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SPECIAL REPORT – HUMAN RIGHTS

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ISSUES FACED BY THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY

ON THE FESTIVAL OF EID UL ADHA 2021

The painful discrimination of Ahmadi Muslims in Pakistan continues to rise. In keeping with Pakistan's history of state-backed violations of Ahmadi Muslims' religious and civic rights, fanatics have yet again threatened violence against any Ahmadi Muslim who partakes in the act of animal sacrifice on Eid ul Adha. Last year, the Lahore Bar Association, had demanded the federal interior ministry to restrain Ahmadis from adopting this Islamic rite. The Police also registered a case against three Ahmadi men in Toba Tek Singh. At places, they were only allowed to sacrifice inside their houses and even advised not to practice this ritual at all. The community was instructed to be more cautious.

This year on July 7, Muhammad Tayyab Qureshi – Advocate Lahore High Court, wrote to Chief Secretary Punjab, Home Secretary Punjab and Inspector General of Police to halt Ahmadis to perform eid sacrifice. Later on July 19, the Lahore Bar Association sent a notice to Additional Chief Secretary Punjab asking him to stop Ahmadis from carrying out the animal sacrifice and declare that its violation would result in strict legal action against them. At some places, the opponents displayed banners (*see Annex I*) asking people to report if Ahmadis perform sacrifices mentioning that it was against PPC 298-B and 298-C. On social media, the opponents provided a 'sample application' (*see Annex II*) before Eid ul Adha to aid people to complain and stop Ahmadis from sacrificing. This trend is growing year after year and is causing ever increasing distress to the already vulnerable community.

WE REPORT BELOW 29 SUCH INCIDENTS THIS YEAR

A GLIMPSE OF HOW AHMADI MUSLIMS CELEBRATED THEIR PRIME FESTIVAL IN PAKISTAN

The religious rights of Ahmadi Muslims in Pakistan are continually under siege due to the threat of unfair governmental sanctions and the inaction of the responsible authorities that somehow yield to unlawful demands of the fanatics.

Rabwah – headquarter of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Pakistan:

July 21, 2021: The police have filed a report against Mr Sarwar Ahmed - a resident of Dar ul Rehmat, Rabwah, for illegally collecting skins. Later, the police forwarded the information to the higher officers that he was amassing skins. A case was registered against him on July 26 under section 188 TP on the charge of illegally hoarding skins.



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July 21, 2021: The Police registered a case under PPC 298-C against Mr Ilyas Ahmad S/o Mr Rafiq Ahmad, a resident of Dar ul Uloom, Rabwah, at the Police Station Chenab Nagar Rabwah (Case No. 335/21). The applicant accused him of posing as a Muslim by slaughtering an animal in the market that had caused anxiety among the nearby Muslims. He stated that his action has derided the Islamic rites.

July 23, 2021: The Police has registered an FIR under PPC 188 and 422 against unknown Ahmadis upon the application of Molvi Usama. He mentioned that Ahmadis were illegally hoarding the skins, and the Ahmadi youth attacked him and threw stones on his car.

Lahore – the provincial capital of Punjab:

July 7, 2021: Advocate of Lahore High Court Muhammad Tayyab Qureshi wrote to Chief Secretary Punjab, Home Secretary Punjab and Inspector General of Police to halt Ahmadis from sacrifice.

July 19, 2021: Lahore Bar Association sent a notice to Additional Chief Secretary Punjab asking him to halt Ahmadis from sacrifice and declare that the violation would result in strict legal action against them.

July 21, 2021: In Gulshan Park, an Ahmadi brought an animal to his villa, but one of his neighbours noticed. He stated that Ahmadis are not allowed to sacrifice animals on Eid, and this act falls under section 298-C of the Pakistan Penal Code. He avowed that he would not allow the Ahmadi to perform the sacrifice.

In Mughalpura, Lahore, the Police noticed the animals reserved for sacrifice tied outside a house and asked the Ahmadi owner to observe caution and refrain from sacrifice.

Gujranwala:

July 13, 2021: Last year in Trigri village, the opponents had requested that the Police halt Ahmadis from practising the sacrifice ritual. This year, they repeated their demand. Therefore, the Police called the Ahmadiyya delegation and asked them to observe caution.

July 15, 2021: In Kot Mirza Jan, a policeman arrived and informed Ahmadis that they were not allowed to do sacrifice. A day before Eid ul Adha, the Police took Mr Nasir Mahmood and Mr Abdul Rauf away. The Police forced them to sign a statement that they would refrain from sacrifice and threatened them with an FIR. However, they refused to do so. They remained in police custody on Eid and were released the next day on the intervention of IG Punjab.

July 20, 2021: The Police detained Mr Jari Ahmad Hafiz – the local president of the



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Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Qayampur Virkan. The Police demanded a statement from the community that they would refrain from sacrificing and threatened them with an FIR. He also remained in police custody on the day of Eid and was freed on the next day on the mediation of IG Punjab.

July 20, 2021: In Rahwali, approximately 40 individuals accompanied clerics to the police station and requested to stop Ahmadis from sacrificing. The Police replied that they had already ordered the Ahmadis to refrain from it. They also displayed it on their WhatsApp status.

In Garmulan Virkan, Sajad Virk, an opponent, told the Police that Ahmadis had animals in their household for sacrifice. He demanded that they ought to be stopped from practising the rite.

In Bhiri Shah Rahman, the Police told Ahmadis to observe restraint.

July 21, 2021: Two sacrificial animals were tied outside an Ahmadi's house in Gujranwala city. The Police called the representative of the community and instructed him to be cautious.

Toba Tek Singh:

July 18, 2021: In Pir Mahal, the opponents demanded the administration to halt Ahmadis from sacrifice. The Police instructed the community to give a written statement on a stamp paper, which the Ahmadis denied. Last year a similar case was registered here against three Ahmadis (father and two sons).

July 18, 2021: In Dheerukay, the opponents requested the administration to halt Ahmadis from sacrifice. The DSP listened to both the parties and concluded that the Ahmadis might only sacrifice inside their homes.

July 18, 2021: In 426 Kana Konta & Dhani Dev the opponents created hindrances for Ahmadis to perform the ritual of sacrifice.

Sargodha:

July 19, 2021: In Bhera, the administration instructed the community to perform sacrifice within the walls of their houses. Ahmadis complied with it.

July 19, 2021: In Ghoghiyat, the administration prohibited the community members from performing sacrifices.

The district administration in Hijka, also issued the same directive and barred Ahmadis from slaughtering animals on this festival.



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In 23 Janubi, the opponents filed an application in Anwarabad Police Station to prevent Ahmadis to perform sacrifices.

Sheikhupura:

In Nawankot, the opponents wrote to SHO Safdar Abad to halt Ahmadis from sacrifice.

Nankana Sahib:

July 21, 2021: In Kot Diyaldas, the Police told the community that they had received a complaint from Kot Sadhuram that Ahmadis were doing sacrifices. The police also warned of a legal action stating that the law did not permit Ahmadis to offer sacrifice.

Faisalabad:

July 18, 2021; In Adhuwali, the opponents tried to spread propaganda and threatened legal action on finding out that Ahmadis did sacrifice.

Rahimyar Khan:

July 18, 2021: In Feroza Chak, the opponents displayed a flex instructing people to report if Ahmadis perform a sacrifice. They also incited the mass to boycott Ahmadi businesses.

Qasur:

July 19, 2021: In Qutba Jora, upon the application from the opponents, the Police halted Ahmadis from offering sacrifice.

Chakwal:

As a preemptive measure, the Police called the Ahmadiyya delegation in Dulmiyal. The delegation informed the Police that the DSP had called both parties last year. It was concluded that the Ahmadis were allowed to offer sacrifice within their homes and would refrain from distributing the meat to any Muslim or a beggar. The Police agreed to it and asked to give a written statement and to abide by.

Larkana:

July 21, 2021: In Gorgeej, the opponents filed an application against Ahmadis for sacrificing and called the Police. They complained as to why did Ahmadis perform sacrifices despite being declared Non-Muslims.



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Annex I:

One of the banners:



Translation:

It is our duty to uphold the constitution of Pakistan. According to the law 298-C, the Qadiani (*derogatory term for Ahmadis*) are not allowed to perform sacrifices as this is one of the Shrai-e-Islam (holy rites of Islam). You should report to the Police if you see the violation anywhere.

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Annex II:

Sample Application: (See translation on next page)

بخدمت جناب ایس ایچ او صاحب تھانہ۔۔۔۔۔ ضلع۔۔۔۔۔

درخواست برائے کیئے جانے قانونی کارروائی برخلاف قادیانی غیر مسلم گروہ (1)، (2)، (3) وغیرہ
بمراد انسداد جرم C/298 تپ بابت غیر قانونی استعمال شعائر اسلامی ”قربانی“ بر موقع عید الاضحیٰ

جناب عالی!

زیر تخطی حسب ذیل عرض پرداز ہے۔

- 1- یہ کہ عید الاضحیٰ مسلمانوں کا اہم مذہبی تہوار، شعائر اسلامی اور عبادت ہے جس میں پوری دنیا میں رہنے والے مسلمان سنت ابراہیمی اور سنت حضرت محمد صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم خاتم النبیین کی پیروی میں جانوروں کی قربانی کرتے ہیں اور عید الاضحیٰ کے موقع پر یہ قربانی صرف مسلمانوں کے ساتھ ہی مختص ہے۔
- 2- یہ کہ قادیانی گروہ کو آئین پاکستان اور بیشتر عدالتی نظام کے تحت ان کے کفریہ اور گستاخانہ عقائد کی بنا پر غیر مسلم اقلیت کا فخر دیا جا چکا ہے اور تعزیرات پاکستان کی دفعات B/298، C/298 تپ قادیانیوں کو کسی بھی طریقہ سے خود کو مسلمان ظاہر کرنے، مرزا قادیانی کی بیوی کو ام المومنین دوستوں کو صحابہ گھروالوں کو اہل بیت کہلانے، اپنے کفریہ عقائد کی تبلیغ و تفسیر کرنے، اپنے کفریہ عقائد کو اسلام کے طور پر موسوم یا منسوب کرنے، شعائر اسلامی استعمال کرنے، اپنی عبادت گاہ کو مسجد کے طور پر موسوم یا منسوب کرنے، مسلمانوں کے مذہبی جذبات مجروح کرنے سے روکتے ہیں اور یہ جرائم قابل دست اندازی پولیس اور نا قابل ضمانت ہے۔
- 3- یہ کہ مذکورہ بالا قادیانی ملزمان بحیثیت مجموعی خلاف آئین و قانون شعائر اسلامی کا اعلانیہ استعمال کرنے کی غیر قانونی روش کو برقرار رکھے ہوئے ہیں اور عید الاضحیٰ کے موقع پر دھوکہ دہی سے خود کو مسلمان اور اُمت محمدیہ صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم کا حصہ ظاہر کرتے ہوئے اعلانیہ طور پر قربانی کرتے ہیں اور قربانی جیسے اہم شعائر اسلامی کا استعمال کر رہے ہیں جو کہ آئین و قانون و اعلیٰ عدلیہ کے فیصلہ جات بالخصوص سپریم کورٹ آف پاکستان 1993SCMR1718 کی اعلانیہ خلاف ورزی ہے۔
- 4- یہ کہ قادیانی غیر مسلم گروہ کسی بھی طریقہ سے مسلمانوں کی طرح عید الاضحیٰ کے مبارک موقع پر شعائر اسلامی ”قربانی“ کرنے کے مجاز نہ ہیں۔
- 5- یہ کہ مذکورہ بالا قادیانی ملزمان کے اس غیر قانونی اقدامات سے مسلمانوں کے مذہبی جذبات سخت مجروح ہوئے ہیں جس کے گواہان 1، 2، 3، 4، 5، 6، و دیگر اہلیان محلہ ہیں۔

لہذا بذریعہ درخواست ہذا گزارش مذکورہ بالا قادیانی ملزمان و دیگر منتظمین قادیانی جماعت کو سختی سے پابند کیا جائے کہ وہ عید الاضحیٰ کے موقع پر غیر قانونی شعائر اسلامی کا استعمال ”قربانی“ نہ کریں بصورت دیگر ان مذکورہ بالا قادیانی ملزمان و دیگر منتظمین قادیانی جماعت کے خلاف C/298 تپ کے تحت قانونی کارروائی عمل میں لائی جائے تاکہ علاقے کا امن برقرار رکھے۔ عین نوازش ہوگی۔

العارض

_____ ولد _____ سکنہ _____ ضلع _____

موبائل نمبر:

شناختی کارڈ نمبر:

دستخط گواہان اہلیان محلہ



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Translation of a sample application:

To

SHO Police Station.....District.....

Application for legal action against Non-Muslim Qadianis 1,.....2,.....3,.....etc for violation of PPC 298C and for undertaking unlawfully Shaair-e-Islam i.e. Sacrificing Cattle (*Qurbani*) at the occasion of festival Eid ul Adha

Sir,

I submit the following:

1. Eid ul Adha is an important Islamic festival, Shaair-e-Islami and ritual worship for Muslims all over the world, when they sacrifice cattle (*Qurbani*) following the practices of Prophet Abraham and Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). Undertaking *Qurbani* at Eid ul Adha is specific to Muslims alone.
2. Qadiani group has been declared Non-Muslim, *Kafir* minority for their unIslamic and blasphemic beliefs, through the Constitution and numerous court verdicts. Sections PPC 298-B and 298-C forbid Qadianis to pose as Muslims, call Mirza Qadiani's wife *Ummul Momineen*, his friends *Sahabah*, his family *Ahle Bait*, preach and propagate their infidel beliefs, call or relate their infidel beliefs Islamic, undertake Islamic Shaair (practices), call their worship-places *Masjid* (mosque) and hurt religious feelings of Muslims. These acts by them are noticeable by the police and are non-bailable.
3. The above-mentioned Qadiani accused, on the whole, generally indulge in unlawful activity of practicing Islamic Shaair (practices) and openly undertake *Qurbani* thus fraudulently posing as Muslim and a part of the Muslim *Ummah* (Nation). They undertake this important Islamic Shaair, the *Qurbani*, which is an open violation of the Constitution, the law and the high judiciary verdicts, particularly the Supreme Court Judgment 1993 SCMR 1718.
4. Non-Muslim Qadianis are in no way allowed to undertake Shaair-e-Islami '*Qurbani*' like Muslims at the blessed occasion of Eid ul Adha.
5. The above-mentioned Qadiani accused have severely injured the religious feelings of Muslims through this unlawful act.

Following are the witnesses: 1,.....2,.....3,....4,.....5,.....6..... and other residents in the neighborhood.

As such, through this application we request that the above-mentioned Qadiani accused and their seniors of the Qadiani Jamaat be effectively restrained to avoid the *Qurbani*, a Shaair-e-Islami, unlawful to them, at the occasion of Eid ul Adha; otherwise these accused and the Qadiani Jamaat management be booked under PPC 298-C, so as to maintain law and order in the area. We shall be much obliged.

Petitioner

.....S/o.....Resident.....District.....

CNIC No:

Mobile No:

Signature of the witnesses of residents in the neighborhood