

Persecution of Ahmadis IN PAKISTAN

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Highlights

ANOTHER MURDER ON **RELIGIOUS GROUNDS**

their little minds for ever.

shed his blood as they stood was the 9th attack in the current

MURDER ATTEMPTS CONTINUE

This section has now become a routine in our reports. In addition to the desecration of 30 Ahmadiyya graves by the Punjab Police, the opponents couldn't have gone lower than digging up a grave of an Ahmadi Ishfaq Ahmad who was buried back in 1997. They also dumped his remains outside. We have presented his photograph along with his father - an Ahmadi phyhelpless. The horror will haunt year and the 16th since 2021 besician who was murdered for his faith on March 19, 2008.

DESECRATION OF

AHMADIYYA GRAVES

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THE TRAGIC EVENT OF MAY 2010 - ATTACK ON TWO AHMADIYYA MOSQUES

May 28 reminds Ahmadis of the great tragedy they have been through. Every few years, we express our grief and distress to kindle a sense of regret and remorse in decent Pakistanis. Briefly, in a meticulously planned attack, sectarian terrorists slaughtered 86 Ahmadi worshippers who had assembled for Friday Prayers in two Ahmadiyya mosques in Garhi Shahu and Model Town. This was the single most barbaric attack on the Ahmadiyya Muslim community; more people were killed in a single day than in the earlier 16 years put together. See pages 14-17 for further details and glimpses into this tragic day.

DID YOU KNOW?

AHMADIS FACE THREE YEARS IMPRISONMENT UNDER FEDERAL LAWS FOR:

- Self-identifying as a Muslim
- Calling their place of worship a 'Masjid'
- Making the call to prayer (Azan)
- Preaching or propagating their faith

AHMADIS HAVE TO DECLARE THEMSELVES **NON-MUSLIM** TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO VOTE AND STAND FOR ELECTION

SEE PAGE 19 FOR DETAILS ON VOTING RIGHT FOR AHMADIS IN PAKISTAN

GRISLY MURDER OF AN AHMADI

L plot, District Okara; May 17, 2022:

The Press Section of the Ahmadiyya headquarters issued the following press release on May 18, 2022.

MURDER OF AN AHMADI AT THE HANDS OF A RELIGIOUS STUDENT FOR REASONS. OF FAITH

Those spreading hate speech and inciting violence against the Ahmadiyya Community should be held accountable under the law: Spokesperson Ahmadiyya Community Chenab Nagar (PR) On 17th May, 2022 an Ahmadi Mr. Abdul Salam of L-Plot, District Okara was stabbed to death by a religiously motivated person for reasons of faith. According to the details, at around 17:45, when Mr. Abdul Salam was returning to his home from agriculture fields a person named Ali Raza, also known as Mulazim Hussain, attacked and fatally stabbed Mr. Salam. The culprit immediately ran away from the place of the incident. It is being reported that the attacker is a student at a religious institute and belongs to the same village where Mr. Salam resided.

The deceased was 35 years old and was a very generous and a humble human being. He had no personal enmity with anyone. He was only killed for his Ahmadiyya faith. He has left behind a widow and three children (2 sons Qamar-ul-Islam of age 6 years, Badar-ul-Salam of age 4 years and a daughter Sehar-ul-Islam of age of almost 2 years old).

Spokesperson Ahmadiyya Community, Mr. Saleem-UD-Din while condemning the brutal murder of Mr. Salam expressed his utter support for those who are left behind. He said that the government has failed miserably in protecting and safeguarding the lives and properties of Ahmadis living in Pakistan. Recently, similar attacks were carried out against 2 Ahmadis residing in District Faisalabad. Due to current circumstances, Ahmadis are feeling vulnerable. He also said that the hate speech and incitement to violence against Ahmadis is being carried out with impunity. This incitement to violence is mainly carried out by religious extremists through the display of stickers, banners etc. in educational institutes, residential areas and in other places of public gatherings. In order to gain short-term political gains, the politicians are also seen exploiting the Ahmadiyya Community by issuing baseless allegations against them. The Spokesperson has demanded that the elements propagating hate speech and inciting violence against the Ahmadiyya Community should be held accountable under the law while apprehending the culprit behind the death of Mr. Salam.

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on this most hurtful criminal attack.

reputation, known for his hospitality and generosity to the poor, regardless of their caste and creed. He had no personal vendetta against anyone. He

We may add some additional information was an office bearer in the Ahmadiyya set-up.

The killer is a madrassah educated young As for the victim, he was a man of good man. He is a supporter of the notorious Tehrik Labbaik. The madrassah he attended is of the Barelvi School, the same as of TLP who gained notoriety in killing several law-enforcement officials during the 2021 agitation and the march on Islamabad.

The assassin attacked the victim several times with a big knife. He thrust his blade at the vitals of the victim's upper body, seriously damaging his entrails, heart etc. It seems he had been well briefed and trained. He committed the horrible crime in the presence of victim's little children. How the horror of this violence will haunt them all their lives! They will never shout: Daddy is home. Their loving father died on the spot.

The madrassah that the murderer attended had preached anti-Ahmadiyya hate.

Very recently, at a function, in a hateful speech, the speaker had urged the staff and the students to take extreme action against Mirzais and Qadianis. Ahmadis have been routinely termed blasphemers for simply being Ahmadis. Such madrassas where violence, militancy and hate is taught should have been closed down as per government's own declared policy.

The eyewitness accounts show that the murder was well planned. The murderer was motivated, trained and supported. A selected few from the village and the madrassah helped him with preparation, reconnaissance and escape. Police inquiry should divulge the accomplices.

It is regrettable that there is a vast gap between the government's well-considered public policy and its implementation on ground.

The National Action plan announced after the massacre in APS in 2014 was a well-considered plan to fight militancy and violence in the name of religion. Madrassahs received special mention therein. However, subsequently the daily Dawn reported: "The army is reportedly dissatisfied with the lack of movement on the issue of madrassah reforms, proscribed organizations and sectarian groups; foreign funding of seminaries and action against hate speech." Epaper.dawn.com/printimage@view.php?StoryText=11-04-215-001-003. The same can be said about the much-trumpeted Paigham-e-Pakistan of 2018 sponsored by the President (read Government) with endorsement of hundreds of Ulama-e-Karam from all over the country. And one may ask: 1) Why did the Punjab Government issue numerous instructions in 2018-2022 regarding support to the Khatam e Nabuw-



wat doctrine, and 2) Why the exceptional emphasis on religion in the Single National Curriculum that also lacks flexibility and is like a strait jacket for

It deserves a mention that the national press, civil society and political pundits did not highlight this heinous incident, as they did earlier in December when Srilankan Priyantha Kumara was killed in Sialkot. Granted that the number of people involved and their handling of the dead victim was different in the two incidents, but the motivation of the perpetrators and the result was

identical. Known vloggers and talk show presenters who appear greatly concerned with the state of the state, preferred to stay silent this time. However, it should be acknowledged that some people from the village L-plot openly expressed sympathy for the bereaved family and condemned the murderer. The mulla, who runs the madrassah, shut it down and is on the run at the time of this report.

One, Mona Farooq Ahmad tweeted some verses of the poet Obaidullah Aleem on his death anniversary that fell on the next day after Salam's murder:

> Whom shall I address my grief? My cities are on fire, my people are dying.

There were times when this land received blessings, *The same land is now inflicted with disasters.*

None other is involved in thrusting the dagger,

We are being murdered; we are committing the murder.



AUTHORITIES DESTROY ANOTHER 30

AHMADIYYA GRAVESTONES

Ghughyat Tehsil Bhera, District Sargodha; May 11, 2022:

The Punjab Police again committed the same enormity as they were used to during the Usman Buzdar rule. They destroyed 30 Ahmadiyya grave stones — this time in District Sargodha.

The situation of Ahmadis has been deteriorating here for the last four years. The mulla staged a sit-in on May 9, 2022, in Miani Chowk. The administration lifted the sit-in by promising them compliance with their demands within three days. In this regard, the office of the Deputy Commissioner sent for the Ahmadi seniors on May 10. District Police Officer, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, DO Special Branch, a major of Military Intelligence, CTD, District Officer of IB, and ISI officers attended the meeting. They started by saying that the District Intelligence Committee has decided that they have to maintain peace at all cost. Detention orders and 4th Schedule nominations have also been decided. The DPO pressurized the Ahmadiyya delegation to remove the Kalima from the gravestones themselves. The Ahmadiyya delegation conveyed their stance that they will not re- inside homes due to extreme heat. move it themselves but if the administration does next day, the administration destroyed the tombtions and took the debris with them. The operation ian thugs.



was undertaken at 3 p.m. when most people were

The authorities in this huge province this, they will not resist. They also told the Ahmadi- should know that you do not maintain peace by yya delegation to sign the note of proceedings. The insulting and persecuting further the already marginalized sections of the society. You are expected stones of 30 Ahmadis' graves, with the help of a to maintain peace by use of all lawful means at cutter. They cut off the part with Arabic inscrip- your disposal against aggressive bigots and sectar-











Did you know!

120 graves have been desecrated in the first five months of 2022. This figure was 92 last year.

AHMADI FROM FAISALABAD

SEVERELY INJURED IN A FIRING ATTACK

Chak 261 Adhuwali, District Faisalabad; May 2022:

Assailants injured Mr. Sami Ullah, Ahmadi, in an armed attack. He is 28.

Mr. Sami Ullah was opening his shop, adjacent to his home, when the attackers came on a car and a bike. He ran inside his home to save himself, but the attackers chased and shot him inside his house. One bullet hit his arm while the other hit his ribs. The assailants fled the scene after the assault.

There has been a significant increase in opposition to Ahmadis in this area in the last few years. Ahmadis who put up some resistance for self-defense are harassed with official assistance. One such case was Mr Naveed Ahmad who was kept behind bars for six months, suffered a lethal attack on release last month.

Ahmadis do not know what to do to protect themselves.





HOSTILITY AGAINST

AHMADI

Kotli, Azad Kashmir; May 2022:

Sajid Mehmood and his family are facing faith-based hostility. On May 2, 2022, his in-laws survived a murderous attack. The attacker was arrested.

Peoples Party Poonch Division, Azad Kashmir organized an End of Prophethood conference in Baral Palandri. Clerics demanded release of the attacker as they justified his attack over Ahmadis' proselytizing. Mulla Arshad Yusuf was most vocal there. He demanded that Ahmadis should be expelled from the district.







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EXTREMISTS DIG UP AHMADI REMAINS

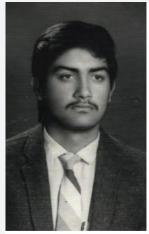
AND DUMP THESE OUTSIDE AFTER 25 YEARS

Sangu Hayatabad, Peshawar; May 20, 2022:

Ashfaq Ahmad was buried in 1997 in Sangu Hayatabad. On May 20, 2022, anti-Ahmadiyya elements dug up his grave and dumped his remains outside. On receiving the information, his sister along with a woman went to the graveyard, gathered his remains and buried them elsewhere. There is a risk that the perpetrators could repeat this enormity at other locations in the area.

In the recent past, several Ahmadis were target killed in Peshawar area. The killers threatened attacks in posters wherein they gave their phone numbers. The authorities failed to take effective measures against the extremist bigots. The province is ruled by PTI.

As an alarming note, we have presented his photograph along with his father - an Ahmadi physician who was murdered for his faith on March 19, 2008.



Ishfaq Ahmad (whose remains were removed from the grave)



Dr Muhammad Sarwar Khan (who was shot dead at his doorstep) Reason - he was an Ahmadi Muslir

AHMADI COERCED TO VACATE HOME AND CLOSE BUSI-NESS

Rachna Town, Lahore; May 2022:

Mr. Kashif Zahoor Pal had rented a shop and a house here and started his work as an electrician and sanitary hardware. On 15 March 2022, some shopkeepers came to him and asked him if he was a Qadiani? At this, Mr. Pal replied, "Yes, I belong to Ahmadiyya Community." After that, the shop owner and the landlord told him to vacate the shop and house because he is a non-muslim.

A local grocery store owner Hassan, along with his two companions Sami and Asad, is leading this hate campaign; they also threatened to kill Mr. Pal.

Mr.Pal had to migrate from Lahore in this dreadful situation.

ANTI-AHMADIYYA GRAFFITI

Chianwali, District Gujranwala; May 2022:

An anti-Ahmadiyya activist did graffiti "Death to Qadiani (Ahmadi)" on his house. Non-Ahmadi locals asked him to erase the graffiti but he refused. Then an influential person told him to remove it, and he complied. Later he put up an anti-Ahmadiyya poster on his gate.

He is a mischief monger and belongs to a group who are active against the community and indulge in communal activism.

FIGHT BETWEEN **TWO GROUPS**

Bahuman; District Sheikhupura:

There was a fight between two groups of this village. Six Ahmadi families also reside there. All these people are relatives but have developed mutual hostility. A few Ahmadis are on friendly terms with one of the two groups. A clash resulted in the death of a 20 year old man Zain Ali of the hostile group that indulged in an aggressive violent

mad had to quit the village for some time and shift ibly buried in the section of graveyard, allotted to elsewhere. Recently, as a result of a peace accord, he was brought back to the village. Some in the hostile group, who are of the TLP (Tehrik Labbaik) party did not like it, and they rallied out, shouting anti-Ahmadi slogans, headed for an Ahmadi's farm house where a number of non-Ahmadis were to desist from hostile conduct, but the visitors re-shifted out from the village. fused and turned to stoning the people at the farm house. In the face of this provocation and risk the police have taken a clear stand that the fight was non-Ahmadis there took to firing, resulting in the among two hostile groups on personal grounds; death of one of the raiders.

The police of PS Bhatti named nine perof them are Ahmadis. Police booked them in FIR No. 579 of May 7, 2022 under Sections 302, 324, 148, 149 and 7ATA. Along with the non-Ahmadis, the police arrested three named Ahmadis, Rai Nasir Ahmad, his son Rai Asad Nasir and Mr Kazim

Hayat. In addition, they detained Mr Iftikhar Ahmad (the local Ahmadi president) and Mr Wasim A Mangla (Ahmadi religious teacher) both were not named in the FIR.

The opposition painted the incident in the social media wrongfully in religious color, and tried to incite the people to indulge in extreme action against Ahmadis. Mulla Saad Rizvi, head of the TLP came over from Lahore to lead the funeral prayers It is leant that an Ahmadi Mr Rai Nasir Ah- of the dead attacker. After the ritual, he was forc-

After the incident, the opponent group, mostly comprising TLP, took out a procession and attacked the Ahmadiyya mosque. They demolished four minarets and damaged the dish antenna there and the roof of the washroom. In view also present. These people urged the aggressors of the dangerous situation, Ahmadi families were

> In response to the TLP propaganda, the religion is not the issue at all.

It is noteworthy that the killed individual sons in this case and arrested eight of these. Three was a part of the attacking group who had come out and violently raided an Ahmadi's farm house. The defenders fired in self-defense. Ahmadis did not resort to firing; accusing them of murder is

AHMADI STUDENT HARASSED BY THE PRINCIPAL

April 18, 2022:

ond Year at Degree College, Chak 209 RB District Quranic and Hadith posters will be duly punished. Faisalabad.

against the Principal on college walls and tore up Quranic verses, Ahadith and Khatme Nabuwwat tending the college again.

Chak 109 RB, Jaranwala District Faisalabad; inscriptions. The Principal accused Mubeen of the mischief; she vehemently denied the accusation.

Thereafter the college administration Miss Shams ul Mubeen is a student of Sec-posted a notice that the one guilty of tearing away

Under the circumstances, Mubeen had to On April 18, someone sprayed graffiti stop going to the college. However, in view of the commencement of the exams, she has started at-

BLASPHEMY CASES 2020

AN ANALYSIS

Centre for Social Justice has issued the under-given chart of blasphemy cases registered in Pakistan in the year 2020 against individuals from different religious communities. This pie-chart shows the percentage share of each sectarian/religious community. While factual, it does not display an important aspect of the plight of Ahmadis.

This chart shows that 20% of the cases were registered against Ahmadis. That is true, but not the whole truth.

Ahmadis are essentially a very small community in the overall context of Pakistan's population. For it to share 20% of the national blasphemy load is enormous and almost unbearable. We explain.

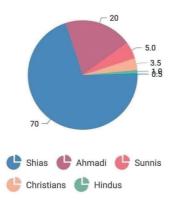
We assume that the blasphemy cases of the chart comprise all those registered under the PPCs of the two Sections in the series 295 and 298, as these deal with religion only. For the purpose of this analysis, we take it that among the official Muslims in Pakistan, Sunnis are 85% while the Shias are 15% approximately. Ahmadis in Pakistan number about half a million.

The number of Ahmadis who faced criminal charges under various clauses of Sections 295 and 298 series in year 2020 was 34.

A simple mathematical calculation would show that this number (apparently only 20% of the total), if applied to the Shia community would equate in sectarian demography if 2176 Shias had been booked. As for Sunnis, cases against 12,580 of them would have proportionally the same demographic effect as 34 Ahmadis. Going by the percentages given in the pie-chart these figures on the ground were mercifully much lower — 119 and 9 only.

While there could be slight difference in the logic and calculation of CSJ figures and ours, the fact remains that Ahmadis are relatively greatly persecuted through the application of blasphemy laws. This is done through a malicious joint effort of the religious bigot and the careerist jack-in-office.

Pakistan Blasphemy Cases 2020 - Centre for Social Justice



THE HAJJ FORM **IN VOGUE**

May 2022: The not-so-new Hajj form has come to our notice. Every Muslim pilgrim going to Makka for Hajj is required to apply to the Govt of Pakistan for permission. This has been the practice in the past too on a somewhat different form, but this one is the latest that was promulgated during (Note: The government is guilty of compelling the the Imran regime.

and malice. The language used therein to deny Ahmadiyyat is worse than ever before. We provide its in Latter Days.) translation here and place the original form at the Annex.

Affidavit: I affirm on oath that:

- 1. I am a Muslim and believe the Holy Prophet most ardently (Dil o Jan say) in his finality.
- 2. Moreover, I attest that Khatam al Nabiyyeen responsibility for indulging in slander and profanend of Prophethood was complete, final and unconditional, and I do not believe in anyone Divine wrath and punishment. nor believe him to be a Prophet or Messenger who call themselves Ahmadi or by any such name; I send curses on such a claimant, and prestige et al.

consider such a claimant, including Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani, to be a liar.

Signature of the Applicant

Applicants to sign an affidavit contrary to their be-The affidavit required from the applicant lief, as a vast majority of Pakistani Muslims, both deserves special mention for its (lack of) propriety, Sunni and Shia, believe that Prophet Isa was lifted physically to the heaven, and will descend to earth

> This form was introduced when Mr. Imran Khan was the prime minister and Maulvi Narul Haq Qadri was the minister of religion.

The government, through this form, took (P.B.U.H.) to be the last Prophet and believe it upon itself to compel all the pilgrims to curse and abuse Mirza Sahib, thus undertaking grave wal Mursaleen Hazrat Muhammad (P.B.U.H.)'s ity against a person who is considered holy by millions the world over, and thus taking the risk of

Then happened the staggering regime in any sense or meaning of these terms. I do change on 9/10 April, and mulla Nurul Haq Qadri not belong to the Qadiani or Lahori Group or has not been heard of since, while Mr. Khan is on the road protesting threats to his life, property,

USCIRF - Countries of Particular Concern (CPC) Report 2022 states;

"Ahmadiyya Muslims continued to face severe official and societal persecution for their beliefs and self-identification as Muslims."

The report, in its recommendations to the U.S. government proposes;

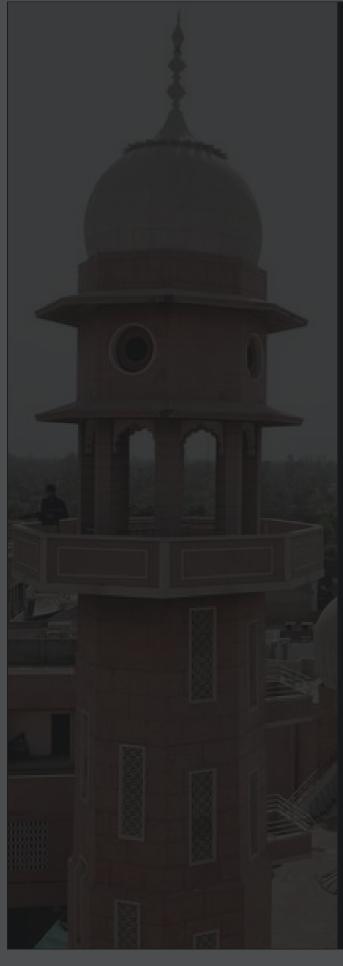
- Redesignate Pakistan as a "country of particular concern," or CPC, for engaging in systematic, ongoing, and egregious violations of religious freedom, as defined by the International Religious Freedom Act (IRFA), and lift the waiver releasing the administration from taking otherwise legislatively mandated action as a result of the designation;
- Enter into a binding agreement, under Section 405(c) of IRFA, with the Pakistani government to encourage substantial steps to address religious freedom violations with benchmarks, including but not limited to:
- » Release blasphemy prisoners and other individuals imprisoned for their religion or beliefs;
- Repeal blasphemy and anti-Ahmadiyya laws; until repeal is accomplished, enact reforms to make blasphemy a bailable offense, require evidence by accusers, ensure proper investigation by senior police officials, allow authorities to dismiss unfounded accusations, and enforce existing Penal Code articles criminalizing perjury and false accusations;
- Remove requirements for self-identification of religion on identity documents;
- Address extremist rhetoric often preceding attacks on minorities while protecting freedom of expression;
- Hold accountable individuals who incite or participate in vigilante violence, targeted killings, forced conversions, and other hate crimes; and
- Reform educational textbooks, curricula, and teacher training materials to ensure content is inclusive of and not discriminatory toward religious minorities.
- Impose targeted sanctions on Pakistani government agencies and officials responsible for severe violations of religious freedom by freezing those individuals' assets and/or barring their entry into the United States under human rights related financial and visa authorities, citing specific religious freedom violations.

The report was released on April 25, 2022 and can be read at: https://www.uscirf.gov/sites/default/files/2022-04/2022%20Pakistan.pdf

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A HAUNTING ANNIVERSARY



May 28:

Twelve years ago, on this date we published a story titled:

MASSACRE OF AHMADI WORSHIPPERS DURING FRI-DAY PRAYERS IN LAHORE EIGHTY SIX AHMADIS SLAIN, 124 INJURED

We must duly mention that a Christian also was killed in the attack; he was a worker at our Garhi Shahu mosque.

May 28 comes back every year and reminds Ahmadis of the great tragedy heaped on them. We do not mention it every time in writing, but it is only appropriate that occasionally, every few years, we vent our grief and distress; a reminder could kindle some sentiment of regret and remorse in decent members of the Pakistani society. In Persian they say Gahey gahey baz khan een qissa e parina ra (Occasionally, do relate the old story).

Briefly, in a meticulously planned attack, sectarian terrorists slaughtered Ahmadi worshippers who had assembled for Friday Prayers in two Ahmadiyya mosques in Garhi Shahu and Model Town. The absence of any effective police presence and the delayed intervention by them enabled the terrorists to succeed in their gory operation, as planned.

This was the single most barbaric attack on the Ahmadiyya community; more people were killed in a single day than in the earlier 16 years put together.

The dead included Judge Munir A Sheikh the Ahmadiyya Amir of Lahore Jamaat, Major Gen ® Nasir Ahmad president of the Model Town Chapter, Mr. Mahmud Shad a missionary, Mr. Ejaz Nasrulla a nephew of Late Sir Muhammad Zafarulla Khan former President of the International Court of Justice at Den Haag, and a number of community officials.

Other highlights of the slaughter

- A few days prior to the attack, the authorities expressly forbid Ahmadis to carry any weapons to their places of worship and told them to even disarm their guards posted there for security.
- The terrorist had a field day in Garhi Shahu and operated unhindered for hours while the security forces assembled outside the mosque and awaited orders to intervene. The terrorists killed

- at leisure. One of them shouted the slogan: "Khatme Nabuwwat - Zindah Baad" Later, when the targeted dead bodies were assembled in the veranda, it looked like a small pyramid. The Elite Force entered eventually when all was over. An op-ed in the daily Dawn of May 30, 2010 mentioned: "Dozens of policemen armed with semi-automatic weapons and guns were seen rushed to the scenes of the blood bath. They were seen huddled together either behind a wall or some other cover, without firing a single bullet...And then to cap it all the celebratory gun fire by the Lahore police which has now become their hall mark every time they finish their job. What was there to celebrate? The deaths of seventy-nine people???
- similar event unfolded but with a difference. While the terrorists were killing worshippers rapidly one after the other, one worshipper leaped at the criminal and overpowered him. Another terrorist was also subsequently held. Both were then delivered to the police who arrived approximately half an hour later. This was perhaps the first occasion when terrorists in action were apprehended. The police later took the credit of having arrested the terrorists. They however delivered the injured terrorist to a state hospital, without informing the doctors that this criminal had indulged in violent terrorism. The assassin was, however, recognized by an injured victim who reported his identity to the hospital administration.

At the Model Town, somewhat

- A provincial minister later mentioned that the terrorists had stayed at Raiwind prior to the attack. Raiwind is the town from where members of Tablighi Jamaat make sorties for Tabligh. Mullas of the Khatme Nabuwwat faction, Ahrar Islam and some other such groups reacted aggressively to the subsequent wave of general sympathy for Ahmadis. Munawwar Hasan, Amir Jamaat Islami warned that another Khatme Nabuwwat movement could be launched as in 1953. (In 1953 anti-Ahmadi riots, law and order situation became precarious and martial law had to be declared in Lahore. Both the provincial and central governments fell). This time PPP leaders in Lahore stated: "Recent events (in Lahore) are the works of Tehrik Taliban who are in collaboration with Lashkar Jhangvi, Jaish Muhammad and Sipah Sahabah." The daily Aman, June 5, 2010. It is known in religious and security circles that these groups have close links with Khatme Nabuwwat organizations in Pakistan.
- It is very relevant to mention that the federal authorities claimed that they had forewarned clearly the provincial government of the probability of such an attack on Ahmadis, for the provinces are responsible for law and order in their domain. DG ISI, General Pasha, in a subsequent hearing before UBL Commission, testified: "In Lahore the police protected those who attacked Qadianis last year (2010) and even directed them to the hospital where the wounded were being treated. The provincial government















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- had been informed of the situation, but it took no heed of the advice and information provided by the ISI. No guards were assigned to the hospital, as venal political influence intervened everywhere. (497-OBL Commission Report released by Aljazeera). Even the HRCP claimed to have forewarned the authorities. Ahmadis themselves had earlier conveyed their "grave concern" about the probability of the sort of tragedy that eventually materialized in Lahore.
- During the attack and subsequently, the electronic and print media covered and commented on the incident. Although sympathetic voices were raised, especially in English media, there were numerous outlets that behaved badly and thus became mentioned in archives. Some TV reporters, reporting LIVE, were very reluctant to say that Ahmadis had assembled for 'Friday Prayers." They were also at a loss, how to refer to the mosques where the event was unfolding. The press conference by an Ahmadi leader was attended by reporters from a number of TV channels, but none of them exercised their media freedom, or had the courage to air the program. A PTV commentator had the audacity to say that the police intervention was very successful. Ahmadis' reaction to the great tragedy was very different than the norm in Pakistan. They took out no procession, and indulged in no agitation. In a letter to an editor, a non-Ahmadi participant in the funeral of an Ahmadi youth wrote that he found no one beating his/her chest, crying loudly or even audibly sobbing.
- The Head of the Worldwide Ahmadiyya Community issued guidance in a statement: "The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat is a peace lov-

- ing true Muslim Jamaat. Thus there will be no improper reaction from any Ahmadi. Our salvation lies in our supplication to God Almighty, and we believe that He has, and always will
- Ahmadis responded most obediently to their Khalifa's advice. A widow who lost her husband in the massacre, sent her 10-year old son to the same mosque in Lahore the next Friday for Prayer, despite warning of a repeat attack, and asked him to pray at the same spot as his father. Some aspects of the bloodshed were spe-

cial and striking. A couple had two sons; both died in the attack. Waleed was a student at FMH College of Medicine. His Principal wrote in a condolence letter to his father: "We all were shocked to hear this tragic news and are appalled and heartbroken at the loss of your bright, charming and lovable son. There are no words to adequately express our heartfelt sorrow. The world has lost

someone very special." It is worthy of mention that Waleed's paternal and maternal grandfathers were both murdered by anti-Ahmadi assassins, in mid-1980s in Sindh when General Zia promulgated his infamous Ordinance XX. Waleed was his parent's only son.

We regret to not omit the mention that there were some bigots in the civil society who distributed sweets at this catastrophic incident.

 This incident sent shock waves all over the world. Foreign governments, NGOs, human rights organizations expressed strong condemnation of the killings and issued statements. The UN Secretary General Ban K Moon • strongly condemned the attacks. He said that for long Ahmadis have been exposed to the risk of violence and discrimination. Ahmadi delegations from foreign Jamaats like UK, Canada, Norway, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden etc. visited Lahore to offer their condolences This brief will not be complete without following to the bereaved families and to express soli-

munity.

stitutions was rather mute. PPP leadership in the federal government showed sympathy with the stricken community. Mr. Nawaz Sharif, had no state portfolio, made a very brief but bold statement in public that Ahmadis litical and social norms? were an asset to the country

him politically.

Only a month later, terrorists attacked the visitors in the shrine of Data Gang Bakhash in Lahore. The LHC chief justice took suo motu notice, visited the Darbar and issued a call to the City Police Officer to appear before his court, so as to ascertain whether the tragic incident took place due to security lapse. No such initiative came forth after the twin attack on the Ah-

- madiyya places of worship, although the dead numbered twice the number of victims of the massacre in Data Darbar. Had it come, this attack on the shrine would have been deterred.
- Some women members of the National Assembly managed to secure a sympathetic resolution in the Assembly over the incident, however the Senate of Pakistan decided to hold back any expression of condemnation of the terrorist act.

mentions:

- darity with the Pakistan Com- 1. A high level Inquiry Committee was formed by the Punjab Government to look into the • Reaction from major in- tragic incident. What happened to it and where are its proceedings and findings? The Committee did not ask for the Ahmadiyya community's views or comments.
- 2. The provincial chief minister decided not to make a sympathy visit to the Ahmadiyya Comthe president of PML-N, who munity, nor had a look at the site, nor went to the hospital to enquire after the wounded. What kept him from these minimal official, po-

We end with a comment by renowned Deand should be considered as clan Wash: This past week though I am silent, the brothers. The mulla keeps on massacre of 94 members of the minority Ahmadi referring to this to worsen community on May 28 has exposed something ugly at the heart of Pakistan, its laws, its rulers, its society."

Guardian.co.uk on 7 June 2010

https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/belief/2010/jun/07/ahmadi-massacre-silence-pakistan (For more details please refer to our Annual Report for

Year 2010 pp.6-16.)











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TWO SIKHS KILLED

IN PESHAWAR - PART BACKGROUND

Peshawar: May 2022:

scene of atrocity.

This news shocked the state and the society. The killing was condemned by high state officials, the media, the civil society and HR organizabereaved families.

However, the incident should not have been a big surprise to the informed circles in Pakistan. It was waiting to happen. The religious thugs had undertaken such activities in Peshawar in the to them.

2020 in Peshawar. A few weeks later, Mr. Mehboob Khan was murdered for his faith in the same city on November 8, 2020. Earlier on October 5, Professor Dr Naeem ud Din Khattak was killed while spite his innocence. The Prime Minister reacted driving homeward. On July 29, 2020 Mr. Tahir Ahmad Naseem, a Pak-American, former Ahmadi, was shot dead in a courtroom in the presence of the judge. The police arrested his killer, but while its entire people. Have ordered a high-level inquiry driving him to the police station 'took the honour of making selfies' with the smiling killer (these are meted out exemplary punishment. My most sinavailable on record). On September 20, 2020 a cere sympathies to the bereaved families." man, perhaps from the same gang who had killed Mr. Mairaj Ahmad earlier, attacked his brother Mr. PM Imran Khan, on murder of numerous Ahmadis Gulzar Ahmad, Ahmadi and pumped bullets in the in Peshawar. At best, once he tasked Hafiz Tahir victim. The shooter fled leaving him behind lying Ashrafi, his Representative, to issue some stateon the floor as dead.

dir, Ahmadi homeopath was shot dead at his clinic, "I am not willing to accept them (Ahmadis) in this in Peshawar by a youth. Later in November 2021, country). I am speaking of Qadianis here. They are Mr. Kamran Ahmad was shot in a factory, where he full of mischief. They are misleading humanity by died on the spot. He is survived by two daughters, using the name of Muslims. To speak against the two sons and the widow.

It seemed that the authorities had left Ahmild to these goons, and took no effective steps to about reigning in agents of violent extremism. deter the assailants — and murders continued to happen.

The chief minister then, as now, was Mr. It was a sad news from Peshawar KP. Two Mahmood Khan of PTI. On murder of the two Sikhs Sikh traders were target killed in their shop on he stated that the culprits would be brought to jus-Sunday May 15, 2022. The assailants fled from the tice. He made no such statement after the repeated murders of Ahmadis. Had he acted effectively in 2020 and 2021, the murder of innocent Sikhs would most likely not have occurred. Rana Sanaullah was right in saying: "The KP government has tions. We too extend our heartfelt sympathy to the terribly failed in protecting the minorities." (The News International May 17, 2022)

Rather than coming to the rescue of the beleaguered community, the ruling elite remained busy in agitating the issue of Khatme Nabuwwat in school syllabi. Mr. Asad Qaisar (then Speaker of recent past — but these were against Ahmadis; KP Assembly) played leading role in it. The same and the authorities had decided to turn a blind eye exercise was undertaken again in 2019. In September, 2020, a hostile mob surrounded an Ahmadi's Let us be precise. Mr. Mairaj Ahmad, Ahhouse in Peshawar, baying for the blood of an Ahmadi, was shot dead near his shop on August 12, madi for alleged blasphemy. The police rescued the family but later arrested Mr. Abdul Majeed on fabricated accusation of blasphemy, pushed by a minor. Mr. Majeed remains in prison to date, defast after the murder of Sikhs and tweeted his comments: "Strongly condemn the killing of our Sikh citizens in Peshawar KP. Pakistan belongs to to ascertain facts. The killers would be arrested &

No such statement was made by the then ment. He did, but many remember well that he Last year, in February 2021 Mr. Abdul Qa- was the one who had declared in a public meeting, Qadiani is Religious Harmony."

The Pakistani state must realize that long madis at the mercy of terrorists and extremists. term measures are absolutely essential if you want But they showed no mercy. All along, the police to escape shocking incidents that have long term were kept informed of the threats from the sec- consequences. Murder of two Sikhs, lynching of tarian crazies, who at times provided their phone Sri Lankan Priyantha, blowing up of Chinese teachnumbers on threat posters. The police at best were ers, etc. will continue to happen if you are selective

A PTI CLAIM AND

ITS RESPONSE BY PUBLIC

Abbottabad; May 9, 2022:

Mr. Imran Khan and his party held a size- Pure evil. able rally at Abbottabad where Khan and bagwigs of the party addressed the crowd. One of the Pakistani Ahmadis are Pakistani. Persecution and minister of state in the Imran government. His race etc. is condemned!!! theme was anti-Ahmadiyya, and he claimed:

"Imran Khan govt broke the back of Qadianiat." When it comes to ahmadiyat, all parties are same. (Translation)

This was broadcast live on TV ARY and is Shameful of @ PTI official members to target Ahavailable on videos; it went viral on Twitter as people referred to it and responded to it in numbers. Most respondents were not Ahmadis while some 11. Aurangzeb@True-Human were Ahmadis. Their responses to AM Khan's outburst are noteworthy and are reproduced below for information and record.

1. lbn-e-Hassan@saeedma08417161

(Translation): Khan Sahib took it that the (national) economy was the back of Qadianiat.

I strongly condemn Ali Muhammad Khan's hatred speech.

2. Syed Ali Abbas Zaidi@Ali_Abbas_Za...

Poor Ahmadis living in an apartheid are a soft target for this extremist leader. Must be condemned by PTI leadership.

3. Naila Inayat@nailainayat

anti-Ahmadi bigotry and use of religion as its biggest achievement.

4. Syeda Nayab Bukhari@syeda1111111 Shameful

5. Ahmad Salman@Salmanwattoo

You don't have to be a PTI member. You have to be a decent human being to stand up for the persecuted. I stand with the minorities against the politics of hate and bigotry. Stop using them for political brownie points and for cheap publicity. Do unto others....

6. Ali, Ali@RanaRnawaz

(Translation) I have always differed strongly with @ImranKhanPTI Imran Khan — Stop selling Religion dispirin (chooreligious crutches, believe me the mulla will breath again — a party of extremists. his last and this mischief will disappear forever.

7. Shakir Hussain@shakirhusain

8. Aneela Hassan@AneelaHassan65

speakers was Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, a former discrimination on the basis of religion, faith, caste,

Do not become TLP!!!

9. Vinod Kumar@vin

Shameful

10. Taha Siddiqui@TahaSSiddiqui

madi Muslims. Such hate speech for political gains must stop! It further radicalizes Pakistanis!

(Translation) In my opinion, no one will do that. Why should one put life at risk?

12. Raja Ata-ul-Mannan@Amraja75

When we fall victims to hypocrisy and deception, you say such things.

You are crying that you are playing Religion card against an oppressed Ahmadi community. Any fear of Allah?@Ali-MuhammadPTI

13. Usman@UsmanAhmad iam

But the handsomes have spent the past couple of weeks claiming their party has never ever ever played the religious card. First time for everything I guess.

14. Dr Tanya Ahmad@tanyaahmad

been trying to do since 1974 — why can't they get anything done in this country without throwing us under the bus again and again?

15. Alii @Bhuut_

Only in Pakistan will we see a political party claiming to suppress minorities as their achievement. I really hope the world takes notice of what we are doing to the Ahmadiyya Community.

16. Kashif N Chaudhry @KashifMD

In last 2 weeks, 2 top PTI leaders @ShkhRasheed

- & @Ali_MuhammadPTI have engaged in dangerous hate speech against Ahmadis in presence of
- 2 months ago, IK himself engaged in said hate ran). If it is decided that no political party will seek speech. This was their MO in 2018. This is their MO

AHMADIS BEHIND BARS

1

Mr. Rohan Ahmad, Malik Usman Ahmad and Hafiz Tariq Shehzad, etc. were booked on May 26, 2020 with FIR Nr. 29/2020 at Police Station FIA Cyber Crimes Wing, Lahore under PPCs 295-B, 298-C, 120-B, 109, 34 R/W, 2016-PECA-11. Pakistan's Cyber Crimes Department, Lahore that works under Federal Investigation Agency arrested Mr. Rohan Ahmad.

Malik Usman Ahmad and Hafiz Tariq Shehzad were arrested on reporting to the FIA office; they are in Camp Jail Lahore.

Syed Ali Abbas, Addl. Sessions Judge Lahore added the blasphemy clause PPC 295-C to the charge sheet on June 29, 2021. Thus, they are now exposed to penalty of death.

The SC rejected their post arrest bail petition.

3

Mr. Shiraz Ahmad etc. were booked by Cyber Crime Police Station Lahore on June 20, 2019 under FIR Nr. 88, under PPCs 295-A, 298-C, PECA-11, for allegedly creating a group "Sindh Salamat" and allegedly sharing Ahmadiyya content in it. He was arrested from Hafizabad on February 25, 2021.

2

Mr. Abdul Majeed s/o Mr. Abdul Waheed resident of Shaheen Muslim Town, Taj Chowk, Phandu Road, District Peshawar, aged 20, was accused of blasphemy by a minor named Mr. Imran Ali. The police succumbed to the pressure of the mullas and registered a fabricated case against him under section 295-C of the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 which carries a sentence of death, on September 10, 2020 with FIR Nr. 648 at police station Phandu, Peshawar. He was arrested on 13.09.2020. He is currently in Peshawar Jail. His trial goes on in the sessions court.

4

Malik Zahir Ahmad was arrested on September 30, 2020 in a fabricated case under Sections 298-C, 295-B, PECA-11 and 109. He was granted bail on February 23, 2021 and was expected to be released in four to five days after paper formalities. On February 27, when Malik Zahir Ahmad was expected to be released from the Camp Jail, the Cyber Crime Wing Lahore team arrested him under FIR Nr. 88 as outlined in the above case, under PPCs 295-A, 298-C, PECA-11. He was not even formally nominated in the case.

As of May 31, 2022:

- 6 Ahmadis are behind bars solely on account of their faith.
- A local Ahmadi leader arrested in March 2022.
- A 65 year old Ahmadi lady and another Ahmadi were arrested under blasphemy clauses during February for allegedly tearing off an anti-Ahmadiyya poster. They both were released on bail. Their trial continues.
- A 20-year-old Ahmadi student is in jail under PPC 295-C (blasphemy clause).
- 2 Ahmadi prisoner died while in police custody (Feb. 2021 & Jan 2022.)

RIGHT TO VOTE FOR AHMADIS IN PAKISTAN

TO PARTAKE IN ELECTIONS AHMADI MUSLIMS ARE PLACED ON A SEPARATE ELECTORAL LISTS, THEY ARE GIVEN THE CHOICE;

- 1. REMAIN ON THE LIST AND VOTE AS A NON-MUSLIM (REQUIRES TO ACCEPT NON-MUSLIM STATUS)
- 2. COME OFF THAT LIST AND VOTE AS A MUSLIM (REQUIRES TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION)

BOTH CHOICES ARE INCONCEIVABLE TO AHMADI MUSLIMS

DECLARATIONS BY THE CANDIDATE ELECTION ACT 2017 AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

(iii) I believe in the absolute and unqualified finality of the Prophet-hood of Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him), the last of the Prophets and that I am not the follower of anyone who claims to be a prophet in any sense of the word or of any description whatsoever after Prophet Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him), and that I do not recognize such a claimant to be prophet or a religious reformer, nor do I belong to the Qadiani group or the Lahori group or call myself an Ahmadi.

[Note: This paragraph is for Muslim candidates only and is not applicable to non-Muslim candidates.]

DECLARATION AND OATH TO REGISTER AS A MUSLIM VOTER ELECTION ACT 2017 AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

I, _______(name of the voter), do solemnly swear that I believe, in the absolute and unqualified finality of the Prophethood of Muhammad (Peace be upon him), the last of the prophets and that I am not the follower of anyone who claims to be a Prophet in any sense of the word or of any description whatsoever after prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him), and that I do not recognize such a claimant to be prophet or a religious reformer, nor do I belong to the Qadiani group or the Lahori group or call myself an Ahmadi.

(Name & Signature of Voter)

NATIONALIZATION OF SCHOOLS & COLLEGES

- BETWEEN 1947 AND 1972, AHMADIYYA COMMUNITY OWNED AND OPERATED A NUMBER OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN
 PUNJAB, PAKISTAN. IN 1972, THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN INTRODUCED A POLICY OF NATIONALIZATION OF EDUCATIONAL
 INSTITUTIONS THROUGHOUT PAKISTAN. HENCE, 8 SCHOOLS AND 2 COLLEGES WERE NATIONALIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT.
- IN 1996, THE GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB ISSUED A NOTICE GIVING THE OWNERS OF NATIONALIZED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
 THE OPTION TO REGAIN CONTROL OF THEIR INSTITUTIONS UPON FULFILLMENT OF CERTAIN CRITERIA AND INFACT RETURNED
 NUMEROUS OTHER INSTITUTIONS TO THEIR ORIGINAL OWNERS.
- DESPITE FULFILLING ALL TERMS & CONDITIONS & REPEATED REQUESTS FROM THE COMMUNITY, THE PUNJAB GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN NO ACTION.
- THE SUPREME COURT IN ITS RULING OF FEB 22, 2000 CLEARLY STATED THAT THE OWNERSHIP OF NATIONALIZED INSTITUTIONS

 RESTS WITH THE ORIGINAL OWNERS. HOWEVER, THIS RIGHT OF OWNERSHIP HAS BEEN DENIED TO THE COMMUNITY DESPITE

 THE CLEAR VERDICT OF SUPREME COURT OF PAKISTAN.
- THE COMMUNITY THUS MOVED WRIT PETITIONS IN THE LAHORE HIGH COURT. HOWEVER, THE HEARING ON THESE WRIT PETITIONS IS ALSO PENDING FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS AND THIS MATTER IS STILL LINGERING.

SOME RELEVANT PAKISTAN PENAL CODES

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Injuring or defiling places of worship, with the intent to insult the religion of any class

Deliberate and malicious acts intended

Deliberate and malicious acts intended to outrage the religious feelings of any class by insulting its religion or religious beliefs

Defiling, etc., of the Holy Quran

Use of derogatory remarks, etc; in respect of the Holy Prophet

Up to two years' imprisonment or fine, or both

Up to ten years' imprisonment, or fine, or both

Life imprisonment

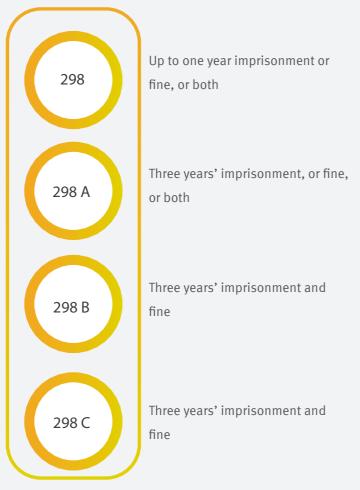
Death and fine

Uttering words, etc., with the deliberate intent to injure religious feelings

Use of derogatory remarks etc., in respect of holy personages

Misuse of epithets, descriptions and titles etc., reserved for certain holy personages or places, by Ahmadis

An Ahmadi, calling himself a Muslim, or preaching or propagating his faith, or outraging the religious feelings of Muslims, or posing himself as a Muslim



Alarming Facts

SINCE JANUARY 2021

- 4 Ahmadis have been murdered for faith, raising the total to 274 since the promulgation of Ordinance XX
- 16 murder attempts, 9 attacks during the currentn year.
- 2 Ahmadi prisoner died in custody, they were imprisoned for their faith.
- 17 Ahmadiyya mosques have been desecrated, 1 mosque sealed by the authorities.
- 182 graves have been desecrated, 120 of these were during 2022
- 25 new cases have been registered against Ahmadis under the blasphemy laws & Anti-Ahmadi laws
- Sacred inscription from 16 houses and shops have been removed

AHMADI CENSORSHIP

- The Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) has blocked 20 non-Pakistan based foreign websites affiliated with the worldwide community and properly registered in their respective countries. PTA has also issued notices to their operators with criminal prosecution for violating Pakistan's blasphemy and anti-Ahmadiyya laws. According to PTA any website that portrays Ahmadis as Muslims will be blocked in Pakistan.
- Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA) has ordered that Ahmadi channels (MTA) should not be carried by any distribution service licensee.
- In 1996, the government of Punjab issued a notification to return all nationalized educational institutions, that affected the community's 8 Schools and 2 colleges which were nationalized in 1972. Despite fulfilling all terms and conditions, and regardless of repeated requests and numerous reminders, the community's institutions are not denationalized.
- The entire population of Rabwah i.e. Ahmadiyya headquarters in Pakistan, was charged under section PPC 298-C on Dec. 15, 1989, and again on June 8, 2008. (Rabwah population is approximately 60,000.)
- The government has banned all outdoor rallies & conferences of Ahmadis in Rabwah.
- The government of Punjab has banned the publishing of the Quran and its translation
- The government of Punjab has banned the entire written works of the Founder of Ahmadiyyat.
- Ahmadiyya daily newspaper and periodicals for women, youth, children and elders were banned by a Punjab government notification.
- Authorities have prohibited sports events organized at a community level.

FROM THE MEDIA

Ahmadiyya community member killed

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 19, 2022 • Imran govt broke the back of Qadianis: Ali Muhammad Khan (former Minister of State)

Video on TV ARY News via@Ahmad Mohsin 11 on May 9,

- Islamic unity is possible only through the protection of Khatme Nabuwwat: Maulana Tasif (AMTKN)
- Qadianiat is not a sect; it is a false religion another name for misguidance (gumrahi)
- The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 20, 2022 Peshawar: 2 Sikh traders killed by a gunman on motorcycle. PM and CM order the arrest of the perpetrators.
- The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 16, 2022 Two policemen martyred in Lakki attack (KP)
- The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 18, 2022
- HRCP Chairman Hina Jilani on Friday asked the new government not to make the mistake of taking human rights lightly

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 31, 2022

- 22 get five-year term each in Bhong temple attack case
- The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 12, 2022 Shireen Mazari picked up, freed on IHC order

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 22, 2022

• Steps to be taken for graveyards' security

- The Punjab government has decided to take effective measures to improve the security and management of graveyards in the wake of incidents of desecration of graves and dead bodies in Okara and Gujrat.
- The chief secretary ordered that immediate steps be taken to prevent inhumane acts like the desecration of dead bodies...

- Punjab Inspector General of Police Rao Sardar Ali Khan said the graveyards were becoming hotbeds of crime due to the inattention of the authorities concerned. He asked the regional police officers (RPOs) to order the field police officers to also visit graveyards during patrols.
- The meeting participants also proposed to enhance the punishment for the desecration of a corpse.
- The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 8, 2022 Imran Niazi is Mir Jafar and Mir Sadiq of present times. He is busy in a conspiracy against the country by precipitating a civil war. We cannot sacrifice the nation on the alter of selfishness. Pride and lies. We'll not allow him to become a Hitler: Shehbaz Sharif PM
- We cannot accept the government of robbers who got there through a conspiracy. Shehbaz family is facing charges in cases amounting to 40 billion: Imran Khan
- Hum TV at 0705-0725 on May 9, 2022 Article 63-A: Votes of dissident members cannot be counted: SC announces the verdict

The News International May 17, 2022 Taliban shut down Afghan human rights body

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 18, 2022 · Hindu idols are buried under Delhis' Grand Mosque: Hindu Mahasba

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 20, 2022 Indian troops killed 62 Kashmiri fighters this year: police

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 28, 2022 Women ordered Burga in Afghanistan

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 8, 2022 Al Jazeera journalist killed during Israel's West Band raid

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 12, 2022

nated area

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 16, 2022

 Pakistan demarches India over move to 'disenfrerchise' Muslim majority in disputed valley

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 6, 2022

 Chinese confidence in Pakistan's security 'shaken'

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 8, 2022

• 12.3 million children need aid in Syria, says UN

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 9, 2022

• Shoot-on-sight orders amid, further unrest in Sri Lanka

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 11, 2022

• Turkey's inflation spirals to nearly 70 pc

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 6, 2022

While House to have first Black press secretary

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 7, 2022

• 4.7m deaths in India due Covid: WHO

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 6, 2022

· 60 feared dead in Ukraine school bombed

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 9, 2022 •

 Poachers hunting peacock kill three police in India

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 15, 2022

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 18, 2022 • Egyptians get warning: don't satirise inflation

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 9, 2022

· Pakistan faces the most difficult financial situation: PM Shehbaz

ARY News at 0906 on May 3, 2022

- Govt owes Rs 500Bn to PSO: M Ismail (Finance M)
- Buzdar remains lawful CM of Punjab: Governor

Hum News at 0852 on May 6, 2022

- Shawal crescent not sighted, Eid on Tuesday, May 3. We'll try in future decisions to be unanimous the same way: Chairman
- Official announcement to celebrate Eid today (Monday)
- CM of KP Mahmood Khan decided to celebrate Eid today

GNA 0350 May 2, 2022 •

 Farah Gogi indulged in corruption with Imran's permission: Ata Tarrar of PML-N

ARY News on May 6, 2022

- While supremacist kills 10 in NY's black-domi- Governor announces a Reference against the LHC judge.
 - Punjab a hostage. I'll push Hamza to prison if provided a JCO and 4 troops.

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 6, 2022

Blasphemy cases (against PTI leadership). Shireen Mazari writes to the UN

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 6, 2022

Parvez's (Elahi) plea for 'torture' case dismissed

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 1, 2022

Ex-PM defends Farah (Gogi)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 2, 2022

• Imran, other PTI leaders booked over Masjid-i-Nabwi incident (of April 28)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 2, 2022

Sanaullah; he'll initiate civil war: Sh Rashid

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 2, 2022

Imran is the greatest fitna (mischief) — sooner crushed, the better: Maryam Nawaz

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 1, 2022

- Governor Punjab declares Hamza Sharif election controversial
- Governor Punjab writes to army chief to inter-
- Imran Khan to launch the Haqiqi Azadi Movement (real freedom) from Mianwali

• One in four Britons skip meals due to inflation Sama TV at 11:10-11:19 on May 5, 2022

- The Long March could be bloody (Khooni): Sh
- Situation in my city is scary.

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 6, 2022

Imran spoke little except lies for four years: Shehbaz Sharif (PM)

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 8, 2022

PTI claims Ulema back march plan

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 9, 2022

- We shall crush any conspiracy to precipitate civil war in the country.
- Imran is conspiring against the country.
- We cannot leave the country to machinations of selfishness, arrogance and lies.
- Imran is modern-day Mir Jaffar and Mir Sadiq. We'll not let him become Hitler of Pakistan.
- Imran has little to show as an achievement: Kamal (PSP)
- Shehbaz family is facing charges of 40b rupees.
- We cannot accept a government of robbers who took over through Conspiracy: Imran

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FROM THE MEDIA

To HUM News at 07:10 on May 9, 2022

 Shafqat warns of country-wide blockade if Islamabad march hindered

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 9, 2022

Hamza for 'new social contract'

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 9, 2022

Governor removed despite president's resistance. Punjab Assembly speaker to take over until replacement appointed.

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 10, 2022

- Shehbaz Sharif, you are the Mir Jafar, Imran says openly
- Diesel, Diesel slogans during Imran's address
- Pervaiz Elahi refuses to take oath as governor

ARY News at 0703-0711 on May 11, 2022

 A convicted absconder has called a Cabinet meeting in London: Imran Khan

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 11, 2022

· Nawaz Sharif briefed on crises festering at home (by the N-League big wings)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 12, 2022

(Imran) says; an atomic bomb on Pakistan would be better than having 'these criminals' at the helm of the government

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 14, 2022

- If a date for elections is not given, a public Tsunami will sweep away everything into the sea: Imran Khan
- The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 14, 2022 Preparations are underway for (PTI) Jalsa in Faisalabad. Activists put on coffins to deal with authorities who obstruct holding Jalsa

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 15, 2022 The greatest terrorist is sitting in London. Would the UK allow us to kill him in a drone attack? Imran Khan

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 17, 2022 Officers probing high-profile cases can't be changed (SC)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 25, 2022

In US, Bilawal defends Imran's Moscow visit

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 20, 2022

We'll push Shehbaz Sharif behind bars soon after he relinquishes power: Imran Khan

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 19, 2022

Policeman shot during overnight raids laid to rest: (Ref: Long March)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 25, 2022

(Baloch) Women held for 'planning suicide attack' produced in court.

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 18, 2022

Extremists (ISIS) attack kill 11 Egyptian troops:

Al Arabia ..net/News/middle-east/2022/05/07 Pakistan's standing on freedom index plummets (From 145th in 2021 to 157th in 2022)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 1, 2022

Majid Khan (Ahmadi) President of H.F Healthcare services receives the (US) President's Lifetime Achievement Award for voluntary services to underserved communities.

#presidentiallifetimeaward@HFUSA@HF11995 on May 8,

• Irrigation water shortage near 45pc, Irsa tells provinces

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 25, 2022

Sir Iftikhar Ayaz (Ahmadi) has been awarded the Queen's Medal for humanitarian service and Queen's Platinium Jubilee Medal

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Lahore: The Punjab Finance Department has released Rs 358.5 Million loan to 12 judges of the Lahore High Court for the construction of houses.

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 3, 2022

Shortfall of 3m tonnes in wheat production feared, PM told

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 7, 2022

Pakistani youngster (Shehbaz) scales world's third highest peak (youngest)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 1, 2022

Man freed from jail killed along with five rela-

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 1, 2022

Overseas Pakistanis should not generate unrest, otherwise, they could be placed on ECL: FIA

The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, May 9, 2022

Man kills six suspects to avenge robbery (Alleged robbers remained at large despite police report)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 13, 2022

Dollar reaches double century

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 20, 2022

 Pakistan borrowed \$15.5br in first 10 months of FY22

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 24, 2022

• 45 oil tankers destroyed in blaze in Nowshera (on 7 May) from depot with only one exit

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 9, 2022

 Spanish cabinet approves paid 'menstrual leave'

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 18, 2022

True Covid pandemics death toll is 15 million:

BBC Top Stories on May 5, 2022

- Minor boy recovered 18 days after kidnap. He was kidnapped for Rs. 100m ransom.
- Mother of two gang-raped in Passenger train (by train staffers)

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 31, 2022

• The government has no money even to buy poison (for suicide): (Minister) Musaddiq Malik

The daily Dunya; Lahore, May 31, 2022

- Army called in as PTI marchers advance on Red Zone (in Islamabad)
- Arms cache seized from cars, houses of two activists

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 26, 2022

 Yasin Malik (of IOK) sentenced to life term by Indian court

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 26, 2022

• Shooter kills 19 children at Texas school

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 26, 2022

- Justice Isa questions procedure for appointing
- · Unilaterally nominating judges not in accordance with spirit of Constitution says judge in a letter to chief justice of Pakistan.

The daily Dawn; Lahore, May 29, 2022

- 60% of the cabinet are those who are out on bail. They are criminals. Our people (MNAs) were bought with lakhs of dollars: Imran Khan
- Baligh ur Rahman takes oath as governor (Punjab)

Op-ed: **Saving Pakistan**

Ecologically, climate change may destroy our fertile soil, swamp coastlines, cause water wars and increase disasters and migration hugely. Demographically, our numbers may hit 300 million-plus given a high fertility rate. Economically, our inability to escape slow GDP and job growth, high twin deficits, a huge debt and poor innovation and competitiveness may cause economic collapse.

Socially, fake religiosity and patriotism and extremism may fan huge social unrest TLP's quick rise reflects this

Which other state faces this grim mix of demographic, ecological, external, enmity, economic, extremism, emergencies, education, epidemics, establishment, ethnic and elitism issues? This mix may cause huge ecological disasters, economic collapse, extremist violence, external isolation, nuclear calamity, political turmoil and ethnic insurgency.

Thus, Pakistan is a rumbling volcano. If it erupts, the shockwaves will be felt regionally, even globally. Few other states pose this global risk.

Yet when chances of success are so few, one must not focus on them but, like cornered tigers, on the path that provides the best chance. That path is clearly that of democracy, with an end to both establishment politics and the populist megalomaniac politics it has helped spawn. We will also need some lucky external breaks. The US, EU, UK, Gulf states, China and India all have critical roles to play here as Pakistan's failure will have huge spin-offs for all of them.

Whether all this will be enough to avert doom, only time will tell. Meanwhile, the time bomb's clock is going tick, tick, tick.

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Niaz Murtaza in the daily Dawn of May 17, 2022

White night

The Great Replacement theory has moved from the fringes to the mainstream, most prominently in America where anchors like Tucker Carlson and Republicans such as Lauren Boebert have increasingly been saying the quiet part out loud, providing a larger audience for, and greater acceptability of, this murderous narrative. With such voices gaining strength, traction and acceptability, the ideological basis for white terrorism is more secure than ever before. All that is needed then

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around and turn words into action.

Zarrar Khuhro in the daily Dawn of May 23, 2022.

Op-ed: Intolerance & populism

Some patterns are evident. There is chronic intolerance of diverse views; the beliefs and practices of various cultures and faiths are not accommodated; there is no acceptance of gender equality; and little acknowledgement of different political and religious identities. Fascist tendencies make up the present sociopolitical **Tweets:** and cultural fabric of Afghanistan, India and Pakistan, if not the entire South Asian region. Instead of presenting road maps for economic development, political efficacy of institutions and efficient social service delivery, policymaking and governance, the political narratives in these countries have begun to revolve around slogans which arouse aggressive feelings and extremist sentiments against political opponents. Hence bigotry, extremism and populism have become a lethal combination that is disrupting social norms and political stability.

The implementation of policies based on extremist versions of religion, authoritarianism and sectarianism in order to achieve strategic objectives, and a dissipating support base for mainstream political parties, have immersed a generation in absolutism and otherisation, depriving it of critical consciousness. The use of media and curricula for the purpose has magnified the effect, thus leaving large sections of the population, especially the youth, with little or no political consciousness. It goes without saying that it is the responsibility of state institutions, the political leadership, the intelligentsia, academia, religious scholars, the media, CSOs, teachers and writers to reverse this situation.

Khadim Hussain in the daily Dawn May 22, 2022

Editorial: Sharp escalation

THE danger is clear and present: militancy is on the upswing and matters could get worse before they get

As per statistics released by the Pakistan Institute for Conflict and Security Studies, April saw a 24pc increase in militant attacks as compared to the month before. There were 34 such attacks in April with a death toll of

is for someone like Payton Gendron to inevitably come 55. At least 25 people were injured. In March, the attacks numbered 26, but the casualty figures were much higher — 77 dead and 288 injured — largely on account of the devastating suicide blast at a Shia mosque in Peshawar on the fourth day of the month which was claimed by the Islamic State group's Khorasan chapter. The frequency of attacks in March was twice that in February, indicating a rapidly worsening security scenario.

The daily Dawn, May 9, 2022.



(Tr) It is neither Islam nor humanism; it is plain animalistic. You may consider someone a Muslim or a Kafir, you have no right to defile his dead body. It is deplorable that in our society, Ahmadis are not considered even human, perhaps that is why such act may not be adjudged defiling.



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Hajj form: Issued by the Government of Pakistan, which contains anti-Ahmadiyya affidavit

THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM JAMA'AT IS A RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY AND ORGANIZATION, INTERNATIONAL IN CHARACTER, WITH ESTABLISHED BRANCHES IN OVER 210 COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES IN ASIA, AFRICA, THE AMERICAS, EUROPE AND AUSTRALIA. IT HAS TENS OF MILLIONS OF MEMBERS WORLDWIDE AND IS GROWING. THE AHMADIYYA COMMUNITY WAS FOUNDED IN 1889 BY HADRAT MIRZA GHULAM AHMAD OF OADIAN, ON TEACHINGS THAT HE SAW AS AN EMBODIMENT OF THE BENEVOLENT MESSAGE OF ISLAM: PEACE, UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD, AND SUBMISSION TO THE WILL OF GOD. HE CLAIMED TO BE THE LATTER-DAY MESSIAH AND REFORMER AWAITED IN LEADING WORLD RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD. HE OPPOSED VIOLENCE AS A MEANS OF ADVANCING RELIGION AND REJECTED TERRORISM IN ANY FORM OR FOR ANY REASON.

DECLARING AHMADIS AS NON-MUSLIMS

THE PAKISTANI RELIGIOUS ESTABLISHMENT BRANDS THE AHMADIYYA COMMUNITY HERETICAL IN NATURE AND DOES NOT APPROVE OF ITS REFORMATORY NATURE. POLITICIANS HAVE ALSO FOUND IT EXPEDIENT TO SUPPORT THE RELIGIOUS ESTABLISHMENT IN THEIR ANTI-AHMADIYYA STANCE. THE FIRST COUNTRYWIDE WAVE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST THE COMMUNITY ERUPTED IN 1953. FOLLOWING THE EXTENSIVE RIOTS, AN IN-DEPTH JUDICIAL INQUIRY BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND A JUDGE OF LAHORE HIGH COURT FOUND POLITICS TO BE THE MAIN CAUSE OF DISTURBANCES. MANY YEARS LATER, IN 1974, MR ZULFIKAR ALI BHUTTO, THE THEN PRIME MINISTER OF PAKISTAN, FOUND IT POLITICALLY ADVANTAGEOUS TO HAVE AHMADIS DECLARED A NON-MUSLIM MINORITY, WHICH IN PAKISTAN IS A FORM OF SECOND RATE CITIZENSHIP. IT WAS A UNIQUE INNOVATION; WHILE OTHER NON-MUSLIM RELIGIOUS GROUPS, LIKE CHRISTIANS AND HINDUS, WERE NON-MUSLIM MINORITY BY THEIR PROFESSION, AHMADIS WERE FORCIBLY DECLARED A NON-MUSLIM MINORITY THROUGH LEGISLATION.

ORDINANCE XX

FOLLOWING BHUTTO'S LEAD, GENERAL ZIA UL HAQ, THE MILITARY DICTATOR OF PAKISTAN FROM 1977 TO 1988, TRIED TO COURT EXTREMISTS BY PROMULGATING THE NOTORIOUS ANTI-AHMADIYYA ORDINANCE XX IN 1984. THE ORDINANCE ADDED SECTIONS 298-B AND 298-C TO THE PAKISTAN PENAL CODE. THROUGH THIS ORDINANCE, THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF AHMADIS WERE DIRECTLY VIOLATED. UNDER ITS PROVISIONS, AHMADIS COULD BE IMPRISONED FOR THREE YEARS AND FINED AN ARBITRARY AMOUNT FOR ORDINARY EXPRESSION OF THEIR FAITH. ADDITIONALLY, TO PROHIBIT AHMADIS FROM PROSELYTIZING, IT EXPRESSLY FORBADE THEM FROM CERTAIN RELIGIOUS PRACTICES AND THE USAGE OF ISLAMIC TERMINOLOGY. THIS ORDINANCE EFFECTIVELY MAKES A CRIMINAL OUT OF EVERY AHMADI BY INCLUDING THE BROAD PROVISION OF "POSING AS A MUSLIM" A COGNIZABLE OFFENCE, GIVING THE EXTREMISTS À CARTE BLANCHETO TERRORIZE AHMADIS WITH THE BACKING OF THE STATE.

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