son-in-law arrested

REUTERS, Karachi

Pakistani authorities yesterday arrested the son-in-law of ousted Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, who was on Friday sentenced in absentia to 10 years in prison over a corruption ruling linked to his family's purchase of luxury flats in London.

Sharif's daughter Maryam, seen as his chosen political heir, was sentenced to seven years in prison and her husband Muhammad Safdar was given a one-year jail term in a ruling many see as a blow to the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) party before the July 25 election.

FB enhances security steps ahead of polls

DAWN ONLINE

Facing serious criticism for its role in allowing disinfor-2016 US presidential elections, Facebook has claimed to have enhanced security measures ahead of the July 25 polls in Pakistan.

The social media giant has increased the number of safety and security people working on this area, with dedicated teams focused on preventing abuse on the platform during elections and started training of the Election Commission of Pakistan's officials.

Two United States warships entered the Taiwan

Strait on Saturday at a time of heightened

The destroyers USS Mustin and USS

Benfold sailed into the waterway separating

Taiwan and China on Saturday morning,

A defence ministry official told AFP the

ships were still in the strait on Saturday

night, sailing in what he described as inter-

Charlie Brown confirmed two vessels were

transiting through the strait but played

US Pacific Fleet spokesperson Captain

tensions between Washington and Beijing.

Taiwan's defence minis-

toring the situation in

neighbouring areas, and

has the confidence and

abilities to maintain

regional stability and

defend national security,"

it said in a statement.

national waters.

"The military is moni-

try confirmed.

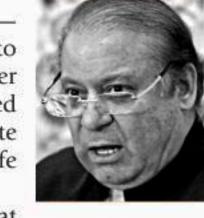
AFP, Taipei

PAK GENERAL ELECTIONS ON JULY 25 Nawaz Sharif's Don't provide 'safe haven' to Nawaz

UK chapter of Transparency Int'l asks British government

AGENCIES

: Reacting to corruption charges related to four London properties, the UK Chapter of Transparency International has asked · the British government to investigate : those assets and no longer provide a safe haven to Nawaz Sharif and his family.



"If a UK investigation concludes that · the properties have been bought with corrupt money, then the authorities should move to seize the assets. Transparency International also calls on the UK law · enforcement to investigate any further property in the UK : owned by the Sharif family," says a press release issued by the UK chapter of the corruption watchdog.

"It has been reported that Nawaz Sharif is currently in · London and has regularly been visiting the UK during the trial. The UK government has consistently said it aims to crack down on the laundering of corrupt funds through the · UK, although recent media reports suggest that the authori-: ties failed to properly assist Pakistani counterparts during this investigation," it said.

Head of Advocacy at Transparency International UK, · Rachel Davies Teka said: "We are calling on the UK authorities to investigate the London-based assets identified in this conviction and ensure that Sharif and his family are no · longer able to enjoy any luxury homes that are found to mation to spread during the : have been bought with the proceeds of corruption. : Furthermore, we believe the UK must look into any other potentially criminal UK-based assets owned by the Sharif family.

"This will serve as an important test as to how serious the government is on cracking down on the prevalence of cor-· rupt money in our capital. The laundering of dirty money is not confined to Russian oligarchs and it is important that we target illicit assets wherever they originate from."

"The recent passing of legislation that will require British · Overseas Territories to publicly reveal the true owners of : companies is a key step towards preventing the purchase of UK property with suspicious wealth. The UK must now · ensure it follows through on this legislation, so that we no longer need to rely on leaks like the Panama Papers to reveal cases such as this one."

down the significance of the manoeuvre.

"US Navy ships transit between the South

But the warships' entry into the strait comes

and Taipei.

US President Donald

Trump on Friday rolled

out 25 percent tariffs on

\$34 billion of Chinese

goods in what Beijing

called the "largest trade

war" in economic history.

China Sea and East China Sea via the Taiwan

Strait and have done so for many years," he

as Washington and Beijing are locked in a trade

war and as tensions escalate between Beijing

hitting back with retaliatory measures on

US, China tensions mount

told AFP.

precise details.

itself as a sovereign country.

Two US destroyers sail into Taiwan Strait



A Chinese relative cries at the Vachira Phuket Hospital in Phuket yesterday, after a tourist boat carrying 105 passengers, mostly Chinese tourists, capsized in rough seas on July 5. Recovery divers have pulled 41 bodies from the sea off the Thai holiday island of Phuket, officials said on Saturday, 48 hours after a boat capsized in rough waters killing dozens of Chinese passengers.

WARTIME ABUSES

Nepal laws risk sparing worst offenders

Say rights groups AFP, Kathmandu

Nepal's legal efforts to deliver justice to victims of its bloody civil war do not meet international standards and risk letting the worst offenders go unpunished, rights groups warned yesterday.

The latest draft legislation to address wartime abuses still makes it difficult to prosecute serious crimes, Human Rights Watch and the International Commission of Jurists said in a joint statement.

The tiny Himalayan nation has been rebuked for repeated delays in implementing a peace process more than a decade after fighting with Maoist rebels ended in 2006.

In 2015, the Supreme Court of Nepal ruled that laws passed by the government to remedy war-era grievances did not meet international scrutiny.

But a fresh amendment China said it was currently under consultation has done little to close these US goods but did not immediately provide loopholes, rights groups said

Crimes like torture and China sees self-ruling democratic Taiwan enforced disappearances as part of its territory to be reunified, by remain undefined, meanforce if necessary, but the island regards ing major offenders may slip through the cracks.

N Korea sanctions to stay

Says Pompeo, brushes off Pyongyang's 'gangster' tag

AFP, Tokyo

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo yester day shrugged off North Korean accusations of "gangster-like" behaviour and said sanctions on Pyongyang would only be lifted with "final" denuclearisation.

Speaking in Tokyo after two days of intense discussions in Pyongyang, Pompeo insisted the talks were making progress and were being conducted in "good faith."

In stark contrast, Pyongyang's take was overwhelmingly negative, with the North warning that the future of the peace process was being jeopardised by overbearing US demands for its unilateral nuclear disarmament.

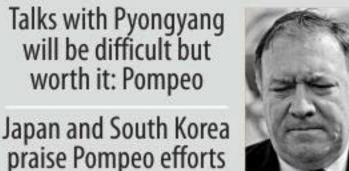
Speaking privately, US officials suggested the harshly-worded North Korean reaction was a negotiating tactic. But after two days of theatrical amity in Pyongyang it illustrated the gulf that remains between the two sides.

In Tokyo, Pompeo briefed his Japanese and South Korean counterparts on the talks, and sought to reassure them that the dialogue with North Korea would continue.

aimed at fleshing out denuclearisation commitments made during last month's historic summit between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un. North Korea has long trumpeted a

His trip to Pyongyang had been

denuclearisation goal, but one that it sees as a lengthy process of undefined



multilateral disarmament on the entire Korean peninsula, rather than a unilateral dismantlement of its nuclear arsenal.

Speaking in Tokyo, Pompeo said his efforts to push the North on disarmament had the backing of the entire international community.

"If those requests were gangster-like, the world is a gangster, because there

was a unanimous decision at the UN Security Council about what needs to be achieved," he said.

While insisting again that the talks were moving forwards, he stressed that nothing had happened to merit a relaxation of the tough sanctions imposed on the North over its nuclear missile programme.

"Sanctions will remain in place until final, fully verified denuclearisation as agreed to by Chairman Kim (Jong Un) occurs," Pompeo said, adding that the US would seek to smooth the path by providing security guarantees requested by Pyongyang.

In practical terms, Pompeo mentioned only that officials from both sides would meet on July 12 to discuss the repatriation of the remains of some US soldiers killed during the 1950-1953 Korean War.

North Korea's angry reaction to the talks with Pompeo came in a Foreign Ministry statement that berated the Secretary over his "unilateral and gangster-like" demands and for offering no constructive steps on the US side.

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Fresh tension grips Kashmir

Authorities impose lockdown in the valley ahead of popular rebel leader's death anniv

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Indian authorities imposed a lockdown in the Kashmir valley yesterday, anticipating fresh unrest as separatists urged protests to mark the anniversary of a popular rebel leader's death.

Tension had been building ahead of the anniversary with three civilians, including a teenage girl, killed during clashes on Saturday between protesters and Indian troops.

Mobile internet services were shut down across Indianadministered Kashmir, roads into the restive valley were blocked and restrictions on movement were imposed in

Authorities have clamped a total curfew in Tral, the native home of rebel commander Burhan Wani.

The charismatic young leader's death in 2016 sparked months of violent street protests that left nearly 100 dead and countless more blinded by pellet fire following an



Indian crackdown.

Separatist leaders urged shopkeepers to keep their businesses closed in protest to mark Wani's death, reported AFP. UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Zeid Ra'ad Al

Hussein on June 14 called for maximum restraint and denounced the lack of prosecutions of Indian forces in Jammu and Kashmir due to a 1990 law giving them what he called "virtual immunity". In a statement, Zeid called for a commission of inquiry

by the Human Rights Council into all violations. Alleged sites of mass graves in the Kashmir Valley and Jammu should be investigated, he said.

In New Delhi, India called the report a "selective compilation of largely unverified information" that sought to build "a false narrative", adding that it violated the country's sovereignty and territorial integrity, reported Reuters.

Possible HIV vaccine raises hopes

toll increased to 33, an official report said.

INDEPENDENT.CO.UK

Scientists are cautiously optimistic after a trial HIV vaccine showed promising results in initial tests on humans.

A study published in medical journal The Lancet examined the effects of the vaccine in 393 test subjects, who were chosen from 12 HIV clinics in East Africa, South Africa, Thailand and the US. Seven groups were given

different combinations of the vaccine, while one group was administered with a placebo. All subjects who received a vaccine responded by producing some form of immune response against HIV during the course of testing. As the tests were deemed

successful, a second round of trials is now taking place on a group of 2,600 women in sub-Saharan Africa.



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Flood affected villagers are transported on a boat towards a safer place at a village in Morigaon district, in the

northeastern state of Assam, India yesterday. The flood situation in Assam improved marginally, even as the death

উন্নয়নের গণতন্ত্র শেখ হাসিনার মূলমন্ত্র

Dated: 08/07/2018

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01	Tender ID-197642 Ref. No. 46.207.018. 23.01.149.2018 Package No.egp z3 GD/2017-18	at eastern part of	25 Jul 2018 16:00	26 Jul 2018 14:15

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