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Each week, significant economic activities and developments occur across various sectors in Afghanistan. The Afghanistan's Economic Development Newsletter covers these important and latest economic activities and advancements.



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## THE SHIBERGHAN-MAZAR-E-SHARIF GAS PIPELINE PROJECT REACHES ITS FINAL



Government officials report that the Shiberghan to Mazar-e-Sharif gas pipeline project has reached its final stage. This project is one of the major initiatives of the Ministry of Mines and Petroleum, and its construction is now in the final phase, with the last technical tests currently being conducted. The gas from Shiberghan

will be supplied to chemical fertilizer and glass manufacturing plants in Mazar-e-Sharif, as well as to the local residents of Mazar-e-Sharif.

The total length of the gas pipeline is 94.5 kilometers.

The unfinished parts of this project were initiated by the Islamic Emirate about two years ago, with an

estimated cost of approximately seven million Afghans, funded by the Islamic Emirate's budget.

This gas transportation project will transfer 1.5 million cubic meters of gas from Shiberghan to Mazar-e-Sharif within 24 hours.

There are substantial natural gas reserves in the northern part of the country. The Islamic Emirate has prioritized the utilization of these natural resources and has made efforts to extract Afghanistan's natural resources to promote the country's economic growth.

As part of these efforts, in 1403 SH, a contract worth one billion dollars for the exploration and extraction of gas from the Toti Maidan Field in Faryab province was signed with a foreign company in the presence of the Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Affairs, Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar Akhund.

## CONSTRUCTION OF THE ARGHANDI TRANSPORT TERMINAL IN KABUL PROVINCE

On March 22, 2025, the Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Affairs, Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar

Akhund, inaugurated the construction of the Arghandi Transport Terminal in Kabul



Province.

The Deputy Prime Minister emphasized the importance of building this terminal for the development of the country's transport infrastructure and considered the construction and expansion of transport terminals as a crucial step for Afghanistan's economic growth, progress, and internal and regional connectivity.

In the past, the transport sector in the country had not received adequate attention, but the Islamic Emirate has given it full consideration in order to support the country's economic development. In addition



to the Arghandi Transport Terminal, similar terminals in various provinces have been approved by the Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Affairs

Office, and many of these projects are currently underway. Transport terminals are essential for the expansion of trade and

connectivity in the country. The Islamic Emirate understands that these terminals will help make the country's trade and transportation systems faster and more organized. Furthermore, the initiation and operation of transport terminals will provide job opportunities for the people and reduce the amount of time and costs spent on transportation.

The Arghandi Transport Terminal will be built on approximately 900 jeribs of land, with a total cost of 1.285 billion Afghanis. The project will be completed by the private sector within two years.



## 25% OF THE NILA BAGH RESIDENTIAL PROJECT IN KABUL COMPLETED



The construction work of the Nila Bagh residential project in Kabul has reached 25% completion. Government officials have stated that the remaining work on the

project is progressing quickly. According to officials, the implementing company has committed to completing all the work within 38 months and will

hand over the project to the Ministry of Urban Development and Housing.

The Nila Bagh Residential Project was inaugurated a year ago by the Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Affairs, Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar Akhund, who described the start of the project as an important step for the development and urban growth of the country.

The Nila Bagh Residential Project will include 1,400 residential houses and other buildings in 56 blocks. The project is being built with the assistance of the People's Republic of China, at no cost, with a total investment of around 71 million dollars.