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Political Developments

Hamas leaders call Palestine, Kashmir litmus test for rights

Dawn, 6 November 2023

In a significant development in the backdrop of Israel's aggression against the people of Palestine, Jamiat-i-Ulema-i-Islam (JUI-F) chief Maulana Fazlur Rehman met the leadership of the Palestinian group Hamas in Qatar, urging the Muslim world to unite against Israeli injustices. A statement issued by the JUI-F on social media platform X said that Maulana Fazl met Hamas leaders Khaled Meshaal, the group's former chief, and Ismail Haniyeh, the group's present political head, in Qatar. It added that the JUI-F chief leading a delegation reached Qatar. During the meeting, there was a detailed exchange of views on the issue of Palestine. Mr. Haniyeh said countries claiming to stand for human rights were sending ships filled with weapons to Tel Aviv, while Mr. Meshaal was quoted as saying Palestine and Kashmir issues had been a litmus test for advocates of human rights.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1786813/hamas-leaders-call-palestine-kashmir-litmus-test-for-rights>

APHC-'AJK' renews resolve to continue martyrs' mission

Pakistan Observer, 7 November 2023

A conference was held at the office of the All Parties Hurriyat Conference 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (APHC-

AJK) chapter in Islamabad, today, in connection with the martyrdom anniversary of Jammu martyrs. According to Kashmir Media Service, APHC-'AJK' chapter Convener Mahmood Ahmed Saghar chaired the conference it was attended by Sardar Yaqoob, former President and Prime Minister of 'AJK', as chief guest. The seminar was jointly organized by APHC-'AJK' and Kashmir Liberation Council. Others attended include former 'AJK' Prime Ministers Sardar Atiq and Sardar Tanveer Ilyas, and Jamaat-e-Islami (JI), 'AJK' Amir Dr Mushtaq Ahmed among others. The speakers on the occasion paid tributes to the Jammu martyrs and said the Kashmiri people are observing the day with a renewed resolve to continue the martyrs' mission until their inalienable right, the right to self-determination, is secured.

Speakers and Hurriyat leaders said that the brutal army of India and the cruel soldiers of Dogra Maharaja Hari Singh had committed atrocities to deprive the Kashmiri people of their rights. They said that the Jammu martyrs sacrificed their lives for a great cause and their unprecedented sacrifices would never be forgotten. The speakers said that the massacre of 6th November 1947 is a black mark on human values. The event was moderated by Sheikh Abdul Mateen and Najib Ghafoor. Meanwhile, senior APHC-'AJK' chapter leader Muhammad Farooq Rehmani in a statement issued in Islamabad, today, said, the 6th of November 1947 is an unforgettable day

in the history of Jammu and Kashmir State's repression. He said that the genocide was designed and executed by the Hindu forces of Maharaja Hari Singh, RSS, and troops of Maharaja Patiala.

<https://pakobserver.net/aphc-ajk-renews-resolve-to-continue-martyrs-mission/>

President and PM 'AJK' paid eulogizing tributes to renowned poet Allama Iqbal on his birth anniversary

Daily Parliament Times, 8 November 2023

President 'Azad Kashmir', Sultan Mahmood Chaudhry, and Prime Minister Chaudhry Anwar ul Haq have paid eulogizing tributes to renowned poet and philosopher Sir Allama Iqbal on his birth anniversary. They said that Iqbal was a gifted poet, a great intellectual, a thinker, and a philosopher par excellence who devoted his life to arousing the Muslim world from deep sleep and slumber. Allama Iqbal was such a towering personality of the subcontinent that the whole Muslim Ummah felt proud of him, they said. Iqbal, they said, was the man who conceptualized and presented the idea of Pakistan and awakened the feelings of Muslim nationhood amongst the Muslims in the subcontinent.

Referring to Allama Iqbal's love and sense of belonging to Kashmir and the Kashmiri people they said that Iqbal had specifically mentioned the suffering and plight of the Kashmiri people in his poetry. They said that it was a matter of great pride for us that

Allama Iqbal also belonged to the land of Kashmir. Allama Iqbal fully supported the struggle of Kashmiri Muslims against the Dogra dictatorship, they said. Kashmir was an integral part of Iqbal's dream of a separate homeland for the Muslims of the subcontinent, they said. They regrettably noted that it was quite painful that Iqbal's dream hadn't yet been materialized fully as a major part of the state was still reeling under 'India's belligerent occupation.' They, however, maintained that the valiant people of Kashmir would achieve their cherished goal of freedom from 'Indian occupation.' They said that the day wasn't far when the people of Kashmir would be free and that the dream of the poet of the East would become a reality.

<https://www.dailyparliamenttimes.com/2023/11/08/president-and-pm-ajk-paid-eulogizing-tributes-to-renowned-poet-allama-iqbal-on-his-birth-anniversary/>

Govt urged to take up with India issue of 'AJK' villagers' bodies

Dawn, 8 November 2023

Two directly elected members of the 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (AJK) Legislative Assembly from PML-N and PPP have called upon the government of Pakistan to take measures to reclaim the bodies of five innocent villagers from Neelum Valley killed by the Indian army about two weeks ago. On 26 October five residents of Saonar village, located around 175 km northeast of the Gurez sub-valley of Neelum Valley, had gone missing while picking herbs and medicinal

plants in the nearby forests which straddle the heavily militarised Line of Control (LoC). According to villagers, Siddique, 40; Sher Afzal, 36; Fayyaz Ahmed, 37; Ghulam Rasool, 36; and Sarfraz, 40; were married and had children between the ages of one month and 15 years.

Their families waited in vain for them over the next 24 hours and were horrified by Indian media reports claiming that the Indian army had shot dead 'five members of a militant organization after they had infiltrated from across the divide.' However, the Indian media had neither shown the bodies nor the weapons it claimed had been recovered from the slain 'infiltrators.' Ever since their families and fellow villagers have been holding demonstrations to condemn Indian savagery on the one hand and press upon the governments in Islamabad and Muzaffarabad to do the needful to reclaim the bodies on the other. Shah Ghulam Qadir, regional president of PML-N, who has returned from the upper belt of Neelum valley said that the slain people were militants is an absurd and false allegation in its entirety.

He urged the government of Pakistan to use all available channels to get possession of the bodies. Separately, PPP's regional senior vice president Mian Abdul Waheed, who has returned from the lower belt of Neelum Valley and is the minister for law, justice, human rights, and parliamentary affairs, also condemned the killing of

five innocent valley residents and called for diplomatic measures to reclaim their bodies. The government of Pakistan should lodge a strong protest with the Indian government over the killing of innocent civilians and task the Foreign Office with claiming the bodies so that they can be buried by their families here, he said at a press conference in Athmuqam. He recalled that previously the Indian army had killed several innocent 'AJK' civilians similarly while they grazed their cattle, cut fodder, or plucked herbs along the LoC.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1787424/govt-urged-to-take-up-with-india-issue-of-ajk-villagers-bodies>

Road to Hindu Amarnath cave poses a serious threat to 'IIOJK's fragile environment

Pakistan Observer, 8 November 2023

Ignoring warnings of environmental experts, the Modi regime has constructed a motorable road to the Hindu Amarnath Cave located in the Islamabad district of 'Indian illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir' (IIOJK) thus posing a serious threat to the territory's already fragile environment. According to Kashmir Media Service, India's Border Roads Organisation (BRO) completed the construction of the road to the Amarnath cave by widening the road from Dumail to the cave via the Baltal base camp in Ganderbal district. After completing the project, the BRO reportedly drove its first set of vehicles to the cave at an altitude of 13000 feet in the south Kashmir Himalayas. The project,

however, has received criticism from environmental experts who say that it will hurt the fragile ecology of the area.

The Modi regime has already impacted the fragile Himalayan environment by allowing lakhs of Hindus to visit the Amarnath Cave every year. Experts say the huge concentration of Hindu Yatris is the main reason behind the melting of glaciers in mountainous regions, floods, and diseases. Reacting to the development, Mehbooba Mufti-led People's Democratic Party (PDP) called it the biggest crime committed to the faith of Hindus. PDP spokesperson Mohit Bhan terming the road to the cave a crime against Hinduism and faith in nature said it is like inviting a catastrophe in Kashmir.

It is an attempt to turn spiritual places into picnic spots for political gains, he added. Even Kashmiri Pandits criticized the project. Rahul Pandita, an author, expressed concern and termed the road to the cave a disastrous move, urging the authorities to abandon the project. In a post on X, he said, 'This is a disastrous move. The cave is under tremendous pressure already.... do not do this.' Tapesh Kaul, another Kashmiri Pandit, also expressed concern and said this road construction is turning spiritual destinations into concrete jungles and tourist places and that it's so disheartening to see that our main religion shrines are being slowly transformed into some sort of tourist destinations.

<https://pakobserver.net/road-to-hindu-amarnath-cave-poses-serious-threat-to-iiijks-fragile-environment/>

PM Kakar, ECO secretary general takes up Kashmir, Palestine conflicts

The Nation, 8 November 2023

Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar held a meeting with the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) Secretary General Ambassador Khusrav Noziri. In the meeting held on the sidelines of the 16th ECO Summit being held here, the two leaders discussed the situation in 'Indian illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir' (IIOJK) and the Middle East. They also reviewed the recent developments in the ECO, especially in the domains of trade, connectivity, and economic cooperation.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/08-Nov-2023/pm-kakar-eco-secretary-general-take-up-kashmir-palestine-conflicts>

Modi regime weaponizing technologies to choke all freedoms in Kashmir

Pakistan Observer, 8 November 2023

Modi-led Indian regime is weaponizing technologies to create fear and choke all forms of expression through its army, paramilitary forces, police, National Investigation Agency (NIA), and State Investigation Agency (SIA), brutally engaged in cordon and search operations day in and day out in 'occupied' Jammu and Kashmir. A report released by Kashmir Media Service said 'Indian repression' has turned the 'occupied' territory into a living hell for its residents as the occupation regime has intensified restrictions coupled with surveillance

in the territory particularly post-August 2019 illegal actions. Since then, Kashmiris regularly experienced breaches of their privacy by the occupying regime to monitor and terrorize them. They are subjected to multiple layers of surveillance in utter disregard of privacy rights.

Now, the regime has equipped its police with GPS tracker anklets to strip the Kashmiri people of freedom, if any. Police have been granted access to major social media platforms to monitor those expressing dissent against the occupation of their homeland. Besides, killings, house raids, cordon and search operations, detentions, torture, and attaching properties have already become a new normal in the occupied territory, which has already witnessed 17 deaths from Indian bullets in October, raising the overall toll to 96,263 since January 1989. Given the unfolding humanitarian crisis and looming threat to global peace due to the lingering Palestine issue, the All Parties Hurriyat Conference (APHC) has urged the world community to redouble its efforts to settle the Kashmir dispute as per the United Nations resolutions to reduce such catastrophe in South Asia.

<https://pakobserver.net/modi-regime-weaponizing-technologies-to-choke-all-freedoms-in-kashmir/>

Speakers advocate Kashmiris' database to counter Indian demographic designs in 'IIOJK'

Dailyk2, 8 November 2023

Speakers at a webinar highlighted the importance of establishing a

comprehensive database of genuine Kashmiris from the state of Jammu and Kashmir including those living in Pakistan and abroad to thwart India's nefarious designs of demographic change in 'Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir' 'IIOJK.' This initiative (creation of database) is crucial to counter India's ongoing efforts to engineer demographic changes said former prime minister of 'AJK', Sardar Attique Ahmed Khan while speaking at the virtual seminar. The seminar titled 'Jammu Martyrs Day- Remembering the Massacre of Jammu Muslims: Indian Onslaught on Demography Then and Now,' was organized by the Kashmir Institute of International Relations (KIIR) and moderated by its Chairman Altaf Hussain Wani.

Speaking on the occasion, senior journalist Arif Bahar drew parallels between the Jammu Massacre and the Holocaust, emphasizing the importance of encouraging young researchers to delve into this critical topic. Senior Kashmiri leader Shamim Shawl paid heartfelt tributes to the Kashmiri martyrs who have consistently shown unwavering determination to sacrifice their lives and property for the freedom of their homeland. Chairman of the Kashmir Policy Research Institute (KPRI), Dr Sajjad Khan dispelled common misconceptions among the youth of Kashmir and highlighted that the allegations leveled by sub-nationalists closely mirrored the false petition filed by India against Pakistan in the United Nations in 1948.

Academician Dr. Waleed Rasool in his speech discussed India's time-gaining strategy in its transition from 'military occupation' to annexation through the unilateral move on 5 August 2019 and explored the available options. Kashmiri journalist Dr Ashraf Wani illuminated the enduring struggle of the people of 'IIOJK' for their freedom which spanned over seven decades, outlining its various phases. Human Rights campaigner from 'Azad Kashmir' Naila Altaf Kayani shed light on the presence of Patiala forces in 'IIOJK' long before the controversial accession signed between India and the Maharaja of Kashmir. Others who spoke at the webinar include Dr Saira Shah and Muhammad Shahzad Khan. This enlightening webinar attracted a diverse audience, including a significant number of students and members of civil societies, from various locations such as Tashkent, Islamabad, Karachi, and 'Azad Kashmir.'

<https://dailytimes.com.pk/1146536/speakers-advocate-kashmiris-database-to-counter-indian-demographic-designs-in-iiojk/>

The first group of Afghan immigrants from 'AJK' set for repatriation

Dawn, 9 November 2023

In a first, illegal Afghan immigrants from 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (AJK) are set to be repatriated to Afghanistan through the Khyber Pakhtun-khwa's Torkham border crossing. Officials informed that some 245 illegal immigrants from 'AJK' were scheduled to be deported via Torkham at different intervals, adding that the first convoy

carrying 24 individuals, including men, women, and kids from Muzaffarabad and Kotli areas of 'AJK', had reached KP. This was the first-ever repatriation from 'AJK' via Tork-ham, a senior official informed, adding that movement of the illegal immigrants from Islamabad and Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) via Torkham was stopped for one day (on Wednesday). Officials said that 4,119 illegal immigrants-including 1,236 men, 1,184 women, 1,650 children, and 49 prisoners were repatriated to Afghanistan on Wednesday. This brought the total of repatriated people from mid-September to 193,378, including 54,599 men, 42,164 women, and 9,615 children. The rise in repatriations comes after the government ordered 1.7 million Afghans, which it said were living illegally in the country, to leave or face deportation.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1787707/first-group-of-afghan-immigrants-from-ajk-set-for-repatriation>

Kakar, Aliyev discuss Gaza, Kashmir

The Express Tribune, 9 November 2023

Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar held a meeting with the president of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev wherein they discussed the bilateral cooperation and regional issues including the humanitarian situation in Gaza and 'Indian atrocities' in 'Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir' (IIOJK). The meeting took place on the sidelines of the 16th Summit of the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO). The two leaders reviewed the progress in bilateral

relations especially in the domains of trade, defence, and energy. Kakar welcomed the announcement of direct flight operations of Azerbaijan Airlines (AZAL) to Pakistan terming it a positive development in people-to-people exchanges and to advance two-way business and tourism. Kakar and Aliyev discussed common challenges including Islamophobia and climate change and the critical role of ECO in promoting regional cooperation and collective prosperity. Kakar reaffirmed Pakistan's unwavering support for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Azerbaijan, especially concerning Karabagh.

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2445668/kakar-aliyev-discuss-gaza-kashmir>

Economic Developments

GB has been deceived by the name of CPEC: GB Opposition leader

Dailyk2, 6 November 2023

Muhammad Kazim Maisam, an opposition member of the Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) Assembly, has stated that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has been a huge fraud on the people of GB and that the large projects planned by the former PTI government have been included as part of CPEC, but the truth is that there is nothing in CPEC for GB, so we will only get smoke and dust. He stated that CPEC is passing through our area, yet we are receiving no advantages. He claimed that we are being fooled in the name of CPEC, as large promises were made at the outset, but that we are

being duped by entrusting our projects to CPEC, which is a major abuse. If our government-led projects were so useful to CPEC, our other initiatives should be evaluated, and a girls' degree institution under construction in my area should also be included in CPEC. He said that we are being treated as slaves, but we are not slaves to anyone, that we are free citizens, and that we would not bow to any command. No one can use a stick and force us to accept the order. There will be massive protests if the new self-government decree is enacted, and all political and religious parties will fight for their constitutional rights. We have made numerous sacrifices for loved ones, and we have carried martyrs' coffins on our shoulders.

<https://www.dailyk2.com/Post/18152>

A large public gathering called on the 'AJK government to immediately reduce power tariffs

Daily Parliament Times, 8 November 2023

The president of the District Bar Association Mirpur, Chaudhry Kamran Tariq Advocate, has stated that if the people's problems are not resolved practically by the charter of demands within the next 15 days, an agitation movement will be initiated across the region. While addressing a large demonstration at Chowk-e Shaheedan amidst a shutter down and wheel jam strike in Mirpur district, he said that by organising a convention of lawyers from all over 'Azad Kashmir,' we may announce laying siege to the 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (AJK)

Legislative Assembly, Mangala Power Station, or stage a long protest march from Bhimber to Muzaffarabad. He stressed that the rulers should take steps towards immediate solution of the genuine problems of the Kashmiri people and this gesture will be welcomed by the Kashmiri people.

The demonstration was organized by the District Bar Association (DBA) Mirpur, Mirpur Protection Forum, Anjuman-e-Tajaran, Chamber of Commerce and civil society. Former DBA Presidents Zulfiqar Ahmad Raja, Tabassum Sadiq, General Secretary Bar Association, Sardar Fazal Raziq Khan, Vice President Chaudhry Ashiq Hussain, Joint Secretary Faisal Usman, Former Assembly candidate Chaudhry Zafar Anwar, president of Chamber of Commerce, Sabir Hussain Shah, opposition Leader in Municipal Corporation Mirpur Chaudhry Abdul Razzaq and several other persons also spoke on the occasion. Kamran said that people were the real source of power and when we spilled the beans, the rulers would go into hiding. He pointed out that the 'AJK' government has been buying electricity for Rs 2.59 since 2003 and selling electricity to the people of 'Azad Kashmir' at Rs 30 and 40 per unit. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the government to provide relief to the people from the illegally collected bills during the last 20 years.

The promise of free electricity supply to Mirpur district should be fulfilled immediately and following the

worsening of economic conditions they should impose the same tariff as was applicable in Gilgit Baltistan (GB) or occupied Kashmir. The cruel increase in water and gas bills should also be abolished immediately, he said, adding, that all illegal taxes including sales tax, and cruel property tax should be done away with. He stressed that authorities should refrain from overfilling the Mangala reservoir to avert earthquakes in its surroundings. Mr Kamran Tariq also called for immediate steps to complete the long pending Rathoa Hariyam Bridge. He further demanded that subsidy should be given to the people on wheat flour and the quota of 3100 tons of flour for the Mirpur district should be restored.

<https://www.dailyparliamenttimes.com/2023/11/08/mass-public-rally-demands-ajk-govt-an-immediate-relief-in-power-tariff-for-ajk-holding-2nd-largest-reservoir-mangla-dam-in-its-lap/>

Keeping the Khunjerab border open for bilateral trade between China and Pakistan all year will enhance economic activity: Captain (retired) Syed Ali Asghar

Dailyk2, 9 November 2023

Captain (retd) Syed Ali Asghar, Interior Secretary of Gilgit-Baltistan (GB), has directed all departments to complete the necessary measures to keep the Khunjerab border open for Pakistan-China trade and travel throughout the year. He stressed that keeping the border open all year encourages economic activity. In this regard, a high-level meeting was convened,

presided over by Syed Ali Asghar, and was attended by Commissioner Gilgit Division, DIG Special Branch, Commander Frontier Works Organization (FWO), Deputy Commissioner, Additional Collector Customs, Deputy Director Federal Investigation Agency (FIA), and Deputy Director National Highway Authority (NHA).

Speaking on the occasion, the Interior Secretary stated that maintaining the Khunjerab border open for bilateral trade between China and Pakistan throughout the year will encourage commercial activity, have a positive impact on the economy, and minimize the challenges faced by local companies. He directed all department heads to finish all arrangements as soon as possible, including developing a coordinated strategy to keep the Khunjerab border open all year.

<https://www.dailyk2.com/Post/18209>

Govt taking steps to improve health, education sector in GB: CM

The Nation, 10 November 2023

Gilgit-Baltistan Chief Minister Haji Gulbar Khan says government is taking steps to improve the health and education sector in Gilgit-Baltistan (GB). Chairing a meeting of Departmental Heads in Skardu, the Chief Minister said that a nursing college will be established soon to overcome the shortage of general nurses in GB. He also said a special strategy is being made to overcome the shortage of teachers in schools and two

high schools in Skardu will be given higher secondary status soon.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/10-Nov-2023/govt-taking-steps-to-improve-health-education-sector-in-gb-cm>

From Vernacular Urdu Media

The mission of Jammu's martyrs will be accomplished: 'AJK' PM

Nawaiwaqat, 7 November 2023

The prime minister of 'Azad Kashmir', Chaudhry Anwarul Haq said that 6 November would always be remembered as the saddest day in Kashmiri history as on this day, over two lakh Muslims were martyred in Jammu by the activists of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) and other 'Hindu extremist groups', who received support and encouragement from Maharaja Hari Singh and his government. Following the horrific carnage and violence that rocked the entire region, he stated that the killing of Muslims was part of a long-running plot to convert the majority Muslim population into a minority. Anwarul Haq stated that Martyrs' Day was being marked on both sides of the Line of Control (LoC) with a renewed determination to carry out the martyrs' mission in remembrance of the hundreds of thousands of victims who perished on that dreadful day due to the deliberate schemes and evil intentions of the Maharaja. He claimed that Kashmiris had made enormous sacrifices in support of the philosophy that resulted in Pakistan's establishment.

He claimed that the 'Indian-occupied' region of Jammu and Kashmir was still experiencing this decades-old sacrifice fight. According to him, there have been grave human rights breaches in 'occupied Kashmir' by the Indian army. He referred to Kashmir as the most militarised area in the world, claiming that the nine lakh Indian soldiers stationed there had launched a reign of terror by usurping the political, social, and religious rights of the local Kashmiri population. He claimed that though the Indian Army was determined to alter the population distribution in 'occupied Kashmir', but insisted that the Indian government's evil plans would fail. He claimed that the green flag raised in 'occupied Kashmir' was a symbol of the people's unwavering devotion to the state of Pakistan, referring to the affection that Kashmiris have for their country.

<https://www.nawaiwaqt.com.pk/E-Paper/AJK/2023-11-07/page-1>

Pasban-e Hurriyat honored the martyrs of Jammu

Jammu and Kashmir Times, 7 November 2023

A protest was held under the auspices of Pasban-e Hurriyat Jammu and Kashmir to pay tribute to the martyrs of Muslims in Jammu on 6 November 1947. A substantial crowd gathered at Burhan Wani Chowk to pay tribute to Jammu's martyrs and sang anti-India and pro-freedom slogans. The rally's speakers stated that on 6 November 1947, millions of Muslims were killed in

Jammu. They claimed that the then-Indian government, Dogra military, Hindu extremist organisations such as Bajrang Dal, Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, Akali Dal, and other 'fanatics' attacked innocent Muslims, children, youth, and women in Jammu region suburbs, cities, and villages. They said that hundreds of thousands of Muslims were martyred within a week and thousands were injured.

According to speakers, millions of Muslim individuals have been dispossessed from their houses and compelled to flee the state. They believed that the genocide of Muslims in Jammu was part of a larger effort to convert Muslims into a minority. After 1989, India began massacring Kashmiri Muslims once more in an attempt to turn the dominant Muslim majority into a minority, they warned. The speakers emphasised that the fight for freedom will continue till the state is free of 'Indian illegitimate occupation.' They requested that the United Nations put its resolutions on Jammu and Kashmir into effect to stop the genocide of Muslims under Indian domination. The speakers among others included, 'Azad Jammu and Kashmir' (AJK), Legislative Assembly member, Chaudhary Latif Akbar, Chairman Pasban-e-Hurriyat, Uzair Ahmed Ghazali, Shaukat Javed Mir, Muhammad Sharif Qureshi and so on.

<https://jammukashmirtimes.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Resize-of-FRONT-PAGE-07.jpg>

India, Israel, and the United States are terrorist countries that are committing genocide against Muslims: Tahir Khokhar

UrduPoint, 7 November 2023

The Muttahida Qaumi Movement (MQM) leader and the former minister of Tourism and Transport Muhammad Tahir Khokhar, stated that the martyrs of Jammu shed their blood and lost their lives to keep the torch of freedom burning and that Kashmiris continue to fight for independence by giving their lives even today. He claimed that the Kashmiri nation has been held hostage for 76 years and that India is massacring Kashmiris. He further alleged that India is a terrorist state whose leaders seek to construct a Hindu state and change the map of Kashmir by holding Kashmiris hostage. He added that Kashmiris are an oppressed nation on whom India has been breaking mountains of tyranny for years, but the world community has become a mute spectator, failing to observe the blood of Kashmiris and the funerals of young people.

He claimed that India had put Kashmir and Kashmiris captive in their own country and that Muslims have neither religious social or political freedom. He stated that no independence can be won until Europe and the United Nations remain mute; what is the value of the United Nations if it cannot fulfill its agreements? He claimed that India, Israel, and the United States are terrorist states that refuse to listen to peace talks. He stressed that the

Kashmiri people must educate their children about their forefathers' sacrifices and that the Kashmiri elders have made several sacrifices, but they have never bowed down to India for freedom; instead, they have sacrificed their lives. He added that Kashmiris refused to negotiate on Kashmir and they remained firm in the face of Hindu India. They are the crown on our heads, having given up their today for our tomorrow.

<https://www.urduPoint.com/pakistan/news/muzaffarabad/kashmir/live-news-3798110.html>

More evidence of the Modi government's complicity in terrorism in Pakistan has emerged

UrduPoint, 8 November 2023

More proof has emerged of the Modi government's complicity in terrorism in Pakistan and that terrorist incidents are first reported on Indian social media platforms. Accounts associated with 'Raw' at 'X' (former Twitter) are at the forefront of disseminating terrorist information. Surprisingly, these accounts receive warnings before terrorist attacks, and more evidence of the Modi government's participation in terrorism in Pakistan has emerged, according to media sources. Accounts associated with 'Raw' on 'X' are at the forefront of reporting on terrorist attacks. Surprisingly, these accounts receive warnings before terrorist attacks. Throughout the attack and clearance operation, these accounts continued to stream videos taken from terrorists' cell phones. These

propaganda narratives also overstated the number of terrorist strikes in Pakistan. According to sources, these RAW stories are fabricated, and that these accounts, which operate from the same place and use the same IP address, are fed information by the infamous Indian intelligence organization. The kidnapping of five villagers from the Neelum Valley on 26 October was covered by the same media outlets as an operation.

Accounts have also prophesied a battle between the two Asian countries. On 5 November, Raw's account claimed that the Pakistan Army had planned to target the civilian population in 'Azad Kashmir.' On 26 October, the same infamous account warned of a ceasefire violation in the Zafarwal region; on 21 October, it was alleged that 2,000 Pakistani troops had arrived in Gaza. According to these allegations, Pakistan was also supposed to default. Similarly, these propaganda sources portrayed the 6 September fire on the Torkham frontier as a war. The fact that both accounts share information, images, and videos of terrorist acts raises issues about whether they are accounts of ordinary civilians. According to observers, these X-accounts created with bogus and fictitious names are the Modi government's and the Indian agency's secret weapons. RAW, India's RAW has already become a global hotspot of propaganda and distortion.

<https://www.urdupoint.com/pakistan/news/islamabad/important-news/live-news-3800218.html>

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