

Afghanistan: Homeland of the Jirga



Conference held to hear the needs and challenges of the 201st Corps

Story by Lt. Col. Neman
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A one day conference was held for the commanders of the Kandaks, Brigades and Garrisons of the 201st Corps, at Pol-E-Charki, May 26.

Afghan National Army General, Basmullah Khan Mohammadi, chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Baz Mohammad, logistics officer for the Ministry of Defense, other Afghan Army General Officers and Maj. Gen. Mohammad Raheem, commanding general of the 201st Corps attended the conference.

The conference was held to allow different levels of the ANA to coordinate with one another and discuss increasing personnel numbers and capabilities of the 201st Corps.

The conference began with an ANA Soldier reading from the Holy Quran.

"If you want strong and professional Soldiers, you have to take care of them," said Basmullah

Khan Mohammadi, chief of staff of the ANA.

Mohammadi congratulated the Soldiers of the 201st Corps for the success of the Tolo and Omid operations in the area.

The success of these missions further stabilized and provided security for the people of Afghanistan.

Maj. Gen. Mohammad Raheem, commander of the 201st Corps briefed about the performance of his personnel working at the 201st Corps Headquarters.

During the conference officers from the headquarters, brigades, kandaks and garrisons of the 201st Corps were able to voice their concerns about the problems they have in their units.

Representatives from the Ministry of Defense and the General Arm of Staff were available to take requests to help solve their problems.

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A National Peace Jirga held to bring prosperity to Afghanistan

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Tribal elders, scholars and members of the international community participated in a peace jirga in Kabul, Afghanistan, June 2-4.

The jirga was held because the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan is in a critical state. Politicians have discussed the current military strategy and decided it will have a negative effect on the future of Afghan society.

In Afghanistan, it is important to discuss problems in the government at the conference.

The jirga will not make final decisions for stabilizing and bringing peace to Afghanistan, but it is a great opportunity for the elders and leaders to discuss the future of the country.

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OCCR personnel awarded graduation certificates



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A ceremony was held for graduates of a joint coordination course at the OCCR Headquarters of the 201st Corps, May 27.

Maj. Gen. Mohammad Raheem, 201st Corps. Commander, Maj. Gen. Abdul Baseer Zeyai, OCCR Commander, Maj. Gen. Abdul Haleem Kohistaney, Shamshad Zone Commander, Brig. Gen. Mohammad Jamshid, deputy commander

of 202 Shamshad Coordination Zone, Brig. Gen. Clarence Chinn, deputy commander for the 82nd Airborne Division and the Command Sgt. Maj. of 201st Corps were present at the ceremony.

Maj. Gen. Raheem, Brig. Gen. Chin and Brig. Gen. Jamshid addressed the graduates at the ceremony.

This two week course was designed to teach joint coordination of security forces in the 201st Corps area of responsibility. The joint activities and plans of security organizations help to prevent the activities of the enemy.

The course was taught by Afghans and their foreign counterparts in the 201st Headquarters.



Maj. Gen. Raheem and other high ranking officers awarded the certificates to the graduates of the joint coordination course.

Family Support Group provides care for families of Martyrs

Story by Lt. Col. Qadruddin
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The family support section of the religious department of the 201st Corps make regular visits to see injured Afghan National Army Soldiers in hospitals and also provide care for disabled Soldiers and their families.

The family support group provides training for children.

The sections also host celebrations on religious holidays and for the International Day of Women on March 8, where they hold a meeting to discuss the role of women in the ANA.

Cpt. Rana Petero Hope, Kapisa Provincial Reconstruction Team

civil affairs officer, and Lt. Michelle Rollings, Kapisa PRT operations officer participated in the meeting to discuss problems such as how to take care of families of martyred, disabled, injured and prisoner of war Soldiers.

*Don't be careless of the poor
Pay attention to their problems
Take care of those people,
they live a hard life
Be compassionate,
take the thorns from their feet*

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Suicide Attack Prevented at Jalalabad

Story by Sgt. Litfullh

Jalalabad Garrison Public Affairs

A suicide bomber tried to detonate a suicide vehicle bourne improvised explosive device in Jalalabad city, May 27.

The car was travelling on the Jalalabad and Torkham highway when it was involved in a traffic accident before it was able to detonate.

The car seemed suspect, so the Jalalabad Provincial Reconstruction Team engineers were notified and found explosives in the vehicle.

The explosives were safely detonated and no one was injured. The incident is still under investigation and no arrests have been made.



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The MOD , General Chief of Staff, recruiting and training and doctrine commander’s evaluated the problems and shortages of the 201st Corps, and promised to begin working on the problems in the near future.

“I will give guidance to the commanding officers, so they will be able to execute their job properly,” said Mohammadi at in his closing remarks at the end of the conference.

New Project in 7th District includes 20 new class rooms

Story by Cpt. Naimatullah

Darul Aman Garrison Public Affairs

Sar-e-Asyab high school in the 7th district of Kabul will be receiving 20 new class rooms in the near future.

The teachers and principle of the school expressed the need of more class rooms for their growing number of students.

The Darul Aman Garrison with financial support of their U.S. counterparts began the project which will include eight barracks that are 100 meters by 2 meters. The total cost of the new facilities is around \$350,000.

The photos show a ribbon cutting ceremony held at the school.

Also, the Darul Aman Garrison recently conducted a humanitarian assistance mission where things like stationary and other school

supplies were issued to the Sar-e-Asyab high school students.



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The representatives of the people who respect the constitution of Afghanistan will find a way for reconciliation, peace and sovereignty.

Do not support people who do not respect the government of Afghanistan and support the Al Qaeda groups. We must unite to rebuild Afghanistan shoulder by shoulder.

A Moment with the 201st Corps Staff

Story by Maj. Shireen Aqa

2nd Infantry Brigade Public Affairs

The Jalalabad Garrison Commander took a moment to speak with a reporter from 'The Flood' newsletter. The Jalalabad Garrison is made up of logistics, supply and security units. They are also tasked with security, working in the motorpool and controlling entry control points on the base.

By order of the 201st Corps general chief of staff and the Ministry of Defense we conduct collaborative missions with the Afghan National Police and National Directorate of Security in the local Afghan communities.

We always inform our higher

command about our achievements.

The Jalalabad Garrison ensures security for the local Afghan people. In the past few years Soldiers in Jalalabad have bravely prevented two suicide attacks on the Jalalabad and Torkham highways located next to Jalalabad Airfield. The attacks were meant for Jalalabad Airfield and the Jalalabad Garrison.

The local Afghans around Jalalabad have even informed the Soldiers in Jalalabad about explosives and they have been able to safely detonate around 51 82mm rounds.

When a flood hit the local area and damaged many peoples

homes, Jalalabad Garrison personnel conducted humanitarian aid missions and transferred the wounded people to hospitals for treatment and delivered casualties to their families.

The commanders of Jalalabad Garrison ensure that their Soldiers constantly participate in professional training to ensure they are ready for combat.

In closing, I promise you that the Soldiers of Jalalabad Garrison are your brave sons, they serve you 24 hours a day to protect you from the enemies of Afghanistan.



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