

## US drone strikes illegal

Declares Pak court

PTI, Islamabad

A Pakistani court yesterday declared that US drone strikes in the country's lawless tribal belt were illegal and directed the Foreign Ministry to move a resolution against the attacks in the United Nations.

The Peshawar High Court issued the verdict against the strikes by CIA-operated spy planes in response to four petitions that contended the attacks killed civilians and caused collateral damage.

Chief Justice Dost Muhammad Khan, who headed a two-judge bench that heard the petitions, ruled the drone strikes were illegal, inhuman and a violation of the UN charter on human rights. The court observed that the strikes must be declared a war crime as they kill innocent people.

"The government of Pakistan must ensure that no drone strike takes place in the future," the court said. It asked the Foreign Ministry to table a resolution against the American attacks in the UN.

"If the US vetoes the resolution, then the country should think about breaking diplomatic ties with the US," the judgment said.

The US has rejected Pakistan's calls for halting drone strikes.



Iranian Mehan Javid registers her candidacy for the upcoming presidential election at the interior ministry in Tehran yesterday. Iran has begun registering candidates for the June 14 presidential vote, the first in the Islamic republic since Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's disputed re-election sparked months of violent street protests in 2009.

PHOTO: AFP

## WAR ON DRUGS

## Asian nations pledge to step up efforts

AFP, Yangon

China and five Southeast Asian nations vowed Thursday to boost cooperation in the fight against illegal drugs, which they warned posed a "significant threat" to the region.

The pledge came at the end of a meeting of ministers or representatives from Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam in the Myanmar capital Naypyidaw.

"Consumption and production of narcotic drugs continues to grow rapidly within the region and worldwide, constituting a significant threat to the East Asian region," according to a joint statement adopted at the meeting.

The countries agreed to tighten cross-

border cooperation, step up alternative development programmes and share experience in drug use prevention, treatment and public awareness raising exercises.

The region has seen a surge in production of amphetamine-type stimulants in recent years.

Myanmar is the world's second-largest opium producer after Afghanistan, and a major source of methamphetamine pills in the region, the UN said in a report in December.

Myanmar's drugs trade is closely linked to long-running insurgencies in remote areas bordering Thailand, Laos and China -- known as the golden triangle -- with rebels widely thought to use drug profits to fund operations.

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## Pak prisoner attacked in India jail dies

APP, Amritsar

A Pakistani prisoner who was savagely beaten in an Indian jail in an apparent tit-for-tat assault died yesterday, prompting Islamabad to demand an international probe into the "heinous" crime.

Doctors treating Sanaullah Ranjaj at a government hospital in Chandigarh said the 52-year-old died of multiple organ failure after suffering severe head injuries in last week's attack at a prison in the northern city of Jammu.

The chief minister of Jammu and Kashmir, India's only Muslim majority state, said that an inquiry would identify those responsible for any lapses that led to the May 3 attack on Ranjaj, calling it a "matter of deep regret".

But Pakistani officials said they would

not be satisfied by an Indian inquiry into the "extra-judicial killing", calling instead for an international-level investigation.

Ranjaj's death comes exactly a week after Sarabjit Singh, an Indian who was being held in Lahore's Kot Lakhpat prison after being convicted on espionage charges, died as a result of an assault by inmates.

A spokesman for the Pakistan High Commission said that the Indian government had been asked to immediately release and repatriate the body.

India's Home Minister Sushilkumar Shinde said the government would only respond to Pakistan's demand for an international probe once it receives a formal request from Islamabad.

Ranjaj was serving a life term after being convicted for a 1994 bus bombing in the state that killed 10 people.



'Tibet not a challenge for China'

APP, Washington

The leader of Tibet's exiled government said Wednesday he would accept the Chinese Communist Party's rule in the territory, assuring Beijing it faced no threat to its sovereignty if it eases its grip.

Lobsang Sangay, who was elected in 2011 to a new position of prime minister in exile after the Dalai Lama gave up political duties, appealed to China for new talks on the grievances that have triggered a wave of self-immolations.

On a visit to Washington, Sangay said that the exiled government based in Dharamshala, India, was "not challenging China's sovereignty or territorial integrity".

China's constitution grants Tibet autonomy.

Sangay expressed hope that Tibetans would assume decision-making positions in the region -- notably party secretary -- and said he did not oppose the control of China's ruling Communists.

## US could keep nine Afghan bases: Karzai

APP, Kabul

Afghan President Hamid Karzai yesterday said that he could allow the United States to keep nine military bases in the country as part of negotiations over a long-term security pact with Washington.

Karzai said he would allow bases in Kabul, Bagram, Mazar-i-Sharif, Jalalabad, Gardez, Kandahar, Helmand, Shindand and Herat if Afghanistan's security and economic conditions were met.

After more than 11 years of US-led military intervention in Afghanistan, the two countries are hammering out a deal to allow a limited US troop presence to remain when the international coalition leaves next year.

There was no immediate reaction from the US government.

US officials have reportedly said that if 6,000 troops were kept in Afghanistan after 2014, only two bases, in the capital Kabul and at Bagram airfield, would be maintained.

## Boston blast suspect's body entombed

REUTERS, Boston

The body of suspected Boston Marathon bomber Tamerlan Tsarnaev has been entombed and is no longer in the city of Worcester, Massachusetts, where it had been held at a funeral home, the Worcester Police Department said yesterday.

The 26-year-old ethnic Chechen died in an April 19 gun battle with police, four days after he and his younger brother are suspected of having set off bombs at the finish line of the Boston Marathon that killed three people.



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## Invitation for Tender

1	Agency	Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited (DESCO)			
2	Procuring Entity Name	Procurement Division, DESCO			
3	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka			
4	Invitation for	Procurement of Computer and Computer Peripherals			
5	Tender No.	10/2013			
6	Invitation Ref No.	DESCO/Procurement/Local Tender/2013/535			
7	Date	08/05/2013			

## KEY INFORMATION

8	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (Single Stage Single Envelope)
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## FUNDING INFORMATION

9	Budget and Source of Funds	DESCO's own fund
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## PARTICULAR INFORMATION

10	Tender Name	Procurement of Computer and Computer Peripherals			
11	Tender Selling Date, Closing & Opening Date and Time	Tender Document	Last Selling Date	Closing Date & Time	Opening Date & Time
		13/05/2013	02/06/2013	03/06/2013	03/06/2013
12	Name & Address of the office for selling Tender Document, receiving & opening tender	Selling		Receiving & Opening	
		Office of Deputy General Manager (Accounts), DESCO, Plot # 22/B, Faruque Sarani, Nikunja # 2, Uttara, Dhaka-1229	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Procurement, Inspection & Testing), DESCO, Plot # 22/B, Faruque Sarani, Nikunja # 2, Uttara, Dhaka-1229	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Procurement, Inspection & Testing), DESCO, Plot # 22/B, Faruque Sarani, Nikunja # 2, Uttara, Dhaka-1229	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Procurement, Inspection & Testing), DESCO, Plot # 22/B, Faruque Sarani, Nikunja # 2, Uttara, Dhaka-1229

## INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

13	Eligibility of Tenderer	Contractors/firms shall have valid trade license, TIN & VAT registration from concerned authority of Bangladesh and other necessary documents. Detail described in tender document.
14	Brief Description of Goods	Supply and installation of Computer, UPS and Printer. Detail described in tender document.
15	Price of Tender Document	Tk.2,000/- (two thousand) only payable in the form of Pay Order/Bank draft from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favor of 'Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited (DESCO)'.
16	Tender Security Amount (Tk)	Tk.1,40,000/- (one lac forty thousand) only (Payable in the form of Bank Guarantee/Bank draft/Pay order from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favor of 'Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited, DESCO').
17	Work Completion Period	03 (three) Months
18	Location of Delivery	DESCO's Central Store, Mirpur, Dhaka.
19	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any/all tender(s) without assigning any reason whatsoever.	

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