

Pakistan warns Afghanistan after pact with India

AP, Islamabad

Pakistan warned Afghanistan to behave responsibly yesterday following Kabul's move to sign a strategic pact with Islamabad's archenemy, India, at a particularly sensitive time in relations between the two countries.

Afghanistan's interior minister recently accused Pakistan's powerful spy agency, the ISI, of being involved in last month's suicide bombing in Kabul that killed former Afghan President Burhanuddin Rabbani an allegation denied by Pakistan. Rabbani was working as chief envoy in peace talks with the Taliban.

"At this defining stage when challenges have multiplied, as have the opportunities, it is our expectation that everyone, especially those in position of authority in Afghanistan, will demonstrate requisite maturity and responsibility," Foreign Ministry

spokeswoman Tehmina Janjua told reporters.

"This is no time for point-scoring, playing politics or grandstanding," she said in her weekly press briefing.

Her comments seemed more confrontational than Pakistani Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani's statement Wednesday that Afghanistan and India have the right to maintain bilateral relations as sovereign nations. His comments were reported by the state-run Associated Press of Pakistan.

The agreement, which was signed Tuesday, outlined areas of common concern including trade, economic expansion, education, security and politics. It was the first of its kind between Afghanistan and any country.

Afghan President Hamid Karzai tried to assuage concern over the pact Wednesday, saying it was not intended as an aggressive move against Pakistan. He said the agreement simply made official

years of close ties between India and Afghanistan's post-Taliban government.

"Pakistan is a twin brother. India is a great friend," said Karzai during a visit to New Delhi, according to the Press Trust of India news agency. "The agreement that we signed yesterday with our friend will not affect our brother."

But Karzai's words likely carried little weight in Pakistan, which is sandwiched between Afghanistan to its west and India to its east. Pakistani officials, especially in the country's powerful army, have long viewed policy in Afghanistan through one lens: countering the perceived danger of Indian influence in the country.

"The agreement will heighten Pakistan's insecurities," said Talat Masood, an analyst and former Pakistani general. "Pakistan has always felt that it is being encircled by India from both the eastern and western borders."

Court accuses Pak coalition of Karachi murder role

BBC ONLINE

Pakistan's Supreme Court has said that parties from the ruling political coalition are involved in the murder of civilians in the port city of Karachi.

At least 800 people have died in politically motivated attacks in Pakistan's largest city in 2011.

While the court held that all political parties were responsible, it stated that the party which controls Karachi, the MQM, was especially at fault.

The MQM has denied the allegations and says that it is being victimised.

It says that it is being singled out by the judiciary because of its liberal views.

Anna issues ultimatum to Congress

IANs, New Delhi



No bill, no support. Drawing the battlelines, social crusader Anna Hazare yesterday said he would resume his movement for the Jan Lokpal bill with the Oct 13 by-election in Hisar in Haryana where he would campaign against the Congress.

The Congress termed his remarks as unfortunate, while party general secretary Rahul Gandhi asserted that corruption can be fought only through the political system.

Taking on the Congress, Hazare said at a press conference in his village in Ralegan Siddhi, in Maharashtra's Ahmednagar district, that his campaign for a strong anti-graft Jan Lokpal (ombudsman) bill would continue after Dussehra. And if the Congress blocked the law, he would ask people not to vote for it.

Hazare also hit out at Prime Minister Manmohan Singh for being 'remote controlled'.

He said civil society activists had written to all the major candidates contesting the

Hisar by-poll asking them whether or not they supported the Jan Lokpal bill, Team Anna's version of the anti-graft bill.

While a majority of them have already replied in the affirmative, there is no response from the Congress. If the Congress does not clarify its stand in the next couple of days, then after Dussehra (Oct 6), I plan to go to Hisar,' Hazare said.

The agitation would then be taken to Uttar Pradesh and to Punjab, Goa, Uttarakhand and Manipur, where assembly elections are due next year, to force the United Progressive Alliance (UPA) government to 'live up to its promise' of passing Team Anna's version of the Lokpal bill.

The Congress was quick to react. Law Minister Salman Khurshid said in New Delhi that citizens were free to vote for anybody. And Abhishek Singhvi, who heads the parliamentary standing committee looking into the Jan Lokpal bill and other versions of the Lokpal bill, said the panel was not in a confrontationist mood.

Swedish poet wins Present govt will turn

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Academy named him the recipient "because, through his condensed, translucent images, he gives us fresh access to reality".

The 80-year-old is the 108th recipient of the prestigious prize, given last year to Peruvian Mario Vargas Llosa.

Presented by the Nobel Foundation, the award -- only given to living writers -- is worth 10 million kronor (£944,246).

A trained psychologist, Transtroemer suffered a stroke in 1990 that affected his ability to talk.

'MYSTICAL'

Much of his work has been translated into English by Scottish poet Robin Fulton and American poet Robert Bly, a personal friend.

His poems -- described by Publishers Weekly as "mystical, versatile and sad" -- have been translated into

more than 50 languages.

Tipped as a potential Nobel prize winner for many years, he is the eighth European to win the Nobel Prize for Literature in the last 10 years.

He is the first Swede to receive the prize since authors Eyvind Johnson and Harry Martinson shared it in 1974.

Born in April 1931 in Stockholm, Transtroemer graduated in psychology in 1956 and later worked in an institution for juvenile offenders.

His first collection of poetry, Seventeen Poems, was published when he was 23.

In 1966 he received the Bellman prize, one of many accolades he has won over his long career.

In 2003 one of his poems was read at the memorial service of Anna Lindh, the murdered Swedish foreign minister.

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Against the backdrop of the recent political debate over the scrapping of the caretaker government system, Suranjit yesterday asked the main opposition party BNP to come up with their ideas on formation and charter of that "interim government", so that those could be discussed.

"That interim government will perform only routine work, it will not be involved in policy-making affairs," he said, adding, "The interim government's main job will be to assist the Election Commission, which will conduct the polls."

"Power of the present government will be limited once it becomes acting like an interim government and it will follow what the Election Commission asks for," he added.

He said, "They [BNP-led opposition] can sit with the Election Commission to

discuss the formation of the interim government, they can also place their ideas in parliament." He said the country's intellectuals can also discuss how the interim government will act and what its charter should be like.

He said they support BNP's demand for stronger Election Commission and asked the party to come up with their thoughts on how it could be done.

He said the nation will get rid of the present "confrontational and destructive politics" once the treasury and the opposition benches have consensus over these issues.

"We not only want the Election Commission to be strengthened, independent and neutral, we also want a legal framework so that competent and neutral candidates can be appointed as chief election commissioner and election commissioners impartially," he said.

Hasina wanted better

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ambassador James F Moriarty on May 26, 2009, Rizvi said the prime minister continued to look for ways to tackle a key priority, strengthening civil-military relations in Bangladesh, said the cable.

"Early in her tenure as PM, Hasina talked about establishing a civ-mil structure that might include a Joint Chiefs of Staff and/or a Defence Minister/Advisor," the dispatch quoted Rizvi as saying. It noted there was no separate defence minister in Bangladesh then; the prime minister held the defence portfolio herself.

"The Bangladesh Rifles

mutiny in February made this objective both more difficult and more urgent, Rizvi observed," the cable said.

Quoting Rizvi, the cable said, "Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina continues to grapple with thorny problems like improving civil-military relations and overcoming inept bureaucrats."

Before meeting Rizvi, the then US ambassador held a meeting with LGRD Minister Syed Ashrafur Islam who told Moriarty that he urged PM Hasina to appoint a full time defence minister, said

another cable.

Ashraf said the BDR issue seemed to be settling down. He was critical of opposition efforts to second guess the government's handling of the issue, said the cable.

The ambassador stressed the importance of a credible investigation into the mutiny and noted the US government concerns about deaths in custody of accused mutineers.

The cable reads: "Ashraf said he shared these concerns and claimed he had argued in cabinet for a civilian trial for those accused. The Ambassador said it was important that

any legal process be transparent. Ashraf noted the Army should not be 'too enthusiastic' and realize excesses would reflect poorly on the institution. Ashraf predicted there could be sympathy in army enlisted ranks for the BDR jawans if they were mistreated."

The ambassador noted US government's offer to help Bangladesh to strengthen civil-military relations. He underscored the need to look at roles and responsibilities of different institutions, including the defence ministry and parliament.

Apple 'visionary' Steve Jobs dies

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He introduced the colourful iMac computer, the iPod, the iPhone and the iPad to the world. His death came just a day after Apple unveiled its latest iPhone 4S model.

US President Barack Obama said that with his death, the world had "lost a visionary".

"Steve was among the greatest of American innovators - brave enough to think differently, bold enough to believe he could change the world, and talented enough to do it," said Obama.

The heads of other leading technology companies have also paid tribute, including Microsoft boss Bill Gates,

who said Jobs's "profound impact" on the world of technology would "be felt for many generations to come".

"For those of us lucky enough to get to work with him, it's been an insanely great honour. I will miss Steve immensely."

Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg thanks Jobs for "showing that what you build can change the world" while Sony Corp President and CEO Howard Stringer said: "The digital age has lost its leading light."

Apple said his "brilliance, passion and energy were the source of countless innovations that enrich and improve all of our lives. The

world is immeasurably better because of Steve".

The company had "lost a visionary and creative genius, and the world has lost an amazing human being".

Tim Cook, who was made Apple's CEO after Jobs stood down in August, said his predecessor had left behind "a company that only he could have built, and his spirit will forever be the foundation of Apple".

Flags are being flown at half mast outside the Apple headquarters in Cupertino, California, while fans of the company have left tributes outside Apple shops around the world.

Jobs built a reputation as

a forthright and demanding leader who could take niche technologies--such as the mouse and graphical user interface, using onscreen icons rather than text--and make them popular with the general public.

With a market value estimated at \$351bn, Apple became the world's most valuable technology company.

3 detectives

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Masudur Rahman, additional deputy commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP).

Earlier, the brokers complained to the intelligence agency about the three detectives.

They were caught setting a trap with informants and handed over to the DB, a DB official mentioned seeking anonymity.

The DMP authorities have formed a one-member probe committee with DB chief Mir Shahidul Islam to investigate the incident. The committee was asked to submit its report as early as possible, said ADC Masud.

The three inspectors were suspended to ensure a fair investigation, he added.

However, details about the manpower brokers could not be known immediately.

Blast at factory kills 8 in India

IANs, Indore

Eight people were killed and at least four injured in a blast in an explosives factory in this Madhya Pradesh city yesterday, police said.

A blaze started in the factory after the blast at around 1.30 p.m. in Kamla Nagar locality. The injured were rushed to a hospital.

The total number of dead may go up to 10 as several of the injured are critical,' Senior Superintendent of Police D. Srinivas Rao told IANs.

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This is for information of the valued shareholders (whose names were recorded in the share register on record date i.e. 14 August, 2011) that the Bonus shares @15 % for the year ended 31 December, 2010 as approved in the 13th Annual general Meeting of the company held on 21 September, 2011 have already been credited to the respective BO accounts through Central Depository System (except fractional share).

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This is for information of the valued shareholders that the dividend warrant 2010 of MJL Bangladesh Limited will be distributed from Dhaka Zila Krira Shangstha from 8th October 2011 to 10th October 2011 (9.00 A.M to 4P.M.). The valued shareholders are requested to collect their dividend warrant and fractional Bonus Share Warrant -2010 from the said Distribution center during the above mentioned office hours.

If, any shareholder, fails to collect the dividend warrant and Fractional Bonus Share Warrant-2010 from the said distribution center within the stipulated date and time, the warrant of those shareholders will be sent by Courier Service on 10th October 2011 at their available address registered with the CDBL record as on Record date 14 August, 2011 at their own risk and responsibility.

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