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Political Developments

No event held in GB to mark wildlife day

Dawn, 4 March 2025

The World Wildlife Day on March 3 passed without any major event to mark the occasion in Gilgit-Baltistan, a region famed for its picturesque landscapes and biodiversity. Unlike in the past, no ceremonies or events were organised by the government or non-government organisations in Gilgit-Baltistan this year. GB is rich in flora and fauna because of its varied climatic conditions and ecosystem.

The region is home to several rare species, such as marco polo sheep, ibex, markhor, urial, blue sheep, lynx, snow leopard, leopard cat, brown and black bears, wolf, fox, marmot, chakor and ram chakor and golden eagle. Some of these species were on the brink of extinction due to illegal and unchecked hunting, negligence of the wildlife department and climate change-related issues.

According to a statement by the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD), World Wildlife Day served as a reminder of the deep connection between wildlife and people.

Environmentalists censure govt, NGOs for not raising awareness; PM stresses importance of biodiversity. "As we face environmental challenges, it's crucial to remember how our future is

intertwined with the health of the planet."

In a statement, UNDP Pakistan said that World Wildlife Day was a celebration of "Pakistan's rich biodiversity," from snow leopards in the northern mountains to the endangered Indus River dolphins.

Environmentalists have criticised the GB government for not commemorating the day.

Abbas Ahmed, an activist, said the GB government and non-government organisations were spending millions of rupees annually on the conservation of wildlife species. "In contrast, no practical measures have been taken to create awareness among locals."

Another environmentalist, Ashfaq Ahmed, said illegal poaching of wildlife species was underway across GB. Many snow leopards were killed illegally while the hunting of ibex was also going on.

In his message on World Wildlife Day, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif said Pakistan was investing in a sustainable future. PM Shehbaz said Pakistan was blessed with immense biodiversity, from snow leopards to blind dolphins.

"These species are not just part of our natural heritage. They play a vital role in maintaining ecological balance and sustaining our environment and economy."

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1895657/no-event-held-in-gb-to-mark-wildlife-day>

Terrible situation in ‘Indian occupied Kashmir’ illustrates a troubling paradox: Altaf Wani

Daily Parliament Times, 4 March 2025

While commenting on UN High Commissioner’s Global updates, we appreciate the High commissioner’s acknowledgment of the importance of democracy, its role in fostering diversity and development, the Chairman Kashmir Institute of International Relations (KIIR) Altaf Hussain Wani has said that there was a dire need to critically examine how these democratic norms are applied in ‘occupied territories’ like Kashmir, where these espoused ideals starkly contrasts with the reality of everyday life.

In a statement issued here today, the KIIR chief said that the High Commissioner rightly emphasized the need for participation and inclusion; however, the terrible situation in ‘Indian occupied Kashmir’ illustrates a troubling paradox.

The disputed region, he mentioned, has been subjected to a series of restrictive laws that not only curtail basic freedoms but also systematically silence dissenting voices.

Referring to arbitrary detention of human rights defenders and independent journalists by Indian occupation authorities, he said, the ruthless suppression of dissent and dissenters was a direct affront to the principles of democracy.

Wani said that the use of laws such as the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and other draconian measures has created an environment where fear prevails over freedom.

“This atmosphere of intimidation has had a chilling effect on civil society, restricting the ability of individuals to engage in meaningful dialogue or to challenge injustices”, he said, adding that the notion of a vibrant democracy fades away when citizens are unable to express their views without the threat of harassment or imprisonment.

On the High Commissioner’s call for dialogue and peace-building in Manipur, Altaf Hussain Wani said that the call stands equally applicable to Kashmir.

He, however, maintained that an inclusive dialogue involving those who have been marginalized and silenced was imperative to foster peace and resolving conflicts.

The ongoing violence and displacement in Kashmir region, he said, merits urgent attention and a commitment on the part of global community to address the underlying issues that continue to fuel conflict.

The KIIR chief urged the international community, including the Human Rights Council, to take a more robust stance in holding the Indian government accountable for its actions in Kashmir.

“ The commitment to democracy must extend to all regions, and it is

imperative that the rights of Kashmiris are recognized and protected”, he concluded.

<https://www.dailyparliamenttimes.com/2025/03/04/it-is-imperative-to-recognize-the-voices-of-kashmiri-people-who-have-long-been-denied-a-platform-to-express-their-aspirations-and-grievances-ataf-wani/>

Tackling Higher Education Woes in Gilgit-Baltistan

Friday Times, 2 March 2025

Education is often likened to the key that unlocks the door to freedom, guiding individuals toward a better path and elevating living standards. Quality education plays a pivotal role in transforming generational trends and contributing to the advancement of nations. A developing nation like Pakistan, which is in dire need of a competitive human capital base, should prioritize education as a fundamental focus area. However, the modern era poses significant challenges for the youth, particularly in regions like Gilgit-Baltistan (GB), where the pursuit of quality higher education remains an uphill struggle.

Gilgit-Baltistan, known for its breathtaking beauty, tourist attractions, and comparatively high student enrolment in schools and colleges, still faces a pressing issue when it comes to quality higher education for its youth. Currently, there are only two higher education institutions in the region: Karakoram International University (KIU) in Gilgit and the University of Baltistan (UoB) in

Skardu. While a significant number of GB’s youth travel to other parts of the country for higher education, many students are unable to afford such opportunities due to financial and other socio-economic constraints. Although these universities were established to address this issue, concerns about the quality of education persist.

At times, sectarian protests disrupt academic activities, leading to cancelled classes and temporary university closures. Such disruptions create an environment of fear and insecurity. The existing institutions grapple with various challenges, including frequent student protests against administrative bodies. These protests are often triggered by unreasonable increases in semester fees, sometimes occurring twice within a single semester, which places an additional burden on parents. The lack of alternative educational institutions exacerbates the situation, leaving students with limited choices. Regrettably, Karakoram International University, in particular, faces a severe financial crisis, hindering its ability to meet its commitments. This financial strain threatens the future of thousands of students and undermines the institution’s capacity to maintain academic performance.

Moreover, faculty members, who are essential for delivering quality education, have repeatedly voiced concerns about inadequate salaries. While they rightfully deserve fair

compensation for their services, administrative bodies remain indifferent to their demands. Consequently, students bear the brunt of these unresolved problems, further impacting the pursuit of quality education.

Gilgit-Baltistan is home to a diverse ethnic and religious makeup, making it vulnerable to sectarian tensions. Karakoram International University, being a hub for students from various backgrounds, is not immune to these underlying conflicts. At times, sectarian protests disrupt academic activities, leading to cancelled classes and temporary university closures. Such disruptions create an environment of fear and insecurity, particularly among female students and faculty, deterring them from fully engaging in their studies or expressing their opinions freely. This, in turn, hinders the intellectual growth that a university environment should foster. Furthermore, the involvement of students in sectarian disputes has made protests a recurring issue within the institution.

To manage security concerns, contingents of police and rangers have been deployed on the campus. While this may have its pros and cons—such as enhancing the overall safety and security of the campus, especially reassuring female students, faculty, and staff—it also creates an atmosphere of tension and fear due to the visible security presence.

Another major challenge affecting higher education in GB is poor internet connectivity. In the digital age, where online resources are crucial for academic advancement, limited access to reliable internet infrastructure places students at a significant disadvantage. This restricts their ability to access information, conduct research, and participate in online learning platforms, further limiting their educational experiences. Additionally, the university appears to be diverting its investments into areas beyond education, such as water plants and infrastructure projects, rather than focusing on academic improvements.

In summary, the pursuit of quality higher education in Gilgit-Baltistan is marred by challenges ranging from administrative issues, financial constraints, and protests to connectivity problems. The lack of alternative institutions and limited internet access further hinder educational progress.

To address these issues, it is crucial for the government and university administrations to work together to ensure fair financial support, address faculty concerns, and create a safe and inclusive environment for students. Diversifying investments is important, but the primary focus should remain on improving the quality of education. University administrations need to curtail non-essential expenditures and expand educational expenses. Additionally, efforts should be made to

enhance internet infrastructure, providing students with better access to online resources. Only through collaborative and targeted actions can the true potential of Gilgit-Baltistan's youth be unlocked, paving the way for a brighter educational future.

<https://thefridaytimes.com/02-Mar-2025/tackling-higher-education-woes-in-gilgit-baltistan>

Protests in Baltistan over arrest of three religious scholars

Dawn, 4 March 2025

Demonstrations were held in various areas of Baltistan division on Monday against the arrest of three religious scholars at the Pakistan-Iran border in Balochistan after they returned from Iran.

Leader of the Opposition in the Gilgit-Baltistan Assembly Kazim Mesum, along with religious scholars, demanded the immediate release of the three detained scholars. A sit-in blocking Kargil Road in GB's Kharmang district continued for the third consecutive day, while another demonstration was staged on K2 Road in Shigar district.

Protesters said Syed Aga Ali Abbas from Kharmang, Sheikh Ghulam Abbas from Skardu and Sheikh Akhtar Hussain from Shigar were students at a religious institution in Iran. Holding pictures of the detained scholars, the protesters chanted slogans demanding their release.

The three scholars were returning from Iran and had entered Pakistan through

the Rimdan-Gabd border crossing in Balochistan when they were allegedly detained by police on February 25. Since then, there has been no contact, raising serious concerns among their families and the community.

On Sunday, despite rain and snowfall, a large number of local people, including women, staged a sit-in blocking Kargil Road. Similarly, a large gathering of women staged a protest on K2 Road against the detention of the religious scholars. Earlier, a protest demonstration was also held in Gamba, Skardu, demanding the release of the scholars.

The protesters condemned the arrests, stating that the detention of the three religious scholars was unjustified and without any crime. They urged the government to conduct an immediate investigation and ensure the safe return of the detained scholars.

Mr Mesum warned that there would be strong reactions across Baltistan over the arrest and shifting of the scholars to an unknown location. In a statement, he said the federal government would have to face consequences for the ill-treatment of the residents of Gilgit-Baltistan. He demanded the immediate release of the scholars.

Meanwhile, Anjuman-i-Imamia Baltistan has announced that protests will intensify if the detained scholars were not released.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1895658/protests-in-baltistan-over-arrest-of-three-religious-scholars>

Chilas protesters lock Wapda offices over delay in Bhasha dam talks

Dawn, 6 March 2025

The ongoing protest in Chilas intensified on Wednesday as some enraged protesters barged into the offices of Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) and private companies working on Diamer-Bhasha Dam and threatened the officials to suspend their activities and vacate the buildings before locking them.

They warned the authorities that construction work would remain suspended until their charter of demands was fully implemented, as their sit-in entered its 18th day.

The Gilgit-Baltistan government asked the Centre to settle the issue on a priority basis before the situation worsens. Addressing a press conference in Chilas, Hazratullah, who heads the "Give Rights and Build Dam" movement, said people continued their protest sit-in for nearly three weeks to press the authorities for implementation of their charter of demands.

He said the federal committee formed by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif to address grievances of the people affected by the Diamer-Bhasha Dam project under the chairmanship of Minister for Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan Amir Muqam held meetings in Islamabad on Feb 26.

The government had decided to settle the issue through negotiations with a

representative committee of the protest movement, he said. On the federal government's assurance that a team would visit Chilas, he added, a committee was formed by the protesters. However, the federal government later claimed their committee members would visit Chilas when the weather improves.

"Till this day, the committee members have neither visited Chilas nor started negotiations, nevertheless improving weather and fulfilment of the condition to form protesters' committee. Even plan-B of the protest had been postponed on the government assurance till the start of negotiations with federal committee," he said.

Hazratullah said the federal committee members and Wapda officials were sitting in Islamabad while protesters were on the road for the past many days. He said Wapda offices and other construction companies of Diamer-Bhasha Dam had been stopped from continuing their work till the arrival of the federal government committee and resumption of talks, as the officials were not taking the issue seriously.

Reiterating the demand that the federal government committee immediately visit Chilas and start negotiations with the representatives of protesters, he warned consequences of further delay would be "dangerous".

Meanwhile, GB Home Minister Shams Loan has demanded that the federal government take the ongoing sit-in seriously and that the federal committee visit Chilas as soon as

possible to resolve the issues related to the dam.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1896064>

Pakistan rejects Indian FM's claims on 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir'

Business Recorder, 6 March 2025

Pakistan rejected on Thursday remarks made by the Indian external affairs minister claiming that the Kashmir dispute would be solved after the "return of the stolen part of 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (AJK) by Islamabad".

During the weekly press briefing, Foreign Office (FO) spokesperson Shafqat Ali Khan said the remarks by India's External Affairs Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar misrepresent the ground realities and contravene the international law. 'IIOJK' is an internationally recognised disputed territory, he said.

Pakistan rejects India's 'fictitious claims' regarding 'IIOJK'. His statement comes after Jaishankar said that the Kashmir dispute would be solved after the "return of the stolen part of Kashmir which is under illegal Pakistani occupation".

"I think the path we are waiting for is the return of the stolen part of Kashmir, which is under illegal Pakistani occupation. When that's done, I assure you, Kashmir issue is solved," the Indian minister while speaking during a session at the Chatham House think-tank in London.

Meanwhile, FO spokesperson said that instead of making baseless claims about 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir', India should vacate the large territories of 'IIOJK' under its 'occupation' from the last 77 years."

The spokesperson noted that 'IIOJK' was an internationally recognised disputed territory and the relevant UN Security Council resolutions stipulate "that the final status of 'IIOJK' is to be determined through a free and impartial plebiscite under the UN auspices". "India's prevarication cannot change this reality," the FO spokesperson added.

"India must realise that a peaceful settlement of the 'IIOJK' dispute in accordance with the relevant UN Security Council resolutions and wishes of the Kashmiri people is imperative for a lasting peace in South Asia."

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40351557/positive-momentum-returns-kse-100-surges-over-1450-points>

Experts term Kashmir' conflicts major cause, consequence of deteriorating mental health amongst Kashmir population

Daily Parliament Times, 8 March 2025

Addressing a sideline event speakers, while highlighting the dangerous dimensions of the ongoing Kashmir conflict, have said that the lingering dispute has had a devastating impact on mental health, leading to high rates of psychological distress, including

depression, anxiety, and PTSD, in addition to increased rates of suicidal ideation was officially said.

The event, organized in Swiss city of Geneva on Friday, jointly by International Muslim Women Union (IMWU), Kashmir Institute of International Relations (KIIR) and International Women and Children Union (IWCU), was attended and addressed by noted human rights activists, international law experts and academicians including former member European Parliament Julie Carolyn Ward, Dr. Carrie Pemberton Ford, Executive Director at CCARHT Counter Trafficking Centre, Carolyn Handschin Moser, Ms Shamim Shawl, Stella Harris Member of Women's Federation for World Peace, Dr. Abida Rafique and others. Whereas the event was moderated by the KIIR chief Altaf Hussain Wani, says a message reaching and released to the media here on Saturday.

The message continued in his initial remarks Mr. Wani underlined the horrible impacts of armed conflicts on mental health of common people saying that the violent conflicts disproportionately affect vulnerable populations, particularly women and children. "In conflict zones, exposure to violence, displacement, loss of loved ones, and destruction of communities lead to severe psychological trauma, including PTSD, anxiety, and depression", he said, adding that women often face gender-based violence, which exacerbate their mental health.

Children, on the other hand, he said endure disrupted development, lack of education, and prolonged emotional distress. The speakers, while referring to the prevalence of anxiety, depression and post-traumatic stress disorder in Kashmir, stated that the current situation in Kashmir offer a distinctive case study for scholars examining the impact of conflict on mental health.

Citing relentless repression by political and human rights by the Indian authorities in Kashmir, they said that use and abuse of force led to bloodshed and violence that continue unabated. They said that the Kashmiri women and children have suffered the most during the decades of turmoil in the region.

"A large number of women have been tortured and physically, sexually and mentally assaulted by the Indian occupation Forces", they said, adding that tens of thousands of children have been rendered orphaned. Citing different mental health surveys conducted in the region, they said that 37 per cent of adult males and 50 per cent of adult females in Kashmir suffer from mental distress.

Terming the continued conflict in the region as the major cause and consequence of deteriorating mental health amongst the Kashmiri people, the speakers said that it was high time that the world should take effective cognisance of the matter and play its much needed role to settle this long drawn conflict.

The speakers stressed the urgent need for integrating mental health services into humanitarian responses, advocating for stronger international commitments to safeguard the psychological well-being of affected populations and ensuring that mental health care is recognized as a critical component of human rights protection in conflict settings.

<https://www.dailyparliamenttimes.com/2025/03/08/experts-term-kashmir-conflicts-major-cause-consequence-of-deteriorating-mental-health-amongst-kashmir-population/>

‘AJK’ CJ calls on CJP Afridi

Express Tribune, 8 March 2025

‘Azad Jammu and Kashmir’ (AJK) Chief Justice Raja Saeed Akram paid a courtesy visit to Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Justice Yahya Afridi at the Supreme Court of Pakistan on Friday.

During the meeting, Justice Akram extended his heartfelt congratulations to Justice Afridi on assuming the country's highest judicial office. He conveyed his best wishes for Afridi's tenure, stressing the importance of strengthening the rule of law and ensuring the effective dispensation of justice.

Both dignitaries engaged in a constructive exchange of views on matters of mutual interest, reaffirming their commitment to judicial cooperation and institutional development.

CJ Khan formally invited CJ Afridi to attend the ‘Azad Jammu and Kashmir’ International Judicial Conference, scheduled for May 10, 2025. The conference will bring together legal experts, members of the judiciary and scholars to discuss key legal and judicial issues, including the uniqueness of ‘AJK's’ judicial structure, the evolution of jurisprudence in ‘AJK’ and international laws relating to the Jammu and Kashmir dispute.

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2533027/ajk-cj-calls-on-cjp-afridi>

‘AJK’ PM warns of India's tactics, announces ₹1bn for police

The Nation, March 7 2025

‘Azad Jammu and Kashmir’ (AJK) Prime Minister Chaudhry Anwar-ul-Haq has accused India of using fifth-generation warfare tactics to manipulate youth and spread chaos in the region. Speaking at the passing-out parade of the 60th Recruit Course of the ‘AJK’ Police in Muzaffarabad, he praised the force for its role in maintaining law and order. He announced a grant of ₹1 billion to enhance the professional capacity of the police.

The ‘AJK’ PM commended the police for exercising restraint during recent protests and emphasized the need for further reforms in the force. He also strongly condemned human rights violations in ‘Indian Illegally Occupied

Jammu and Kashmir' (IIOJK), warning India of consequences if such atrocities continued. Reaffirming his commitment to public welfare, Chaudhry Anwar-ul-Haq vowed to utilize government resources for the betterment of the people.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/07-Mar-2025/ajk-pm-warns-of-india-s-tactics-announces-1bn-for-police>

Economic Developments

Talks with CMs & 'AJK' PM: SIFC EC tells BoI to share SEZs action plan timeline

Business Recorder, 4 March 2025

The Executive Committee of Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC) has directed the Board of Investment (BoI) to communicate timeline to the SIFC for finalization of consultation with all Chief Ministers including Gilgit Baltistan and Prime Minister 'AJ&K' regarding implementation of the action plan on optimization of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) approved by the 11th Apex Committee meeting, sources told Business Recorder.

At a recent meeting of Executive Committee of the SIFC, Additional Secretary Board of Investment stated that the 9th meeting of the Approvals Committee for SEZs was held under the chairmanship of Federal Minister for Investment on January 7, 2025 during which the following decisions were taken: (i) 18-Point recommendations of the SEZ Survey

held in July-August 2024 have been shared with provinces for implementation; (ii) approval committee endorsed the land lease policy for BQIP in the light of 11th ACM and formulation of policy for other SEZs as per SEZs law, after consulting provinces/stakeholders; and (iii) 5 SEZs, previously agreed under CPEC and 1 with Iran, are approved in principle being international commitments; and (iv) BoI, being the secretariat for SEZs, to devise a guiding framework for SEZs, with new parameters, involving self-contained facilities including health education, residence and foreign enclave for development of new generation SEZs as being developed by China.

The sources said, the issues concerning SEZs came under discussion at a recent meeting of the EC of the SIFC wherein BoI was directed to communicate timeline to SIFC for finalization of consultations with all Provincial CMs, including CM GB and PM 'AJK', regarding implementation of the Action Plan on optimization of SEZs approved by the 11th ACM.

It was also decided that weekly meetings of already constituted Working Group on Industrial Cooperation and Optimization of SEZs would be held to expedite speedy progress on the plan.

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40351171/talks-with-cms-ajk-pm-sifc-ec-tells-boi-to-share-sezs-action-plan-timeline>

From Vernacular Urdu Media

On International Women's Day, Women held protest rally in Muzaffarabad

Urdu Point, 8 March 2025

On the occasion of International Women's Day to raise the plight of Kashmiri women in the 'Indian occupied Kashmir', a protest rally was held in the capital of 'Azad Kashmir'. The rally was organised by Pasban-e-Hurriyat Jammu and Kashmir. Against the atrocities of women in Indian Kashmir, thousands of women, girls and other people gathered, waved black flag and chanted anti-India slogans.

Women participating in the protest rallies were holding banners and placards, on which atrocities of Kashmiri women by India were written. The protest rally was held under the guidance of 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' Assembly speaker Chaudhary Lateef Akbar, and Chairman of Pasban-e-Hurriyat Aziz Ahmad Ghazali, Usman Ali Hashim, Jamaat-e-Islami leader Aamina Saleem, People's Party's leader Showket Javed Mir, Sayed Saleem Shah, Advocate Parvez Mughal and others.

Condemning the atrocities of India against the Kashmiri women, Chaudhary Lateef Akbar said that the international organisations must come forward to safeguard the rights of the Kashmiri women. In the 'occupied Kashmir', he said that more than 40

lakh women are living in the circumstances of fear caused by the presence of Indian security forces. Other leaders present on the occasion mentioned that the women of the 'occupied Kashmir' have sought peace and justice and for this they have reached to the different nations of the world, organizations and institutions.

<https://www.urdupoint.com/pakistan/news/muzaffarabad/kashmir/live-news-4356702.html>

In any future talks for resolution of Kashmir issue, Kashmiri too must be on the Table: Barrister Sultan

Jammu and Kashmir Times, 5 March 2025

President 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir', Barrister Sultan Mohammad Chaudhary said that given the Kashmir problem's important and critical mode, all political heads must form a common consensus. When the talks for the resolution of Kashmir issue are held, they Kashmiris should also be made part of that and included on the table of negotiations. Why so? Because the main stakeholders of the Kashmir issue are the Kashmiri people and they should be allowed to decide their future. Pakistani army are our protectors and the world knows India's false and propaganda tactics that it deploys, and evidences related to it have been brought to the world attention. The youth of Kashmir are unpaid soldiers of Pakistan, and strong and durable Pakistan are key to the happiness of Kashmiri quum and the time is not that far that the 'occupied Kashmir' will get liberated from the

clutches of Indian control and would result in fulfilling the dreams of Qaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah. Pakistan doesn't run in our nerves as slogans but flows like a blood.

<http://jammukashmirtimes.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Resize-of-PAGE-03-2-3.jpg>

From Social Media

JAMIL NAGRI @jamilnagri

5 March 2025

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Link to the tweet:

<https://x.com/jamilnagri/status/1897019960565862431>

WAJAHAT ALI @wajahatgilgiti

7 March 2025

Huqooq do dam banavo Committee has reached the Diamer Dam site.

Link to the video:

<https://x.com/wajahatgilgiti/status/1898053538997023137>

JAMIL NAGRI @jamilnagri

3 March 2025

Thousands residents stranded as heavy snowfall & avalanches in Astore of

#GilgitBaltistan disconnected road communication in upper areas of Astore, people compelled to shift patients carrying on shoulders to other areas of first aid, residents face shortage of medicines & food,

Link to the tweet:

<https://x.com/jamilnagri/status/1896277150099185750>

WAJAHAT ALI @wajahatgilgiti

7 March 2025

If the demands are not met, we will also lock the Diamer Dam, the Rights Do Dam Banao Committee has announced the next course of action.

#DiamerBashaDam #Diamer #chilas #protest #wapda #gilgitbaltistan #pakistan

Link to the tweet:

<https://x.com/wajahatgilgiti/status/1898052813600563686>

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