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AHMADIYYA MUSLIM FOREIGN MISSIONS

Persecution of Ahmadis IN PAKISTAN

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Highlights

AN AHMADI WAS SHOT DEAD, ANOTHER SURVIVES DEADLY ATTACK

An Ahmadi Mr. Maqsood Ahmad, aged 45, was shot dead by unknown assailants on September 2, 2021 in his village. He had retired from Pakistan Army and had settled in UK. He was on a visit to Pakistan.

Another Ahmadi Muhammad Abid survived an attack on his life by an armed group.

A 70 YEAR OLD AHMADI IMPRISONED UNDER PPC-295C

Mr. Asghar Ali Kalar, an Ahmadi, aged 70, was charged under the blasphemy law PPC 295-C with FIR Nr. 651 on September 24, 2021. He was arrested and sent to Bahawalpur Jail.

He is alleged of sending a derogatory picture from his mobile phone. His mobile phone is with the police for forensic test.

TWO MOSQUES, 45 GRAVES DESECRATED, 'MUSLIM LIKE' NAME REMOVED FROM A SHOP

The report includes incidents where the police removed sacred writings from the Ahmadiyya mosques & graves. 45 tombstones were destroyed. This month records a unique incident of removing the name of an Ahmadi from his shop as his name resembled those of Muslims.

SEVERE HARASSMENT OF AHMADIS IN THEIR DAILY LIVES

Whether it be an Ahmadi in the civil services, a businessman, a doctor, a teacher, a student or a commoner, the life of an Ahmadi is engulfed by severe harassment and a constant threat to be killed. Read some appalling incidents from pages 4-9.

ANTI-AHMADIYYA RALLIES HELD TO COMMEMORATE SEPTEMBER 7

Mullas hold rallies and conferences on September 7 to commemorate the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of Pakistan, through which Ahmadis were declared not-Muslims in 1974. This amendment opened the gates of persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan. The print and online vernacular media openly publish special editions and spread hatred against Ahmadis. On the other hand Ahmadis are denied to hold their gatherings and even sports events. Their newspapers and periodicals are banned by the authorities. See 'Ahmadi Censorship' pg. 25.

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

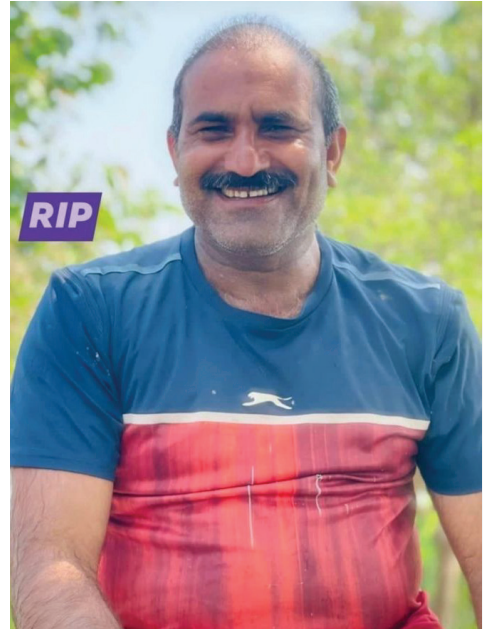
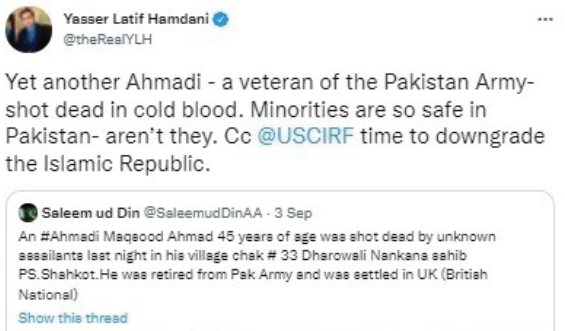
AHMADI KILLED IN NANKANA SAHIB

Chak 33 Dharowali, District Nankana Sahib; Sep. 2, 2021:

An Ahmadi Mr. Maqsood Ahmad, aged 45, was shot dead by unknown assailants on September 2, 2021 in his village. He had retired from Pakistan Army and had settled in UK.

Mr. Ahmad was on a visit to Pakistan. On September 2, 2021, unknown assailants opened fire and shot him dead.

Yasser Latif Hamdani an HR activist tweeted on this murder.



AHMADI SURVIVES ASSAULT

426 GB Kana Konta, District Toba Tek Singh; September 10, 2021:

Some gansters of this village harass Mr. Muhammad Abid, an Ahmadi. A youth named Kamran precipitated a quarrel with him and went away cursing and threatening him.

A little later he returned along with his half a dozen companions. They carried firearms and

rods. They tried to mount an assault on Abid, who took refuge with his neighbors.

Mr. Abid submitted a complaint in Police Station Saddar Gojra against the attackers. The police called both parties and warned the attackers. It is a difficult situation for Ahmadis; they feel harassed and insecure.

- 271 Ahmadis have been murdered for their faith since the promulgation of Ordinance XX
- 6 Ahmadis have been killed for their faith since 2020
- 9 murder attempts have been made on Ahmadis in 2021 so far, 409 since 1984.
- 1 Ahmadi prisoner of faith died while in police custody in 2021.

AHMADI BOOKED UNDER BLASPHEMY LAW

Bahawalpur; September 24, 2021:

Mr. Asghar Ali Kalar, an Ahmadi, aged 70, was booked under the blasphemy law PPC 295-C with FIR Nr. 651 on the complaint of Hafiz Javed Mustafa Head of Jamia Saeedia Model Town, Bahawalpur, in police station Bhaghdad Aljadid on September 24, 2021. He was arrested and sent to Bahawalpur Jail.

Mr. Kalar is an innocent Ahmadi and cannot even imagine insulting his own Holy Prophet (p.b.u.h.). He does not know how his mobile ID was used. His mobile phone is with the police for forensic test.

It is noteworthy that anti-Ahmadi elements do not hesitate to indulge in fraud, lies and deceit to promote their religious agenda.

BAIL REJECTED AGAIN

Chak 3/S.P. District Okara; September 2021:

Mr. Mansoor Ahmad Tahir was booked in a police case with FIR No. 217 under 16 M.P.O. at police station Haweli Lakha, District Okara on March 31, 2021, and was arrested. The plaintiff alleged that Mr. Tahir passed negative remarks about his religious ceremony.

Thereafter the police added the blasphemy clause PPC 295-A to his charge sheet.

On April 23, 2021, Mr. Noor Aalam, Magistrate rejected Mr. Tahir's plea for bail. He then applied to the sessions court. On June 14, 2021, Additional Session Judge Muhammad Shafique also rejected his bail.

Addl. Session Judge Lahore, Syed Ali Abbas rejected Mr. Tahir's plea. The DPO approached FIA Cyber Crime Wing for interrogation and forensic of the phone; it resulted in FIA registering a separate FIR No. 112 under PECA Act 2016, of the same incident. They took him in custody from Okara jail and shifted him to Lahore jail.

Now on September 02, 2021, Addl. Session Judge Lahore, Syed Ali Abbas rejected Mr. Tahir's plea for bail in the new case as well.

Mr. Mansoor A Tahir remains behind bars over an alleged petty faux pas concerning religion. He is now exposed to 10 years in prison.

FABRICATED POLICE CASE REGISTERED

Baddomalhi, District Narowal; September 6, 2021:

Jamaat Islami Youth Wing Baddomalhi installed two panaflexes in Baddomalhi bazar with "Qadianis are worst infidels of the world" written there. The local Ahmadi official reported this to the police.

On September 7, 2021, some unknown persons attacked one Zulqurnain, a non-Ahmadi of this group. The opponents accused Mr. Razi Ullah, an Ahmadi youth, for this attack and lodged an FIR with the police under sections 337A (i), 337F (i,iii) and 34 against him and three others. The injured youth was up and about and was seen loitering in the bazaar.



Panaflexe installed in Baddomalhi

AHMADI CIVIL SERVANTS PREVENTED FROM DOING THEIR DUTIES

**Dunyapur, District Lodhran, Punjab;
September 2021:**

Dr. Waseem Ahmad was performing his duties as CEO (chief executive officer) Health district Chakwal, while Ms. Ayesha Kanwal was posted as in-charge Dar ul Amaan, district Chakwal. For some time the opponents are active against these two officials. Opponents demanded the removal of these two and their expulsion from the district. Following inciting statements were printed in the dailies:

قادیانی کی تعیناتی نامنظور

Appointment of a Qadiani officer is unacceptable

ختم نبوت کے منکرین 2 افسران فوری طور پر مطلع بدر کیے جائیں

*Deniers of the end of prophethood, two officials
should be expelled from the district.*

Ms. Kanwal passed her Punjab Public Service Commission test in 2010. She was selected for Department of Social Welfare and Bait-ul-Maal, after which she was transferred to other posts. She is Superintendent Dar-ul-Amaan district Chakwal since August 20, 2020.

In November 2020, a complaint was filed against her for being a practicing Ahmadi. The previous superintendent, who was transferred due to her alleged corruption, was the initiator of the complaint.

The opponents called Ms. Kanwal's driver and arranged his meeting with Pir Abdul Qudoos Naqshbandi (Fazl-ul-Rehman Group). He was told that Ms. Kanwal is a Qadiani. They stated that Ms. Kanwal had converted two girls to Ahmadiyyat and arranged their marriage with Qadiani men. They asked for their names, so they could report them to higher authorities. The driver denied all the accusations and said that his boss is an honorable lady and these allegations were all false. Afterward, the clerics contacted other staff members of Dar ul Amaan and asked them about Ms. Kanwal, upon which everyone favored her. Thereafter a group of people lead by Pir Abdul Qudoos Naqshbandi met DC Chakwal. The DC asked for evidence and promised to take action if the complaint was true.

As for Dr. Waseem Ahmad, he graduated from King Edward Medical College, Lahore. He is in

government service for the last 25 years. On 20 August 2021, he was transferred to district Chakwal. Anti-Ahmadi elements started protesting against his appointment.

Pir Naqshbandi called a meeting of Majlis Tahaffuz Khatm e Nabuwat on the 26th of August 2021. Clerics from Tehsil Tala Gang, Lawah, and Chua Saidan Shah attended. In this meeting, a deadline of 29 August was given to authorities to remove the two Ahmadi officials. This was later extended to September 2. In the meanwhile lawyers and traders joined the clerics.

Dr. Ahmad was transferred on August 31, whereas the issue regarding Ms. Kanwal is still pending and the campaign against her goes on.

It is learnt that Minister Hafiz Ammar Yasir raised this issue before the Speaker Punjab Assembly Ch. Pervaiz Elihi who approached the Provincial Health Minister Dr. Yasmin Rashid and asked her to remove Dr. Waseem Ahmad.

There is a large network of madrassahs in District Chakwal. Rather than guiding these to join mainstream education, the local leaders of the ruling PTI and PML-Q are actively liaising with the mullas to buttress their vote bank. They seek support from lawyers and traders, who in their own interest join the radical league to worsen Ahmadi. They are all playing a dangerous game like their brethren across the western frontier.

AHMADI OFFICIAL REMOVED

Hassan Abdal, District Attock; September 2021:

Mr. Ali Naseer Amini was performing his duties as Associate for Development of Local Government. Later, he was given additional charge of Deputy Director Local Government, Attock. Following his appointment, a wave of protests swept through social media. Opponents called for Mr Amini's removal.

On September 2, he was removed from this office. This is the fourth such incident in the Punjab in the last few weeks.

AHMADI OFFICIAL REMOVED FOR HIS FAITH — FOLLOW-UP

September 2021:

Mr. Shaukat Hayat Majoka, Ahmadi, is an experienced government servant. He is facing great opposition and harassment at the hands of religious and political groups, in the performance of his duties. A story of his ordeal was reported in the monthly report of July and August 2021. There is a follow-up.

Earlier, Mr. Majoka was transferred from Fatah Jang, Jand in District Attock, Chakwal, Noor Poor Thal, Mianwali and Rawalpindi as Tehsil Municipal Officer (TMO). The Punjab Government found it convenient to accept baseless protests against this dutiful official and canceled its orders. The anti-Ahmadi elements in Rawalpindi protested against his posting and threatened further action. In these circumstances, the administration transferred him to Lahore on August 25 where he faced a similar situation.

Now he is appointed Chief Officer Tehsil Council Khushab. On September 25, 2021, he took charge. As he took charge, the opponents started protesting and Malik Ilyas Awan Vice President of PML-Q (Punjab) filed a petition against him with the Deputy Commissioner of Khushab. Similarly, Sajida Begum, MPA from the area, also joined the mullas in protest against his appointment. Moreover, Majlis Tahaffuz Khatme Nabuwwat and Jami-



Malik Ilyas Awan of PML Q

at Ulema-e-Islam are sharing posts against him on social media. In this situation, the DC forbade him from coming to the office.

The issue remains active.

ORDEAL OF A NEW AHMADI

Gulistan Colony, District Faisalabad:

Mr. Muhammad Rizwan Bari accepted Ahmadiyyat in 2011 and his relatives started opposing him. His father excluded him from inheriting property. Two years ago, he shifted back to his home in Gulistan Colony after some reconciliation, but the opposition continued. His father called his Peer (a spiritual leader) from Attock and arranged a meeting with him. The Peer asked him to give up Ahmadiyyat but he refused. The Peer then told his father to expel him from the house, which he did.

Mr. Bari dealt in used clothings. The said Peer and his followers started strongly opposing him by placing threatening pamphlets outside his shop and making it known in the market that Bari had become an Ahmadi and it was haraam (illicit) to do business with him. The shopkeepers boycotted him accordingly. One day a few bigots attacked his warehouse and beat up his employees. He had to close down.

Mr. Bari's father-in-law forcibly took away

his wife and children with him on the orders of the Peer, against her will. They also told the Imam (prayer leader) of the local mosque that he had become a kafir (infidel). His father demanded the return of money and property given to him at his wedding. For this, he sent him a legal notice.

Similarly, one of the followers of the said Peer was a business partner of Mr. Bari. He was supposed to pay Mr. Bari some money, but he refused to pay. He got published a report in the newspaper that Mr. Bari had become an apostate, was preaching against Shariat-e-Muhammadi, was deceiving the people and converting them Ahmadi. He is trying to get an FIR registered against Mr. Bari. The said Peer has declared Mr. Bari wajib ul qatl (must be killed).

In these circumstances, Mr. Bari's life has become greatly disturbed. His life is in danger. His business, home and family appear to be ruined. He is planning now to shift somewhere else.

AHMADI FACING SEVERE PERSECUTION AND GREAT HARDSHIPS

Green Town Lahore; September 2021:

Mr. Abdul Aziz accepted Ahmadiyyat in 2003. After that, he has faced great persecution and threats from his relatives. His parents left his home and his brothers became his enemies. Aziz went to attend the Annual Ahmadiyya Convention in Qadian in 2004. On his return, he came to know that his relatives had visited his home and told his wife to not allow Aziz to enter the house.

One day, his brother brought some local mullas to his home to indulge in religious controversy. Another day his uncle invited him. When he reached there, a cleric was already present there, who then used foul language against the community's founder. Mr. Aziz could not stay there further and had to leave. The mulla then advised his uncle and brothers to kill him.

A few of his relatives tried to murder him.

Once, they unleashed their dog at him. Mr. Aziz's daughter could not attend school for two years due to religious hostility. He had to relocate. He had a cattle farm in his town from where residents of the area used to buy milk. His neighbors announced that Mr. Aziz is a 'Mirzaee' (a derogatory term for Ahmadis), 'Kafir' (infidel); nobody should buy milk from him. Thereafter, his persecutors torched the thatched roof of his farm. He had to shift his cattle elsewhere.

His opponents started to harass him there too. They put up banners to incite hatred against him and urged people to boycott him.

He is being harassed on daily basis. His home is kept under surveillance. A friend has informed him that his in-laws and brothers have promised Rs. ten million bounty on his head.

ANTI-AHMADI GROUPS FORMED IN LAHORE

Sultan Pura, Lahore; September 2021:

Mr. Shehzad Ahmad, an Ahmadi, has come to know that two anti-Ahmadi groups plan to implicate Ahmadi office-bearers in police cases based on religion.

Mr. Ahmad is also on their target list. They have repeatedly tried to meet him. They ask him to bring along his supporting literature. It seems that they plan to get Mr. Ahmad arrested on charge of preaching.

Ahmadis remain on guard.

STALKING TERRORISTS

Lahore; August 2021:

A few criminals were arrested in Lahore who intended to target Ahmadi elders and locations to precipitate sectarian strife. They belong to the Taliban faction. A large number of weapons and ammunition have been recovered from them. They disclosed their recce efforts and action plans. This information has been shared by the sources with various security departments and the targeted community.

Ahmadis have tightened their security.

AHMADI RECEIVES THREAT MESSAGES

Satyana, District Faisalabad, September 7, 2021:

Mr. Basharat Ahmad Bhatti is an Associate Professor at Government Municipal Graduate College, Jaranwala. On September 7, 2021, he received hateful and threatening messages on WhatsApp from unknown numbers. He blocked the threatening numbers but the miscreants sent messages from other numbers all day. Some of the mobile phone numbers contained profile pictures of mul-

la Khadim Hussain Rizvi of Tehrik Labbaik Pakistan. One of the messages: "He is a Qadiani Mirzai; he played with the faith of many Muslim students and converted them Mirzai (infidel). Two of these boys recanted and told this to the people." Videos of Khadim Hussain Rizvi were also among the messages in which he used foul language against Ahmadis and the Ahmadiyya Community.

Mr. Bhatti received threat messages from thirteen different mobile numbers. He is disturbed.

AHMADIS' LIVES AT RISK IN ISLAMABAD

GHS, Islamabad; August 14, 2021:

Mr. Altaf Ahmad Bajwa, an Ahmadi, died here on August 14, 2021. His corpse was taken to his hometown in Sialkot. Some non-Ahmadis also went there with them. There they came to know about the family's Ahmadiyya belief. On return, they told the locals and their mullas about this.

The opponents called a Jirga (meeting) in which Mr. Ahmad's sons disassociated themselves

from Ahmadiyyat to avoid opposition and complied with their demands. They also asked them about the other Ahmadi families residing in the area. Anti-Ahmadi miscreants became incensed to know of other Ahmadi residents and vowed to burn them. The mullas have threatened rallies and disturbance. They have told the locals that *killing an Ahmadi is equivalent to performing a Hajj*.

OFFENSIVE ANTI-AHMADI BANNER IN RAWALPINDI

Chour Chowk, District Rawalpindi; September 2021:

Malik Humayon Khan and other residents of the area put up two anti-Ahmadiyya banners here. One of the banners states,

"Mirzaes (a derogatory term used for Ahmadis) are infidels, Ahmadis are infidels, whoever becomes their facilitator is also a kafir (infidel), whoever supports the blasphemers is also a *kafir* (infidel), whoever does not call these *kafirs* a *kafir* is also a *kafir*."



A GLIMPSE OF THE PROTECTION GIVEN TO AHMADIS BY THE POLICE - SEPTEMBER 2021

PUNJAB POLICE DESTROYED 40 GRAVESTONES AND REMOVED HOLY INSCRIPTIONS FROM AHMADIYYA MOSQUE

Talwandi Musa Khan, District Gujranwala; September 9, 2021:



The police visited Ahmadiyya mosque here on a report by opponents against the prayer written at the entrance, and took along Mr. Mushtaq Ahmad, an Ahmadi, to the police station. A video of the prayer recorded by the opponents was shown to him there and he was told to remove it as also the holy inscriptions on Ahmadi's tombstones. Mr. Ahmad asked for some time for consultation.

Mr. Ahmad reported the incident to the senior community officials, who informed the police that the Ahmadi's will not remove the prayer nor will allow any civilian to do so. If the police remove it, the Ahmadi's won't resist.



Later in the evening, at almost 9:30 p.m. two police vans arrived at the location and removed the prayer from the main door. Then they went to the graveyard, where they demolished 40 gravestones of Ahmadiyya graves and took the debris with them. Unbelievable, but true.

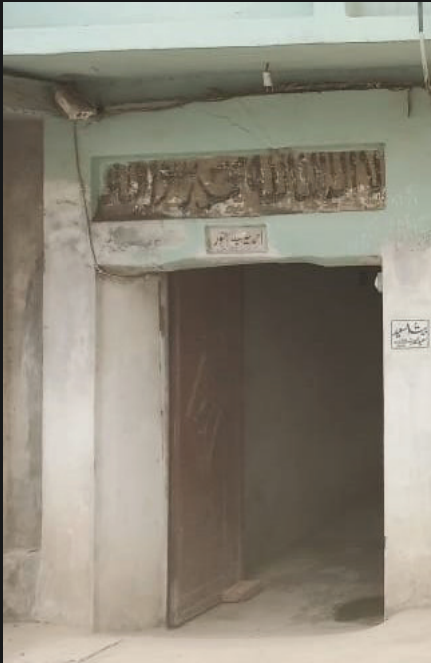


KALIMA BLACKENED WITH PAINT FROM AN AHMADIYYA MOSQUE

Manawala, District Faisalabad; September 13, 2021:

The police sent for the local Ahmadiyya president on September 13, 2021, and told him that someone had complained to the intelligence agencies against the Kalima (the Islamic creed) written on their place of worship. Therefore, they should erase the Kalima themselves to avoid the problem, they said. The president replied that the Kalima had been written there since 1960. Ahmadis themselves would not take any action in this matter nor

would they allow anyone to efface it. However, if the police do so, Ahmadis will not resist. At this, the police said that they would meet the local chairman to resolve the issue. The president met the chairman



who appeared sympathetic. However, around one o'clock that night, a policeman came to the Ahmadiyya mosque, accompanied by a few others, and blackened the Kalima with paint.

Graves of five Ahmadis demolished in Sheikhupura

Narang Mandi, District Sheikhupura; September 2021: The local Ahmadiyya community has been made to flee from this area in the last two years.

On September 15, Mr. Naseer Ahmed, Ahmadi, came here to visit the graves of his relatives. There he saw that the graves of five Ahmadis were desecrated and flattened. In the past, their gravestones were broken.

Ahmadis intend to inform the police.



- 2 AHMADIYYA MOSQUES DESECRATED DURING SEPTEMBER
- 11 AHMADIYYA MOSQUES HAVE BEEN DESECRATED SO FAR IN 2021
- 90 GRAVES HAVE BEEN DAMAGED IN 2021, HALF OF THEM WERE DESTROYED DURING SEPTEMBER.
- THE POLICE IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN SUCH INCIDENTS

A GLIMPSE OF THE PROTECTION GIVEN TO AHMADIS BY THE POLICE - SEPTEMBER 2021

AHMADIYYA MOSQUE AT GRAVE RISK

Bet Nasirabad, District Muzaffargarh; September 2021:

There is hype in the opposition to Ahmadis in this village for some time. Opponents filed a complaint in June 2021 with the police against the minarets and the niche of the Ahmadiyya mosque. They demanded destruction. The police conveniently ordered Ahmadis to demolish these.

Ahmadis told the police that the law does not forbid them to build minarets and niche. At this, the police referred the issue to their legal office. They gave their decision that Ahmadis cannot

build minarets and niche in their worship place. Consequently, the police ordered Ahmadis to destroy these.

It is noteworthy that the legal branch of the police cares more for the bigots' wishes than the requirements of law and constitution. If the Constitution upholds Freedom and Faith and the law makes no mentions whatsoever about the minarets and niche in Ahmadiyya places of worship, how does the legal branch of police justify their ruling? Outlandish indeed.

POLICE REMOVED AHMADI'S NAME FROM HIS SHOP

Tattapani, Azad Kashmir; September 2021:

Haji Muhammad Sher owns a shop, Askari Traders here. His name was written on the main board of the shop as proprietor.



An ex-candidate of TLP for the Azad Kashmir Assembly moved on application against him with the local police. He wrote that Qadianis have been declared infidels in the Constitution, so they cannot use the words "Haji" and "Muhammad" in their names (sic), whereas the accused had written 'Haji Muhammad Sher' on the board of his shop; this act had caused severe grief to the locals and this could spread anarchy.

On September 2, 2021, the TLP activists gave the police a deadline until evening to remove the board; in case of non-compliance, the goons

threatened to remove it themselves. The same evening the compliant police erased the words "Muhammad" and "Haji" from the board.

Political activists of TLP, Muslim Conference, and other religious parties are involved in this agitation. Now they have expressed intentions to remove holy inscriptions from Ahmadis' houses. After the removal of Haji Muhammad Sher's name from the board, the applicant Malik Zaheer Ahmad sent a WhatsApp message to the recipients that he is going to initiate a campaign against Ahmadis whereby hotel owners of the area will be told to segregate the cutlery and tables for Ahmadis. He further stated that he will run a campaign to remove Kalima and holy inscriptions from Ahmadiyya mosques in the region.



SOME FACTS ON AHMADIYYA PERSECUTION 1984 TILL 2020

- 30 Ahmadiyya mosques **demolished**
- 40 Ahmadiyya mosques **sealed** by the authorities
- 28 Ahmadiyya mosques set on fire or damaged
- 18 Ahmadiyya mosques **forcibly occupied**
- 60 Ahmadiyya mosques, **construction of which was barred** by the authorities
- 39 Ahmadis' **bodies exhumed after burial**
- Burial of 76 Ahmadis was **denied in common cemetery**
- 156 **graves were damaged** only in 2020, this figure has reached 90 so far in 2021.

DID YOU KNOW!

IN PAKISTAN AHMADIS MAY FACE THREE YEAR IMPRISONMENT FOR CALLING THEIR PLACES OF WORSHIP A 'MASJID'.

GRAVES OF FIVE AHMADIS DEMOLISHED IN SHEIKHUPURA

Narang Mandi, District Sheikhpura; September 2021:

The local Ahmadiyya community has been made to flee from this area in the last two years. On September 15, Mr. Naseer Ahmed, Ahmadi, came here to visit the graves of his relatives. There

he saw that the graves of five Ahmadis were desecrated and flattened. In the past, their gravestones were broken.

Ahmadis intend to inform the police. However there is little hope keeping in view the on ground realities mentioned in this section.

MAULVI ABDUL AZIZ APPEARS IN A VIDEO WITH A RIFLE, THREATENING COPS

Islamabad; September 2021:

Taliban flags were again found hoisted on the roof of the Lal Mosque. The police arrived to remove the flags. Mulla Abdul Aziz was harsh with them. In a video, seen carrying a firearm, he intimidated the police in the name of the Pakistan Taliban. A large number of women belonging to the madrassa were also present at the spot. This video went viral on social media.

The video shows that Abdul Aziz told the policemen that the Pakistani Taliban would never forgive them. He also told them that if this was what they were supposed to do then they should quit their jobs and (Allah) would give them even better jobs. "Iss naukri ko chhodo... Allah aur achhi naukriyan dega (Leave this job, God will give you a better job)" he told the cops.



HAFIZ AMMAR YASIR OF PML-Q

Lahore:

Hafiz Ammar Yasir is a member of PML-Q and is currently Minister of Mines and Minerals in the Punjab Government. He is an influential activist on the anti-Ahmadiyya front. He likes to be called Mujahid Khatme Nabuwat (Mujahid end of prophethood).



People do not know much about his ministerial achievements in the domain of Mines and Minerals, but he is surely active in the Assembly and the government in the promotion of radical ideas, particularly through the campaign to safeguard the end of prophethood, which in fact amounts to pushing anti-Ahmadiyya agenda. He has kept himself busy to support elements who operate through madrassahs, government offices, courts, religious associations etc to worsen and harass Ahmadis.

Hafiz Yasir played an important role in the passage of the ill-fated Tahaffuz-e-Bunyad-e-Islam Bill, last year. The bill amounted to pushing the province in the lap of clerics, and many of those MPAs who had voted in its favor, rose against it, professing ignorance of its content and reality. Mr Yasir enjoys the full support of Mr Pervaiz Ilahi, the Speaker of the Punjab Assembly.

SPECIAL MESSAGE OF SPEAKER PUNJAB ASSEMBLY

September 7, 2021:

Chaudhary Per-vaiz Elahi, Speaker Punjab Assembly, released a special video message on September 7, 2021 to commemorate the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of Pakistan in 1974, and called it



the day of Tahaffuz Khatme Nabuwwat. We produce below the English translation of his message.

"I think thousands of Muslims sacrificed their lives in the Subcontinent and only then almost a hundred years later, Muslims in the Subcontinent achieved great success in 1974, and the Pakistan Assembly formally passed the end of prophethood law. I hereby pay tribute to Hazrat Pir Mehr Ali Shah of Golra Sharif, Ameer Shariat Syed Ataullah Shah Bukhari, Chaudhry Zahoor Elahi Shaheed, Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto, Maulana Shah Ahmad Noorani, Mufti Mahmood, Sardar Tufail Ahmad (sic), all members of the National Assembly, political and religious leaders who supported the passage of this bill. I hereby also

pay tribute to the martyrs of this movement. I want to tell you that the work of the end of prophethood is the easiest way to obtain the intercession of the Holy Prophet (p.b.u.h.). May Allah accept us and our future generations for the protection of the end of prophethood and glory of the religion (Ameen). I would also like to mention here that where we are sitting in this assembly today, we have the honor to unanimously pass a law that wherever the name of Holy Prophet (p.b.u.h.) will come it should be written along with Sallallahu Alaihe Wasalam and the words 'last prophet' so as to leave no doubt. This has happened for the first time. We have also passed the bill of penalty and made it compulsory to print this at the end of every book, otherwise the book will be confiscated. We have already confiscated some books. We have made this obligatory for the Textbook Board that the books that are taught in (state) schools or in private schools should have these words in them."

(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKKoLy-tyyU&ab_channel=ChaudhryParvezElahi)

ANTI-AHMADIYYA INPUT IN CANTONMENT BOARD ELECTIONS

Drigh Road Karachi; September 2021:

A few Ahmadis were on friendly terms with one of the candidate in the Cantonment Board Elections. The opposition made it an issue and started a hostile campaign against the candidate. They made announcements from local mosques that Ahmadis were supporting him. They also mentioned him in the Friday sermons.

Ahmadis decided to stay clear of the 'free and fair elections.'

UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE OF OBTAINING PASSPORT BY PRINCIPLED CITIZENS

For years, Ahmadis in Pakistan have objected to various forms and formalities that a citizen has to go through for obtaining a passport. All along, there have been up-right citizens who are not Ahmadi but they found the required affidavits and certificates bizarre and absurd. Recently an outspoken and morally strong activist wrote an article, on this issue, over the problem it poses for legal Muslims. We reproduce here her essay as received.

The second amendment and its impact on religious harmony

Purniya Awan September 22, 2021

Whoever has needed to get their Pakistani passport made or renewed may know that in order to start the process, Muslims must, as part of the paperwork, declare Ahmadis non-Muslims. To challenge this bigotry, a Pakistani citizen, Hareem Sumbul, recently set out to appeal to the Passport Office in Lahore to waive this section off from her application form.

Her argument, one that I support, is even though Pakistan's constitution says that Ahmadis are non-Muslims, it does not necessarily mean citizens have to do the same. Why then, are citizens required to fill out a highly discriminatory section within the passport application form?

Ahmedis have continuously been under threat in Pakistan since the second amendment was passed in 1974. They face trouble when it comes to acquiring passports and other documents related to identification. Furthermore to hold any governmental office they are supposed to condemn Mirza Ghulam Ahmad — the founder of the Ahmadiyya sect. In addition, they are prohibited from calling themselves Muslims and not allowed to call their place of worship a mosque nor are they allowed to say the first kalma.

The anti-Ahmadi influence within Pakistani culture is heavily supported by the legislation, which leads to them being rejected by a majority of the Muslim population. Ahmadis not only face cultural isolation but they are also vulnerable to extremist violence. For example, in addition to many Ahmadis being prosecuted regularly, their mosques in Faisalabad have been attacked in 2018. The most recent attack was earlier this year which left many people dead and injured.

Unfortunately, Pakistan's growing religious polarity and lack of tolerance towards other existing sects and religions has no doubt made the environment around here severely dangerous. Many people, even Sunni Muslims who are perhaps the most protected community in the country are fleeing to other parts of the world in order to build a freer life for themselves.

Sumbul has so far been made to run in circles and no positive outcome has come out of her stand till now. Her passport renewal fee was refunded and she was advised to send her passport to Islamabad. She has written necessary emails and we can only hope that she is able to pull something that is not entirely impossible but quite a feat regardless, to get a passport without signing the declaration. It has been done before just last year, with another citizen successfully getting the section cut off from her application before she signed it.

In order to prevent the image of Pakistan from being tainted, our government needs to address unfair and discriminatory conditions put on Pakistan's minority

groups while making sure that all of its citizens are treated equally. Pakistan needs to ensure that people are given the freedom to practice their religion, as the Constitution of Pakistan also promises in Article 20. Not only will such moves help our minorities breathe easier but it may also help us gain more respect in the international community.

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<https://tribune.cowm.pk/article/97482/the-second-amendment-and-its-impact-on-religious-harmony>

DECLARATION IN THE PAKISTAN PASSPORT APPLICATION FORM.

THE PRESCRIBED FORMS CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM;

UK: https://www.phclondon.org/consular/forms/manual_pp_etd_form.pdf

USA: https://pakconsulatela.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Passport_Renewal_Form_A.pdf

16. DECLARATION IN CASE OF MUSLIM.

I, _____ s/d/w/of _____ aged _____ adult Muslim, resident of _____ hereby solemnly declare that:

- a. I am a Muslim and believe in the absolute and unqualified finality of the Prophethood of Muhammad (peace be upon him) the last of the prophets.
- b. I do not recognize any person who claims to be prophet in any sense of the word or of any description whatsoever after Muhammad (peace be upon him) or recognize such a claimant as prophet or a religious reformer as a Muslim.
- c. I consider Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Quadiani to be an impostor nabi and also consider his followers whether belonging to the Lahori or Quadiani group, to be NON-MUSLIM.

17. _____ Date

Signature & Thumb impression

A 'MUSLIM' VS AHMADI SAMPLE DISPUTE

Kot Diyaldas, District Nankana: July-Sept 2021:

This case was partly reported in our July 2021 monthly report. We report its background and follow-up to illustrate the mutual dealing and the attitudes in such cases these days. It could be taken somewhat as a sample.

A few non-Ahmadi miscreants filed a lawsuit against Mr. Naseer Ahmad, an Ahmadi, claiming that the 20 kanals (One kanal = 600 square yards approx.) land was not his, but a part of the non-Ahmadiyya cemetery because it is adjacent to it. Finally, the Lahore High Court ruled in favor of Mr. Ahmad and issued an order to the district administration and the magistrate to transfer the land to Mr. Ahmad.

While the case was under trial, non-Ahmadis buried two of their dead in Mr. Ahmad's land to promote their claim to the land. Mr. Ahmad asked them not to bury their dead in the disputed land, but the other party paid no attention to him.

The verdict was then passed in Ahmadi's

favor and the court ordered that the entire land of 20 kanals be given to Ahmad. Even after that, Mr Ahmad, to avoid any further dispute, offered the opponents two kanals of land where the two graves are located, without any payment. They rejected Ahmad's offer and continued to put pressure on the local administration in various ways to support their baseless claim.

Under these circumstances, and in view of the High Court verdict, the magistrate ordered that the entire 20-kanal area be handed over to Mr. Ahmad after disinterment from the two graves. Mr. Ahmad prefers not to disturb the graves so he proposed that to the magistrate. Accordingly, he decided that at the time of the transfer of the land to Mr. Ahmad, he would state that he would spare the graves' area. The police could then deliver him the rest and send a compliance report to the High Court.

The follow-up is awaited.

ANTI-AHMADIYYA CONFERENCE IN RABWAH

Rabwah; September 7, 2021:

Mullas hold rallies and conferences on September 7 to commemorate the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution of Pakistan. This amendment was pushed through by the Zulfiqar Bhutto government in 1974, through which Ahmadis were declared not-Muslims. This amendment opened the gates of persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan.

Mullas hold a special conference every year in Rabwah — the center of the Ahmadiyya community in Pakistan, where Ahmadis are more than 95% of the population. Mullas come from far and wide to hurl abuses against the residents of the town and the personages they respect.

This conference was organized by mulla Shabbir Ahmad Usmani, administrator of Madrassah Khatme Nabuwwat (KN) and Deputy Amir (president) Majlis Tahaffuz Khatme Nabuwwat (MTKN).

The first session started at 10:45.

The second session started after Zuhr prayer chaired by mulla Muhammad Ilyas Chinioti MPA, and lasted until 17:10. All the mullas spoke against the Ahmadiyya community, leveled false allegations against the elders of the community, urged them to accept Islam and called them rebels against the state. Following are some extracts from the speeches:



- Mulla Muhammad Rafiq of Lahore said, "The leader of the Mirzai Community is a deserter; he will not come back to Pakistan. ... O Qadianis look at Afghanistan's situation. The ulama and mujahideen have kicked the infidels out of Afghanistan, and a day will come when you will also run away from Pakistan."
- Shahbaz Ahmad Gujjar Advocate said, "Qadianis should first accept the Constitution, and then talk about their rights. Qadianis should be removed from key posts."
- Mulla Zahid Mahmud Qasmi of Faisalabad said, "We pursued Qadianis on all fronts, and held a KN conference in London in 1985."
- Mulla Gul Nabi of Lahore said, "We will die (kat marein gay) for the end of prophethood but will not let an amendment take place."
- Mulla Allah Ditta Shakir of Lalian, Qari Muhammad Shafiq, mulla Rashid Alrashidi and mulla Ziaur Rehman Farooqi used foul language against the Community.

The third and final session started at 20:50. It was chaired by mulla Shabbir Ahmad Usmani and lasted till 03:30. Approximately 250 men attended this session. Following was said by some of the speakers:

- Mulla Abdul Rauf Farooqi of Lahore said, "Qadianis and Jews always conspire to make Muslims fight among themselves.... Qadianis' philosophy failed in Afghanistan, while the philosophy of Hameed Gul and Zia ul Haq won. ... The president, the prime minister and the army chief have sworn allegiance to the KN belief, they should convey to foreign powers that there shall be no change to that (commitment). Qadianis were planted by the English."
- Mulla Abdul Latif Khalid Cheema said, "Qadianiat is not only a religious issue but political too. Asia Masih was thrown out from the country despite her penalty, Shakoor Bhai, the optician was let fly from the country despite his penalty. Qadianis are tout of the U.S. Soon the spring will come to Pakistan as in Afghanistan."

- Mulla Ahmad Ali Nadim said, “Taliban were right that’s why they came to power again after twenty years; they won and Kufr (infidelity) fled. ... I request the Army Chief, General Qamar Javed Bajwa to see that there is no Qadiani in the army.”
- Mehr Taimur A Lali MPA widened the net of infidelity: “One who does not respect the Companions is also not fit to be called a Muslim. We shall confront one who claims to be a prophet despite the KN.”
- Mulla Ehsan Ullah Qasmi of Gujranwala said, “The flag of Islam is now flying in Afghanistan while the United States has fled from there.”
- Mulla Nasir Madni of Lahore uttered extensive curses on the Ahmadiyya founder. “Any official who is soft on Mirzais is their accomplice”, he said.
- Mulla Mehboob Ilahi of Lahore, mulla Abdul Rehman Tabassum of Sheikhpura, Iftikhar Ahmad of Kasur, mulla Asad Mehmood, mulla Gulzar Ahmad of Gujranwala, mulla Azam Farooqi of Bhakar, mulla Nasir Madni, Mufti Irshad of Bahawalpur, mulla Shabir Ahmad Usmani and mulla Ilyas Chinioti also addressed the crowd.



Some speakers at the conference.

END OF PROPHETHOOD – PROMOTED IN OFFICES

Lahore; September 23, 2021:

The Punjab Assembly passed a resolution regarding propagating Khatme Nabuwwat, the daily Dunya reported. We produce below extracts of the report:

Resolution passed to hang verses on End of Prophethood in offices

Squabble in Punjab Assembly between N-League MPA and the law minister

Lahore (Special reporter). Resolutions on the Demand to hang Quranic verses and Hadith in golden letters in government offices, and the Recognition of the services rendered by the Kashmiri leader, Ali Shah Gilani, were passed unanimously in a session of the Punjab Assembly. Mr. Pervaiz Elahi (the Speaker) praised the Sindh Government for issuing orders to display Quranic verses and Hadiths on Khatme Nabuwwat, in government offices.

The session started one hour 45 minutes late, under the chair of Mr. Pervaiz Elahi. In the beginning, Rana Mashhud Ahmad MPA (N-League) on a point of Order (Nukta Etraz) urged that false prosecution, false investigations and false FIRs should now be stopped. ...

Provincial Minister (Mines and Minerals) Hafiz Amar Yassir introduced the resolution on hanging Quranic verses and Hadiths in golden letters in government offices....

(Note: Ahmadis also believe in the Finality of Prophethood, but do not support this dogma’s political manipulation and exploitation.)

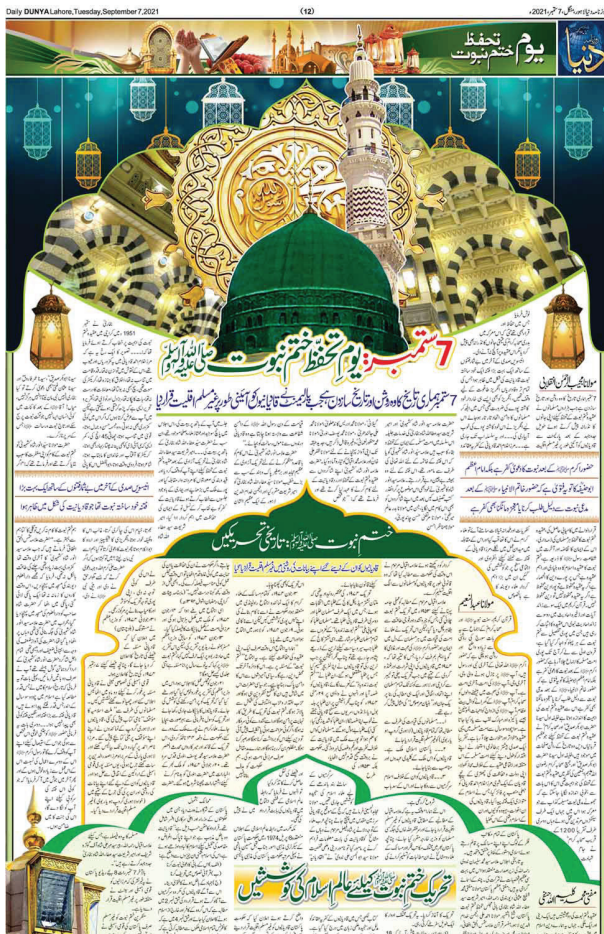
KHATME NABUWWAT (KN) AND VERNACULAR PRESS

Lahore; September 7, 2021:

Vernacular press has played a very significant role for decades in promoting the anti-Ahmadiyya narrative through the Tahaffuz (safeguarding) Khatme Nabuwat campaign. It is a policy with some newspapers to publish news, editorials, op-eds, etc. on the issue and spare ample space for the mullas who make a living out of this issue.

On September 7 every year, some newspapers issue special editions; on this date the state amended the Constitution through Amendment Nr. II to declare Ahmadi's 'not-Muslim' for the purpose of Constitution and law.

This year too, some Urdu dailies issued special editions in the name of Tahaffuz Khatme Nabuwat Day. As a sample, we quote from the daily Dunya. It spared one full-length page in color for this purpose. It carried three articles written by clerics. We produce below translations of extracts printed in bold letters by the paper, to give an idea of the content and the message promulgated by the writers and the paper:



- September 7 is a bright and historic day for us, as then the Parliament declared Qadianis a Non-Muslim minority in the Constitution.
- At the end of the nineteenth century, one major mischief (fitna) among many that came up was that of the self-styled Prophethood in the form of Qadianiat.
- It is Kufr (Disbelief) to claim Prophecy after the Holy Prophet (pbuh). The Great Imam, Abu Hanifa has given the fatwa (edict) that even to require a claimant to provide evidence for this claim, is Kufr itself.
- Qadianis were declared Non-Muslim in the light of their own statements.
- It is our belief that after the Holy Prophet (PBUH) until to date no Prophet was born nor will be born.

(Note: The word 'born' is used to cover the belief of these mullas that the Prophet Isa will surely descend, physically from the sky, during the Latter Days to lead the Muslim Ummah.)

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**
2. **COME OFF THAT LIST AND VOTE AS A MUSLIM**

REMAINING ON THE LIST REQUIRES AHMADIS TO SELF IDENTIFY AS NON-MUSLIMS

COMING OFF THE LIST REQUIRES AHMADIS TO SIGN A DECLARATION STATING THEY ARE NOT AHMADIS AND DO NOT ACCEPT THE FOUNDER OF THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY AS A PROPHET OR RELIGIOUS REFORMER.

NEITHER OPTION IS ACCEPTABLE TO AHMADI MUSLIMS AND THIS IS A GROSS VIOLATION OF THEIR CIVIL RIGHTS TO VOTE.

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)

DESPITE JOINT ELECTORATES, THE GOVERNMENT HAS PLACED AHMADIS ON A SEPARATE LIST OF VOTERS, AS NON-MUSLIMS. THEY AMENDED THE LATEST ELECTION ACT 2017 TO INCLUDE ALL THE DISCRIMINATORY AND PROHIBITIVE PROVISIONS TO PREVENT AHMADIS' VOTING.

RESULTANTLY, AHMADIS HAVE NO REPRESENTATION ANYWHERE IN PAKISTAN.

EVEN IN RABWAH, WITH 95% OF AHMADI RESIDENTS, THE LOCAL COUNCILS DO NOT HAVE A SINGLE AHMADI REPRESENTATIVE. PRACTICALLY, AHMADIS HAVE NO SAY IN THEIR LOCAL AFFAIRS. THEREFORE, ESSENTIAL CIVIC SERVICES LIKE WATER, STREETS, SEWAGE, ETC. ARE IN A DEPLORABLE STATE IN THIS TOWN OF 60,000 POPULATION.

AHMADIS BEHIND BARS

1

A contrived case was registered against four Ahmadis, Mr. Khalil Ahmad, Ghulam Ahmad, Ihsan Ahmad and Mubashir Ahmad of Bhoiwal, District Sheikhpura under PPCs 295-A, 337-2 and 427 on May 13, 2014 in Police Station Sharaqpur. Two days later Mr. Khalil Ahmad was murdered by a madrassah student, while in police custody, on May 16, 2014. The remaining three accused were arrested on July 18, 2014. A year later, the deadly clause PPC 295-C was added to their charge sheet at the suggestion of a high court judge. A sessions judge sentenced them to death on October 11, 2017. Appeal against this decision was then made to the Lahore High Court. The Court has not found time to hear them for three and a half years. These three Ahmadis are in prison for seven years.

2

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 appearance in the FIA office; they are in Camp Jail Lahore.

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

3

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.

As of September 30, 2021:

- 14 Ahmadis are behind bars solely on account of their faith.
- A 70 year old Ahmadi has been arrested under PPC 295-C in September 2021, this clause carries death penalty.
- PPC 295-C is added to the case of three imprisoned Ahmadis in June.
- A 20-year-old Ahmadi student is in jail under PPC 295-C.
- 3 Ahmadis have been on death row since 2017 and in prison since July 18, 2014
- 1 Ahmadi prisoner died while in police custody in Feb. 2021

4

Four Ahmadis Mr. Muhammad Mahmood Iqbal Hashmi, 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. Mr. Shiraz Ahmad was arrested from Hafizabad on February 25, 2021.

5

Malik Zahir Ahmad was arrested on September 30, 2019 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, under PPCs 295-A, 298-C, PECA-11. He was not even formally nominated in the case.

6

Mr. Mansoor Ahmad Tahir was booked in a police case with FIR No. 217 under 16 M.P.O. at police station Haweli Lakha, District Okara on March 31, 2021 and was arrested. The plaintiff alleged that Mr. Tahir passed negative remarks about his religious program which outraged him. FIA Cyber Crime registered a new police case on the same incident against him with FIR No. 112 under PECA 2016. They took him in custody from Okara jail and shifted him to Lahore jail. He is detained under both FIRs.

7

Mr. Naseem Ahmad, Mr. Naseer Ahmad Qamar and four others were booked under PPCs 295-B, 295-A, 298-A, 298-B, 298-C, 506-B with FIR Nr. 325 at police station Rajanpur on July 23, 2020. Mr. Naseem Ahmad and Mr. Naseer Ahmad Qamar applied for confirmation of bail on June 2, 2021. Judge Bakht Fakhur Behzad rejected their application. Both the accused were arrested and shifted to Rajanpur jail.

8

The police registered a case with FIR No. 750 against six Ahmadis, namely Naveed Ahmad, Rafiq Ahmad, Naseer Ahmad, Sanaullah, Niaz Hussain and Ali Hussain under Sections 149,148, 324 of PPC and 7-ATA in P.S. Dijkot, District Faisalabad on the complaint of Muhammad Waseem, brother of the injured attacker. Muhammad Amin, a non-Ahmadi friend, although not named in the FIR, was also detained for his cooperation with Ahmadis. Naveed Ahmad was put up in prison.

9

Mr. Asghar Ali Kalar, an Ahmadi, aged 70, was booked under the blasphemy law PPC 295-C with FIR Nr. 651 on the complaint of Hafiz Javed Mustafa Head of Jamia Saeedia Model Town, Bahawalpur, in the police station Bhaghdad Aljadid on September 24, 2021. He was arrested and sent to Bahawalpur Jail.

SOME RELEVANT PAKISTAN PENAL CODES

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

Know the Facts

THIS YEAR SO FAR

- 1 Ahmadi has been murdered for his faith, raising the total to 271 since the promulgation of Ordinance XX
- 9 murder attempts
- 1 Ahmadi prisoner died in custody, he was imprisoned on the basis of his faith.
- 12 Ahmadiyya places of worship have been desecrated
- 90 graves have been desecrated, 45 of these were in September 2021
- 20 new cases have been registered against Ahmadis under PPCs 298, 298-B,C, 295-A,B,C
- 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

- **Newly appointed CEO health Chakwal reportedly removed for being Ahmadi**
Voicepk.net/2021/09/newly-appointed-ceo
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Maulvi Ahmad Ali Nadeem
- **Qadianiat is the greatest fitna (mischief) of this epoch; Mufti Irshad of Bahawalpur**
KN Conference at Chenab Nagar
on September 07, 2021
- **Hindu family ‘tortured’ for getting water from mosque**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 20, 2021
- **PM cheated the nation in the name of Riasat Madinah: Amir Jamaat Islami**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 5, 2021
- **Corrupt elite are transferring Rs 1000B yearly to rich countries: Imran Khan**
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- **Resolution approved (in Punjab Assembly) to hang Khatme Nabuwat verses in offices**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 29, 2021
- **Woman sentenced to death (in Lahore) for blasphemy**
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- **Muslim youth held in India on charge of having beef at home found dead in police custody**
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- **Pakistan must abide by HR regimes to qualify for GSPs+ after ‘23: EU official**
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- **FM unveils dossier on India’s war crimes in held Kashmir**
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- **Swiss voters say big ‘yes’ to same sex marriage**
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The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 14, 2021
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- **Iceland almost gets women-majority house (parliament)**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 27, 2021
- **Australia to get nuclear subs in new US-British partnership. The deal angers both China and France.**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 17, 2021
- **Assets of Shehbaz’s daughter, son-in-law attached (by NAB)**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 12, 2021
- **Set fire to an (Election) Commission like this (aag lagain): Azam Swati**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 11, 2021
- **Shehbaz, Hamza, others to be indicted afresh in assets case**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 17, 2021

- **Swati joked about torching ECP, says Gill**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 12, 2021
- **The world should learn to follow (Shagirdi, Mureedi) Imran Khan**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 14, 2021
- **Two FC soldiers martyred, two cops injured in attacks (in Baluchistan)**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 11, 2021
- **Four soldiers martyred in bomb attack (in Baluchistan)**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 26, 2021
- **Sindh Assembly: ...A resolution was approved whereby all verses and Ahadith regarding 'End of Prophethood' are required to be entered in golden letters in offices and textbooks.**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 21, 2021
- **Wajid Shamsul Hasan, former High Commissioner passed away in London**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 29, 2021
- **IHC suspends allotment of 4,723 plots to judges, others Asks federal govt to explain preferential treatment in distribution of state land while ignoring 30,000 applicants: (IHC bench comprised Chief Justice Athar Minallah and Justice Akhtar Kiyani)**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 14, 2021
- **Misuse of Nawaz's CNIC: FIA, police lodge cases against two for fake entry of Covid vaccination**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 24, 2021
- **(Election) Commission issues notices to ministers over diatribes against it, CEC**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 17, 2021
- **Buzdar orders suspension of 15 officers**
The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 17, 2021
- **\$26B added to foreign debt; new total \$122B**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 29, 2021
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The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 3, 2021

- **NA speaker orders locking press gallery during President's address**
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The daily Dawn; Lahore, September 13, 2021
- **Upper Dir: 9 killed, 16 injured in Jirga over land dispute**
The daily Dunya; Lahore, September 21, 2021

Op-ed: The Constants of Scapegoating
The motives and methodology of scapegoating minority communities have remained pretty much the same across history. Privileged sections of society use it as a 'safety valve' when the continuation of their own power is threatened by social strife.

... The same happened to the Ahmadiyya community in Pakistan after the country lost its eastern wing in 1971. The humiliation of the defeat at the hands of Bengali nationalists backed by forces of arch-enemy India, saw the scapegoating of the tiny Ahmadiyya community — first by the Islamist parties, then by the government and an elected parliament, and finally by society as a whole. The Ahmadiyya were ousted from the fold of Islam.

... When visible powerful cliques can't control increasing social anger aimed at their political, economic and religious monopolies, they point the finger at a minority community and weave together a fiendish narrative that puts all the blame of whatever is going wrong in the society at the community's feet. This way, the clique too begins to pose as a victim. To reassert its influence among the masses, it explains itself as a victim (just like them) but one that can vanquish the demonised community. Society soon follows.

The daily Dawn, EOS, September 19, 2021

FROM THE MEDIA

Editorial: More replacements

... A couple of months ago, the Punjab Assembly approved a controversial bill that the provincial legislature could punish officers found guilty of breaching the privilege of assembly members. The state of constant friction between politicians facing public pressure to perform and civil servants with career concerns is not an unusual one. But blaming the police force and the bureaucracy for turning in less-than-optimal performances in Punjab as an excuse to reshuffle their ranks every few months will not help the ruling party. It is simple logic: no one is going to take their job seriously unless their tenures are secure.

The daily Dawn, September 9, 2021

Editorial: Provocative act

MAULANA Abdul Aziz appears to relish provoking the state — and getting away with it. For the third time since Aug 21, flags of the Afghan Taliban were found hoisted on his Jamia Hafsa seminary in Islamabad last Saturday. The cleric, his wife and several madressah students were booked under the Anti Terrorism Act as well as various sections of the Pakistan Penal Code dealing with sedition, rioting armed with a deadly weapon, criminal intimidation, etc.

Videos on social media showed Maulana Aziz openly threatening the police with dire consequences at the hands of the Afghan Taliban. The flags were taken down after senior officers of the Islamabad administration and police held negotiations with the cleric. The FIR, meanwhile, was sealed but the government has decided not to pursue the case.

Interior Minister Sheikh Rashid told a press conference that out of the 511 mosques in the capital, “we have only had issues with one which we resolved through dialogue”.

Where is the writ of the state when it comes to Maulana Aziz?

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The daily Dawn, September 23, 2021



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11 Sep 1948, the saddest day of Pakistan when #QuaidEAzam died.

If he was alive today, he'd be shaking his head in dismay to see how we've deteriorated as a nation & excelled at intolerant.

For a man of principle he was, he would be fighting for another homeland for oppressed.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

On Monday, October 30, 2000 four unidentified gunmen opened fire on members of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community when they were offering Fajr (morning) prayers inside their Mosque, killing five persons and injuring another seven. The incident occurred in Ghatianwalla, a small village, near Pasroor in Punjab District. Those who were martyred include: Iftikhar Ahmad, Shahzad Ahmad, Ghulam Muhammad, Ata-Ullah and Abbas Ali. We present here the news as it appeared in the BBC News.

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Gunmen kill five at prayer meeting

Gunmen have opened fire at a prayer meeting of the minority Ahmediya sect in the Pakistani province of Punjab, killing at least five worshippers and wounding another seven.

Police said the attack occurred in a village near the town of Sialkot, when four unidentified men started shooting Ahmedis who were leaving their mosque after early morning prayers.

The motive for the attack is not yet known but human rights groups have constantly highlighted the persecution suffered by the Ahmedis in Pakistan, where in 1974 a constitutional amendment declared the sect to be heretical, even though the Ahmedis regard themselves as part of the Islamic faith.

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An inside view of the Ahmadiyya Mosque, Ghatialian, Pakistan (October 30, 2000)

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 BLANCHETO TERRORIZE AHMADIS WITH THE BACKING OF THE STATE.


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