

Taliban blow up girls' school in Pakistan

Pak militants kill 7 US 'spies'

AFP, Peshawar/Miranshah

The Taliban blew up a girls' school yesterday in northwest Pakistan, where troops are battling a militant insurgency while militants gunned down seven men who were accused of spying for US, police said.

Islamist militants opposed to co-education have destroyed hundreds of schools, mostly for girls, in the northwest of the country in recent years as they wage a fierce insurgency to enforce Sharia law.

The nine-room private girls' high school in the town of Shabqadar, some 30 kilometres (18 miles) north of Peshawar, was destroyed when two bombs planted by militants exploded, senior police official Mohammad Riaz Khan said.

"The bombs were planted in two rooms and the blast has left the entire building unusable," Khan told AFP, adding that there were no casualties as the bombing occurred very early in the morning.

Meanwhile, Taliban militants shot dead seven men in Pakistan's restive northwest

tribal belt after accusing them of spying for the United States, officials said Sunday.

The bullet-ridden bodies of five men were found on Sunday dumped by the side of a road in Kamsarobi village, 30km south of Miranshah, the main town in the semi-autonomous North Waziristan tribal region.

"Taliban killed five men overnight, accusing them of spying for Americans to help them launch drone attacks," local police official Mehboob Shah told AFP.

"A note found on the body said that the victims were spying on Taliban and anyone doing the same would be killed in this manner," he added.

The body of a sixth man was found in Qutabkhal village, five kilometres (three miles) south of Miranshah, with a similar note from the Taliban, Shah said, adding that he too appeared to have been shot dead overnight.

Another body of a man with a warning note from the Taliban was found near the town of Mir Ali, some 30-kilometres (18 miles) east of Miranshah, local police official Qayyum Khan told AFP.

46 injured as Iran plane catches fire

AFP, Tehran

An Iranian passenger plane caught fire while landing yesterday in the northeastern city of Mashhad, injuring at least 46 people on board, state television reported.

Iranian officials told local news networks that the rear end of the Russian-built Tupolev 154 plane owned by Taban Airline caught fire as the aircraft was landing at Mashhad airport.

"The plane caught fire while landing," state television quoted Javad Erfanian, head of disaster management of Khorasan Razavi province of which Mashhad is the capital, as saying.

"Forty-six people have been injured, but most of them are not serious," he said, adding that emergency services evacuated the passengers after which the rear end of the aircraft broke up.



Iranian firefighters inspect damages after extinguishing the fire, which swept over an Iranian passenger plane while landing at the airport in the city of Mashhad, 900km northeast of the capital Tehran yesterday.



A Shia Muslim man shouts slogans during a protest against the visit of US Vice President Joe Biden and against the Baath part of the former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in the Sadr City neighbourhood of Baghdad yesterday.

Five US soldiers killed in Afghan unrest

AFP, Kabul

Five US soldiers have been killed in bombings over the past 24 hours in Afghanistan, Nato's international Security Assistance Force (Isaf) said yesterday.

Two of the troopers were killed in a home-made bomb explosion in the country's south, where the insurgency is most intense, the force said in a statement.

"Two Isaf service members from the United States were killed today in an IED strike in southern Afghanistan," Isaf said, referring to the improvised explosive devices, or roadside bombs, which have been the scourge of foreign troops fighting the Taliban.

The force announced a third IED death in the south shortly after, taking to five the number of American soldiers killed in Afghanistan in past 24 hours.

The statements did not disclose the exact location of the incidents but much of southern Afghanistan is wracked by the Taliban insurgency.

Iran indicates N-fuel tech breakthrough

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE, Tehran

Indicating a major breakthrough in the field of nuclear fuel enrichment technology, Iran said yesterday it will disclose the achievement in the coming weeks.

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said he will soon give 'good news' regarding the 20-percent enriched fuel needed for a medical research reactor in Tehran.

The president will announce the news during the coming weeks, which commemorate the Dahe-ye Fajr (the 10 Days of Dawn) and the lead-up to the victory of the 1979 Islamic Revolution, Press TV reported.

"Anyone would be glad to hear the wonderful news as it is about the country's recent achieve-

ments in science and technology,' Ahmadinejad told reporters here.

The President, however, did not elaborate further on the issue.

The statement comes as Iran has been waiting for the release from developed countries to a proposed nuclear deal for its research reactor in Tehran that produces medical isotopes.

The six major powers involved in nuclear talks with Iran have proposed that Tehran accept the draft deal which requires it to send most of its home-produced low enriched uranium abroad to be converted into more refined fuel for the reactor.

However, Tehran has been maintaining that the proposal does not provide enough guarantees that the West would fulfil its commitments.

British expert lawyers to declare Iraq war illegal

AFP, London

Two former government lawyers involved in the preparations for Britain's invasion of Iraq will testify at a public inquiry this week that the March 2003 conflict was illegal, reports said yesterday.

Their evidence will kick-start what was already expected to be an explosive few days at the Chilcot inquiry into the war, thanks to the appearance Friday of former prime minister Tony Blair, who led Britain into the conflict.

Michael Wood, the top legal advisor to the Foreign Office at the time, and his then deputy Elizabeth Wilmshurst, who quit her job in protest at the invasion, are both due to give evidence Tuesday.

According to The Independent on Sunday, Wilmshurst will reveal infighting between officials and ministers over the legality of deposing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein without explicit United Nations approval.

She will say she was far from alone in having doubts about the case and say her boss, Wood, "clearly advised" that the war was illegal under international law, the paper said. He did not make this view public at the time.

N Korea threatens war after South's strike warning

AP, Seoul

North Korea threatened war yesterday after South Korea warned of launching a pre-emptive strike if the North was preparing a nuclear attack the latest salvo in a battle of rhetoric despite signs of improved cooperation across the militarised frontier.

The North's military said it would take prompt and deci-

sive military action against any South Korean attempt to violate North Korea's dignity and sovereignty and would blow up major targets in the South, including its command centre.

"Our revolutionary armed forces will regard the scenario for 'pre-emptive strike,' which the South Korean puppet authorities adopted as a 'state policy,' as an open declaration of war," the General Staff of the

Korean People's Army said in a statement carried by the country's official Korean Central News Agency.

The North's warning came in response to the South Korean Defence Minister Kim Tae-young's remarks last week that the South should launch a pre-emptive strike on North Korea if there was a clear indication the country was preparing a nuclear attack.

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১	মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	১	বিদ্যুৎ, জ্বালানি ও খনিজ সম্পদ মন্ত্রণালয়/ জ্বালানি ও খনিজ সম্পদ বিভাগ।
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৩	প্রকল্প/একটি নাম	৩	সিলেট গ্যাস ফিল্ডস লিমিটেড, ডাকঘর-চিকরাগল, সিলেট-৩১৫২।
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৫	কার্যের বিবরণ	৫	Water Pump, GI Pipe ও আনুষঙ্গিক মালামাল ক্রয়।
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৭	দরপত্র দাখিল বিক্রয়ের স্থান	৭	(ক) হিরাব ও অর্থ বিভাগ, প্রধান কার্যালয়, সিলেট গ্যাস ফিল্ডস লিমিটেড, ডাকঘর-চিকরাগল, সিলেট-৩১৫২। (খ) ঢাকা বিদ্যুত্বো অফিস, সিলেট গ্যাস ফিল্ডস লিমিটেড, বাড়ী নং ৪/১০, ইকবাল রোড, ব্লক-এ, মোহাম্মদপুর, ঢাকা-১২০৭।
৮	দরপত্র দাখিল গ্রহণ ও খোলার স্থান	৮	(ক) হিরাব ও অর্থ বিভাগ, প্রধান কার্যালয়, সিলেট গ্যাস ফিল্ডস লিমিটেড, ডাকঘর-চিকরাগল, সিলেট-৩১৫২। (খ) ঢাকা বিদ্যুত্বো অফিস, সিলেট গ্যাস ফিল্ডস লিমিটেড, বাড়ী নং ৪/১০, ইকবাল রোড, ব্লক-এ, মোহাম্মদপুর, ঢাকা-১২০৭।
৯	দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের তারিখ	৯	২৫-১-২০১০ হতে ১৯-২-২০১০ তারিখ পর্যন্ত সকল কার্যদিবসে অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে।
১০	দরপত্র দাখিলের তারিখ ও সময়	১০	১৫-২-২০১০ বেলা ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১১	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	১১	১৫-২-২০১০ বেলা ১২.১৫ ঘটিকায় উপস্থিত দরদাতা বা তার প্রতিনিধির উপস্থিতিতে যদি কেহ থাকেন।
১২	প্রতি সেট দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য	১২	২০০.০০ টাকা (অফেরতযোগ্য)।
১৩	বিড সিকিউরিটির পরিমাণ	১৩	৫,০০০.০০ টাকা।
১৪	বিশেষ নির্দেশনা	১৪	১। দরপত্র গ্রহণ ও খোলার দিন কোন কারণবশতঃ কার্যদিবসে গ্রহণ হলে পরবর্তী প্রথম কার্যদিবসে একই সময়ে দরদাতাদের উপস্থিতিতে দরপত্র গ্রহণ ও খোলা হবে। ২। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ হতে দরপত্র বৈধতার মেয়াদ ৯০ দিন এবং বিড সিকিউরিটি বৈধতার মেয়াদ ১২০ দিন। ৩। দরপত্র সংক্রান্ত অন্যান্য তথ্যাবলী দরপত্র সিডিউলে বর্ণিত রয়েছে। ৪। সিলেট গ্যাস ফিল্ডস লিমিটেড কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ, যে কোন বা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করে।

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Invitation for Tenders

Memo No. KGF-92/Proc. Of Equip./2010/৪73 Dated: 24/01/2010

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Agriculture
2.	Procuring Entity Name	Executive Director, Krishi Gobeshona Foundation (KGF)
3.	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka
4.	Invitation for	Supply and Installation of Misc. Goods and Equipment
5.	Invitation Ref No	KGF-92/Proc. of Equip/2010
6.	Date	24/01/2010

KEY INFORMATION

7.	Procurement Method	Open Tender Method (OTM) / National Competitive Bid (NCB)
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FUNDING INFORMATION

8.	Source of Funds	IDA/IFAD/GOB
9.	Development Partners (if applicable)	IDA & IFAD

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

10.	Project / Programme Code (if applicable)	43-4305-7310
11.	Project/Programme Name (if applicable)	National Agricultural Technology Project, Phase-I, KGF unit
12.	Tender Package No.	GD/KGF/10
13.	Tender Package Name	Supply and Installation of (1) Digital Audio Visual System (TV, DVD with instant power system for 1500 VA), Refrigerator, Micro-oven, Shredder, Paper Cutter, Spiral Binder, Vacuum Cleaner, Lamination Machine, Electronic Dictionary, Cordless Phone and Water Filter.
14.	Tender Publication Date	On or before 25 January, 2010
15.	a. Tender Sell starting Date b. Tender Last Selling Date	From 28/01/10 (within office hour) 23/02/2010 up to 4:00 p.m.

Date	Time
16. Tender Submission & Closing Date and Time	25/02/2010 12:00 noon
17. Tender Opening Date and Time	25/02/2010 12:05 noon

18. Name & Address of the office(s)

Address: Executive Director, Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, AIC Building (3rd floor), Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215

- Selling Tender Document: Programme Associate (Procurement), KGF, Room No. 412, AIC Building (3rd floor), BARC Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215.

- Receiving Tender Document: Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, Room No. 412, AIC Building (3rd floor), BARC Campus Farmgate, Dhaka-1215

- Opening Tender Document: Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, AIC Building (3rd floor), Room (Room # 425), BARC Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215.

19. Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional): Not Applicable

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

20.	Eligibility of Tenderer	The Tenderer should submit valid & updated attested copies of the following documents: 1). Tenderer's Valid Trade license, 2). 5 years of experience certificate supplying similar types of equipment, 3). Income Tax certificate with TIN number, 4). VAT registration certificate & 5). Bank solvency certificate.		
21.	Brief Description of Goods	As per description in the tender documents.		
22.	Brief Description of Related Services	As per description in the tender documents.		
23.	Price of Tender Document (Tk.)	Tk. 500/- (five hundred only)		
24.	Package No.	Identification of Package	Tender Security Amount (Tk.)	Completion Time in weeks /months
(1) GD-KGF/10	Supply and Installation of Misc. Goods and Equipment	20,000/- (twenty thousand)	06 (six) weeks from date of contract signature.	

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

25.	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Dr. M. Nurul Alam		
26.	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Executive Director		
27.	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, NATP Phase-1, Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215		
28.	Tel. No.	Fax No.	c-mail	
29.	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	88-02-9111041	88-02-8113032	Kgf-bd@live.com

30. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept any or reject all tenders.

D-76 (Dr. M. Nurul Alam) Executive Director