



# ANA Mullahs

*First Religious and Cultural Affairs officers graduate KMTC*



The Afghan Deputy Minister of Defense presents a graduation certificate to a Mullah newly commissioned as an Afghan National Army RCA officer. Twenty-five mullahs were selected from among 200 applicants to complete military training.

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**KABUL, Afghanistan** – Twenty-five new religious officers graduated from the Kabul Military Training Center's officer training program recently. The new graduates will be assigned as religious and cultural affairs officers in Afghan National Army units.

In an effort to provide better religious training to soldiers in the Afghan National Army, the Ministry of Defense screened 200 graduates from Kabul University's Islamic Sharia Religious School. Twenty-five officers were selected from among the 200 to complete basic military training at KMTC.

"You youth have a knowledge of Islam, and you have also gained military training," said Lt. Gen. Homayoun Fauzy, MoD Deputy of Training and Cultural Affairs. "You have

a very important and serious job. I hope you will honestly train the soldiers with Islamic and patriotic ideas to prepare them to defend their country's integrity, national independence and Islamic values."

Brig. Gen. Mohammad Amin Nasib, government Chief of Religious and Cultural Affairs, thanked the MoD for its efforts to improve Islamic training within the ANA.

"You new graduates should know that serving in the ANA is very important, and has great value," Nasib said. "I hope God will help you succeed in your job, and I wish success, prosperity and happiness to all members of the ANA."

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The graduation ceremony was also attended by Brig. Gen. Mohammad Amin Wardak, Commanding General of KMTC and Brig. Gen. Mohammad Aazam Mokhlas, Deputy of Religious and Cultural Affairs. 