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Newsletter

Consulate General, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
Dubai, UAE



[In picture, Masood Ahmad Azizi, Consul General of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan in Dubai sharing iftar table with diplomats from various brotherly and friendly countries.]

Iftar Feast

On Monday 10th May 2021, the Consulate General of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan H.E. Masood Ahmad Azizi invited many diplomatic missions and Afghan businessmen for an Iftar gathering in CAPITAL CLUB, Dubai. Addressing the meeting Mr. Azizi touched upon the importance of the holy month of Ramadan -- the month of prayers and abstinence, tolerance and forgiveness -- briefed the participants about the current situation in Afghanistan, the stand of the Afghan Government during the peace process and after the withdrawal of the international troops from the country.

He condemned the indiscriminate killing of the innocent civilians by the terrorist groups particularly in the month of Ramadan, calling it a genocide. He also thanked the representatives of other nations present in the meeting for their solidarity with Afghanistan, encouraging them to further contribute to the Afghan peace process. He also pointed the investment potentials in the country. Later, the participants had an opportunity to exchange views and watch a small exhibition of Afghan products.

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Great #Iftar hosted by HE @MasoodAAzizi. Thank you for the insight into first class products from 🇦🇪. 🇩🇪 Stands by the Afghan people and @giz_gmbh will continue to channel its support to 🇦🇪 through @IHC_UAE. #Dubai 🇦🇪 #GermanyintheUAE #IHC #Safran #AfghanCarpets #RamadanKareem

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UAE AID TO AFGHANISTAN

The UAE sent two planes carrying 37 tonnes of food to Afghanistan as part of its Ramadan charity programme.

The shipment also included 7.2 metric tonnes of medical supplies to help 7,000 health sector workers contain the coronavirus.

This year's initiative replicates efforts to combat Covid-19 during the holy month in 2020 when the Emirates sent medical equipment to more than 100 countries.

The UAE has provided over 2,000 metric tonnes of assistance to 135 countries, supporting more than two million medical professionals in the process.

"The UAE has always stood with brotherly and friendly countries in all circumstances that require solidarity and co-operation," said Eisa Salem Aldhaferi, UAE ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. "In this regard, the UAE today sent a plane carrying food supplies to Afghanistan to support families in need during this holy month."

(*Emirates News Agency, 2021.*)



[Food Medical supplies being loaded into a UAE airplane to be transported to Kabul, Afghanistan. [Source: May 2021, Emirates News Agency]



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UAE Sent Plane Carrying several Metric Tons of Food Supplies to Afghanistan & it has been delivered to H.E. Ghulam Bahaudin Jailani State Minister for Disaster Management & Humanitarian Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan .

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The United Arab Emirates represented by the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates in Kabul has provided Aid to the Afghan people in cooperation with a number of craft institutions, orphanages and Afghan women's support institutions.

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President Ashraf Ghani reopened the ancient 'Shah-e Do Shamshira' Mosque which translates to Mosque of the king of two swords in the city of capital Kabul on 14th May 2021.

Accompanied by the Minister of Hajj, and Minister of Urban Development and Land of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, President Ghani stressed that it was time for a unified stance of the Muslim world against terrorism.

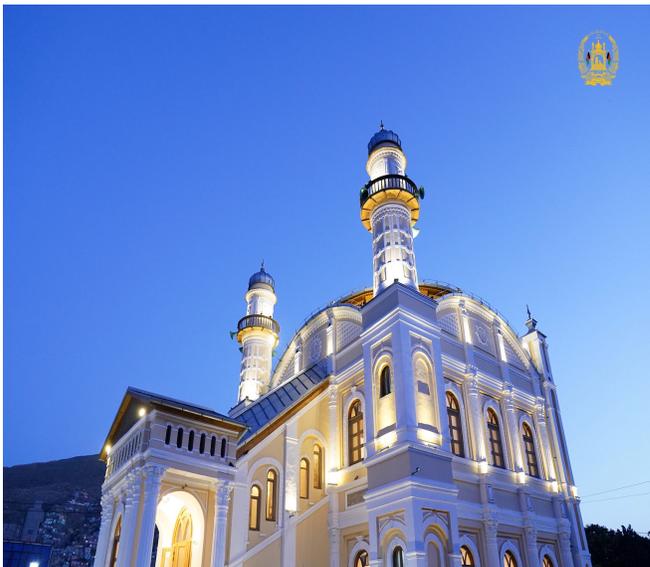
The Shah-Do Shamshira Mosque, the "Mosque of the King of Two Swords", is located in downtown Kabul along the edge of the Kabul River.



It was built in the 1920s by Amanullah Khan (r. 1919-29), who attempted to introduce several modern reforms to Afghanistan. In an unusual design for a mosque, it features multiple levels and facades designed in Italian baroque style.

Over the years the mosque suffered drastic wear and tears, renovation and maintenance of which took nearly two years following a presidential decree to the Department of Restoration and Reconstruction of Historic Monuments and Mosques of the Ministry of Urban Development and Lands. The renovation and maintenance of the mosque took around about two years, which had started in early 1398 Hijri.

The implementation work of this project was carried out by the Afghan Construction Company - National Development Company of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.



[Recent picture of The Shah Do Shamshira Mosque, 'the mosque of the King of Two Swords']

Eid Al Fitr Festival

The Consul General of Afghanistan in Dubai, HE Masood Ahmad Azizi received Afghan expatriates at his residence in the United Arab Emirates for Eid Al Fitr greetings on day one and two of Eid Al Fitr, May 2021. Speaking and exchanging greetings with the Afghan expatriates, the consul general stressed the importance of the expatriates' role in contributing to Afghanistan's economy.

Mr. Masood Ahmad Azizi heard the suggestions of these expatriates and assured them that their suggestions and problems will be thoroughly considered and followed up. The Afghan expatriates in return, thanked HE Masood Ahmad Azizi for his continuous support and cooperation since he's taken the office as Consul General of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan in Dubai and Northern Emirates.

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Afghan Senate praises the Consul General

A number of senators and members of parliament including the speaker of the senate HE Fazal Hadi Muslimyar in a gathering on 27 May 2021 appreciated the efforts and achievements of HE Masood Ahmad Azizi in the capacity of Consul General of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan since he has taken the office in March 2020.

Mr. Azizi, in addition to thanking the Speaker of the Senate and members of the Parliament, called this achievement a joint effort of the consulate's colleagues, and promised to work tirelessly with his team to help and serve Afghan people in the host country, UAE.



[Speaker of the Senate of IRoA, HE Fazal Hadi Muslimyar handing over letter of appreciation to HE Masood Ahmad Azizi, Consul General of the IRoA in Dubai and northern emirates.]

There's been a phenomenal progress in terms of achievements during the past one year. During the difficult times of COVID19 Pandemic, Afghanistan repatriated the most number stranded citizens from the UAE than any other country has. Under the leadership of HE Mr. Azizi, more than 15,000 stranded Afghans flew home from the UAE on over 100 flights operated by three different airlines, Ariana Afghan Airlines, Flydubai, and Air Arabia.

There's also been improvements in delivery of the consulate's services to both the Afghan expatriates and foreigners in Dubai and northern emirates. As such, electronic booking of appointments for visas, passport renewal has been introduced, lead-time per applicant of several services has been reduced dramatically resulting in efficiency and effectiveness.

The above are only some major news and events concerning Afghanistan, In the host country, UAE. To stay up to date with the Consulate General, you may do so by visiting the Consulate's website at: <https://afghanconsulate.ae>

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