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**Ramazan meaning and expression: (Ramz) can mean the amount of sunshine on the plains or it can mean to cauterize something. Ramadaan is for removing sins, so it is required of us to take the fast.**



## 201st Corps Commanding General's Message for 91st Afghan Independence Day

**It is great that a heart is beating for freedom. Our territory was conquered by strangers.**

**We are  
Always Keeping the Memory  
of the Martyrs**

**Be proud of your struggle for freedom in our Holy War to secure freedom for our country**

August 19 is the Independence Day of Afghanistan. This is the victory day for the Afghan people, when Mujahedeen and the brave people of Afghanistan, 91 years ago, struggled and shed their blood for the freedom of their country. The people indicated their boldness to the entire world. Freedom is the political and physical ability of a country's sovereignty from

all other countries. Also, the national and international identity of a country stands on its freedom. Therefore, freedom is the inherent right of each country. A person is part of a family. A family is part of a tribe and a tribe is a part of nation. Indeed they all want to live in freedom. The Afghan people have always wanted to live in freedom.

It has been proven in history that Afghans have never bent down to insurgents and powerful reigns. Our grandfathers always defended our territory for the national benefit, so the 201st Corps personnel will continue following their grandfathers' strategy. Congratulations on the 91st anniversary of Independence.



## 201st Corps CDR visits Camp Ahmad Bak



(Above) Maj. Gen. Mohammad Raheem Wardak, 201st Corps commander, is inspecting 1st kandak, 3rd quick reaction forces brigade, (Bottom photos) 201st Corps' new installation which is under construction in Camp Ahmad Bak Hill, Najrab district, Kapeisa province.



barracks include living areas, chow hall, kitchen and bathrooms. The barracks are modern and built by bricks. The construction company has completed 85 percent of the project.

Wardak gave some guidance to the personnel saying, "Follow your professional training, and increase combat skills." Then Wardak listened to their problems including issues pertaining to their living place, treatment, and the Ramazan meals.

Raheem gave his sensible guidance to the leaders on how to solve the personnel problems. At the end of his visit from personnel, he awarded 500 Afghani for each soldier's hard work and dedication.

Maj. Gen. Mohammad Raheem Wardak, 201st Corps, commander with his counterpart Brig. Gen. Pepse, deputy for 101st Airborne Division, inspected the new installation being built for the 201st Corps, 3rd QRF BDE, 1st Kandak, weapons and headquarters company in Ahmad Bak Hill.

16 more barracks are under construction. Each barracks has a capacity of 100 soldiers. These new



## Conducting Literacy, Religious and English Lessons



Of all the regretful things to happen in the past 30 years of war, one of the most devastating is the lost literacy of the youth who have been born to conflict. Instead of hearing teachers' voices they have heard bomb explosions, and heavy

arms firing. From the first day of life they have been breathing the smoke of explosives. Most of our children are uneducated.

A combination of instructions are being implemented by the Ministry of Defense. The education plan

involves the teaching of different Islamic books and combat morals with the help of professional teachers from the Religious Cultural Affairs and the educational departments.

With the help of Nebraska University, 51 teachers are teaching illiterate students every Sunday and Wednesday.

Most of the educators are prior teachers of military college. Some are retired officers. They teach under the supervision of three master teachers.

Progress is being made. For example, right now, 125 personnel of the 201st Corps are getting their English training from level 1 to level 10.

We are looking forward to seeing more progress. There are currently plans to expand this program.

## Message From the Religious Department

### To all of the personnel of 201st corps:

As you all know, coalition forces are fighting shoulder to shoulder with the Afghan National Army against terrorism.

They are also working to show respect for the religion and beliefs of Muslims. Most coalition countries have a large population of Muslims and the freedom of religious expression.

In the United States, president Barak Obama recently prepared a dinner for the American Muslims in the White House. The Muslims of America also participated and welcomed it.

All of the Coalition and International Afghanistan Security Forces were told to avoid eating or drinking



**During Ramadan U.S. and ANA forces must continue to work together to respect one another's beliefs and culture.**

in front of people during Ramadan.

If any mistake occurs, from any of these forces, it shouldn't be answered with violence because there are a lot of ways to interact with them and encourage them not to eat in front of the people.

## Voices of the ANA



This is 1st Sgt. Sher Haider 201st Corps, 3rd QRF Brigade, 1st Kandak weapons company.

I am a permanent member of the Surkhroad district, Jalalabad province. I have been serving in the ANA for eight years. I have joined the ANA to support my people and community.



I am Cpt. Zabihullah son of Abdul Saleem. I graduated from military medical school. I have been serving for six years in the Afghan National Army. I am a permanent resident of Said Kheil district, Parwan province. I'm serving as a medical officer at, 201st Corps, 3rd QRF Brigade.



I am Solider Rahmullah, 201st Corps, 3rd QRF Brigade, 1st Kandak, weapons company. I live in Rostaq district, Takhar province. I am 24 years old. I have been serving in the ANA for more than three years. Every province of Afghanistan is the part of my country.

### Sorubi Garrison Commander Inducted

ANA Brig. Gen. Yar Mohammad Saedi, deputy for 201st Corps commanding general introduced the new Sorubi Garrison commander Lt. Col. Abdul "Andar" Momen to his colleagues.

The meeting was held in 3rd infantry brigade headquarters. The 201st Corps headquarter staff, including ANA Col. Qurban Nazar, 201st Corps personnel officer.



At the beginning of the meeting Nazer read a message from the Ministry of Defense.

Then Saedi said, "While you are getting orders from the TOC obey the given order at same time. Regard discipline in your



units. Obey the orders of your commanders, pass forward your professional training, and build your military skills."

"I am ready to accomplish my task based on the order of the 201st Corps," said Momen.

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