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Yemen heading towards massive famine



After six years of war, Yemen remains the world's worst humanitarian crisis. More than 4 million people have been uprooted from their homes and more than 20 million are in dire need of humanitarian assistance. The risk of a large-scale famine in the country has never been more acute. According to the United Nations, two-thirds of Yemenis need humanitarian assistance to survive. Meanwhile, more than 16 million people will face hunger this year.

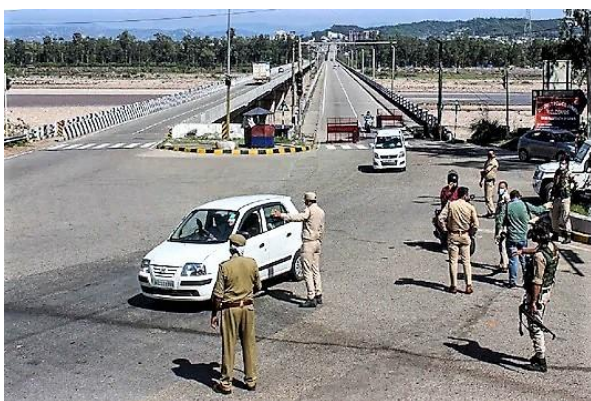
Almost half of Yemen's children under age five will suffer from acute malnutrition, including 400,000 who could die without urgent treatment. In Yemen, starvation and cholera aren't unavoidable tragedies as they are man-made and preventable crises. Yemen is on the brink of a catastrophe, which would decimate the entire country irreversibly.

Regional security threatened as crime soars on Myanmar



A crumbling economy and collapse in governance open new space for criminal operations in Myanmar. Myanmar has once again become a magnet for transnational criminal groups. Conditions that make legitimate business nearly impossible — economic collapse, deteriorating rule of law and spreading chaos — are fertile ground for organized criminals and they are returning to Myanmar in force after a brief crackdown by the country's now-deposed civilian government. In the two months since the military re-established its tumultuous rule, criminal activities in Myanmar have widened dramatically, posing new challenges to the region's efforts and ability to control cross-border crime.

Communications & blackouts in J&K make coronavirus lockdown frightening



Normal life remained affected in Jammu and Kashmir with the imposition of the lockdown in the wake of an alarming surge in coronavirus cases, even as the 'Corona Curfew' was extended in four districts. Communications and blackouts in the conflicted region of Jammu and Kashmir make lockdown more frightening. Like many countries, India has entered a nationwide shut-in to protect its 1.3 billion citizens from coronavirus. Restricted internet access to 2G services deprives the Occupied Jammu & Kashmir population of information about best practice guidelines like social distancing and washing hands. These restrictions are catastrophic for

medical professionals in the region already suffering staff, equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE) shortages and now trying to understand a new disease.

US troops pull-out but conflicts continue



As the US military began formally withdrawing from Afghanistan, some residents in Kandahar -- the former bastion of the Taliban -- were optimistic the exit will bring peace to the violence-wracked country.

The fighting will then be between two Muslim brothers (Afghan government forces and the Taliban) and the hope is that the

two will reconcile and make peace. The following attacks took place in Afghanistan in April 2021.

Date	Location	Dead	Injured	Details
1 April	Jalalabad	1	0	A female police officer is shot dead by unknown assailants in Jalalabad.
4 April	near Kabul	3	12	A car bombing near Kabul killed three security personnel and wounded twelve others.
30 April	<u>Puli Alam, Logar Province</u>	30	90	2021 Puli Alam bombing: A car bombing near a guest house killed about 30 people and injured about 90 others.



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