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## Golden era in judicial history ends

**December 12, 2013** - ISLAMABAD: Chief Justice Iftikhar Muhammad Chaudhry retired on Wednesday (December 11, 2013) after serving as Chief Justice of Pakistan for more than eight years and with his retirement, a golden era in the country's judicial history ended.

Justice Tassudiq Hussain Jilani will take oath as Chief Justice of Pakistan today. According to his bio-data, Justice Iftikhar Muhammad Chaudhry was born on December 12, 1948 and completed his early education from Quetta and did his LLB from Sindh.

He was enrolled as an advocate of the district courts in 1974, as an advocate high

court in 1976 and as advocate Supreme Court in 1985. He practiced law in all fields including Constitutional, Criminal, Civil, Tax, Revenue law, etc.

He was elected as President Balochistan Bar Association, Quetta in 1986 and was elected twice as a member of the Balochistan Bar Council. He was appointed Advocate General Balochistan in 1989. He was elevated to additional judge of Balochistan High Court (BHC) in November, 1990.

He also discharged his duties as a banking judge, judge special court for speedy trials, judge Customs Appellate Court as well as a company



judge. He was appointed Chairman Balochistan Local Council Election Authority in the year 1992 and thereafter for second term in the year 1998.

He was appointed as permanent judge of the BHC in 1993. He also remained as Chairman Provincial Review Board for Balochistan on the recommendations of Chief Justice of Pakistan.

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## FBR misses five-month target

**December 01, 2013** - ISLAMABAD: Despite surpassing the tax collection target for November by Rs2 billion, the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) has missed out on achieving its five-month (July-November) target by Rs35 billion, as it collected Rs806 billion against

the desired target of Rs841 billion.

According to provisional tax collection figures, the bureau has collected Rs806 billion in the first five months of the current fiscal year against a collection of Rs686 billion in the corresponding period of the last financial year, regis-

tering a growth of 17 percent.

The FBR requires a growth of almost 28 percent in the current fiscal year in order to achieve the desired tax collection target of Rs2475 billion against a collection of just Rs1936 billion in the last financial year.

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## PML-N to move court against delimitations in Sindh

**December 02, 2013** - KARACHI - Rejecting the amendments in the Sindh Local Government Act 2013 Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) Sindh have decided to move to courts against the delimitation in the Sindh province. The decision was taken in PML-N meeting called to form party policy following the SLGA 2013, Local Bodies election and delimitation in Sindh province at Muslim League House Karsaz

Karachi here on Sunday. Imdad Chandio, Shah Muhammad Shah, Ali Akbar Gujjar, Ismail Rahu, Irfan Marwat, Haji Shafi Jamoot, Humayun Khan, Dost Muhammad Faizi, Khawaja Tariq Nazir, Nasir Uddin Mehmood, Raja Abdullah, Munawar Raza, Ghulam Mustafa Advocate and party officials of various districts of Sindh province were present in the meeting. PML-N General Secretary Iqbal Zafar Jaghra



addressing the meeting via telephone from London directed the party leaders and workers to start preparations for the upcoming Local Bodies elections and defeat the opponent's plan of hijacking the polls.

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## IHC cancels termination of NADRA chairman



**December 03, 2013** - ISLAMABAD: The Islamabad High Court (IHC) Tuesday cancelled the noti-

fications issued earlier to suspend chief of National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) Nadir Tariq Malik and appoint a new acting chairperson, DawnNews reported.

The issue caused a stir early on Tuesday when the government sacked the chairman of Nadra from his office and handed over the chairmanship to Director

General Brigadier (ret'd) Zahid Hussain in Sindh.

Sources informed that the chairman Nadra Tariq Malik was to brief the Election Tribunal on the recounting of votes of NA-118 in Lahore. He was also under pressure not to give the briefing.

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## Schedule for vacant seats to be issued within eight days

**December 08, 2013** - QUETTA: The Election Commission of Pakistan said that the schedule for 513 vacant seats of the Local Bodies polls in Balochistan would be issued within eight days, according to Dawn News. Moreover, the official results of the

polls held on December 7 would be announced on December 10.

According to the ECP, the election for chairman union council and district council would be held after the election on vacant seats. However, the chairman union council and the dis-



trict council would be elected indirectly.

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## Bill seeking increase in minority seats submitted in NA

**December 17, 2013** - ISLAMABAD: Dr Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, a minority Member of National Assembly on Tuesday demanded allocation of division wise seats for minority representatives and grant of dual vote right to them as was in practice for the people of Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK).

A session of the National Assembly commenced under the leadership of Speaker Ayaz Sadiq today.

Speaking in the National Assembly after introducing a con-

stitution (Amendment) Bill, 2013, amendment in Article 51 and 59, the minority MNA said the present legislators did not represent the minority community.

Dr Vankwani said division-wise constituencies for minorities would help in electing true representatives of minority community.

He further said that political parties supported the demand, as all believe that minorities should be granted right to vote and their seats should be en-



hanced.

The government did not oppose the Bill. The speaker referred the bill to the relevant standing committee for further perusal and discussion.

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## SHC rules amendments to Sindh local Govt. act unconstitutional

**December 30, 2013** - KARACHI: The Sindh High Court (SHC) Monday ruled all amendments made to the Local Government Ordinance unconstitutional and has ordered that they be withdrawn, Dawn News reported.

A divisional bench of the SHC, headed by Justice Sajjad Ali

Shah, declared the local government act as unconstitutional.

The court ruled on the matter after concluding its hearing of the final arguments on Tuesday over 10 applications, including one filed by the Muttahida Qaumi Movement (MQM).

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## LHC declares Punjab delimitation unlawful

**December 31, 2013** - LAHORE: The Lahore High Court on Tuesday declared unlawful the delimitation of constituencies in Punjab and ordered the Election Commission of Pakistan to formulate new regulations for delimitation.

The ruling was issued by a full bench of the LHC on petitions relating to delimitation of constituencies

in Punjab.

In its short order, the bench directed the ECP that delimitation be carried out in accordance with the country's constitution and laws.

Following today's proceedings and the issuance of the ruling, counsels for the petitioners said the existing delimitation was in violation of sections 8 and



9 of the local government act which was why the bench declared it unlawful.

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