



## Commander's Comments

*ANA Maj. Gen. Mohammad Raheem Wardak, 201st Crps Cdr.*

The 201st Corps personnel have been tasked with conducting clearance operations for the parliamentary elections in our area of responsibility.

We have to increase operations in our AO to prevent the activities of enemies during the election process.

It is a great moment for the people of Afghanistan. They can go to the election sites without any fear.

The ANA need the support of their people and Almighty Allah for ensuring the security of the elections.

The ANA has steadily improved over the last few years. We have received advance training and modern installations for living. Now, we will put our skills to use defending the democracy of our great country.

## ANA 201st Corps Commander Holds Press Conference

The 201st Corps was recently the host of a press conference. Media from print, television and radio were invited and participated in the conference at Pol-e-Charki.

Wardak took a few questions from the journalist and answered their questions. Wardak said, "the 201st Corps will ensure security in their area of responsibility."

Wardak went on to say, "We have a short time before the second iteration of the parliamentary elections.

It is the right of the Afghan people to participate in the parliamentary elections. It is also part of the Afghan constitution.

That Afghan people should have the freedom to select their own candidate."

The parliamentary, social and public affairs department of the Ministry of Defense are conducting

a big media campaign informing the public of the degree of security that will be provided for the parliamentary elections.

"We will ensure security for our area of responsibility," said Wardak.

During the press conference, Wardak informed reporters that Afghan National Security Forces have been in strategic coordination and communication meetings to ensure security.

Included in the planning conferences have been commanders of the Afghan National Army, Afghan Border Patrol, Afghan National Police and U.S. Army.

Wardak told reporters that ANSF have also, "coordinated with the governors, sub-governors and coalition forces in our AOR."

# Health is Wealth!

- Afghan Proverb



## ANA and ANP Graduate From Combat Medic Course in Pol-e-Charki

A Combat Medic graduation ceremony was held for members of the Afghan National Army and the Afghan National Police in the conference room, here at Pol-e-Charki.

The ceremony began by reciting of few verses of the Holy Quran.

ANA Col. Abdul Aziz Gulastanee, 201st Corps Surgeon, spoke to the new medical graduates at the ceremony.

"The medical section is the most important section," said Gulastanee, "besides the other

sections, we should increase our knowledge and familiarize ourselves with modern technology."

ANP Col. Baryalei Kamal Porey, 202nd Shamshad Zone, surgeon said, "The doctors have important role to treat and take care of patients."

Maj. Gen. Mohammad Raheem Wardak, 201st Corps commander also addressed the graduates, stressing the duty of impartiality among medical personnel.

"The medical staff should be

honest people for their society," said Wardak.

"They should not have discrimination to their people who are from various tribes and nations. The medics have their own responsibility to treat and take care of all personnel, every time," Wardak said.

The combat medic training is an eight week course. This was the fifth class to have graduated from the 201st Corps.

At the end of the ceremony, certificates were awarded.



# Humanitarian Assistance to Flood Victims



The Afghan National Army, 201st Corps, 2nd brigade, conducted a humanitarian assistance mission for flood victims of Bahsod district, Jalalabad province. The distribution took place at the Chochiyan School next to Kama district bridge.

The humanitarian aid consisted of 28-bags of rice, weighing 47 kg each, 24 bags of flour, 25 bags of bean, 25 bags of sugar, three bags of dry tea, 85 items of cooking

dishes, 12 large tents and 150 radios to flood victim families.

The 2nd brigade personnel have conducted several missions of this type in their area of responsibility for flood victims. The affected areas include Kama, Momandra, Bahsod, Shewa and districts of the Jalalabad province, the Surkani district of the Kunar province, and Qarghai and Kakas districts, of the Laghman province.

The 2nd brigade personnel were

able to carry out this mission by utilizing their heavy equipment such as seven ton Ranger trucks and ambulances.

Also utilized were engineering vehicles, including bulldozers, graders and lodgers to rescue the residents of the above mentioned areas from the flood.

Over the course of the flooding, the Afghan Air Corps have rescued 2,786 women and children from the flood.

## Portugal Mentors Aid Pol-e-charki Garrison

*Story and Photo by ANA Staff Sgt. Rammen Samadi*

The Portugal mentors donated 20 hot storage food containers for those soldiers who are at the main gates and outposts of Pol-e-charki.

ANA Col. Abdul Hadi Faheem, Pol-e-charki Garrison commander, ANA Lt.Col. Mohammad Akram, Pol-e-charki Garrison Logistic officer, NCOs, and soldiers appreciated the Portugal mentors, especially the Portugal Army Pol-e-charki garrison commander and his team.

The Portugal mentors aid the 201st headquarters in different



sections. The food boxes were submitted to ANA Cpt. Naqeeb-u-Allah, food officer. The garrison medical staff said the temperature-

stabilizing containers would keep food at healthy and sanitary levels, thereby increasing the combat readiness of the 201st Corps.

# Voices of the 201st Corps Personnel



My name is Walid Heider Abdulmejid. My residence is in the Najab District of Kapisa Province.

I graduated high school in the year 2005. After graduation I enrolled in the Kabul Military Training Center. I currently work for the G-1 section of the Afghan National Army, 201st Corps.

I obey all the lawful orders of the ministry of Defense and the 201st Corps officers appointed over me.

To all the youth, I say come join the ANA because Afghanistan needs you right now. You should tighten your belt and fight against the enemies of the constitution.

Do not let the enemy distract you from doing your duty.



My name is Shafiq Haman Habibheman. I am from the province of Laghman, Alaingah District, and the village of Khowega Khin.

Currently I work for the G-3 section of the ANA, 201st Corps. I have been at this job for the last seven years. Before this, I performed combat missions.

As part of the ANA I will do any job, under any conditions. I will defend my country until I kick the enemy of our nation out of this land, and we become one people.

My only wish is that Afghanistan would stand on its own two feet, to free the people of these burdens and concerns and to live in a land of freedom.



My name is Seng Zamandin Abednejhan. I live in the Chehab district of the Tekhas Province. I have seen seven years with the Afghan National Army as a non-commissioned officer.

My goals are to serve my country and help bring about security for my countrymen. I want to see our people living in peace and security.

I implore the NCOs to use every opportunity, without wasting a moment, to learn all they can. We should listen and learn from the officers over us. NCOs should teach and train their subordinates.

It is every young Afghan's duty to defend our country. Do not let the enemy disturb our people.

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