

## KP tussle $\approx$ Between CM KP and Governor KP

There started a war of words between KP Chief Minister Ali Amin Gandapur and Governor Faisal Karim Kundi amid when the province is passing through critical conditions. Their hostility towards each other is affecting the governance in the province and annihilating the atmosphere at a time when a combined efforts by both the centre and provinces are needed to address the multiple issues of KP. Recently, the provincial government ~~has~~ decided to bar Mr Kundi from using KP house in Islamabad. Moreover, Mr. Gandapur has threatened Mr. Kundi to take over the federally run provincial power company over excessive outages. This cold war between the two is just making it difficult for province and <sup>the</sup> centre to tackle the issues of KP.

This is not for the first time when relations between centre and the provinces are so disrespectful. During the first tenure of Benazir Bhutto, ties with Nawaz Sharif led Punjab were frigid. Similarly, the relation between the Shehbaz Sharif led Punjab and Asif Ali Zardari's led Centre were also not so good. The latter wanted to impose governor system in Punjab in 2009 which was rejected by CM Mr. Shehbaz. Yet there are also <sup>some</sup> good examples in this regard. For example, during the PDM's tenure, President Arif Alvi and Pt the PDM maintained a working relationship, even though the PDM had ousted Alvi's party from government. Therefore both the officeholders in KP need to adopt the path of dialogue rather than disruptive one to tackle the issues of KP. Both the CM KP and governor should have maintain working relations.