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**LONDON: Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi being received by Queen Elizabeth II at the dinner reception hosted by her for Commonwealth heads of government and spouses in Buckingham Palace, Friday. — APP**

## Women empowerment

### Pakistan receives C'wealth Award

#### PM holds meeting with British counterpart

LONDON: The government of Pakistan has received the Commonwealth Government Award for Women's Economic Empowerment. The Award was jointly given by the Commonwealth Businesswomen's Network and Global Citizen to the Government of Pakistan in recognition of the work and impact in the area of women's empowerment, says a press release issued here on Friday.

The government of Pakistan was acknowledged for securing passage of the Anti-Honour Killings Bill in 2016 into legislation and to be able to forge an effective coalition of parliamentarians, NGOs, civil society, academia and media who all supported it in this landmark achievement.

The award was received by a representative of the High Commission on behalf of the government of Pakistan.

Award was given during the ceremony of the 3rd Commonwealth Businesswomen Awards held on April 18, on the sidelines of the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Lon-

don.

The ceremony was organised by the Commonwealth Businesswomen Network, an accredited organisation focussed on women's leadership and economic empowerment recognised by 53 governments across five continents.

It brings together around 50,000 women working to encourage, enable and embed women in leadership and women's economic empowerment through trade, talent and training.

Another award, the Commonwealth Company of the Year Award was conferred upon Engro Foods (Pakistan) in recognition for its work towards having a significant impact on

women's economic empowerment in the organisation and the wider community.

The award was received by Ms. Nageen Rizvi, Head of Corporate Communications and Sustainability at Engro Foods (Pakistan) and Regional Leader for Asia at the Commonwealth Businesswomen's Network.

Meanwhile Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi met British Prime Minister Theresa May here on the sidelines of 25th Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM 2018) on Friday.

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lier in the day interacted with leaders of various CW countries during the retreat sessions and discussed issues of mutual interest.

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# Abbasi briefs May on Pak anti-terror fight

Commonwealth backs Prince Charles as next head

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Abbasi also appreciated the appointment of a trade envoy by the UK government to help explore trade and investment opportunities between the two countries, especially in the post Brexit context. He also spoke of his visit to Kabul and underscored Pakistan's commitment to peace and stability in Afghanistan.

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She appreciated Prime Minister Abbasi's efforts in reaching out to Afghanistan especially during his recent visit to Kabul.

She said that Pak-UK relations were strong and underscored the importance of further enhancing trade between the two countries.

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Meanwhile, Commonwealth leaders agreed Friday that Prince Charles should follow his mother Queen Elizabeth II as the next head of the group at the close of a summit overshadowed by a row over Britain's treatment of Caribbean immigrants.

"The next Head of the Commonwealth shall be His Royal Highness Prince Charles," the 53 member countries said in a statement.

Queen Elizabeth had told leaders on the first day of the summit on Thursday that she wanted her eldest son to succeed her in the symbolic figurehead role, which is non-hereditary.

Queen Elizabeth, who turns 92 on Saturday, spoke of her own "extraordinary journey" since pledging to serve the Commonwealth for life when aged 21.

"It is my sincere wish that the Commonwealth will continue to offer stability and continuity for future generations and will decide that one day, the Prince of Wales should carry on the important work," she said, referring to Charles.

Queen Elizabeth has been the Commonwealth's head since her father king George VI's death in 1952. Some republican voices had been angling for change in future but Prime Minister Theresa May gave her backing to 69-year-old Charles, who is heir to the throne of 16 Commonwealth nations, saying it was "fitting" that he should have the role.

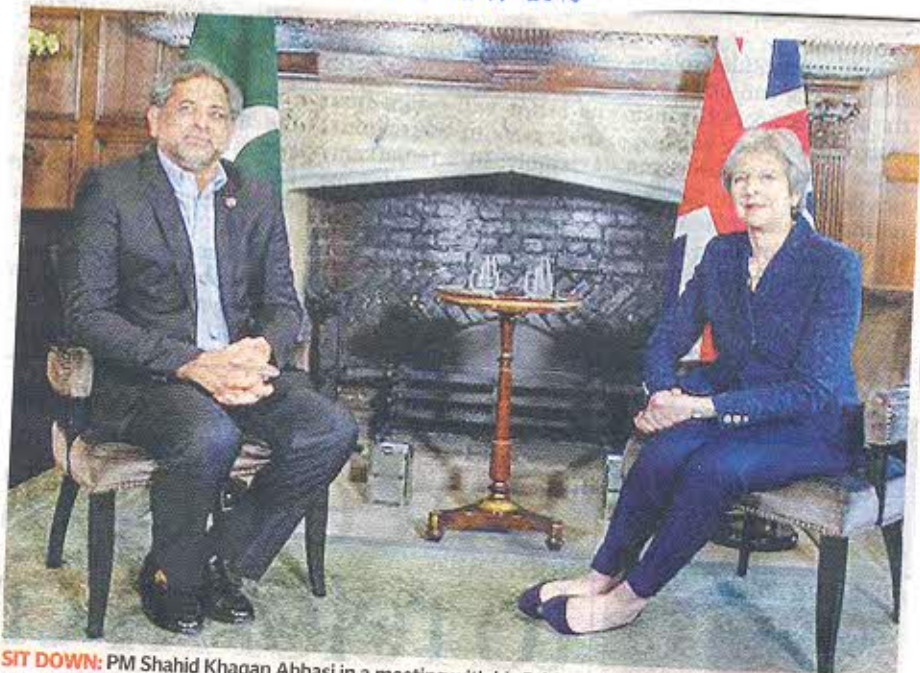
Other Commonwealth leaders including Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau also publicly endorsed Charles.

The summit also agreed a series of commitments on marine protection, combating malaria and guaranteeing 12 years of education for children in all member states by 2030. This week's gathering of Commonwealth leaders was, however, marred by a row over Britain's threat to deport some of the immigrants who came to Britain from the Caribbean in the 1950s and 1960s because they did not have residency papers.

May was forced to apologise to Caribbean leaders on Tuesday and has faced questions over her own time as interior minister between 2010 and 2016 when she initiated policies aimed at creating a "hostile environment" for illegal immigrants.

Large-scale Caribbean immigration to Britain began in 1948 - when the ship Empire Windrush brought over the first group of West Indian immigrants - and finished in the early 1970s.

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**SIT DOWN:** PM Shahid Khaqan Abbasi in a meeting with his British counterpart Theresa May. PHOTO: APP

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# Pakistan urges world to respond to Indian brutality in Kashmir

■ *Abbasi tells Theresa May Islamabad committed to peace and stability in war-torn Afghanistan*

■ *UK PM underscores need for further enhancing bilateral trade relations*

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In a meeting with British Prime Minister Theresa May on the sidelines of Commonwealth leaders retreat here at the Windsor Castle, the prime minister detailed Pakistan's efforts in fighting terrorism and extremism. He also spoke of his visit to Kabul and underscored

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Prime Minister Abbasi, who was here to attend CHOGM Summit - first in London in 40 years - actively participated in the executive sessions on Thursday and presented Pakistan's vision on economy, security and sustainable development. Prime Minister Abbasi also attended a reception hosted by British Queen Elizabeth-II for the new heads of government from the Commonwealth countries at Buckingham Palace. Later, the prime minister also joined the leaders from CW countries at a dinner reception hosted by the British Queen. **APP**



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Wanted in Pakistan

# PM pushes for extraditing 'troublemakers' from UK

Abbasi meets  
 May on CHOGM  
 sidelines

**SARDAR SIKANDER**  
 ISLAMABAD

Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi has sought from the British authorities extradition of individuals, including members of militant wings of political parties, facing serious cases involving heinous crimes in Pakistan.

The move comes amid renewed efforts on the part of top government functionaries to sign an extradition treaty with Britain to allow the speedy exchange of criminals between Pakistan and the United Kingdom.

Though the signing of an extradition treaty with Britain is still a distant possibility, the UK authorities have shown willingness to cooperate on extraditing some 'troublemakers' who are working against the

interests of Pakistan, according to government officials with knowledge of the matter.

The matter was reportedly discussed during a meeting between PM Abbasi and his British counterpart Theresa May on Friday but an official statement issued after the meeting lacked any mention of the issue.

During the meeting held at Windsor Castle on the sidelines of 25th Commonwealth

Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM 2018), the two leaders discussed matters of bilateral and mutual interest.

During his three-day (April 18-20) visit to the UK to attend the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM), the prime minister met senior UK government functionaries.

During the deliberations, Abbasi, who was accompanied by Foreign Minister Khawaja Asif, Interior Minister Ahsan Iqbal and other senior government officials, is said to have taken up the issue of extradition of 'hardened criminals', particularly members of the militant wings of political parties and those of some banned Bloch outfits who have allegedly been working to sabotage the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).

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have the resources to take refuge in developed countries like Britain, Switzerland and Canada.

Such elements are mainly operating in Balochistan, Gilgit-Baltistan and parts of Sindh with the alleged support of some commanders of banned separatist outfits that are working under the direct patronage of intelligence agencies of 'hostile countries', an official privy to the matter said in an obvious reference to secretive agencies of India and Afghanistan.

"There are elements who had been harbouring political violence in Karachi. The motives of such activities are the same — to create instability and discourage conducive environment for foreign investment."

On March 28, the federal cabinet approved the signing of the extradition treaties with China and Saudi Arabia for the transfer of sentenced or convicted individuals.

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ing the cabinet's go-ahead, the respective inputs of foreign, defence and law ministries would be incorporated for the signing of bilateral extradition treaties with the two countries.

"It's a complex and lengthy process," an official source said.

The source said the extradition treaties will cover heinous crimes like terrorism, treason, espionage, human trafficking and related crimes, in addition to less heinous crimes like fraudulent practices, visa related issues, financial embezzlement, goods' smuggling and

related offences.

"In the past, there have been moves to sign extradition treaties with countries like Britain, Saudi Arabia and China, but the moves have never been materialised due to complexities and hitches surrounding such measures," the official said.

If signed, the bilateral treaties would allow extradition of convicted or sentenced persons, who would complete their respective jail terms in the country where the related crime(s) were committed, it is learnt.

Prior to that, reports surfaced that Interior Minister Ahsan Iqbal gave a go-ahead to the interior ministry to finalise extradition treaties with the UK, China and other important states situated in the Gulf, the Middle East and the adjoining belt.

However, so far, the cabinet has granted approval for signing the extradition treaties only with China and Saudi Arabia.

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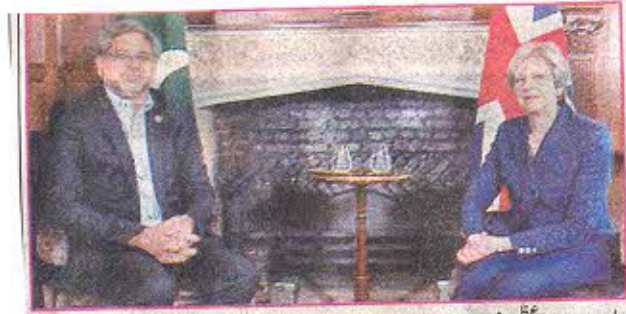


لندن، وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی ملکہ ایلیزابتھ سے سربراہان مملکت کے اعزاز میں عشائیہ پر ہاتھ ملاتے ہیں

## عالمی برادری بھارتی مظالم کا نوٹس لے، وزیراعظم کی برطانوی ہم منصب سے ملاقات

شاہد خاقان عباسی کی دولت مشترکہ ممالک کے رہنماؤں کے ہمراہ ریٹائرمنٹ پیشکش میں بھی شرکت

لندن (انجینئرنگ) وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی نے برطانوی وزیراعظم تھریسا سے جمعہ کو ونڈرسٹریٹ میں ملاقات کی۔ ملاقات کی۔ ملاقات کے دوران باہمی دلچسپی کے امور پر تبادلہ خیال ہوا۔ یہ ملاقات دولت مشترکہ سربراہان حکومت کے 25 ویں اجلاس کے موقع پر ہوئی۔ وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی نے برطانوی وزیراعظم کو دولت مشترکہ کے سربراہان حکومت کے اجلاس کے کامیاب انعقاد پر مبارکباد دی۔ انہوں نے کشمیری عوام کی تحریک کو اجاگر کرتے ہوئے بین الاقوامی برادری پر زور دیا کہ مقبوضہ کشمیر میں انسانی حقوق کی خلاف ورزیوں کی موجودہ صورتحال کا نوٹس لیا جائے۔ وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی نے برطانوی وزیراعظم کو بھارتی دانتا پینڈی تکلیف جنگ میں پاکستان کی کوششوں سے آگاہ کیا۔ انہوں نے دو طرفہ پانچویں تجارت و سرمایہ کاری کے شعبہ میں تعلقات کو مضبوط بنانے کی اہمیت پر زور دیا اور برطانیہ کے ترقیاتی ادارہ کی جانب سے پاکستان میں کام کرنے پر شکر ادا کیا۔ انہوں نے اپنے دورہ کا ٹیل کا بھی حوالہ دیا اور افغانستان میں امن و استحکام کیلئے پاکستان کے عزم کو بھی اجاگر کیا۔ برطانوی وزیراعظم تھریسا سے بھارتی پانچواں پاکستان کی کوششوں کو سراہا، انہوں نے وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی کی جانب سے ان کے حالیہ دورہ کا ٹیل میں افغانستان میں امن کے حوالہ سے کی گئی کوششوں کو سراہا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ پاکستان اور برطانیہ کے مضبوط تعلقات ہیں جبکہ دونوں ممالک کے درمیان تجارت کو بڑھانے کی ضرورت ہے۔ برطانوی وزیراعظم کی جانب سے کی گئی ہتھیاروں کے حالیہ سپین استعمال کے ذکر پر وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی نے کی گئی ہتھیاروں کے کسی بھی طرح کے استعمال کی مذمت اور اقوام متحدہ کے چارٹر میں شامل اصولوں پر کاربند رہنے سے متعلق پاکستان کے اصولی موقف کا اعادہ کیا۔ علاوہ ازیں وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی نے دولت مشترکہ سربراہان حکومت کے اجلاس کے دوسرے کے روز جمعہ کو دولت مشترکہ ممالک کے رہنماؤں کے ہمراہ ٹین ریٹائرمنٹ پیشکش میں شرکت کی۔ ونڈرسٹریٹ میں ریٹائرمنٹ پیشکش کے دوران وزیراعظم نے دولت مشترکہ سے تعلق رکھنے والے مختلف رہنماؤں کے ساتھ باہمی دلچسپی کے متعدد امور پر تبادلہ خیال کیا۔



لندن: وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی برطانوی ہم منصب ٹھریا سے سے ملاقات کر رہے ہیں

## ریاستی جلاہت کا نیا کریمو اے مقبوضہ علاقوں کے لوگوں کو انصاف کی فراہمی یقینی بنائی جائے

پرامن معاشروں کی تشکیل کا مشترکہ ہدف بنیادی آزادی اور تنازعات کے تصفیے کی ضمانت دینے بغیر حاصل نہیں کیا جاسکتا ہے۔ ایک علاقائی خوشحالی کی مثال ہے داخلی اور خارجی اہداف کے حصول کیلئے الزام تراشی سے گریز کرنا ہوگا۔ عالمی رہنماؤں سے گفتگو بہتگم پیلس عشاہیے میں شرکت

لندن (اے پی پی + مباح نیوز) وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی نے کلہ برطانیہ (صفحہ 9 جیہ 6) بلز تہ دویم کی جانب سے دولت مشترکہ کے اجلاس میں شریک رکن ممالک کے سربراہان کے اجراڑ میں ہتگم پیلس میں دہیے گئے عشاہیے میں شرکت کی۔ کلہ برطانیہ نے دولت مشترکہ میں شریک سربراہان مملکت کا استقبال کیا۔ اس موقع پر وزیراعظم شاہد خاقان عباسی نے دولت مشترکہ میں شریک ممالک کے رہنماؤں سے ملاقاتیں کیں۔ نکل اڑیں وزیراعظم نے ہتگم پیلس میں منعقد ہونے والی 25 ویں "کامن ویلتھ بیڈز آف گورنٹ میٹنگ 2018" (سی ایچ او بی ایم) کی افتتاحی تقریب میں شرکت کی۔ شاہد خاقان عباسی نے کہا ہے مقبوضہ علاقوں کے لوگوں کیلئے انصاف کی فراہمی یقینی بنائی جائے جنہیں ریاستی جارہت کا سامنا ہے۔ لندن میں دولت مشترکہ سربراہ اجلاس کے موقع پر متعدد رہنماؤں کے ساتھ ملاقاتوں میں انہوں نے کہا پرامن معاشروں کی تشکیل کا مشترکہ ہدف بنیادی آزادی اور تنازعات کے تصفیے کی ضمانت دینے بغیر حاصل نہیں کیا جاسکتا۔ وزیراعظم نے داخلی اور خارجی اہداف کے حصول کیلئے الزام تراشی اور معاملات کو سیاسی رنگ دینے سے گریز پر بھی زور دیا اور کہا ایسے اقدامات دہشت گردی سے نمٹنے کیلئے سازگار نہیں ہیں۔ انہوں نے تجارت اور سرمایہ کاری کے ناظر میں رواہد کو بھی اجاگر کیا اور چین پاکستان اقتصادی راہداری کو قومی اور علاقائی خوشحالی کی ایک مثال قرار دیا۔ وزیراعظم نے مساوی اور جامع ہمہ جہتی تجارتی نظام پر بھی زور دیا اور وسیع تر باضابطہ ترک وطن کی ضرورت کی حمایت کی۔ شاہد خاقان عباسی سے لندن میں رائل ڈیجٹل ٹیل ٹی کے ایک وفد نے چیف ایگزیکٹو افسرین وان کی قیادت میں ملاقات کی اور پاکستان میں مزید سرمایہ کاری پر تبادلہ خیال کیا۔ رائل ڈیجٹل ٹیل کے چیف ایگزیکٹو افسر نے پاکستان کے ایل این جی اور تبادلہ توانائی کے شعبوں سمیت مزید راہتی ایندھن کی مارکیٹنگ میں سرمایہ کاری سے متعلق وزیراعظم کو بتایا۔ وزیراعظم نے ملک کے پڑولیم کے شے میں شے کے گراور کو رہا۔

