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**BAJAUR AGENCY**

On 23 October 2013, three rockets landed in the border village of Sarkai, 36 kilometres from Khar, the agency headquarters. One of the rockets hit the house of a tribesman, but caused no casualties.

On 24 October 2013, the elders of Mamond tribe in Bajaur Agency vowed to support administration in preventing cross-border attacks and take strict action against the elements harboring militants.

On 25 October 2013, Bajaur Agency Political Agent Syed Abdul Jabar Shah said that his administration was committed to providing basic facilities to the people of far-flung and militancy hit areas. He asked elders to continue supporting the administration in maintaining peace in the region.

**MOHMAND AGENCY**

On 25 October 2013, around sixty women from Mohmand tribal region received three days training of Tie and Dye. The training will provide women to move from poverty and unemployment to self-reliance.

**KHYBER AGENCY**

On 25 October 2013, the Khyber Agency political administration has announced heavy fine for outlaws, especially target killers.

On 26 October 2013, anti-polio campaign continued for the second consecutive day on Friday in Khyber Agency without any eventuality. Khyber Agency Surgeon Mr Shinwari said that 391 teams had been constituted in the agency for carrying out the vaccination campaign.

On 27 October 2013, local tribesmen have demanded directorate of FATA Health to take action against the menace of increasing number of stray dogs in bazaars and hospitals as it had become an endless headache for tribesmen in their respective areas.

**KURRAM AGENCY**

On 24 October 2013, a militant died in a suicide blast and a prominent tribal elder, Malak Saghir Khan, narrowly escaped a suicide attack near a security checkpoint.

## **NORTH WAZIRISTAN AGENCY**

On 24 October 2013, the viral disease continues to thrive and spread in North Waziristan Agency. A paediatrician at Agency Headquarters Hospital explained most of the tribesmen believe the deformity caused by polio is not permanent because of lack of awareness.

## **PESHAWAR**

On 22 October 2013, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Minister Information Minister Shah Farman claimed that peace talks between the government and the Taliban were underway, and wished that the talks would succeed.

On 22 October 2013, it was reported that the taliban have now mastered the science of manufacturing bombs as they use of potassium, nitrogen, sugar, urea and glycerine etc in the bombs that destroy human cells.

On 22 October 2013, an alleged CIA collaborator Dr Shakil Afridi has filed a review petition demanding that a fresh trial be conducted to give him full opportunity to defend himself against the charge that he helped the Americans track down on al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden in Abbottabad in May 2011.

On 22 October 2013, in order to avoid jailbreak incidents in future, the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government has formally decided to establish a separate 'Prisons Security Force'.

On 23 October 2013, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Chief Minister Pervez Khattak has expressed concern over the delay by federal government in initiating peace talks with Taliban.

On 23 October 2013, an explosion of remote control device occurred near a house in the limits of Khazan Police, no causality was reported which was planted by unidentified miscreants.

On 23 October 2013, police have claimed to have arrested a Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) accused and recovered maps of the houses of police officers from his possession.

On 24 October 2013, World Polio Day 2013 is being observed today.

On 24 October 2013, over 40,000 cellphone SIM cards of Afghan telecom companies are operational in Pakistan and most of them are used in acts of terrorism, kidnapping for ransom and extortion.

On 24 October 2013, according to a Fata health department official, a total of 36 polio cases have been reported from the tribal areas: 15 from Khyber Agency, 15 from North Waziristan, 5 from Frontier Region (FR) Bannu and one from FR DI Khan.

On 24 October 2013, students of Kurram Agency have expressed concern over suspension of ration supply to the internally displaced persons (IDPs) of Durrani camp and asked the government to fulfill its commitment and solve the problem.

On 25 October 2013, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Governor Shaukatullah Khan feared that Pakistanis could face travel restrictions over the growing polio cases in the country.

On 26 October 2013, the deputy commissioner Peshawar on Friday imposed section 144 Cr PC banning the unauthorised sale of Afghan SIMs except customer service outlets or registered and authorised agents and franchises.

On 27 October 2013, improvements recorded in business activities after Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf took reign of power in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa but the recent spate of bomb blasts in Peshawar that left 139 people dead and scores of others injured, according to businessmen, took the situation `back to square one`.

### **ISLAMABAD**

On 23 October 2013, Amnesty International called on the US to investigate reports of civilians killed and wounded by CIA drone strikes in Pakistan in a report released.

On 24 October 2013, Pakistani media on Wednesday urged the government to do more to show it is sincere about its desire to end US drone strikes in the country's tribal regions.

On 27 October 2013, Jemima Khan and the Brave New Foundation released their latest documentary film, Unmanned: America's Drone Wars.

On 23 October 2013, Mr Sharif meets President Barack Obama at the White House on Wednesday, his first with the US leader in his third tenure as Pakistan's prime minister.

### **WASHINGTON**

On 23 October 2013, the United States denied that its drone strikes in Pakistan and elsewhere infringed upon international law and said it did all it could to avoid civilian casualties

On 24 October 2013, in a briefing, a White House spokesman called for the release of Dr Afridi and said the treatment he was getting in Pakistan was "unjust and unwarranted".

### **UNITED NATIONS**

On 25 October 2013, Congress for the first time will hear testimony from survivors of a U.S. drone strike, in a briefing Tuesday organized by Rep. Alan Grayson (D-Fla).

On 26 October 2013, CIA's drone campaign, top officials in Pakistan's government have for years secretly endorsed the program and routinely received classified briefings on strikes and casualty counts, according to top-secret CIA documents and Pakistani diplomatic memos obtained by The Washington Post.

On 27 October 2013, Pakistan never approved American drone strikes on its territory, a top Pakistani diplomat told a UN committee Friday, saying such attacks violated international law and must be stopped.

#### **FR KOHAT**

On 25 October 2013, security forces arrested a terrorist after seizing 13,300kg explosives in Darra Adamkhel area.