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EDUCATION

'Punjab Local Govt Act 2019 To Help Bring Economic Prosperity In Province'

Speakers at a seminar at the Government College University Lahore Monday said the Punjab Local Government Act 2019 would help bring economic prosperity in the province through efficient self-governance and equal distribution of resources.

Addressing the seminar organized by the university's Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society, eminent economist Nadeem-ul-Haq said the local government was a key to development.

However, he said, act was one thing but practically forming a strong and autonomous local government was still a big challenge for the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf government.

Nadeem-ul-Haq said that he supported LG's financial autonomy but they should

not be allowed borrowing from foreign or national funds. He also suggested that the maximum tenure for the local government should be two years only.

Shahid Zaman, the Additional Secretary Punjab Local Government, and Mr. Bilal Rao, a member of the Prime Minister's Local Government Task Force, briefed the students and faculty members about the different features of the Act and also responded to their queries and concerns.

They said it was the first time that funding had been ensured in the law to the local governments. Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Hasssan Amir Shah also addressed the seminar and stressed a need for debate on different political and social issues in academic institutions. GCUL Dean Faculty of Social Sciences Prof Dr Khalid Manzoor Butt also addresses the seminar. —PRESS RELEASE



HEALTH

PANIC GRIPS
LARKANA AS 181
CHILDREN TESTED
POSITIVE FOR
HIV VIRUS

At least 215 HIV positive cases have been reported in the Ratodero district of Larkana and among those are 181 children who are aged between 2 and 12.

In-charge of the Aids Control Programme in Sindh Dr Sikander Memon told Geo News that over 5,000 people were screened for the virus.

The reason for the spread of the virus is being attributed to using a syringe more than once.

In the Dakhan area of Shikarpur, 300 people were screened for HIV out of which 6 tested positive. The total HIV impacted people in the area has risen to 13.

Last month, police arrested a doctor suspected to be responsible for the spread of HIV in Larkana's Ratodero district. Police said Dr Muzaffar Ghanghar, an employee at a public hospital, is an HIV patient himself.

Dr Ghanghar has termed the allegation against him a conspiracy, adding he was not aware of his condition.

Larkana continues to top the list of districts most affected by HIV in Sindh, with the total number of AIDS patients in Larkana at more than 2,400. —LAHORE MIRROR

POLIO TEAMS ADMINISTER DROPS TO
0.4 MILLION CHILDREN IN LAST THREE DAYS



Up to 400,000 children of less than five years have been administered polio drops in the provincial capital in the last three days, a senior Punjab government official says.

Punjab Minister for Health Dr Yasmeen Rashid released the figures regarding ongoing polio campaign in Lahore on Wednesday.

Approximately 2,500 team are working in 94 union councils of Lahore who are using vaccines of international standard, she added.

Despite hot weather and with fasting in holy month of Ramadan, polio teams are achieving the targets efficiently.

She said that role of parents is important for making the anti polio campaign. Parents should make this campaign successful by administering the polio drops to their children.

Yasmeen said all the senior officers of health department are directly monitoring the ongoing anti polio campaign in Lahore.

She appealed the parents to fully cooperate with polio teams. —PRESS HANDOUT

Insaaf Doctors Forum Delegates Meet
Minister Dr Yasmeen, Hail MTI Act

Delegation of Insaaf Doctors Forum called on Punjab Minister for Health Dr Yasmeen Rashid on Monday and expressed sheer determination to serve the patients with new zeal in public sector hospitals. The delegates expressed their complete confidence in the Medical Teaching Institutions Act.

Prof. Dr. Javed Ch., Dr. Muhammad Idress, Dr. Asim Riaz, Dr. Bilal Warriach, Dr. Faisal, Dr. Zahid, Dr. Qaiser, Dr. Anum, Dr. Darnajaf, Dr. Zubair and Prof. Dr. Atif Ikram were the part of delegation.

Dr Yasmeen Rashid informed the delegation about salient features of Medical Teaching Institutions Act.

The delegated said the MTI Act would prove to be a game changer for providing relief to the patients of government sector hospitals.

She said in new Pakistan hygienic condition, quality and equal treatment facility will be made available in government sector hospitals.

DG Health Punjab inspects anti-polio campaign teams

Director General Health Services Punjab Dr. Haroon Jehangir paid a surprise visit to the Union Council 70 and Mian Munshi Hospital.

Director Health Services EPI Dr Muhammad Saeed Akhtar also accompanied him. Jehangir Khan reviewed the performance of the anti-polio campaign teams.

Speaking on the occasion, he said anti-polio campaign would be made successful at any cost and no leniency or laxity will be tolerated in this regard. He expressed satisfaction over the performance of anti-polio teams. —LAHORE MIRROR

Dr Yasmeen Directs Senior Professors Of
RMU To Ensure Presence In OPD

—CHAIRS MEETING OF RAWALPINDI MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

Punjab Minister for Health Dr Yasmeen Rashid directed the senior professors of the Rawalpindi Medical University to remain present in OPD for facilitating the patients. She was presiding over the 5th syndicate meeting of Rawalpindi Medical University on Friday.

Prof. Ajmal, Dr. Saqib baktayar and vice chancellor Prof. Dr. Umer including MS were also present on this occasion. Dr Yasmeen Rashid took 35 professors of Rawalpindi Medical University in confidence regarding the Medical Teaching Institutions Act. She also visited various departments of the university and enquired about the educational standard of students.

She lauded the efforts of administration of Rawalpindi Medical University for enhancing the standard of training and research to international level.

Yasmeen said the MTI Act would prove government teaching hospitals a model for the patients and its scope will be extended to the other government hospitals of the province.

She said the purpose of MTI Act is to provide relief to the patients. —PRESS RELEASE



SPORTS

ENGLAND BEAT PAKISTAN BY SIX WICKETS
IN THIRD ODI, TAKE 2-0 LEAD

Pakistan lost third ODI in the hands of English after openers Jonny Bairstow and Jason Roy's devastating knocks up the order helped their side track down a seemingly insurmountable 359-run target in the 3rd ODI in Bristol on Tuesday.

Bairstow's 128-run knock off 93 balls was pivotal in the run chase but so was Roy, who contributed a 55-ball 76

By the time Roy was dismissed by Faheem Ashraf in the 18th over, most of the damage was done and the required run rate was well under control.

Joe Root (43) and Ben Stokes (37) played their parts before the pairing of Moeen Ali and captain Eoin Morgan, 46 and 17-run unbeaten innings respectively, got their side over the line for the loss of a mere four wickets.

Earlier, Imam-ul-Haq came into form ahead of the World Cup with a career-best 151 as Pakistan made 358.

The 23-year-old left-hander's innings was also the highest individual score by a Pakistan batsman against England at this level, surpassing the 138 made by his

opening partner, Fakhar Zaman, in a 12-run defeat at Southampton on Saturday that left the home side 1-0 up in this five-match series.

IMAMUL HAQ

Meanwhile Chris Woakes did his chances of being included in tournament hosts England's final 15-man squad for the World Cup no harm with a return of four

tosses in a solitary over costing nine runs before he was taken out of the attack by England captain Eoin Morgan.

Warwickshire pace-bowling all-rounder Woakes made an early double strike to reduce Pakistan to 27 for two after Morgan won the toss and decided to let England chase — they generally prefer to bat first — ahead of the World Cup.

Woakes's last ball of the first over, an excellent full-length delivery, had Fakhar edging to second slip where Test skipper Joe Root held a juggled catch.

Number three Babar Azam was then clean bowled by a Woakes off-cutter.

But new batsman Haris Sohail was quickly into his stride in ideal batting conditions on a sunny day.

The left-hander hit two superbly timed fours off successive Woakes deliveries through point and then drove David Willey through the covers for a boundary.

But Sohail's excellent run-a-ball 41 came to an unfortunate end when, called through for a single by Imam, he was run out by bowler Tom Curran kicking the ball onto the striker's-end stumps.

Pakistan were then 95 for three in the 17th over. But Imam and Asif Ali, whose 52 was his second successive fifty, repaired the damage with a fifth-wicket partnership of 125.

Imam, the nephew of Pakistan great and selection



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wickets for 67 runs in a maximum 10 overs.

But team-mate Joe Denly's World Cup chances suffered a setback, with the leg-spinner — playing in place of the rested Adil Rashid — bowling a couple of full

chief Inzamam-ul-Haq, went to his sixth hundred in 27 ODIs — and first against England — off 97 balls.

He continued to take the attack to England, driving Willey for a straight six and next ball glancing the left-arm quick for four. Imam then surpassed his previous ODI best of 128 against Zimbabwe at Bulawayo last year. Asif holed out off Woakes and Imam's excellent innings ended when he was bowled, giving himself room, by Curran. Imam faced 131 balls including 16 fours and a six. Tailenders Hasan Ali and Shaheen Shah Afridi hit out to leave England, who had also rested Jos Buttler following the star batsman's blistering 110 not out at Southampton, with a decent chase for victory. —LAHORE MIRROR