

Pakistani Women Mountaineers to Lead 5,300m Buri La Expedition

GILGIT (News Desk) – The Alpine Club of Pakistan has announced a Golden Jubilee expedition to scale the 5,300-meter-high Buri La peak under the leadership of women mountaineers, starting in the first week of September. Young female climbers from across Pakistan will participate, including Mona Khan from Azad Kashmir, Maria Bangash from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Zeba Batool from Gilgit-Baltistan, Bisma Hassan from Punjab, Lareeb Batool from Balochistan, and Madiha Syed from Sindh. From Islamabad, Shahrin Khan has been selected, while the team will be led by Bibi Afzoon.



US Open: Svitolina Knocked Out in First Round, Alcaraz Advances



WASHINGTON (News Desk) – The US Open Tennis witnessed its first upset in the women’s singles as 12th seed Elina Svitolina of Ukraine was defeated in the opening round by Hungary’s Anna Bondar, while 45-year-old American Venus Williams won a set but eventually lost 2-1 to 11th seed Muchova; in the men’s singles, Spain’s Carlos Alcaraz, Norway’s Casper Ruud, and Russia’s Andrey Rublev advanced to the second round, with Alcaraz beating American Reilly Opelka in straight sets.



US Open: Alcaraz’s New Hairstyle Steals the Show in New York

WASHINGTON (News Desk) – Spanish tennis star Carlos Alcaraz stole the spotlight at the US Open with his new hairstyle, asking the crowd after his victory how he looked, to which fans cheered with admiration and surprise; during his on-court interview, Alcaraz again sought opinions on his haircut, while earlier on the practice court he warmly met famous golfer Rory McIlroy, expressing that he is a huge fan of the golfer and enjoys watching him play.

Wasim Akram Reacts to Babar Azam’s Absence from Asia Cup 2025 Squad

LAHORE (News Desk) – Former Pakistan cricket captain Wasim Akram has expressed his reaction to the absence of Babar Azam from the national squad for the Asia Cup 2025, noting that while he personally wished to see Babar in the team, the current players now have the best opportunity to prove their abilities. Babar, who last represented Pakistan in a series against South Africa in December last year, is the second-highest run-scorer in T20 Internationals with 4,223 runs, just behind India’s Rohit Sharma with 4,231 runs, though Sharma has retired from the format. Speaking to a leading sports website, Akram also expressed his desire to see a Pakistan-India Test series again, calling it a historic moment if it happens.



Former Australia Captain Michael Clarke Shares Skin Cancer Message



SYDNEY (News Desk) – Former Australian cricket captain Michael Clarke, aged 44, who is battling skin cancer, has issued a heartfelt message urging people to undergo regular check-ups, especially in Australia where skin cancer is a serious concern. Sharing on social media, Clarke revealed he has developed another cut on his nose and reminded that “prevention is better than cure,” stressing the importance of consistent examinations and timely diagnosis in his case. Clarke had first shown symptoms of skin cancer a few years ago but did not immediately disclose his condition.

FIFA Issues Warning Notice to All India Football Federation

LONDON (News Desk) – FIFA has expressed disappointment and issued a warning notice to the All India Football Federation (AIFF), directing it to rectify its affairs by October 30 to avoid suspension. In a letter, FIFA reminded AIFF to operate independently and free from third-party influence, including that of the government. The global body stressed that both FIFA and AFC constitutions are clear on the matter, urging AIFF to secure approval of its revised constitution from the Indian Supreme Court and ratify it through its General Council. FIFA warned that failure to comply could result in strict sanctions, including suspension.

Star Players Flaunt Luxury Fashion at US Open

WASHINGTON (News Desk) – Alongside thrilling matches, the US Open Tennis has drawn attention to the extravagant fashion choices of star players, as World No. 1 Aryna Sabalenka was seen wearing customized jewelry worth \$13,000 (PKR 3.7 million), Jessica Pegula sported a Swiss-brand watch valued at \$90,000 (around PKR 25.7 million), while Italy’s Jannik Sinner carried a branded bag priced at \$2,000 (PKR 0.6 million).



PSL Assets Valuation Process Begins for Franchises and Commercial Rights

LAHORE (News Desk) – The valuation process of Pakistan Super League (PSL) assets has been initiated to determine the market value of franchises and commercial rights, while also assessing the worth of potential new teams; according to sources, the valuation contract has been awarded to EY MENA and will be completed within five weeks, with PSL CEO Salman Naseer stating that the process ensures transparency and merit-based decisions, adding that PSL has secured its place among the world’s leading leagues and that this valuation will support its growth, stability, and strategic decision-making.



Steering Committee Meeting Held To Resolve Water Use Charges Issue

Charges Issue In AJK

ISLAMABAD, (News Desk) The Federal government has approved financial assistance of Rs. 250 million for the participation of Pakistan’s hockey team in the upcoming FIH Pro League (Season 7). According to an official letter issued by the Pakistan sports board (PSB) here Wednesday, total funds of Rs. 400 million have been sanctioned. Out of this amount, Rs. 250 million has been specifically earmarked for the Pakistan Hockey Federation (PHF) to facilitate the team’s participation in the prestigious international league, while Rs. 150 million has been allocated for organizing the First National Youth Games in Islamabad. The PSB has asked PHF to submit a comprehensive participation plan within three days, covering travel schedules, logistics, administrative arrangements, and training details.

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ISLAMABAD, (APP - UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - 26th Aug, 2025) The second meeting of the steering committee, established to resolve long-standing issues related to ‘water use charges’ in Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK), was held on Tuesday at the Ministry of Inter-Provincial Coordination (IPC). The meeting was chaired by Advisor to the Prime Minister on Inter-Provincial Coordination and Political Affairs, Rana Sanaullah Khan, said a press release. The meeting was attended by AJK Senior Minister Waqar Ahmed Noor, Minister for Energy Chaudhry Arshad, former AJK Prime Minister Raja Farooq Haider, MLA Chaudhry Yasin, Minister for Local Government Faisal Rathore, Dr. Najib Naqi, MLA Shah Ghulam Qadir, Chairman of the Cabinet Division Standing Committee Malik Abrar Ahmed, Coordination Committee Member Mushtaq Minhas, AJK Chief Secretary Khushhal Khan, and representatives from various political parties and relevant departments.