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Twitter blocks Rahul Gandhi's tweet

Rahul Gandhi, the leader of India's main opposition party, slammed Twitter yesterday for blocking a tweet over the alleged rape and murder of a nine-year-old girl, saying the platform was playing partisan politics. Gandhi's account, which has 19.5 million followers, was locked after he posted a photograph of himself with the parents of a girl who was allegedly raped and killed in New Delhi on Aug 1, saying the family deserved justice. Indian law bars disclosing the identity of victims of sexual assault and the National Commission for Protection of Child Right issued a notice to Twitter asking for its removal.

Malaysia PM seeks bi-partisan support

Malaysian Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin made a plea yesterday to opposition lawmakers to support him in an upcoming confidence vote, in a bid to shore up his government and prevent an election amid a resurgence in Covid-19 infections. The Southeast Asian nation is in political turmoil after some lawmakers in the ruling alliance withdrew support for Muhyiddin. Last week, the premier defied calls to quit and said he would prove his majority in parliament through a confidence vote. But yesterday, Muhyiddin admitted for the first time that he does not have a majority and said the vote cannot be passed without bipartisan support.

Russia asks BBC journo to leave

Russia has asked a BBC journalist working in Moscow to leave the country by the end of the month when her visa expires in retaliation for what it views as British discrimination against Russian journalists, state TV reported late on Thursday. The Rossiya-24 TV channel said that Sarah Rainsford, one of the British broadcaster's Moscow correspondents, had been declared persona non grata and would be going home in what it called "a symbolic deportation." It said the Russian authorities had decided against renewing Rainsford's accreditation to work as a foreign journalist in Moscow in retaliation for Britain not renewing or issuing visas to Russian journalists.

SOURCE: AFP, REUTERS



Search and Rescue team members evacuate locals during flash floods which have swept through towns in the Turkish Black Sea region, in Bozkurt, a town in Kastamonu province, Turkey. The death toll from the floods rose to 27 yesterday.



AUGUST 14

1945 - Japan accepted the Allies' terms of unconditional surrender, ending World War Two.

2006 - A UN-brokered truce to end five weeks of fighting between Israel and Lebanese Hezbollah guerrillas came into effect after leaving around 1,110 people dead in Lebanon, and 156 in Israel.

2015 - US embassy re-opens in Havana after 54 years.

SOURCE: REUTERS

US 'white' population drops 8.6pc in a decade

AFP, New York

The number of US residents who identify as "white" has fallen for the first time, according to the latest 2020 census data released Thursday. The United States has grown "more racially and ethnically diverse" and more urban over the past 10 years, according to the Census Bureau. The "white" population decreased by 8.6 percent between 2010 and 2020, a first since the earliest such data was taken in 1790. It remains the largest group in the country, last year representing 204 million residents, or 61.6 percent of the population. A decade earlier people identifying as white comprised 72.4 percent. African Americans represent some 12.4 percent of the population (41 million people), a percentage that remained stable over the past 10 years. The Asian-American population meanwhile jumped 35.5 percent to include 20 million people (six percent of the US population). Native Americans comprise 1.1 percent of the population. The number of people identifying as Hispanic -- specified as an ethnicity, not a race, on the questionnaire -- soared 23 percent, accounting for 62 million US residents, or 18 percent of the total population. Census results are essential to determining the distribution of electoral representation across all 50 US states, along with the allocation of billions of dollars in federal funding, especially for schools and hospitals.

The 11-year-old British boy

REUTERS, Woburn Sands



Jude Walker, an 11-year-old boy, is on an odyssey he hopes will help save the planet: he is walking to London from northern England in a bid to garner support for a carbon tax to tackle carbon emissions. Partly inspired by activist Greta Thunberg, Walker, from Hebden Bridge in Yorkshire, has braved hills, rain and doubt along his 210-mile trek to the British parliament in Westminster, central London. Global warming is dangerously close to spiralling out of control and the world is already certain to face further climate disruptions for decades, if not centuries, to come, a United Nations climate panel said this month. While most political leaders and investors accept the science behind climate change, there are deep divisions over what must be done to stop it, how radical the response should be - and who should pay for it. Walker is clear that a carbon tax is a crucial step to slowing down humanity's current path to what he called a dystopian world. "We now know a lot more about climate change and I think a carbon tax would be definitely one of the most useful solutions to it," Walker told Reuters as he walked through Woburn Sands, a town about 50 km north of London. He wants people to sign a petition calling for a carbon tax. Currently just under 57,000 people have signed it. If it gets 100,000 signatures, it will be considered for debate by parliament. He is walking for 10 miles a day, accompanied on each day's walk with either members of his family or friends. He is due to finish the walk at St James's Park on Saturday.

21 killed as heavy rainfall batters China

AFP, Beijing

At least 21 people died as heavy downpours struck central China's Hubei province, authorities said yesterday, weeks after record floods wreaked havoc and killed hundreds in a neighbouring province.

China has been battered by unprecedented rains in recent months, extreme weather that experts say is increasingly common due to global warming.

In Hubei, torrential rains caused power cuts and landslides, destroying hundreds of homes and forcing the evacuation of nearly 6,000 people, the province's Emergency Management Bureau said, as reservoirs reach dangerous levels.

Hundreds of firefighters and thousands of police and military have been dispatched to the worst affected areas.

US troops pullout a 'mistake'

Says UK defence secy, fears return of al-Qaeda; top US senator says Biden's 'reckless' Afghan policy leading to disaster, compares situation to fall of Saigon

AGENCIES



President Biden's (Afghanistan) strategy has turned an imperfect but stable situation into a major embarrassment and a global emergency in a matter of weeks

TOP REPUBLICAN SENATOR MITCH MCCONNELL



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UK DEFENCE SECRETARY BEN WALLACE

back," he said, warning that would lead to "a security threat to us and our interests."

"I felt that that was a mistake to have done it that way, that we'll all as an international community probably pay the consequences of that," Wallace said of the Doha agreement signed between the United States and the Taliban.

The agreement, signed under former US president Donald Trump last year, left Britain with no choice but to withdraw its troops, he said.

The minister's critical comments about the withdrawal were among several from senior politicians and military top brass.

The chairman of the influential Foreign

Affairs Select Committee in parliament, Tom Tugendhat, told the BBC: "We've just pulled the rug from under them," referring to the Afghan people.

Former international development minister Rory Stewart called the troop withdrawal "a total betrayal by the US and the UK" that risked triggering a civil war between rival warlords currently defending against the Taliban.

Johnny Mercer, a Conservative MP who served in Afghanistan, called the withdrawal "a disgrace".

In US, the news of thousands of American soldiers being sent to Afghanistan to evacuate embassy staff from Kabul has revived painful

US memories of the fall of Saigon.

A photo that immortalized America's defeat in Vietnam, showing evacuees boarding a helicopter on the roof of a building, spread fast on social networks after the United States announced the emergency deployment on Thursday.

The announcement heightened the perception that after 20 years of war the United States is abandoning the country.

"Afghanistan is careening toward a massive, predictable, and preventable disaster," top Republican lawmaker Mitch McConnell said in a statement.

"If we let the Taliban dominate Afghanistan and Al-Qaeda return, it will resonate throughout the global jihadist movement."

McConnell said the decision to deploy US troops to manage the evacuation "seem(s) like preparations for the fall of Kabul," which he compared to "the humiliating fall of Saigon in 1975," when North Vietnamese troops seized control of the city two years after the US military withdrew.

"President (Joe) Biden's decisions have us hurtling toward an even worse sequel to the humiliating fall of Saigon in 1975," he added.

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“দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি”

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং-০২/২০২১-২২ (রেশন স্টের)।

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| ২. সংস্থা | বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ। | |
| ৩. দরপত্র সম্পাদকারী প্রধান | পুলিশ সুপার, মানিকগঞ্জ। | |
| ৪. কি কারণে দরপত্র আহ্বান | জেলা পুলিশ, মানিকগঞ্জ এর রেশন সাময়ী ত্রয় ও অন্যান্য সেবা কাজ। | |
| ৫. দরপত্র সুর নং | ২৪০৫(২)। | |
| ৬. তারিখ | তারিখ-১২.০৮.২১ খ্রি। | |
| কাজের বিবরণ - | | |
| ৭. দরপত্রের পদ্ধতি | উন্নত দরপত্র (OTM)। | |
| অর্থের উপর- | | |
| ৮. বাজেট ও অর্থনৈতিক খাত | রাজস্ব খাত। | |
| তথ্যাবলি - | | |
| ৯. দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের তারিখ | ১২.০৮.২১ খ্রি। | |
| ১০. দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের শেষ তারিখ | ০২.০৯.২১ খ্রি, ১৪.৩০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত। | |
| ১১. দরপত্র জমা প্রদানের (সোলিদ ড্রপ) সর্বৈষম্য তারিখ ও সময় | ০৫.০৯.২১ খ্রি, ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত। | |
| ১২. দরপত্র স্থানের তারিখ ও সময় | ০৫.০৯.২১ খ্রি, ১২.৩০ ঘটিকা। | |
| ১৩. দরপত্র মুদ্রণের তারিখ ও সময় | ০৯.০৯.২১ খ্রি, ১১.০০ ঘটিকা, পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, মানিকগঞ্জ। | |
| অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা - | | |
| ১৪. অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা | দরপত্র প্রতিক্রিয়া স্থান- | |
| দরপত্র ডকুমেন্ট/সিলিঙ্ক বিভাগের অফিস | ১. ডাই. বি.জি., বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ, ঢাকা রেঞ্জ-এর কার্যালয়, ঢাকা। ২. পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, মানিকগঞ্জ। ৩. পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, রাজগঞ্জ। | |
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| ১৫. প্রি টেক্নো স্বার্ব স্থান, তারিখ, সময় | ১. হাজ নাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স ২। আয়ার সনদ ৩। ভাটো মেজিস্ট্রেটের সনদ ৪। ব্যাংক সলাজেলি সনদ ৫। জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র ৫। অন্যান্য মোগাতা যাহা টেক্নো ড্রুমেন্ট/দরপত্র নথিলে উত্তোল আছে। | |
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