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# *Persecution of Ahmadiis* IN PAKISTAN

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# Highlights

## AHMADIS AND EDUCATION

Surprisingly, it may only be Pakistan where school-going children are required to declare their faith to apply for a school place. It is to add fuel to the fire if the declared faith is 'Ahmadiyya'. For Ahmadis, this means continuous bullying and discrimination, and its impact on children's minds is lifelong. 18 children were expelled from schools for their faith. Further five students were denied registration at the students hostel. A cleric wrote a letter to the DC to remove all Ahmadi teachers.

## DARK THEOCRATIC CLOUDS

One of the most important guidelines given by the founder of Pakistan was that the state will have nothing to do with the religion of its citizens. Today's Pakistan is exactly the opposite. With many political figures taking active part in the Anti Ahmadiyya conferences and incite hatred through their statements. Aim is to get some political mileage, whether it be Pervez Elahi taking charge as CM Punjab, Tessori taking oath as the Governor Sindh or Syed Ali Musa Gilani of PPP in his election campaign.

## AHMADIYYA MOSQUES

With more than 20 Ahmadiyya mosques desecrated in the last two years, the number keeps on rising. As devout Muslims, Ahmadis consider it their right to immitate designs of early Muslims. But after the promulgation of ordinance XX back in 1984, Ahmadis avoided building minarets and dome. There still were hundreds of mosques built before that. Every now and then, the opponents lodge complaints against Ahmadi mosques and the Police do the rest. Two more stories inside.

## ANTI-AHMADIYYA CONFERENCES IN AHMADIYYA HEADQUARTERS

12 Rabiul Awal is the birth date of the Holy Prophet (peace be on him). Rallies and conferences are held all over the Muslim world to commemorate this blessed day. Similar rallies are held in Pakistan, however, in spite of pronouncing the high status of the Holy Prophet (pbuh), these are often deluged with hatred towards Ahmadis. Other KN conferences are also held and threatening Ahmadis, hurling abuses in front of Ahmadi houses is a norm. Every year such conferences & rallies are openly held in the headquarters of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Pakistan and they walk through the streets of Rabwah raising anti-Ahmadi slogans and abuses. See details: Pages. 13-16, 19  
Political figures like Fazlur Rehman Chairman JUIF, Sirajul Haq Chairman JIP, Ammar Yasir PML-N, Capt. Safdar PML-N etc regularly take part in these conferences.

## 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 21 FOR DETAILS ON VOTING RIGHT FOR AHMADIS IN PAKISTAN

## 18 AHMADI CHILDREN EXPELLED FROM SCHOOLS

**District Jhang, Punjab; October 2022:**

An Ahmadi girl student was told by her teacher in Sajid Public School to not write the epithet Sallalaho Eleihe Wasallam in Arabic script next to the Holy Prophet (PBUH), as she might write it incorrectly. She complied. Some miscreants made an issue of this, told the shopkeepers to boycott Ahmadis, and took out hostile processions after the Friday prayers.

The situation became agitated and the police and security agencies had to intervene. They rendered their own reports.

In fact, Ahmadis, as much as most non-Ahmadis, routinely use respectful epithets when re-

ferring to the Holy Prophet (PBUH), the Prophets, the Companions and all holy personages in Islam. All scholars in religious academia know this in Pakistan.

However, in the face of the mulla, and due to inadequate support from the administration, headmasters and principals find it more convenient and opportune to expel Ahmadi students. Here also, the principal of this school and that of the Bright Vision School expelled 18 Ahmadi children from their institutions. Other schools in the area are reluctant to accommodate them. Social boycott of Ahmadis has been imposed in the area.

It is a distressing situation.

## DARK THEOCRATIC CLOUDS OVER THE PUNJAB

**Lahore; October 2022:**

PML-Q along with PTI rules the Punjab. Mr. Parvez Elahi of PML-Q is the chief minister.

Within three days of assuming power in the province, the chief minister issued orders through a 'MOST URGENT' 'REMINDER' with a 'TIME LIMIT' of one-day for implementation, "to ensure implementation of the amendment regarding the oath of Khatme Nabuwat in the true letter and spirit in Nikah (marriage) formalities". This order was issued in the days when the whole country was immersed in floods of Biblical dimensions and the province itself was stuck in the treacherous marsh of grave political instability.

Now, a few weeks later, after the country closely escaped bankruptcy, one finds the government of Punjab spending huge sums on prime-time advertisements on numerous private TV channels on the issue of Khatme Nabuwat at the occasion

of solemnizing Nikahs. It is worth mentioning that in the past 14 centuries of Islamic society, no such certification of faith in End of Prophethood was ever required for the Nikah to be valid — in Sharia or in custom or law.

This ad was diligently designed by professionals. It shows a Nikah being performed by a mulla in the grand Royal Mosque of Lahore. It shows a certificate of faith in the Khatme Nabuwat, whose script can be easily read by viewers. It requires faith in the last, total and unconditional faith in

Khatam un Nabiyyeen... The groom and the bride is shown looking happy over the certification. The ad is being shown for days on end — now for weeks.

(Note: The anti-Ahmadi law provides three-year imprisonment to Ahmadis if they openly declare that they also believe 100 percent in the Holy Prophet as Khatam un Nabiyyeen. Also, vast majority of

Muslims in Pakistan believe in the future advent of Prophet Isa among Muslims — so such certificates are a huge fraud played on Pakistani Muslims.)

The ad declares that "We (the advertisers, Govt of Punjab) are grateful to Allah over this great blessing (Saadat Uzma)."

The ad has been shown repeatedly on TV channels ARY, Bol, HUM, 92 News etc, day after day, every few minutes. To be specific, a display can be seen shown at 21:55 on October 14, 2022.

This story would not be complete without following observations:

- The aim is primarily to gain political mileage. The PML-Q hopes to get some more votes through this campaign.
- This TV ad drive is likely to drive the wedge further between the simple-minded mainstream Muslim youth and Ahmadis — a deliberate policy with extreme right.



*Safeguarding belief in Khatme Nabuwat  
A big condition imposed in Nikah  
Extremely important action by Punjab Government*

- Part of the aim could be to oblige TV channels with plenty of ad money.
- PML-Q stands for Pakistan Muslim League – Quaid-i-Azam; thus it claims special commitment to the ideals promoted by the Quaid. However, one of the most important guidelines given by the Quaid was that Pakistan would not be a theocracy, and the state will have nothing to do with the religion of the citizen.

## NO END TO BIGOTRY NOW MR. TESSORI, GOVERNOR OF SINDH, ...

**Karachi, October 20, 2022:**

Mr. Kamran Tessori of MQM-P was recently appointed governor of Sindh. Although appointed by PML-N prime minister, he immediately turned to Mr. Parvez Elahi the CM of the Punjab in matters of religion. We produce below a report from Thefridaytimes.com.

Governor Tessori Desires Punjab-Like Finality Of Prophethood Clause In Sindh Marriage Certificates Sindh Governor Kamran Tessori is desirous of a clause affirming the Finality of Prophethood



*Mr Tessori (R) taking oath as governor*

(Khatm-e-Nabuwat) in Sindh nikahnamas (marriage certificates) on lines of the Punjab.

Tessori, according to Dunya, has penned a letter to Chief Minister Murad Ali Shah on this account. Tessori reportedly believes that the introduction of the provision will be representative of the love Muslims have for Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). In his letter, the governor has urged the chief minister to ensure pertinent departments were directed in this regard. Tessori also went to add that legislation should be introduced and directions delivered.

Including the Khatm-e-Nabuwat provision in the nikahnama was the first major policy decision of the Punjab chief minister Pervaiz Elahi. Pakistan is the sole country to undertake such measures.

<https://www.thefridaytimes.com/2022/10/20/governor-tessori-desires-punjab-like-finality-of-prophethood-clause-in-sindh-marriage-certificates/>



## POLITICAL APPRENTICE PRACTICES TRICKS OF TRADE

**Multan; October 2022:**

Syed Ali Musa Gilani, son of Mr. Yusuf Raza Gilani a former prime minister from PPP, contested a NA seat recently in Multan. In one of his campaign speeches he thought it politically advantageous to refer to 'Qadianis' and the Prophet giving religious touch to his politics. What he said was uploaded on the social media, where he can be seen and heard saying the following, inter alia (translation):

"When Zulfikar Ali Bhutto was doomed to be hanged,



Syed Ali Musa Gilani

he sent for Mufti Mahmud and Maulana Kausar Niazi and told them, "Tomorrow I shall be hanged but both of you are Maulvis, so be my witnesses that at the time of accountability on Doomsday, tell Allah as supporting evidence that this is the Zulfikar who declared Qadianis to be Non-Muslim to protect the honour of Thy Prophet."

We make only four brief observations on this statement:

1. This statement is factually not true. The Mufti and Niazi did not meet Bhutto one day prior to the hanging, nor even one week before. Bhutto's last days are well-recorded in various books and publications. Musa Gilani should check the facts, and desist in future from fabricating stories.
2. This mention was out of place in his speech. It was obviously a misfit and an absurd effort to politically cash an issue of doubtful value.
3. With this statement, he sounded more like PML-N's Captain Safdar. Would he really opt to be Safdar's clone in PPP?
4. If this issue proved to be of little worth to the political well-being of ZAB, it is highly doubtful that it will be of any great value to a third generation Jiala.

## PREJUDICE AND BRUTALITY AT AIRPORTS

**Lahore, Islamabad; September/October 2022:**

Ahmadi travelers, at times, face condemnable and unlawful handling at Pakistan airports at the hand of security personnel. It is most unpleasant and vexatious for any regular and rightful traveler to get off-loaded at the airport for no other reason than this religious identity. It is almost criminal — on part of a law enforcing agency.

An Ahmadi, on his way to an African country, in possession of all the required documents, visa, etc, was off-loaded by the FIA at Lahore airport in September.

This gentlemen, a fortnight later, went to Islamabad airport, all set to travel to his destination. The FIA man discovered from his documents that he was an Ahmadi, and he expressed his prej-

udice there openly to another official. He sent the Ahmadi to his senior for the decision. The senior's behavior was even more bigoted and despicable. He disallowed boarding to the Ahmadi on excuse that he had been earlier off-loaded at Lahore; although he had the authority to let him board, regardless.

It can be reasonably assumed that the high officials of the FIA are educated and correct enough to not let religious prejudice influence their professional work, but they seem to be unaware of what their subordinates indulge in their day to day work – bringing bad name to the country and the department.

There is need to overhaul and to train the lower cadres.

## HOSTILE INNOVATION

**Social media:**

Ahmadi-bashers should not be called empty-headed and dumb, as they continue to come up with innovations and fabrications to worsen Ahmadi. They apparently succeed as well – to some extent. They initially came up with 22 anti-Ahmadi demands decades ago. They achieved all these with passage of time.

One thought that would satisfy them and they will be quiet. But no, they came up with more, and almost every year they added new demands and items to that list.

Sometimes back, they put up No Entry for Qadianis signs in shops and markets in Lahore. This was most inappropriate for businessmen and shopkeepers, but the mulla succeeded in having

this hate-promoting restriction applied in many locations in the provincial capital. What next?

We now find a sticker posted on public transport. This was learnt from a tweet @Khalid\_Malik11. Its translation in English would be:

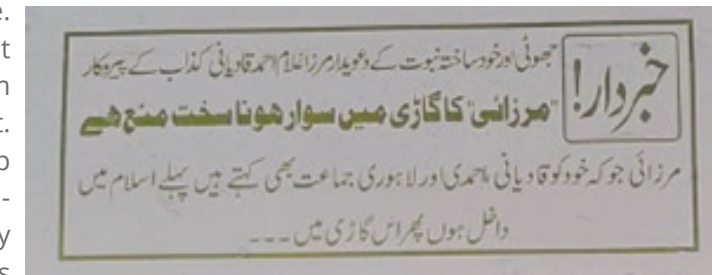
Warning

It is strictly forbidden for a Mirzai to board this vehicle, who follow Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani, the liar, claimant to fake and fabricated prophet-hood.

Mirzais who call themselves Qadiani/

Ahmadi/Lahori should first enter Islam before entering this vehicle.

We admit that, as yet, we have not been able to precisely know the town, the vehicles and the source of this outrage.



## FOLLOW-UP FROM THE AHMADIYYA HALL, KARACHI

**Karachi; October 2022:**

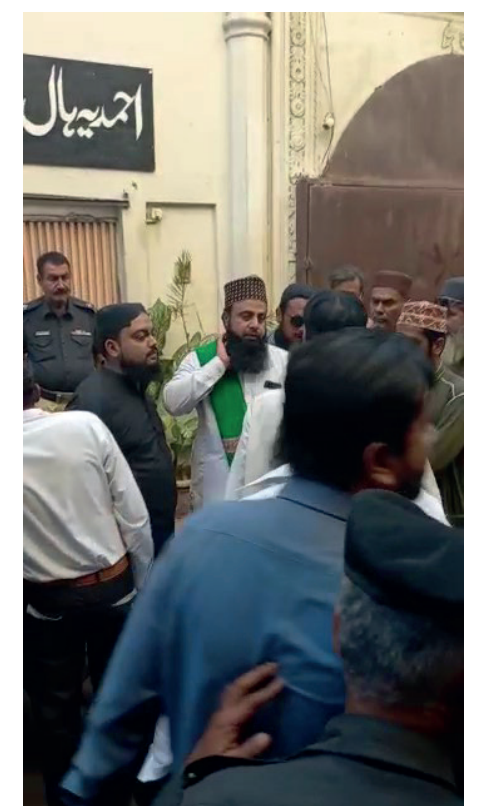
There is more to report on this issue over after report in September 2022.

One, Mr. Patel had approached the police against the small minarets and niche at the Ahmadiyya Hall, and demanded registration of a criminal case against four named Ahmadis.

The police initially took no action on this maniacal application, so he approached a sessions court under section 22-A and 22-B, on which the judge ordered registration of a case as per law. In the meantime, it is learnt that PS Pareedi, on their own initiative, registered a criminal case, against the named four Ahmadis on September 9, 2022 with FIR No. 527/22 under anti-Ahmadiyya Sections PPC 298-B, 298-C and 34.

Ahmadis filed writ petition against the order of the Justice of Peace. The High Court graciously suspended the Order till next date of hearing. However, there was no specific order concerning the FIR already registered.

October 6, 2022 was the date of hearing in Sindh High Court, Karachi. The Court rejected the plaintiff plea for registration of a police case, as the FIR had already been registered. Ahmadis filed another writ petition for the bail of one of the nominees in the above-mentioned case, Mr. Sabahat Ahmad, and for eviction of the case. At this, the Court granted the pre-arrest bail to Mr. Ahmad and gave next date of hearing for both matters.



The Police and a cleric at the Ahmadiyya Hall Karachi



## MEDIA BIGOTRY — À L' EXTREME

The daily Jang, an Urdu newspaper is published from various major cities in Pakistan and has a nation-wide circulation. It is surely the most widely read vernacular newspaper in Pakistan. For long, it has followed anti-Ahmadiyya news and editorial policy, and publishes every year a special edition to celebrate the constitutional amendment on 7 September that declared Ahmadis to be non-Muslim.

The Jang, as a matter of routine, frequently prints news that are hostile to Ahmadis. Reports on anti-Ahmadiyya conferences and statements of even petty mullas find plenty of space in this paper. However, recently, the Jang has gone berserk to the extent of being absurd, even insane.

The daily Jang, issued at Quetta (capital of Baluchistan province), in its issue of October 4, 2022 published a 5-column anti-Ahmadi headline on a story that had nothing to do with Ahmadis, whatsoever.

The story was about prison department and the

treatment of inmates, while the headline read:

**“The Muslim Ummah will have to act in unison to crush Qadianism.”**

Print media rarely, perhaps never, nowhere, has ever indulged in such absurdity.



Note: When pointed out, the Jang reset their digital issue.

## AHMADIYYA MOSQUE UNDER THREAT

**Okara; October 2022:**

Opponents applied to the police against the local Ahmadiyya mosque, for its minarets etc. They claim incorrectly that it is a violation of the Constitution of Pakistan and the decisions of higher courts. They demanded destruction of the minarets and other structures.

Ahmadis told the police that there is no provision in law against the construction of minarets etc. in Ahmadiyya mosques; also this mosque was built before the Ordinance XX, so this law does not apply to it, anyway. The police were thus more correctly informed.

On October 14, an Ahmadiyya delegation was called to the DC office, where a meeting was

held with senior officials. The Ahmadiyya delegation submitted their position verbally and in writing along with various decisions of the judiciary in this regard. The authorities expressed their compulsion in the face of (assumed) threat to law and order. Ahmadis made it clear to them that they would not undertake any demolition of the minarets nor make any changes to the building. It was the duty of the administration to deal with crowds and mobs. The DC told Ahmadis to raise the outer walls of Ahmadiyya mosque and cover the minarets with fiber sheets so these are not visible from outside.

Ahmadis agreed to co-operate in implementation of these rather freaky proposals.

## HATE PROMOTION IN DISTRICT VEHARI

**District Vehari; October 2022:**

Anti-Ahmadi activities continue in District Vehari. Following three hostile incidents took place at different locations in the District:

- A mulla in Chak No. 475/EB uses foul language against Ahmadis every morning. He is associated with a religious organization.
- Similarly, in Chak No. 163/WB, a series of anti-Ahmadi speeches were made by mullas invited

from elsewhere, because the Numberdar (the village chief) of this village is an Ahmadi.

- An Ahmadi teaches in a government school in Chak No. 363/EB. The opposition is trying to force her to resign, so as to fill the post by a ‘Muslim’ teacher. The opponents are using different tactics for this; they are also seeking help from a notorious politico-religious organization.

## AHMADI STUDENTS EXPELLED FROM HOSTEL

**Islamabad; October 2022:**

Five Ahmadi students from Rabwah took admission in various universities in Islamabad and booked a room in a boys’ hostel located in sector F-8. They paid two months’ fee in advance. The hostel management asked for the ATM slip of the fee deposited. The slip that was sent to them had Rabwah written on it. For this, they expelled these

students from their hostel saying that they are Ahmadis, and they do not accommodate Ahmadis. Further, hostel management said that they have 24 hostels, where they do not accommodate students from religious communities. A bizarre reasoning! Almost all students in Pakistan belong to some religious community.

## A MULLA WROTE TO THE DC AGAINST AHMADI TEACHERS IN RABWAH

**Rabwah; October 2022:**

Mulla Tauseef Ahmad, of Jamia Masjid Khatme Nabuwwat, Muslim Colony sent an application to the Deputy Commissioner against Ahmadi teachers working in local and suburban public schools. He fabricated his demands at length and came up with pleas unfit for any civilized person or society. For instance:

- Ahmadi teachers should be replaced with Muslim teachers.
- All Ahmadi headmasters & headmistresses of government schools should be removed from their posts.
- Schools, roads, buildings etc. in Rabwah are named after Qadiani elders; these should be renamed as proposed by Muslims.
- Qadiani teachers should be forbidden to teach the recitation and translation of the Holy Quran. Etc.

In reality, the issue had come up due to some disputation between two non-Ahmadi teachers. The education department has sorted it out appropriately.



The copy of this letter is enclosed with this report as Annex I

## AHMADI MADE TO VACATE SHOP

**Mithi, District Tharparkar (Sindh); September 2022:**

Muhammad Ashraf opened a retail shop in front of the police-line in Mithi. When people came to know that he was an Ahmadi, some of them expressed hostility. A man living near the shop told the people not purchase anything from him. The man told the owner of the shop that if he got the shop vacated from the Qadiani, he would pay him double the rent. Thereafter he sent the local cleric to the shop owner. The cleric threatened the owner that if he did not get the shop vacated, a police

case would be filed against him.

The owner informed Muhammad Ashraf about the whole situation. One day when he was sitting with Ashraf, the opponents, the cleric and a few locals came to the shop and said that they will rent the shop and pay double the rent but they will not tolerate any Qadiani’s shop in their locality. The cleric told him that this was absolutely right; trade with Qadianis is illicit (in Sharia) so, the owner asked Ashraf to vacate the shop. Ashraf had to agree.



# THE LAND OF THE PURE AND THE LAND OF NOT SO PURE — A CONCLUSIVE COMPARISON

## The Punjab and the US, October 2022:

The word Pakistan literally means ‘the land of the pure’, while the United States has no such fundamental claims. Many Pakistanis actually believe that in the realm of religion, sociology and culture, they are superior to other peoples. Therefore, it would be useful to look at oneself in a mirror and see the reality. Two recent events, one in the Punjab and the other in the state of Illinois US provided this opportunity.

In a recent video, made available on the social media on September 27, 2022, Mr. Parvez Elahi, the Punjab chief minister is seen and heard talking to a gathering standing around him (translation):

*“By the grace of Allah, we are building a mosque at personal expense. It will resemble the Blue Mosque, a mosque in Turkiye. It will be very visible. Those who have built a mosque on instructions of (president) Erdogan similar to the Blue Mosque, their engineers were hired (by us) in Turkey. They came, and stayed here for a month, and we had discussions with them. This mosque will be completed within a year. **It will have space (even) for women, however it will be (boldly) written on the exterior that no Qadiani is allowed inside. We have no friendship nor any dealing with one who does not believe in the End of Prophethood. If they want to stay, they may, as a minority. We’ll give them rights as we give rights to Christians and Hindus, (but) if they opt to leave, they should do so.**”*

Surely, no top politician in the US would make such a statement in the US about its citizens. In fact, quite the reverse – the US society and people extend religious tolerance, indeed welcome, to even outsiders. This happened most recently when the Khalifa ul Masih V Head of the World-wide Ahmadiyya Community visited the US in the first week of October to inaugurate an Ahmadiyya mosque in the city of Zion, Illinois.

Very briefly, this mosque named Fathe Azeem Mosque (Great Victory) has been built to commemorate the great victory of Ahmad, the founder of Ahmadiyyat over Mr. John Dowie, a very powerful and wealthy priest who claimed to be the Elijah II. He hated Islam and openly claimed to achieve its destruction and of its followers. Ahmad who claimed to be the foretold Promised



Fathe-e-Azeem Mosque (The Mosque of Grand Victory)

Messiah challenged him to a prayer duel in 1907, thus seeking a Divine verdict, through a sign that the liar will die first in the lifetime of the opponent. (Dowie was much younger in age than Ahmad, and apparently in better health.) The challenge was essentially to avoid a call for death and destruction of whole peoples and restrict the risk to only two individuals. Thereafter, Dowie soon fell into a steep decline in health, wealth, power and popularity. He got struck with mania and paralyses. He died in a miserable state during the lifetime of Ahmad, and the American press admitted and called his end ‘pathetic’. It was a great victory over hate, prejudice and ill-will. Dowie, who had established the city of Zion, had declared that no Muslim was to be admitted there. Now, a century later, it has an Ahmadi Muslim population and a Fathe Azeem Mosque.

Highlights of this event with reference to FoRB in American society:

1. The Zion city council authorized construction of his mosque and had no objection to name it Great Victory Mosque.
2. The Council approved purchase of 10 acres of land by Ahmadi to build the mosque complex.
3. The town mayor paid welcome call on the visiting Khalifa tul Masih.
4. Important personalities from the city and the state called on the Khalifa and participated in the big reception dinner held to celebrate the occasion. These included a US congressman, a state congresswoman, a former Chair of the bipartisan commission USCIRF; the Police Commissioner, Dr. Considine, Country State Attorney, two Rabbis, a state senator and the Executive Director of Illinois Humanities and other personalities. In all, 161 guests attended

the dinner.

5. The mayor presented the Key of the Zion City to the Khalifa who received it with thanks and said.... ***I am sure that now the key is in safe hands. ...***
6. The town council approved construction of a 70ft high minaret of the mosque. Its design is the same as that of Minarat ul Masih in Qadian. The Khalifa laid its foundation stone.
7. American Airlines named its Chicago to Dallas flight that flew the Khalifa and his staff on October 2, 2022 as the **Khilafat Flight 2022**.



8. A journalist from newspaper Lake County News Sun interviewed the Khalifa, and raised important social and societal questions relevant to not only the US but also the whole world.
9. Khalifa tul Masih V stated in his keynote address at the inauguration, interalia: ***“Its (this mosque’s) doors open with an enlightened message pronouncing that the religious rights and peaceful beliefs of all peoples and communities are to be forever protected and cherished. It is the paramount objective of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community to direct mankind to the path of spiritual salvation and to ensure that all peoples, irrespective of their caste, creed or culture, live together with a spirit of goodwill and harmony and in true peace and security.”***
10. Leading personalities who participated in the inauguration ceremony spoke at the occasion, and stated (extracts):
  - Mayor of Zion said, “It’s an absolute honour and privilege for me to welcome His Holiness.... Blessed to be guided by His Holiness.”
  - Representative Joyce Mason of Illinois

General Assembly said, *“The city of Zion is fortunate that such a peace-loving and service-oriented community has decided to settle down here and build such a beautiful mosque. It is my fervent wish that this mosque becomes a beacon of hope not just for this city but for all around.”* She said, *“I am adding a House Resolution congratulating the Community on the inauguration of the new mosque and I’m grateful to be part of this joyous day and part of this very special community.”*



- Congressman Krishnamoorthi said, *“I’m so thrilled to be part of his arrival (of His Holiness) that we entered into the congressional record of the United States, a commemoration of this historic day that will live on in history to remember what happened today and the joyous occasion... I believe that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, one of the finest communities in America and the world, dedicates itself in service to humanity.”*

- Professor Dr. Katrina Sweth, president of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice remarked: *“... But really, I think we would have to say that the victory (in the Prayer Duel) went to humanity as well, because it was a victory for respect, for love, for tolerance, for all those virtues that we now see embodied in this marvelous community.”*



Compare the intent and aspiration behind the two mosques, the one planned for Gujrat and the other built in Zion.

Conclusion is a plea. Mr. Parvez Elahi and others of his ilk, the drumbeaters of Islam, should have some pity on the Land of the Pure, Islam and themselves, by distancing from bigotry, hate promotion, intolerance and division in the fair name of Islam.



## STATE OF THE STATE

### Toba Tek Singh (Punjab); October 9, 2022:

The daily Dawn reported an incident in which an Assistant Commissioner (from a minority community), a DSP police and numerous lawyers were involved at Pirmahal, a town in the Punjab run by Mr. Parvez Elahi, the chief minister, were involved. The incident report sheds a flood of light on the governance and writ of the state in the province:

### Terrorism case against lawyers for injuring AC, stealing record

**TOBA TEK SINGH:** The Pirmahal police have registered a case under the anti-terrorism act against a group of lawyers who manhandled the assistant commissioner over a dispute.

It is learnt that the lawyers injured Assistant Commissioner Irfan Martin in his courtroom after an exchange of harsh words over sealing of a department store allegedly overcharging the customers. He was shifted to the Pirmahal THQ hospital for first aid and getting medico legal certificate.

Later, DSP Waqar Ahmad took him to Toba Tek Singh where he met Deputy Commissioner Chaudhry Ashraf Bhaddar and apprised him of the

incident.

The Pirmahal Municipal Corporation sanitary workers staged a protest demonstration at Allah Hu Chowk on Faisalabad-Multan Road and blocked traffic for more than one hour to protest against the incident.

Sources said police had registered a case against the lawyers under section 7ATA and sections 506,365,382,353,186,148 and 149 of PPC. Complainant Irfan Martin said lawyers Intisar Chaudhry, Rana Haseeb, Suhaib Ramay, Jamil Vaince, Shoaib Nonari Sufian, Nunari, Muhammad Hussain Fraz, Rao Noamari, Akram Nonari and their 10 unidentified accomplices came to his office, locked room from inside and clubbed him.

He alleged that the lawyers also kidnapped him, tore his clothes and also tortured his gunman Javed Niaz and civil defense employee Jawad when they tried to rescue him. The FIR added that they also took away office files and created terror besides snatching Rs10,000, a wrist watch and the ID card.

He said they forced him to decide a case in their favor but he refused.

## THREE SYMPATHETIC SENTENCES — A WHIFF OF FRESH AIR

### National Assembly, Islamabad:

Recently in October, Mian Riaz Pirzada, Federal Minister of Human Rights spoke in the National Assembly. He had important things to say on the overall state of the State. He referred to the sectarian strife in the country and pointed to the plight of Ahmadis. As it is decades that someone high-up dared to mention Ahmadis in a sympathetic tone, we find it appropriate to place these few sentences on record. He said:

*"People of the Ahmadi community are stabbed to death in broad daylight. They demolish (gira detay hein) their homes, their mosques, minarets of their places of worship... If one raises a voice in the Assembly, (it will amount to nothing that) an Ahmadi was killed...."*

Bravo, Mr. Pirzada. You have the courage



Mian Riaz Pirzada - Minister of Human Rights

to say that. Although comments made on the social media with reference to your remarks show concern for your safety, we wish you a long life, political as well, in extraordinary and bold service to the people of this rather unfortunate country overrun by mullas and self-serving politicians.

## ANOTHER HATEFUL CONFERENCE

### Chenab Nagar (Rabwah); October 21, 2022:

Yet another anti-Ahmadiyya conference was held at Madrassah Usmania in Muslim Colony. They called it Aftab Nabuwwat Conference, and termed it as 22nd 'Annual' conference. One had not heard much about this event before, but now it seems they would hold it regularly on annual basis. Perhaps there are funds available to lay claim to.

Qari Shabbir Usmani organized this one as well. An event report is normally provided to the press by the organizers; we print below extracts from one in the daily Dunya of October 23, 2022:

### "All anti-Islam elements should be crushed, including Qadianis

Chenab Nagar (reporter): The speakers said that the Qadiani lobbies are active in the government and political parties, and international powers are promoting Qadianis. ... There is need to develop a realistic understanding of conspiracies against the country. ... We strongly condemn the statement of the US president.

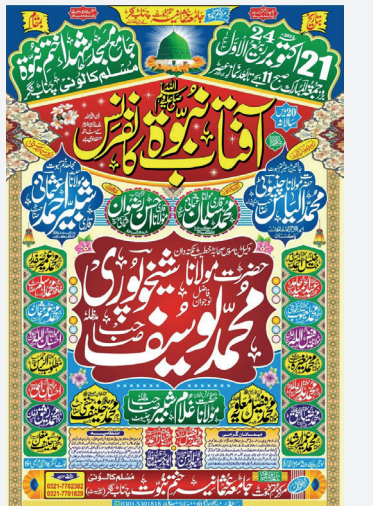
...The law on transgender should be repealed. ... The belief in End of Prophethood is the strongest common link; for this reason Qadiani and imperialist powers want to repeal the laws on safeguarding the Khatme Nabuwwat and the Honour of Prophethood. ... Maulana Ilyas Chinioti MPA, the Amir of IKNM told the participants that End of Prophethood is Muslims' basic and fundamental belief....Maulana Sheikhupori said that Qadianis, having suffered repeated failures in Pakistan, are busy in fomenting conspiracies against the Millat Islamia; we'll defeat them on international forums. Maulana Khalil Ashrafi said that the 1973 Constitution enjoys consensus; very dangerous moves are underway to destroy the consensual nature of this

constitution... ."

The above was printable; what was not, was leave out. We learnt of it from other reliable sources. The authorities must be in possession of the relevant audios/videos. We give here a gist of what was said and was not considered print worthy:

*"Qadianis are robbers of Khatme Nabuwwat. Muslims should avoid contacting them. Jewish powers are busy weakening the Muslims; while our rulers roam around with a begging bowl to the Jewish powers. We'll never submit to the servitude of the US. Qadiani prophet was installed by the English; it is currently supported by the Jewish lobby. The Qadiani prophet is an enemy of our Prophet. Qadianis, we and our ulama will crush you all over the world....Anyone who claims to be a Prophet after our Prophet will end up in hell. Our program is not an issue with anyone except the Wrong (Batil); even institutions (Idarey) are worried about us. All, from Chenab Nagar to Europe and America are bothered by us. We are servile to none except Allah. Qadianis are responsible for disunity among Muslims and violation of the Constitution."*

We withhold all that is not even reportable by us.





# A MOST HATEFUL, INCITING AND PROVOCATIVE ANTI-AHMADI CONFERENCE IN RABWAH

**Rabwah; 27 and 28 October, 2022:**

Rabwah is the central Ahmadiyya town in Pakistan. In a way, it is central to the worldwide Ahmadiyya Community. Its population is approximately 95% Ahmadi. Despite this, the authorities allow mullas of the Majlis Tahaffuz Khatme Nabuwwat (MTKN) to hold a two-day conference here in Muslim Colony, transport thousands of participants from other towns, invite speakers from all over Pakistan to go rabid in their hostility to Ahmadis, and seriously threaten the peace of this town. Most of what the mullas say is unlawful and violation of the penal codes PPCs 153-A, 295-C, 298, 298-A etc. We provide below extracts, very briefly, of what was said by some of the speakers; the full statements in audio/video must be available with the authorities. It is surprising, indeed bizarre, that the authorities allow such conferences in Rabwah under known circumstances.

**First Session:** It started at 10:15 on October 27. Maulvi Aziz ur Rahman Sani of Lahore presided it. The audience numbered approximately 4500. Maulvi Khalil ur Rahman of Kundian inaugurated it with a prayer.

Mulla Kalimulla of Sargodha said that the process to crush Qadianis (Sarkobi) will continue. Mullah Muhammad Aqib of Bannu said: We'll never submit to the slavery of the US and the UK. ... We'll pursue Qadianis all over the world.

Mulla Abdullah of Karachi said that the Mirza was an anti-Christ (Dajjal). He was Dajjal, and son of a swine. He even denied God.... All products of Qadianis should be boycotted.

Mulla Inayatullah of Quetta stated that the Mirza eventually claimed to be God (Rabb).

Mufti Umar Din of Hangu (in FATA) said that Qadianis are a hypocrite and fraudulent group. Deobandis are of three types but they are all united in efforts to crush Qadianis, and they will pursue Qadianis till their end.

Mulla Abdul Razzaq of Kark said that Muslims pursue Qadianis because they make false claim to Prophethood. Qadianis are the filthy (Ghaleez) and the worst Kafirs.... (Qadianis) Have you seen the portrait of your Mirza? He was the worst Kafir of the modern times.

Mulla Ibrahim of Lakki Marwat advised that wherever Qadianis raise their head, crush it. He asserted that Qadianis are traitors to Pakistan; they are enemies of Islam and the country.

Mulla Suleiman of Jhang expressed his opinion that Qadiani mischief was slowly heading towards its termination.

Mulla Zafrulla of Larkana claimed that people in Larkana have boycotted all the Qadiani products. **"The day is not far when not a single Qadiani would be found there,"** he said.

**Second Session:** It started at 13:50. Maulvi Aziz Ahmad of Kundian presided over it. The attendance was approximately 10,000.

Mulla Jamil Akhtar of Lahore said that if the authorities permit they would throw Ahmadis out of Pakistan within one month. ...Ahmadis are enemies of Pakistan.

Mulla Amjad Khan (JUI-F) expressed the view that Qadianis intend to break up Pakistan.

Mulla Abdul Qayyum Haqqani told the audience that Qadianis are not allowed to build their place



Posters / pamphlets distributed for this Anti-Ahmadiyya Conference

of worship.... They should accept the Pak constitution or leave for Qadian, he said.

Maulvi Fazl ur Rahman (JUI-F) arrived at 15:30 and addressed the crowd. He told the audience, inter alia, that the Righteous Khalifas (Rashideen) fought wars for safeguarding the End of Prophethood, and they would continue to do the same. "The West supports Qadianis, we should pursue them," he said.

**Third Session:** It started at about 18:00 and lasted till well past-midnight. Maulvi Nasir ud Din Khakwani presided it.

Mulla Ayub Saqib of Daska said that Qadiani leader had fled from Pakistan; the remaining shameless Qadianis would also soon flee from here.

Mulla Atif of Sargodha said that Mirza Qadiani was a drunkard and adulterer. He lived on his father's pension. He was fond of women. How can a petty clerk in a government office be a Prophet? Mulla Saifulla Naqshbandi said that Jews and Qadianis are ever busy in conspiracy to render Muslims' heart devoid of the Prophet's love.

Mulla Atiq ur Rahman Hazarvi asserted that Qadianis are no longer in a position to walk around keeping their head high....

Mulla Zahid ur Rashidi claimed that in 1953 when it was demanded that Ch. Zafrulla Khan be fired, the Prime Minister replied that in that case the US would stop supply of wheat to Pakistan. (So) It was Ch. Zafrulla Khan who led us into the slavery of America.... Qadiani Jamaat is responsible for the division of Pakistan (Bangladesh).

Mulla Ziaulla Bokhari said that Maulana Fazl ur Rahman was their representative in the Parliament. "We are duty bound to support and follow him", he insisted.



Participants of the Anti-Ahmadiyya Conference in Rabwah  
It is worth noting that all outdoor activities of Ahmadi Muslims are banned in Rabwah

Mulla Mudassar Mahmud of Taunsa Sharif said, "As long as we are alive, we will continue to protect the 1974 law that declared Qadianis to be non-Muslim."

Mulla Zahid Mahmud Qasmi of Toba Tek Singh said that even the US and the EU are scared of the Khatme Nabuwwat. "A few days ago there was an Aasma Jehangir Conference in Lahore. This woman was a Qadiani and was opposed to the belief in End of Prophethood," he said.

Mulla Matin Khalid said that (only) three thousand men attended the funeral of Mirza Qadiani. (Ms) Nusrat, the wife of Mirza Qadiani did not take the oath of allegiance (Baiat) to him.

Mulla Javed Qasuri (of Jamaat Islami) expressed the opinion that the Qadiani fitna (mischief) will soon come to an end.... It is the duty of every Muslim to crush Qadianis.

Maulvi Siraj ul Haq, Amir Jamaat Islami, also came and spoke in the conference. He stated that Pakistan will face numerous problems (fitna) in the absence of rule by Jamaat Islami. If Qadianis want to stay in Pakistan, they should first accept their minority status — otherwise, run away from Pakistan.... Co-education is adding to our problems. This has facilitated the passage of bill on sodomy (Ham jins parasti). The agenda of the ruling parties is the agenda of the West — they are responsible in passage of the sodomy law. ...The present PM is licking the shoes of many states, in search of aid. This government does not have the strength to get Aafia Siddiqui released from the US prison.... Shehbaz Sharif and Zardari sought our support (in forming the government) but we refused.

Mulla Noor Muhammad of Sargodha told the audience that it was part of the faith to boycott Qadianis. "It is better to die than be treated in Qadiani hospitals by Qadiani doctors," he said.



**Fourth Session:** It started at 10:30 on October 28. Maulvi Aziz ur Rahman Sani presided it. Participants numbered approximately 7500.

Mulla Abdus Sattar Gormani said that the West promotes Qadianism so as to propagate through them the explanations that are acceptable to imperialist powers.

Mulla Abdul Qayyum of Nowshera said, “Qadianis ridicule the constitution through Islamic references (Shaair) in their periodicals and journals; this hurts religious sentiments of Muslims.”

(Note: The mulla does not know or is a deceiver; Ahmadiyya periodicals have remained banned for years.)

**Fifth Session:** Maulvi Aziz ur Rahman of Kundian presided over it. Attendance improved to 12,000. The session started at 13:15 and ended at 16:15.

Mulla Abaid ur Rahman Anwar of Sahiwal indulged in hostile criticism and said that Chenab Nagar is populated 70 to 80 percent by Qadianis. We come here from far off to display our sentiments (ghairat) for faith. We must come here for the honor of the Holy Prophet (PBUH). Mirza, the fake claimant to prophethood, never confronted the Muslims, he said.

Mulla Alimuddin Shakir of Sahiwal said that those who blaspheme the Companions, in fact attack the belief in End of Prophethood, “We’ll boldly fight the blasphemers at all levels,” he said in attempt to kill two birds with one stone.

Following is also relevant to this conference:

1. The organizers of this conference were mostly from JUI-F.
2. Jamaat Ahmadiyya had approached the authorities well before the due date to not allow this hateful sectarian conference – but to no avail.
3. The local Ahmadi population had to remain alert and take adequate defensive measure to ensure safety during the two days. Women, children and elderly were advised to stay at home.
4. As in preceding years, we suggest again that the authorities and researches inquire into the sources of funding this sizeable congregation of 12,000 men, mostly outsiders, assembled for two days in an intensively sectarian and extremist major activity. It is such extremist propaganda that trains people to jump on to the wagon of terrorism, as and when desired by the sponsors.



Fazalur Rahman Chairman JUI-F at the conference

## ANTI-AHMADI HATE CAMPAIGN IN THE NAME OF HOLY PROPHET’S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

**Chenab Nagar (Rabwah); 8, 9 October, 2022:**

On this occasion, conferences were held and rallies taken out at various locations in Pakistan by anti-Ahmadi organizations. At Rabwah most of the participants came from other localities. A brief description of these hateful assemblies here is given below.

Majlis Ahrar, notorious for their traditional anti-Ahmadiyya extremism, held their annual End of Prophethood conference in nearby Kot Wasawa on the night of October 8. Attendance was around 400. Syed Kafeel Bukhari of Multan presided the first session. The participants, including Molvi Hanif

Muavia of Khanewal, Molvi Muhammad Mughera incharge Madarassa Ahrar Islam (Rabwah), Molvi Muhammad Umar Farooq of Chiniot, Molvi Zahid ul Rashdi of Gujranwala, Qari Muhammad Ashiq and others asserted Qadianiat to be “the greatest evil (fitna) of the

time.” They said that Ahmadis, planted by the British, are enemies of Islam and Pakistan. They urged the participants to unite and crush (sarkobi) these people. The speakers further stated that till the last Ahrari was alive, crushing of Qadianis will continue.

The second session started at 10:20 p.m. The number of participants was approximately 4000. Speakers said that Ahmadis were converting the poor in Sindh. They urged Muslims to rise and lay a siege against Qadianis on all fronts. They demanded their complete boycott. The speakers badmouthed Mirza Ghulam Ahmadi Qadiani, the founder of Ahmadiyya Community. They stated that the Mirza, born in Qadian, held a petty job, later he developed relations with the English rulers and started this mischief called Qadianiat, and initiated the drama of his fake Nabuwwat. The speakers stated that the Mirza ran away from every challenge extended to him by the Ulama.

Molvi Saif ul Rehman called Ahmadis “traitors to Islam”, he asked participants to see the cursed face of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani and read his books to assess whether he was cursed or innocent. Molvi Abdul Khaliq affirmed that Ahrar would chase Qadianis on all fronts to crush them (sarkobi). He told the audience to keep an eye for Qadianis, and if they see one in their area, make him flee.

The first rally sortied on 9 October forenoon from Masjid Bokhari (Masjid Allah Yar Arshad) in Dar ul Fazl. Mullas addressed the participants (50 people).

The second rally was taken out from village Khichian. It proceeded to the Bus Stop via Aqsa Chowk and returned to disperse at Chhani/Khichi. Its leaders were decent enough to use the occasion to speak on the life (seerat) and high moral profile of the Holy Prophet (P.B.U.H.), and wasted no time in bad-mouthing Ahmadis. The number of participants were counted around 1000/1200.

The third rally emerged from Kot Wasawa

at 14:50 with Kafil Bokhari of Majlis Ahrar leading. The number inflated to approximately 5500. They came over to Evan Mahmud, the central office of the Ahmadiyya Youth Organization. The speakers urged Ahmadis to join (the constitutional) Islam, and accused them of being enemies of both Islam and the state.

Shahid Mehmood Kashmiri of Multan, Molvi Muhammad Ilyas Chinioti (MPA), Hafiz Ammar Yasir (MPA), Molvi Muhammad Ali Mugheera of Chenab Nagar, Pir Nasir ul Din, Maulana Abdul Khaliq (Vice President JUI) and others delivered speeches in front of Evan Mahmud.

Ammar Yasir MPA (PML-Q) invited Ahmadis to Islam to save themselves from hell-fire. He praised General Bajwa and wished him well in whatever he was doing.

The speakers were rabid in their sectarian anti-Ahmadi speeches. What they said should better be not quoted in full. They challenged Ahmadis, “Wherever you go, we’ll crush you”. They called Ahmadis ‘laanati’ (cursed), and a cancerous boil (Nasur).

Apart from the above, smaller rallies came over to Rabwah from nearby Chiniot, Muslim Colony, Ahmad Nagar, Kot Qazi and other villages. They came to the Bus Stop, went to Aqsa Chowk, shouted anti-Ahmadi slogans and dispersed.

At about 3 pm when the Ahrar procession was moving through the Rabwah interior, one of the miscreants threw a stone at an Ahmadi that hit him in the knee. Ahmadis detained the miscreant, and handed him over to the police that arrived at the scene. The procession people declared him to be insane, and the Ahmadis left it to the police to inquire further in the incident.

Ahmadis bore all these provocations with grace, restraint and due care. As for the authorities, they permitted all these hostile sectarian gatherings that blatantly violated the relevant laws like PPCs 153-A, 295-A, 298 and 298-A.



One of the rallies passing through the high-street Rabwah - the headquarter of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community



# REMOVAL OF A DPO REMINDS ONE OF GROSS DISCRIMINATION

Lahore; October 1, 2022:

The daily Dawn reported removal of a District Police Office (DPO) and suspension of a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) for murder in a fake encounter case. This reminds us of a somewhat similar case in March 2012, in Rabwah, when a decent Ahmadi, Mr. Abdul Qadoos, professionally a teacher, was tortured to death by police officials, with minimal consequences for the rascals responsible for his murder. But first the recent story from the Dawn (extract):

## “Encounter killing in Vehari. IGP removes DPO for misconduct, penalizes DSP and others

By Asif Chaudhry 2022-10-01

LAHORE: Punjab Inspector General of Police Faisal Shahkar has removed the Vehari DPO on the charges of misconduct/inefficiency, suspended a DSP and ordered registration of a murder case against six police officials in a fake encounter case.

The major action was taken against them on the recommendation of Multan Regional Police Officer Riffat Raja in the wake of a fake police encounter in which a local citizen was allegedly murdered. The Additional IG South Punjab has also formed a Joint Investigation Team (JIT) to investigate the incident.

Raja had proposed major penalties against the police officers to the IGP to the extent of DPO Rana Shahid Pervaiz and DSP Sadaqat Ali. The Central Police Office (CPO) issued a notification on Friday. It mentions the words misconduct/inefficiency as a major reason behind the removal of the DPO and suspension of the DSP.

These two officers were declared guilty of concealing the facts of the encounter and death of the citizen and delayed action against the police officials involved in the encounter.”

Compare this briefly to what happened to an Ahmadi and his tormentors, some years back.

A man named Yusuf was found murdered in Rabwah in 2012. The police, during the investigation detained unlawfully a prominent Ahmadi Mr. Abdul Qadoos, the president of his local community. For reasons of their own, needless to speculate here, they decided to make up and implicate senior leadership of the Ahmadiyya Jamaat in the murder. In early stage of the investigation, senior officers admitted that they found no evidence of

Mr. Qadoos’ involvement in the crime, but the local investigating inspectors continued to question him to implicate others. For this purpose they detained the poor fellow for weeks, although the law does not allow the police to detain people overnight without judicial permission.

Then the police shifted Mr. Qadoos to a far away police post where the investigation continued. Witnesses, examined subsequently, stated that at the police post they heard screams, emanating from the torture of the victim, behind a wall.

The police subjected the innocent victim for days to inhuman torture, fatally injuring him. He was hung upside down from his ankles for long periods. Furthermore, whilst laid supine, an extremely heavy wooden roller, similar to those used to flatten cricket pitches, was rolled all over his body, as attendants stood at each side of him making sure he could not move, so as to crush his muscles. His internal and external injuries seemed to be fatal, so the police delivered him to his family. However, before that, they obtained his thumb impression and signatures on a blank paper. The doctor observed that the victim’s clothes were stained with blood and his entire body was badly swollen. He was losing blood in vomits and urine. The doctors’ frantic efforts failed to save the victim.

The SHO stated that a fatal disease could be the possible cause of his death. He was retained in his post even after the Department had taken notice of the shocking homicide and instituted an inquiry.

The vernacular press which normally is hostile to Ahmadis, reported: **The entire area in mourning ... Business centers close — Teachers’ Union announce three days’ mourning; School teacher, the sole supporter of his family, dies of police torture, etc.**

4000 men attended his funeral rites.

A Judicial Magistrate, in his inquiry, mentioned the following findings in his report (extracts):

- **During the said period he (Mr. Qadoos) was subjected to inhuman torture.**
- **(Three sub-inspectors and four constables) are fully involved in a brutal murder of Abdul Qadoos, deceased.**
- **The respondents have not denied keeping the deceased in illegal custody for such a**

long period of time and handing over the deceased to his family members in a serious condition, which resulted in the death of the accused.

- **The death, in the opinion of District Standing Medical Board is suggestive of due to anti-mortem trauma, mentioned in the report, leading to renal failure and its allied complications.**

A witness, Mubashir Ahmad, told the Magistrate that he saw the deceased being tortured at the police post. On March 26, he found that Mr. Qadoos could barely walk and his entire clothes were stained with blood and even blood was coming out in his vomits and bowel motions.

The Magistrate quoted Mr. Atiq ur Rahman, a witness, as, “The deceased also told him that DSP Chenab Nagar Ch. Asghar and SHO Chenab Nagar were also involved in torture on him. He further stated that deceased told him **that the police officials forced him to nominate higher officials of the Jamaat Ahmadiyya.** (emphasis added)

Sub-Inspector Manazar Ali, involved in torture, absconded and did not appear before the Magistrate.

The inquiry report mentioned Mr. Saleemuddin 1W25, a senior Ahmadi Jamaat official, who said that he met DPO Chiniot at least on three or four occasions and on each occasion DPO assured him that “Abdul Qadoos was innocent and they had arrested him due to pressure of the complainant...”



Mr Abdul Qadoos

The Incharge Police Post stated that “SHO Chenab Nagar Khadim Hussain literally abused him and told him that he had sent Abdul Qadoos to the Chowki (post) on the direction of higher officials and DPO Chiniot... .” He further stated that the SHO and DSP were involved in the said torture as they used to come to the Post routinely.

It is noteworthy that apart from the DSP getting suspended and the two investigating SIs named in the FIR as well, none else faced any departmental action. Eventually what happened to them, the police department knows best.

It is good to learn that higher police officials are now held accountable for their responsibility in police brutality in their jurisdiction.

## HOSTILE ACTIVITY IN RABWAH, THE AHMADIYYA HEADQUARTERS

Rabwah; October 7, 2022:

On October 7, 2022, after the Friday prayers, mulla Tauseef, resident of Muslim Colony, Rabwah, delivered a hateful speech against Ahmadis on loudspeakers at Jamia Masjid Muhammadiya, Railway Station. On this occasion, about two hundred clerics and seminary students came there on two trolleys.

Mulla Tauseef indulged in hate speech, told the audience to not get treatment from the Ahmadiyya hospital, and not to trade with Ahmadis. He took a promise from the audience to boycott them.



Masjid Muhammadiya - Railway Station Rabwah

Ahmadis informed the police who arrived; by then mullas turned off the loudspeakers. The police spoke to the mulla; the outsiders went back.



# 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 dated 30.09.3030 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 application.

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. Subsequently the trial court added section 295C of PPC to the said case.

### As of Oct 31, 2022:

- 6 Ahmadis are behind bars solely on account of their faith.
- 13 Ahmadis were arrested during August 2022 for sacrificing animals on Eid.
- 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 prisoners died while in police custody (Feb. 2021 & Jan 2022.)

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 Zaheer 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 Zaheer 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.

Mr Abdul Qadoos

# 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 INFACIT 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.*

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

295

Up to two years' imprisonment or fine, or both

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

295 A

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

Defiling, etc., of the Holy Quran

295 B

Life imprisonment

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

295 C

Death and fine

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

298

Up to one year imprisonment or fine, or both

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

298 A

Three years' imprisonment, or fine, or both

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

298 B

Three years' imprisonment and fine

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

298 C

Three years' imprisonment and fine

## Alarming Facts

### SINCE JANUARY 2021

- 5 Ahmadis have been murdered for faith, raising the total to 275 since the promulgation of Ordinance XX
- 17 murder attempts, 10 attacks during the current year.
- 2 Ahmadi prisoners died in custody, they were imprisoned for their faith.
- 21 Ahmadiyya mosques have been desecrated, 1 mosque sealed by the authorities. 2 desecrated in Sep.
- 235 graves have been desecrated, 173 of these were during 2022 and 53 during this month.
- 36 new cases have been registered against Ahmadis under the blasphemy laws & Anti-Ahmadi laws, 10 of these were registered last month. A criminal case was registered against 8 Ahmadis in Sep.
- Sacred inscription from 19 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.



# PAKISTAN: ACTIVISTS SOUND ALARM OVER HATE CRIMES, BLASPHEMY CLAIMS

## — A MEDIA REPORT

**October 13, 2022:** DW.com, a known media outlet released the following report in Asia section today (extracts):

### Pakistan: Activists sound alarm over hate crimes, blasphemy claims

Accusations of blasphemy can spark deadly mob attacks in Pakistan

On October 1, 2022, a handicapped man was set ablaze in Ghotki, Pakistan. When the victim jumped into a nearby pond to extinguish fire, the attacker, apparently a student of a religious seminary, followed him, strangling him to death. The reason, according to media reports, were accusations of blasphemy. The video of the killing went viral online.

The killing sent shockwaves across Pakistani society, especially minority communities in the deeply religious country where most people identify as Sunni Muslims.

Just a few days later, Shiite scholar Naveed Ashiq was killed in the eastern Punjab province.

In a separate incident, a radical Sunni cleric in the same province called for the killing of pregnant women from the Ahmadi religious sect. The Ahmadi are not recognized as Muslim under Pakistani law.

Claims of blasphemy can be especially dangerous in the deeply religious country. Human rights groups believe most accusers use these claims to settle personal scores, property disputes and other minor issues.

Records show that 1,415 people were accused of blasphemy between 1947 and 2021. According to the Center for Research and Security Studies, 81 of the accused were killed — 71 men and 10 women.



### Hate crimes on rise

Disturbingly, the number of incidents which involve accusations of blasphemy and hate crimes against minorities appears to be rising.

In December last year, a Sri Lankan man was lynched in Sialkot city of Punjab while this February a man accused of desecrating the Holy Quran was beaten to death by a mob in the Punjabi town of Khenewal. Recently, a school in the city of Attock, in the same eastern province, expelled four Ahmadi children. The reason provided by the school was merely that they were Ahmadi, said Amir Mahmood, Punjab spokesperson for Jamaat-e-Ahmadi, an Ahmadi organization.

The Ahmadi representative told DW that social media was awash in hate literature against his community, complete with anti-Ahmadi banners and posters. This has, in some cases, led to blasphemy allegations, according to Mahmood.

### No action from the state

Recently, a gathering of a Sunni extremist outfit in Islamabad openly chanted slogans against Shiite Muslims. Several politicians and even one of Pakistan's top judges have also openly denigrated minorities in recent years.

Activists and minority communities point to the culture of impunity as one of the reasons behind the attacks on minorities and blasphemy accusations which can also target Muslims.

<https://www.dw.com/en/pakistan-activists-sound-alarm-over-hate-crimes-blasphemy-claims/a-63396489>

## FROM THE MEDIA

- Qadianis, anti-Islam, and anti-Pakistan elements should be crushed: Khatme Nabuwat Conference (in Chenab Nagar)  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 11, 2022*
- The govt should take decisive action against Qadianis' activities: All Pakistan Khatme Nabuwat Conference (at Rabwah)
- Those promoting Qadianiat are traitors to Islam and the country  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 28, 2022*
- Our lives are pledged to safeguard End of Prophethood: Speakers (in Sargodha Conference)  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, Sept 26, 2022*
- All anti-Islam elements including Qadianis should be crushed. Speakers (at Masjid Shuhada Khatme Nabuwat)  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 23, 2022*
- Bailable arrest warrant of Capt. Safdar issued  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 22, 2022*
- (Azam) Swati alleges, govt denies torture by intel officers  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 29, 2022*
- School kids injured as militants destroy Swat peace. Driver killed, students in hospital after attack on van ...  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 10, 2022*
- Levies soldier guarding polio team martyred in gun attack  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 28, 2022*
- TLP claims Abbottabad police killed its 10 workers in clash. Police deny deaths, insist their 33 officials injured in attack (The clash occurred as the Abbottabad police stopped thousands of TLP workers from marching on Havelian Tehsil to attend, as Eid Miladun Nabi procession.)  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 18, 2022*
- Swat, Shangla residents take to streets against terrorist attacks  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 15, 2022*
- Bahrain, residents protest recent terror wave in Swat. Women also attend rally, say won't stand terrorism on their land.  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 22, 2022*
- Seven terrorists killed (2 troops died) in KP operations  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 05, 2022*
- Governor Tessori (Sindh, from MQM) desires Punjab-like Finality of Prophethood clause in Sindh marriage certificates.  
*Thefriday.com/2022/10/20/governor-kk*
- 'Animal Farm' system runs the country (Mulk mein janwaron ka nizam hey): Imran  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 31, 2022*
- Bilawal seeks unity to fight political, religious extremists  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 11, 2022*
- Orders came from elsewhere while I was PM, says Imran  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 13, 2022*
- Imran declares approaching the Supreme Court and International institutions (Idaron) over (arrest of) Azam Swati  
*Samaa TV at 07:21 on October 18, 2022*
- US ambassador should be expelled until US apology (over Pakistan being a dangerous nation): Siraj ul Haq (JI)  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, Sept 17, 2022*
- Imran Khan is a liar (Jhoota) and a coward (Buzdil): Ishaq Dar (PML-N)  
*TV Dawn News at 20:55 on October 03, 2022*
- I am still around; 26 pending (criminal) cases against me: Capt. ® Safadar  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 6, 2022*
- By God, Imran is a fraud; if imposed, he will destroy the country: Shehbaz Sharif  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, Sept 07, 2022*
- P.S. Badami Bagh: Accused tortured; forced to bark — SHO suspended. Torture video of Ashfaq goes viral; Police kept on insisting to bark.  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 11, 2022*
- Imran Khan's allegations are a pack of lies: Election Commission  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 7, 2022*
- Judges who delivered injustice should be held accountable: Nawaz Sharif
- The one who sermonized morality (Imran) indulged in horse trading....  
*TV Sanaa at 07:28 on October 11, 2022*
- A dishonest Election Commission is imposed on the country: Imran Khan  
*TV Dawn News at 07:21 on October 18, 2022*
- Why five years of our (precious) life were made waste?  
*Nawaz Sharif on TV GNN at 06:58 on October 10, 2022*
- Riasat Madinah was a great model for religious and political tolerance (Rawadari): Shehbaz Sharif  
*TV GNN at 06:58 on October 10, 2022*
- US president calls Pakistan 'one of the most dangerous nations'. Pakistan conveys demarche to US envoy over president's misleading remarks.  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 16, 2022*

- Italian coast guard rescues over 1000 migrants  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 27, 2022*
- 15 killed as terrorists attack shrine in Iran  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 27, 2022*
- Indian minister speaks of annexing Gilgit-Baltistan  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 28, 2022*
- Pak-origin Hindu becomes British PM  
*The News International; Lahore, October 26, 2022*
- Two women killed as 'human sacrifice' in India  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 11, 2022*
- Nurse Lucy Letby poisoned babies with insulin, trial told (in Manchester, UK)  
*BBC Top Stories on October 10, 2022*
- 'Mullahs must get lost' Iranian sing at fresh protests  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 06, 2022*
- Levies soldier guarding polio team martyred in gun attack  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 28, 2022*
- Terror attacks in Pakistan surge by 51pc after Afghan Taliban victory  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 20, 2022*
- Ilyas (PM AJK) thanks Riyadh for funding projects in Azad Kashmir  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 22, 2022*
- Six Palestinians killed in Israeli raids on West Bank  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 26, 2022*
- US: (Pak) Army chief meets Military Advisor to UN Secretary General  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 03, 2022*
- 20 dead as bomb rips through packed Kabul exam hall. Blast targets Hazara community, most of the dead include girls.  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 01, 2022*
- India: 4 Muslims booked for offering prayers in train  
*The daily Dunya; Lahore, October 24, 2022*
- Hazara women protest genocide as Kabul (suicide) blast (in classroom) toll touches 35  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 2, 2022*
- Muslims beaten up, homes bulldozed in India  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 7, 2022*
- One soldier martyred in (Pak-Afghan) cross-border attack: ISPR  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 1, 2022*
- New Delhi: Ten thousand Hindus adopt Buddhism  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 9, 2022*
- Tunisia cost of living crises: My husband either reaches Europe or dies at sea  
*bbc.co.uk/new/world-62837807 on October 2, 2022*
- Kabul suicide attack on Interior Ministry

- mosque: 13 dead  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 6, 2022*
- Taliban break up women's protest in Herat  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 3, 2022*
- Human Rights Council rejects debate on Xinjiang  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 7, 2022*
- Turkiye in mourning as mine tragedy claims 41 lives  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 16, 2022*
- Far-right Meloni sworn in as Italy's first woman PM  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 22, 2022*
- Two women killed an 'human sacrifice' in India  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 13, 2022*
- Children abuse in Britain is epidemic, says inquiry  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 21, 2022*
- Ukraine seeks accelerated accession to Nato  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 01, 2022*
- Imran stuns rivals, grabs six NA seats
- PPP emerges victorious in Karachi, Multan
- One PA seat goes to PML, two to PTI  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 17, 2022*
- Imran's ouster (by ECP) triggers uproar  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 22, 2022*
- Army chief vows not to let anyone foment instability  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 9, 2022*
- Non-bailable warrant (by Rawalpindi magistrate) for Rana Sana in land scam case  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 9, 2022*
- Alvi faces 'empty' NA, jeers from law makers  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 7, 2022*
- Pir Mahal (Punjab): Lawyers attack AC, injured. Christian communities' strong protest. Lawyers beat up Irfan Martin for verdict against their desire; clobber the gunman and the servant. (Lawyers) snatch records and money from the office; case registered under terrorism and other laws.  
*The daily Dunya; Faisalabad, October 9, 2022*
- One Pakistan varsity among top 500 in THE ranking  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 14, 2022*
- Pakistan sheds grey list mantle  
*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 22, 2022*

#### Op-ed: INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS AND ISLAM

In Pakistan, recently, the Punjab Curriculum and Textbook Board (PCTB) formed a committee of the Muttahida Ulema Board (MUB) "to review every book, including those of science and mathematics." The MUB members recommended the board

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to exclude words such as "interest" and "mark-up" from the mathematics textbooks. Some of them also issued directions that "diagrams or sketches in the biology textbooks showing human figures 'sans clothes' should not be printed which could otherwise exacerbate 'immorality in the educational field'."

Similarly, in 2016, the Council of Islamic Ideology (CII) proposed an esoteric 'model' women's protection bill, which allowed a husband to "lightly" beat his wife "if needed" and prohibited the mixing of the genders in schools, hospitals and offices. What must concern us is not our ulemas' mediaeval understanding of the world, but their monopoly over state institutions, ie, education.

*Farah Adeed in the daily Dawn, October 9, 2022*

#### Editorial: Pointing fingers

"If anybody tells you they are under pressure, they are not true to their oath of office," Justice Isa said at the event. "If you can't handle the heat in the kitchen, get out." The honourable justice is respectfully asked: how many have done so, and how many more have not?

The daily Dawn, October 25, 2022

Editorial: Anti-militancy protests

The chilling attack on the school van should prompt the state — its civilian arm as well as the security establishment — to take action against the terrorists present in KP. If this is not done now, a familiar scenario is likely to play out, with the militants establishing their presence and making a mockery of law and order, followed by the state moving in and using kinetic means to dislodge the terrorists, as the people of the area suffer, again, for no fault of their own.

To prevent a repeat of the past, the administration must strike now and flush out all militants active in the area.

*The daily Dawn, October 13th, 2022*

#### Op-ed: The trouble with technology

Digital technology is also fueling polarization and divisiveness within countries. Studies have pointed to its disruptive impact on political systems and democracy. In an article in the European Journal of Futures Research in March 2022, the authors wrote that "In times of scepticism and a marked dependence on different types of AI in a network full of bots, trolls, and fakes, unprecedented standards of polarisation and intolerance are intensify-

ing and crystallising with the coming to power of leaders of dubious democratic reputation". The connection between the rise of right-wing populist leaders and their cynical but effective deployment of social media is now well established.

*Maleeha Lodhi in the daily Dawn, October 17, 2022*

#### Op-ed: Me-too to Gentoo

One big problem with appeasing regressive elements is that it is never enough. Fast on the heels of the gala fiasco, wanted militants brazenly blacked the road between KT and GB close to Babusar Pass, holding tourists and commuters hostage including a local minister. According to media reports, the miscreants' demands included visiting rights to their imprisoned accomplices and their release. This is reportedly the same outfit whose members are suspects in the infamous killing of a foreign mountaineering expedition to Nanga Parbat in 2013. What is more outrageous? Blocking roads with impunity by associates of suspects in the terrorist attack or the fact that almost 10 years later only a handful of convictions could be handed down? Only a few convicts are behind bars, two escaped from jail, the rest of the suspects remain at large. Islamabad too braces for another siege.

*Shahab Sharjeel in the daily Dawn, October 19, 2022*

#### Press Release: Keynote address of Khalifa tul Masih V at the Reception held on opening of Ahmadiyya mosque in Dallas, Texas USA (Extracts):

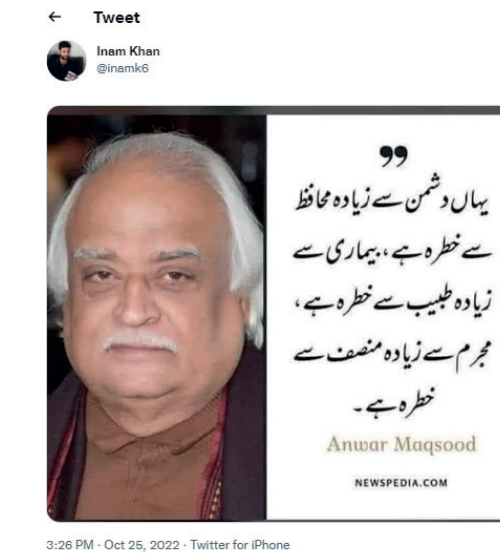
"... A true Muslim is one who shoulders the burdens of others and feels their pain and sorrow as though it was their own. So, it is with this spirit of sympathy for all mankind, and an understanding that Allah the Almighty's Grace and Mercy is universal, that we build mosques...."

"I urge anyone who has any doubts or fears to breathe a sigh of relief in the knowledge that this new Mosque, built by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, will only ever represent and reflect Islam's enlightened teachings of peace, respect and tolerance. Our teaching is not to confront those who have different beliefs to us but to embrace them. Our teaching is not to attack our opponents but to defend them and their rights. Rest assured this Mosque will radiate nothing but love, compassion and sympathy for mankind."

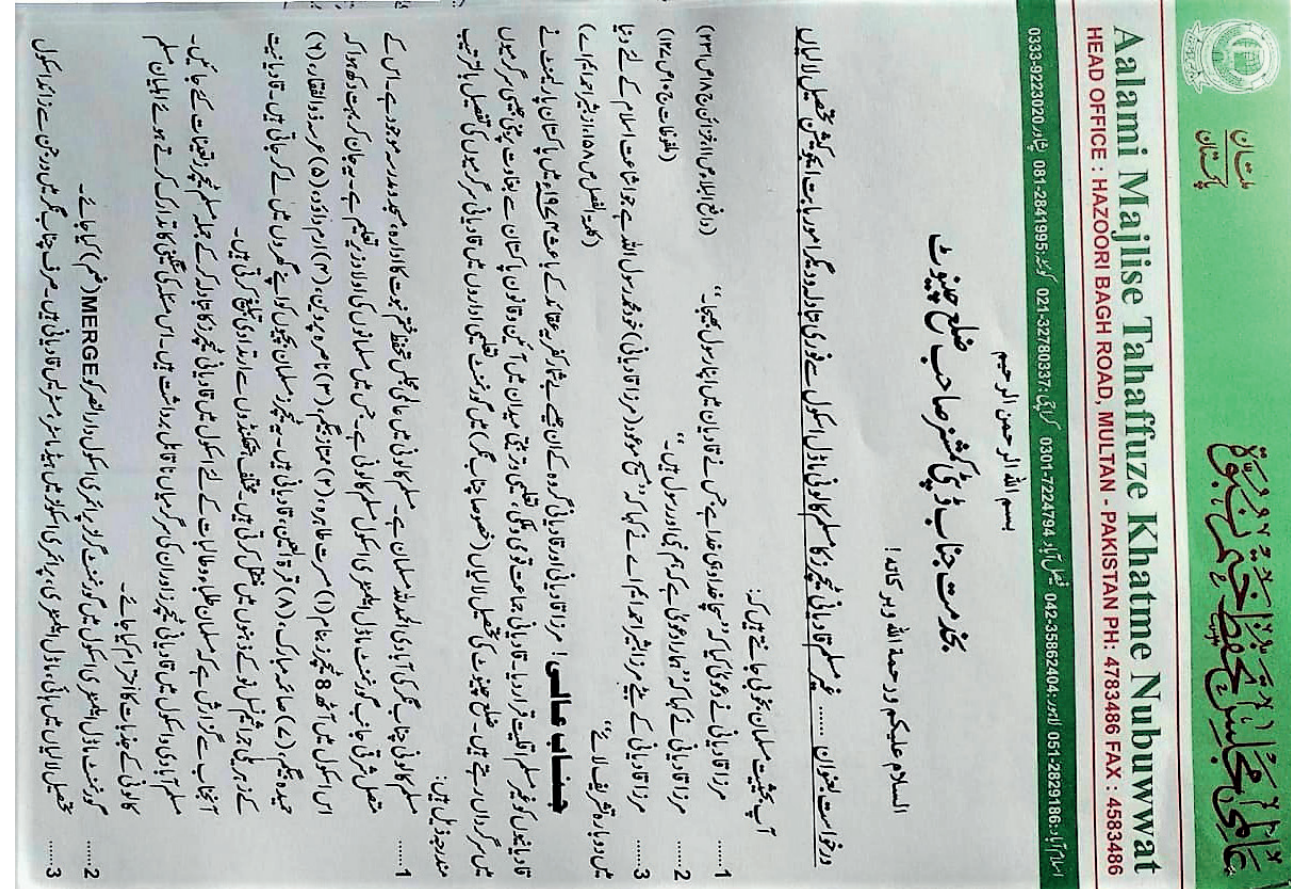
*Issued by pressahmadiyya.com/press on October 11, 2022*



TWEETS:



Translation: Here, there is greater danger from the protector than from the enemy, more from the physician than from the disease, more from the judge than from the criminal.



Letter written by a cleric to the Deputy Commissioner, District Chiniot  
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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 QADIAN, 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 BLANCHE TO TERRORIZE AHMADIS WITH THE BACKING OF THE STATE.

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