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The literacy rate in Pakistan is 60%. It means that 40% people are illiterate. In rural areas, people are un-educated because they are in pursuance of their livelihood instead of getting education in schools. Resultantly, our country is slow towards progress. Illiterate people do not know how to react on things. They are always rude towards others. The most common cause of illiteracy is our agriculture based environment in which education is not considered a priority. There is no job for un-educated people. That is why the crime ratio is high in our society due to illiteracy. Rural people face problems for employment because they are totally un-educated. But on the other hand, those people who are literate they are also un-employed due to the shortage of jobs. Government should take steps to create job opportunities for the educated people. Government should also take steps to establish schools and colleges in villages so that children who are living in villages may not travel to cities to get education.

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Illiteracy is a big problem because the illiterate people are unable to understand the new techniques of social life. They do not enjoy the life. They do not understand the new policies. Every individual has right to get education in better institutions. Illiteracy minimizes the social relations in the society which leads to less development of resources. Illiterate person is unable to read books, magazine, articles, and other reading materials.

He cannot participate in platforms of educated people. The society does not develop, if there is a number of a person un-educated. Illiteracy is a barrier in the social progress among people for betterment of the society. To bring them out of this illiteracy, they should be provided information through mass media of communication and educated people should explain the impacts of being literate. If we want to overcome on illiteracy, government should teach the illiterate people in good institutions with good teachers. To fulfil the dream, we should get good education. Education is a good tool which benefits all along the life. In fact, education is very important tool for everyone to succeed in life.

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Groundnut Oil	50L	1000
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Minister for Planning and Development Asad Umar said that any decision regarding relaxation in lockdown would be taken after 15th of May in consensus with all the provinces.

While leading media of the National Command and Operations Centre have Asad Umar said the National Command and Operations Centre will take the decision about the future course of action. He said the decision will be taken in such a manner that it does not jeopardise the healthcare system. He said the relaxation will be based on:

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1,100 ventilators and 1,500 beds in ICUs are dedicated for virus patients

only in order to provide facilities to the people.

He said that the government would not open its economy and would be lockdown completely, so as to prevent the healthcare system from collapsing.

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**Health Ministry asks storeowners, customers to follow SOPs**

People asked to avoid going to store or market if suffering from fever, cough, or flu

The concerned SOPs prepared for store owners, managers and general public in customers.

He said that all concerned business owners and employees in industries should enforce these SOPs and asked the shopkeepers at various markets of beyond capital to ensure social distancing to avoid spread of COVID-19. He said while adopting proper the measures at every the store and managers of businesses can prevent the spread of infection.

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The Ministry of National Health Services on Sunday asked the concerned, retailers and traders to strictly follow SOPs related with the business activities to ensure safe and healthy working conditions to reduce the impact of COVID-19 spread.

According to an official of Ministry of National Health Services, the government has advised necessary staff and large businesses to meet the public needs with condition to implement

**Pakistan urges reduction in Afghan violence by all parties**

Pakistan will provide assistance to forward the US-Taliban peace deal in Afghanistan over fears of uncontrolled violence between Washington and the Taliban.

A foreign ministry statement said Pakistan had consistently "underlined" the importance of a peaceful and stable Afghanistan which we deem indispensable.

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**Imran Khan, Canadian PM discuss situation arising out of COVID-19 pandemic**

Prime Minister Imran Khan Sunday held a telephone conversation with his Canadian counterpart Justin Trudeau.

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**Supreme Court to resume hearing of suo moto on coronavirus spread**

The Supreme Court of Pakistan will Monday (Sunday) resume its hearing in a matter related to Chief Justice of Pakistan's suo moto jurisdiction to curb the spread of coronavirus in the country.

A five-member bench of the apex court headed by Chief Justice

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**Govt believes in freedom of expression: Shibli Faraz**

Info minister says all pending dues of media will be released before Eid

Media Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Shahid Faraz has said the PTI government fully believes in the fundamental, constitutional and legal right of freedom of expression.

He said freedom of expression is the basis of a vibrant democratic society and fundamental right of a citizen. The Minister said that a responsible media plays a pivotal role in the development of a nation.

Shibli Faraz applauded the democratic institutions established by the people after the founding of the party.

Later talking to media persons inside Faraz said that the government is committed to ensuring that all pending dues of media will be released before Eid.

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**Botafogo ballet soloists limber up in lockdown**

In the middle of their lockdown, Botafogo ballet dancers, Wangenli, Shaochen and Qian, learned from abroad to lockdown their own bodies.

Since the start of the lockdown, the couple, both artists in the legendary troupe, have largely spent their own relative to keep up their daily habits of home.

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**Europe prepares for more lockdown easing**

European Council prepared for a further easing of coronavirus restrictions following signs the pandemic may be slowing with countries set to follow Spain in allowing people to work.

More than 241,000 people have reported that 1.6 million infected people by the virus, which has led half of humanity under some form of lockdown.

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**Wasim picks Naseem: Shaheen in 'Dream Pairs' series**

Former Pakistan fast bowler legend Wasim Akram on Monday has picked up Naseem Shah as the opener for the second Test against the current generation of Test players Pakistan.

Cricket Board's (PCB) Digital Presentation for the players has gained great popularity among the fans, with many fans playing, sharing, and reposting it.

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