status of the region should be determined under the Sartaj Aziz Committee or National Security Council 2020 recommendations. The declaration said local bodies elections in GB should be conducted which have not been held for 20 years. It said GB should also be given financial share in the NFC award. The distribution of subsidised wheat should be made transparent and alleged corruption in the food department should be eliminated.

It also demanded completion of power projects in the region on emergency basis to overcome prolonged outages. Moreover, judges should be appointed on vacant posts in the Supreme Appellate Court and the chief court. It demanded the federal government to check financial discipline of the GB

government in utilisation of grants provided by Islamabad. The declaration said political parties should reach consensus on land reforms in the region.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1838974/apc-wants-gilgit-baltistans-constitutional-status-determined>

DPM Dar urges UN chief's role for just resolution of Kashmir dispute

Daily Times, 12 June 2024

Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar urged the UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres to use his good offices for the just resolution of the outstanding Jammu and Kashmir dispute in accordance with the relevant UN Security Council resolutions. The deputy prime minister held a meeting with the UN Secretary-General on the sidelines of the high-level conference on Urgent Humanitarian Response for Gaza, being held in Jordan, according to a Foreign Office press release. He lauded the UN secretary general's initiative to jointly hold the conference along with Jordan and Egypt at a time when the people of Palestine were in dire need of international support and urgent humanitarian assistance. Reiterating Pakistan's strong and unequivocal condemnation of the indiscriminate and brutal use of force by Israel against the Palestinians, the deputy prime minister called for an immediate and unconditional ceasefire, unimpeded humanitarian assistance to the besieged people of Gaza, return of the displaced Palestinians, and ensuring accountability for the war crimes and

crimes against humanity being committed by Israel.

<https://dailytimes.com.pk/1200184/dpm-dar-urges-un-chiefs-role-for-just-resolution-of-kashmir-dispute/>

Center for International Strategic Studies, 'AJK' organized a conference on the post Indian election scenario

Daily Parliament Times, 12 June 2024

The Centre for International Strategic Studies 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (CISS-AJK) organized a conference titled 'From Campaign Rhetoric to Diplomatic Realities: Modi's Reelection and the India Pakistan Equation'. The event primarily focused on analyzing the effects of the recent Indian elections on the region, beyond the region, and particularly on Pakistan. The event was a part of academic activities scheduled to enhance research and policy development through the scholarly forum of CISS 'AJK.' Earlier, guests, including former Prime Minister of 'AJK', Raja Farooq Haider, received a warm welcome from the research team. The event was attended by researchers, dignitaries from academia, civil administration and the media persons.

During the conference, in his remarks, Dr. Khurram Abbas, Director of the India Study Centre, highlighted how India under Modi is determined to undermine Pakistan through various political, economic, and diplomatic tactics. Another speaker, Major General (retired) Samrez Salik, discussed the strategic impact of the Indian political

environment on Pakistan and the region. Raja Farooq Haider provided his insights on the political front and the evolving political landscape in Pakistan. He shed light on the geopolitical foundations of India's foreign policy, emphasizing the need for a sound and long-term national policy to counter India's aggressive stance and resolve the Kashmir issue. Following his keynote address, there was a question and answer session. Executive Director CISS –'AJK', Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja concluded the conference with her closing remarks.

<https://www.dailyparliamenttimes.com/2024/06/12/center-for-international-strategic-studies-ajk-organized-a-conference-on-the-post-indian-election-scenario/>

Missing Japanese climbers spotted by helicopters

Dawn, 14 June 2024

Two Japanese climbers, who went missing while attempting to summit the 7,027-metre Spantik Peak, were located by Pakistan Army helicopters on Thursday. A ground rescue team will attempt to reach Ryuseki Hiraoka and Atsushi Taguchi early on Friday and bring them back to the base camp. Shigar Deputy Commissioner Waliullah Falahi told Dawn that the Japanese climbers went missing at Camp 2, situated at an altitude of 5,300 metres, on Tuesday while attempting to summit the Spantik Peak, also known as Golden Peak, situated between Shigar and Nagar districts of Gilgit-Baltistan (GB).

According to sources at the base camp, two separate Japanese expedition teams, one consisting of two climbers and the other comprising seven climbers, had begun their attempts to climb the Spantik Peak separately from the base camp on the Shigar side. Although the teams shared base camp services, they had different strategies for ascending the peak. Ryuseki Hiraoka and Atsushi Taguchi reached Camp 2 on Monday. They were climbing in Alpine style (without porters) and planned to ascend the peak directly from Camp 2. On Tuesday, the remaining members of the other Japanese climbing team also reached Camp 2.

Upon arriving at Camp 2, the seven-member Japanese team discovered that the two climbers, Hiraoka and Taguchi, were missing. The team suspended their expedition and started search for the missing climbers following their footprints and other traces. However, they were unable to locate their fellow climbers and subsequently descended to the base camp, where they reported the incident to the tour operator and base camp staff on Wednesday. Deputy Commissioner Falahi said that on Thursday morning an aerial search operation was launched to locate the missing climbers. Two Pakistan Army helicopters, crewed by high-altitude climbers and experts, took part in the search operation.

In the initial search round, the helicopters scouring the Spantik Peak area failed to locate the climbers. However, in the second round, the

missing climbers were finally spotted at an altitude of approximately 5,000m. But due to the challenging terrain and weather conditions, the helicopters were unable to land or hover in the area to rescue them. Three high-altitude climbers from Sadpara, Skardu, who were airlifted to the Spantik base camp by the army helicopters, will join the Japanese climbers already present at the base camp to embark on a rescue mission early Friday morning, Mr Falahi said.

He said all available resources are being mobilised to locate and rescue the missing climbers. The Base camp sources confirmed that the climbers have been spotted at an altitude of over 5,000m, but their condition remains unclear; it is unknown whether they are alive, injured, or dead. They said the climbers' condition will be clear when the rescue team reach their location.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1839780/missing-japanese-climbers-spotted-by-helicopters>

Economic Developments

Chinese training to help promote mineral sector entrepreneurship in GB: Experts

The Nation, 10 June 2024

The people of Gilgit Baltistan (GB) need training in the mineral sector entrepreneurship through the coordination of Chinese and Pakistani academia and related stakeholders, opines Dr Zakir Hussain Zakir, Director of Planning and Development at the University of Baltistan, Skardu. He said, despite being rich in gems and

minerals, GB lags in lapidary, proper equipment, and marketing approach. A great number of young people are also unemployed. To address this issue, in 2023, with the coordination of Yunnan Land and Resources Vocational College (YLRVC), China, the University of Baltistan, Skardu (UOBS) initiated an associate diploma in geology and mineral survey. The Department of Geo-Sciences and Mineralogy in UOBS was established in 2021.

He said the course spanned three years, out of which a two-year study would be completed in Pakistan while the remaining one year would be conducted in YLRVC, China, and included a more practical schedule. It is a new development in the newly established Department of Geo-Sciences and Mineralogy at the UOBS. Dr. Zakir further said, before starting a degree program, UOBS and YLRVC collaborated to start the said extensive diploma. The students will be trained in e-commerce, to approach the local and international markets, and become entrepreneurs. For this, they will be deployed to different firms for internships. Before graduation, the students will be able to make their way. Besides getting expertise in mineralogy, the students are also learning the Chinese language.

He said the Aga Khan Rural Support Program (AKRSP) was also actively participating in promoting entrepreneurship concerning the mineral and gemology sectors. For this, the AGRSP announced to support

young entrepreneurs with the necessary equipment to make a start. To achieve this support, a candidate must present the work plan. After the assessment of the proposal, the candidate will get free basic machinery and required tools. After that, they will improve on their own. Other than coordination from a Chinese Institute, the Pakistan Institute of Fashion Design (PIFD), and recently, the UOBS and PIFD, in coordination with the Pakistan Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (PCSIR), have conducted a practical workshop on gem cutting and polishing, added Dr. Zakir.

A gemstones exporter Zakir Ullah alias Jhulay Lal said, there's a need for the Chinese coordination to improve the number of entrepreneurs in the gemstone sector. In-kind initiatives are vital not only in GB but also in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) and Balochistan province. He said that by promoting the gemstone sector and improving its opportunities, Pakistan could get rid of the economic crisis. Chairman All Pakistan Commercial Exporters Association of Rough and Unpolished Precious and Semi-Precious Stones (APCEA) Syed Minhajuddin Shah said, the importance of Chinese coordination to strengthen entrepreneurs in the gemstone sector through academia and industry is no doubt a good initiative.

The APCEA is also interested in coordinating with the UOBS to start such activities in KP and all other places where the gemstone raw material occurs in plenty. Gemstone lapidary is emerging as a strong sector,

and it is high time that it was properly launched in Pakistan. By popularizing training, academic education, and strengthening entrepreneurs in this concern, new opportunities can be generated.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/10-Jun-2024/chinese-training-to-help-promote-mineral-sector-entrepreneurship-in-gb-experts>

'AJK's minister for small industries visits LCCI

The Nation, 10 June 2024

Minister for Small Industries, 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (AJK), Dr Kausar Taqdees Gilani visited the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) and held a meeting with LCCI President, Kashif Anwar. Executive Committee Member Raja Hassan Akhtar and other members were also present at the occasion. During his address, Kashif Anwar emphasized the importance of strengthening the relationship between the Lahore Chamber and the 'Azad Kashmir' Chamber to promote business activities in the country. He highlighted that all banks in 'Azad Kashmir' are providing interest-free loans to small industries, which is a positive initiative where the Ministry of Small Industries plays a crucial role. Additionally, industrial areas are being established in 'Azad Kashmir' through the efforts of this ministry.

Moreover, a five-year tax holiday is being provided in 'Azad Kashmir', which will undoubtedly be a significant relief for existing and new industries.

Kashif Anwar mentioned that these efforts will greatly facilitate small and medium-sized industrialists. He stressed the need to focus on water reservoirs and new dams to ensure affordable hydroelectricity and mitigate flood risks. He suggested that a memorandum of understanding should be signed between the Lahore Chamber and the 'Azad Kashmir' Chamber to benefit the people of both regions.

Minister for Small Industries, 'AJK', Dr. Kausar Taqdees Gilani expressed her delight at learning that the Lahore Chamber has more than 1,000 female members and is a historic and premier chamber. She noted that 80% of the people in 'Azad Kashmir' are educated, and 70% of the population is under 35 years old. Providing employment to this large youth population is a priority, achievable through skills and education. She emphasized the need to gather experiences from across the country for the industrialization of 'Azad Kashmir', and the support of the Lahore Chamber is crucial in this regard.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/09-Jun-2024/ajk-s-minister-for-small-industries-visits-lcci>

World Bank approves \$1bn additional financing for Dasu Hydropower Project

Dawn, 11 June 2024

The World Bank (WB) has approved \$1 billion in additional financing for the Dasu Hydropower Project (DHP) in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa's Upper

Kohistan district. The WB's Board of Executive Directors today approved \$1 billion in a second round of additional financing for the Dasu Hydropower Stage I (DHP I) Project, the global bank said in a press release issued late last night. This financing will support the expansion of hydropower electricity supply, improve access to socio-economic services for local communities, and build the Water and Power Development Authority's (Wapda) capacity to prepare future hydropower projects, it highlighted.

Pakistan's energy sector suffers from multiple challenges to achieving affordable, reliable, and sustainable energy, the statement quoted World Bank Country Director for Pakistan Najy Benhassine as saying. Terming the Dasu project site as 'one of the best hydropower sites in the world and a game changer for the Pakistan energy sector', Benhassine asserted that 'with a very small footprint, the DHP will contribute to 'greening' the energy sector and lowering the cost of electricity.' Meanwhile, Rikard Liden, the task team leader for the project, stressed that DHP-I was an essential project in Pakistan's efforts to reverse its dependence on fossil fuels and reach 60 per cent renewable energy by 2031.

The second additional financing will facilitate the expansion of electricity supply and potentially save Pakistan an estimated \$1.8bn annually by replacing imported fuels, and offset around 5 million tons of carbon dioxide, the statement quoted Liden as saying. The annual economic return of

DHP-I is estimated to be around 28pc, the project leader stated. According to the World Bank, upon completion, the Dasu project will have an installed capacity of 4,320–5,400 megawatts (MW). The project is being built in stages. DHP-I has a capacity of 2,160MW and will generate 12,225 gigawatt hours (GWh) per year of low-cost renewable energy. The DHP-II will add 9,260–11,400GWh per year from the same dam, the statement said.

Through this project adult literacy has increased by an estimated 30pc since 2012, boys' schooling increased by 16pc while girls' schooling has increased by 70pc during this period, the World Bank highlighted. The additional financing will further support ongoing socio-economic initiatives in Upper Kohistan, particularly in the areas of education, health, employment, and transport, it added.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1839228/world-bank-approves-1bn-additional-financing-for-dasu-hydropower-project>

Wapda chairman visits Neelum Jhelum Project

The Nation, 13 June 2024

Chairman Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) Engr Lt Gen (r) Sajjad Ghani has visited Neelum Jhelum Hydropower Project (NJHP). He reached Dam site of the project located at Nauseri, 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (AJK). The chairman visited in detail the de-watered head race tunnel to inspect and review damages that may have

occurred to the tunnel. The consultants, the contractors and the project team briefed the chairman about the progress achieved so far. It was briefed that de-watering of 48- km long head race tunnel has been completed from the elevation of 1012 feet to 607 feet above mean sea level. Subsequently, inspection of the head race tunnel has commenced.

The process for engaging international experts has also been initiated, as directed by the Prime Minister during his visit to the project last month. The international experts will ascertain the causes of fault in the headrace tunnel and make recommendations for carrying out the remedial works. Speaking on the occasion, the chairman directed the project management to chalk out a comprehensive rehabilitation strategy once the detailed inspection of the headrace tunnel is done and the recommendations are made by the international experts. He emphasized upon the team to adhere to all precautionary measures while carrying out inspection of the headrace tunnel.

It is important to note that NJHP was constructed in a weak geological and seismic-prone area. Decrease in headrace tunnel pressure led to suspension of electricity generation from the project last month. Prior to its suspension, the project had provided more than 20 billion units of clean and green electricity to the national grid since 2018.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/13-Jun-2024/wapda-chairman-visits-neelum-jhelum-project>

[From Vernacular Urdu Media](#)

Selling land to outsiders need to be prohibited on the pattern of 'Azad Kashmir:' Advocate Amjad Hussain

Dailyk2, 11 June 2024

Amjad Advocate, the provincial president of the Pakistan People's Party (PPP), stated that all parties involved, including the government, are happy that the laws related to property rights will be approved by the Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) Assembly in July. He said that our party support the government to fulfil a pledge we made to the people to grant them the right over resources and to own property. He stated that the land in the area is owned by the people of GB, and that every efforts will be made to safeguard it. He stressed that similar to 'Azad Kashmir', GB should forbid the sale of land to outsiders. He further said, given that GB had grown in global geostrategic significance in recent years, it is the government, not the people, who are in charge to maintain security in the region.

<https://www.dailyk2.com/Post/22929>

The Muslim Conference will never compromise on Pakistani ideology: Attique Ahmed Khan

Jammu and Kashmir Times, 12 June 2024

A protest call referred as 'Kashmir will become Pakistan' is scheduled for 13 June with the support of the All Jammu and Kashmir Muslim Conference (AJKMC). A review conference of the Dhirkot constituency workers was convened on the matter. Speaking to

the workers, the president of the Muslim Conference, Attique Ahmed Khan said that on 13 June, a historic protest on Kashmir's allegiance to Pakistan will take place in Poonch division. He stated that this event will ensure that Pakistan is the real destination for the oppressed Kashmiris and that Pakistan will provide a brighter future for Kashmiris.

He declared that there would be no compromise on Pakistan's ideology and that each member of the Muslim Conference and common Kashmiris are ready to sacrifice for the ideology of Pakistan. He stressed that no one can separate Kashmir from Pakistan. He advised the Muslim Conference staff members to hold special prayers and recitation before they leave their homes for the historic protest March on 13 June. He stated that the ideological rift and disarray within the state of Jammu and Kashmir will not only impact the 'Azadi Movement' in 'occupied Kashmir' but it may also weaken Pakistan. Beyond the leaders from different political parties and persuasion, a good number of women and young people also attended the gathering. The ceremony was also attended by the Muslim Conference Youth Wing, District Council members, Major Retired Nasrullah Khan, Chairman of the Youth Wing Sardar Usman Ali Khan among others.

<http://jammukashmirtimes.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Resize-of-BACK-PAGE-10.jpg>

The agreement with Green Tourism is restricted to outsourcing of government rest rooms only: GB's CM

Dailyk2, 13 June 2024

Chief Minister of Gilgit-Baltistan (GB), Haji Gulbar Khan presided over the twelfth meeting of the GB's cabinet. The meeting was attended by administrative secretaries of provincial departments, cabinet ministers, the chief minister's adviser, and the chief secretary of GB. The Pakistan Army's senior officers and troops who died at Lakki Marwat were paid tribute during the opening of the cabinet meeting. Secretary of Tourism provided a thorough briefing on the committee's suggestions for additional consultation on the agreement pertaining to the promotion of tourism activities and the issue of green tourism. GB CM stated that no agreement will be made with Green Tourism on the leasing of land to outside parties; rather, the arrangement would only be settled with regard to the management and upkeep of the government rest houses. He added that the deal with the Green Tourism Company would not compromise on public interests, and that in order to allay public worries and safeguard the interests of the public, the Legislative Committee of the Cabinet would confer with the company.

The CM stressed that the government rest houses were leased in the public interest to encourage tourism and boost government revenue because the government treasury annually spent crores of rupees on their renovations

and other arrangements. During the cabinet meeting, decisions were also made to prolong the Chief Minister Self-Employment Interest Free Loan Scheme for the youth and to approve the GB Women Empowerment Policy Strategy for Women and Action Plan 2024–2028. A one-time payment of Rs. 5 crore was also approved in the cabinet meeting for the Karakoram International University. Additionally, the allocation of extra funds under the grant-in-aid for the support of GB's public schools and cadet colleges was also approved. The cabinet also extended the contract for the workers of GB's Health Department's 'Scaling up Nutrition Program' by one year. Additionally, the pay for school teachers and social workers in the Social Welfare Department was approved to be in line with other provinces.

<https://www.dailyk2.com/Post/22983>

From Social Media

Hamid Mir @HamidMirPAK

11 June 2024

It is surprising that on the one hand 'Azad Kashmir' is declared a foreign territory legally, on the other hand CTD Punjab picks up youths from 'Azad Kashmir' and even after seven years they do not bother to present them in any court. Listen to the father of an oppressed Kashmiri youth.

Video link:

https://twitter.com/i/bookmarks?post_id=1800586646322053535

Roshan Din Diameri @Rohshan_Din

13 June 2024

Special Assistant for Youth Affairs and Commerce, GB, Zabiullah met with PPP Chairman Bilawal Bhutto to discuss youth initiatives. Bhutto announced vocational training, and entrepreneurship programs to empower GB's youth. Exciting progress ahead! #YouthEmpowerment #GilgitBaltistan @Zabiullah_01

https://twitter.com/i/bookmarks?post_id=1801208715120668740

Muhammad Aqeel haideri @aqeel_haideri

14 June 2024

An explosion of explosive material in a meadow while cattle were grazing took the life of a young child near the border area of Kharmang District in Gilgit-Baltistan.

https://twitter.com/aqeel_haideri/status/1801446754530783743

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17 June 2024

A mob of 50 attacked and destroyed an Ahmadi place of worship in Kotli Azad Kashmir last night. An outright genocide has begun in Pakistan and the state is either facilitating it or is helpless.

Images link:

<https://twitter.com/theRealYLH/status/1802541189054247151>

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