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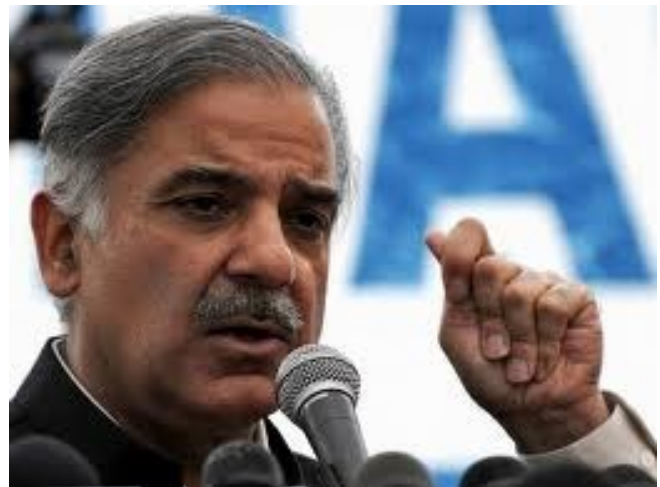
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Tuesday, July 02, 2013 - Lahore—Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq called on Punjab Chief Minister Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif, at Model Town here Monday and discussed matters of mutual interest and other important issues.

Talking on the occasion, Shahbaz Sharif said that Pakistan Muslim League-N believes in stability of democracy as well as democratic institutions. He said that people have given mandate to PML-N in general election for the solution of their problems. He said that PML-N immediately after coming into power started taking steps for controlling load-shedding and resolving



other issues. He said that every promise made to the people will be honoured. He said that tough divisions will have to be taken for the stability of national economy.

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ASEAN Regional Forum welcomes recent elections in Pakistan

The ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF), which met in Brunei on 2nd July has welcomed the recent elections in Pakistan as a historic victory for the democratic life in the country. Making the point in the chairman's statement, ministers at the

forum further welcomed the new government's early prioritization of furthering peace and stability in the region.

They believe such peace and stability can bring about potentially significant

sources of economic growth in the region.

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World realizes Pakistanis make decision through ballot not bullet: Pervaiz

ISLAMABAD, July 9 (APP): Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting Pervaiz Rasheed Tuesday said the May 11 elections had changed the country's image and the world had realized that Pakistanis were politically matured. During an informal interaction with the beat reporters of Ministry of Information here, he said the civilized world now knew that "Pakistanis do not make their decisions through bullet but through ballot". The minister said after the elections and the first-ever democratic transfer of power in the country, the for-

eign as well as local investors were taking keen interest in launching projects here while the country's stock market witnessed an unprecedented growth.

He said the masses had given the responsibility to the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) to rule the country in difficult times and its leadership was taking practical steps to rid the people of the scourge of terrorism and load-shedding, both legacies of the past governments.

He said the people of Pakistan were very mature and the claims of the dictators that the people could not decide as they were not educated, were totally incorrect.

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IP-3 project: EU increases funds to 5.7 million euros

Chairman Senate Syed Nayyer Hussain Bukhari has said that the political forces have played a responsible role in strengthening democracy and democratic institutions in Pakistan, whereas the European Union is also supporting the democratic process here.

While talking to a European Union delegation here on

Wednesday, the Chairman Senate said that "we highly appreciate the assistance provided by EU for improving performance of the parliamentarians." The delegation was headed by member European Parliament Michael Gahler, which also included EU envoy in Pakistan Lars Gounnar, Bernd and Eva. Nayyer was assisted by Secretary Senate

Iftikharullah Baber, Special Secretary Senate Amjed Pervez, and Addl Secretary Sharifullah Khan Wazir.

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PTI to play active role as real opposition: Hashmi

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) leader Makhdoom Javed Hashmi on Sunday said that his party would play an active role in Parliament as real opposition to strengthen the democratic process in the country.

Talking to APP, he said that the PTI was largest political force in the country and its role would be a voice of masses. Replying to a question, Hashmi said he always supported the democratic forces and it would challenge those elements who were against it and his party was committed to uproot

traditional and inherited political party system in the country under the leadership of Imran Khan.

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Holding of local body elections; As provinces shy, apex court means business

LAHORE - Supreme Court's call to three provinces for local bodies elections by this September purports fulfillment of a long overdue constitutional requirement for putting a complete democratic system in place and letting the people enjoy its fruit. While the provinces appear to be shy of elections, the Supreme Court seems serious about having them conducted within the next three months. The provinces could have done this job long ago, but political expedencies

and party interests ruled the roost and no local system could be put in place after October 16, 2009.

This time too, three of the four provinces have sought time to come up with a precise reply on July 22 as to when they intend to hold local governments elections.

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Boycott against democratic norms: Prime Minister

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said on Friday that the boycott of Presidential election by Pakistan People's Party (PPP) was against the democratic norms and they should not have boycotted the election. "Sportsman spirit demands that they should have contested the election," he added.

The Prime Minister expressed these views while speaking to a delegation of Senators and Members of the Provincial Assembly (MPAs) from Balochistan, who called on him here at his office.

PM Sharif said previous schedule of Presidential election fell on 27th Ramazan, which is a religious occasion, adding the

change of date should be acceptable to all as still enough time was available for campaigning.

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Mamnoon Hussain elected 12th President of Pakistan

ISLAMABAD: Mamnoon Hussain, the candidate of Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N), was elected on Tuesday as the 12th President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the next five-year term.

President-elect Mamnoon Hussain will take oath of his office on September 8, 2013.

The constitutional tenure of the incumbent President, Asif Ali Zardari, is set to expire on the same date.

According to Electoral College results announced by the Chief Election Commissioner, Hussain secured 432 Electoral College votes from Parliament, Punjab, Sindh, Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa assemblies, while

his opponent PTI candidate Justice (ret'd) Wajihuddin Ahmed secured 77 votes.

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