

The Day of the Sector Commanders (Dawn - Column Ayaz Amir)

WITH apologies to Euripides for quoting him again: "Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad." No other explanation holds for the events of May 12 when Pakistan's once-upon-a-time City of Lights was handed over, with the utmost of deliberation, to the forces of darkness and anarchy. There is nothing surprising in avowed criminals spreading lawlessness, nothing surprising in a mafia carrying out a murder, mafias after all being in the business of murder. But here was something completely different: the supposed guardians of order themselves perpetrating disorder, gifting for 24 hours and more the city of Jinnah to elements dedicated to violence and intimidation--- elements whose trademark has been the political use of terror....Read More at Dawn.com