

DAILY TRACKER

Taliban's extremist implementation of sharia law

1. Three people, including a journalist, were slain in a shooting in Nangarhar, Afghanistan's eastern province. So far, no one has claimed credit for the attack.
Source: <https://twitter.com/EagleGamingComm/status/1444635741389135872?s=19>
2. Afghan girls have started physical sports at home after the Taliban banned women's sports & closed Gyms.
Source: <https://twitter.com/SabreenaMalik7/status/1444839218224644103?s=19>
3. The deepest sense of loss from the 2021 tragedy of Afghanistan is felt by teenage girls who cannot access secondary schools as the Taliban take over Afghanistan. They are banned but they have no agency. They are the brightest who have dreamt larger than life & their future.
Source: <https://twitter.com/FarkhondaAkbar/status/1444712252121108482?s=19>

Human Rights under Taliban

1. Three individuals, including a local journalist, were slain in a shooting by unidentified assailants in the province, according to the Committee to Protect Journalists.
Source= <https://twitter.com/subhekabul/status/1444587466229436419>
2. In Kabul, there has been a strong exchange of fire. Although the exact cause is unknown, the Taliban have been conducting a large operation against criminals since the morning, with 80 people captured so far.
Source= <https://twitter.com/saeedkhan565/status/1444711440523440130?s=08c>
3. According to authorities with the organisation, a blast killed an unknown number of civilians at a mosque in Kabul where people were praying for the mother of the Taliban's spokesperson on Sunday.
Source= <https://twitter.com/Kwitter12085169/status/1444709625320787968?s=08>
4. Few Afghan Taliban fighters have pledged to expand Jihad to Pakistan, claiming that having foreign military bases is unIslamic. One fighter claims, "I've enlisted myself for a suicide assault in Pakistan." Outside of Afghanistan, particularly in Pakistan, such loose canons can be easily persuaded to join Jihad.
Source= <https://twitter.com/IhsanTipu/status/1444671474296569859?s=08>
5. On Sunday, an explosion killed several civilians in a mosque in Kabul where people were praying for the mother of the Taliban's spokesperson, and gunfire was later reported on the outskirts of the city, according to Taliban sources. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack on Sunday, which was the most serious in the Afghan capital since US soldiers left in August.

Source= <https://www.jpost.com/breaking-news/explosion-in-kabul-kills-civilians-taliban-spokesman-680919>

6. According to local and international sources, children are dying of starvation in Afghanistan, prompting predictions that a million children could face life-threatening malnutrition by the end of the year. In the previous six months, at least 17 children in Ghor, one of the impacted regions, have perished from starvation among those who made it to hospital.

Source= <https://www.deccanherald.com/international/world-news-politics/children-dying-of-malnutrition-in-afghanistan-say-officials-1036686.html>

Current Situation

1. Prime Minister Imran Khan has encouraged Afghanistan's neighbours to develop a "shared strategy" on when to re-establish the Taliban rule.

Source= <https://twitter.com/Pakcoalition/status/1444594724065710093>

2. Ahl-e-Hadith expressed their support for the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan during a big assembly in Nuristan, calling the defeat of the infidel world a tremendous honour for Afghans.

Source= <https://twitter.com/RRAshtonews/status/1444593087444099079>

3. Noorullah Munir, the Acting Minister of Education, met with the Turkish Ambassador in Kabul to discuss Turkey's educational cooperation. The two sides talked about reopening Afghan-Turkish schools in Afghanistan, developing the education system, providing scholarships, providing high-quality educational services to pupils in remote areas of the nation, and other educational administration issues.

Source= https://bakhtarnews.af/turkish-ambassador-assures-continued-of-cooperation-in-field-of-education-with-afghanistan/?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

4. Imran Khan, Pakistan's prime minister, stated that the United States will have to recognise the Taliban "sooner or later." After the Taliban took control of Afghanistan, Mr Khan told a Turkish television channel that the US was in a condition of "shock and confusion." In a TV interview with state-run TRT World, he claimed that the American public is looking for a scapegoat and that President Joe Biden is being unfairly targeted.

Source= https://www.thenationalnews.com/world/2021/10/03/imran-khan-says-the-us-will-have-to-recognise-the-taliban-sooner-or-later/?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

5. On Sunday, more than 1,500 Taliban supporters gathered in a wide field north of Kabul to demonstrate their power as they consolidate their control of Afghanistan. At Kohdaman settlement, on the steep outskirts of the capital, a crowd of mostly men and boys listened to lectures by top Taliban officials and commanders.

Source= <https://www.nst.com.my/world/world/2021/10/733246/taliban-hold-victory-rally-outside-kabul-they-consolidate-rule>

6. In a meeting with Pakistani Ambassador to Tehran Rahim Hayat Qureshi, the congressman emphasised the Islamic Republic of Iran and Pakistan's long-standing links and commonalities, as well as the importance of a fresh perspective in furthering the relationship. Tehran is keen in expanding its connection with Islamabad, according to Amirabadi Farahani, through a legislative friendship group that will ideally speed up commercial and business interactions.

Source= https://en.irna.ir/news/84491862/All-inclusive-participation-will-take-Afghanistan-out-of-current?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

7. The fall of Kabul on August 15, 2021, signalling the Taliban's return to power, appeared to be good news for Pakistan at first. Its ties to a movement that owed Islamabad a lot during the Taliban's conquest of Afghanistan in 1994–1995, and subsequently enjoyed a vital Pakistani safe haven after the US invasion pushed them out of power in 2001 are no secret. But history does not repeat itself in the same way: Imran Khan's government, which has been in power in Pakistan since 2018, is taking care not to share the risk of isolation that the new Afghan regime faces, while also attempting to influence it in the direction that the international community prefers.

Source= https://responsiblestatecraft.org/2021/10/03/the-taliban-in-power-pakistan-torn-between-satisfaction-and-anxiety/?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

8. Bangladesh's Foreign Minister stated that it is too early to comment on the Taliban's takeover and recognition, and that he will wait and see how the situation evolves. Bangladesh, on the other hand, has made it plain that it is closely following the situation and will only work with the new administration if it is democratic and popular.

Source= <https://www.orfonline.org/expert-speak/why-are-small-south-asian-states-resorting-to-the-wait-and-watch-approach-towards-the-taliban/>

9. There have been reports of fighting near Bagram and north of Kabul. After yesterday's onslaught on Charikar, the flatlands of Parwan appear to be turning into a battleground between ISIS, the Panjshir Resistance NRF, and the Taliban.

Source= <https://twitter.com/RealLarsJohmann/status/1444709759068917769?s=08>

10. Pakistan has come under fire in Afghanistan and internationally (including Iran and India) for its purported assistance in the Taliban's seizure of Kabul. This has been reflected in social media campaigns such as Sanction Pakistan, in which many critics have pointed to Pakistani celebrations to demonstrate that Islamabad is the

true winner. Pakistan's simplistic labelling is unjustified. It is a varied society, and not everyone is ecstatic about the Taliban's victory.

Source= <https://thediplomat.com/2021/09/why-are-some-pakistanis-celebrating-the-taliban-takeover/>

11. The foreign policy chief of the European Union said on Sunday that the Taliban government's actions so far have been "not very encouraging," and that any economic collapse in Afghanistan would increase the likelihood of terrorism and other threats. At a joint press conference with his Saudi Arabian colleague, Josep Borrell expressed hope that nuclear talks between world powers and Iran will resume "soon" in Vienna.

Source= <https://chanakyaforum.com/taliban-government-behaviour-not/>

12. Thousands of Afghans have crossed the border into Iran in recent weeks, including a former Afghan policeman who claims he is out of employment under the new Taliban regime. Abdul Ahad, a 22-year-old former officer, told VOA that he is leaving Afghanistan because he "doesn't see a future there."

Source= <https://www.voanews.com/a/thousands-of-afghans-flee-to-iran-as-uncertainty-grows-under-taliban/6244617.html>

13. The Taliban has given the media access to the fake Afghan village that has served as a CIA base for the past 20 years. The area used as a training ground for paramilitary forces. The base is thought to be important to America's 'war on terror.'

Source= https://english.madhyamam.com/world/taliban-opens-secret-cia-base-in-kabul-to-media-854180?utm_campaign=pubshare&utm_source=Twitter&utm_medium=1291365724372340737&utm_content=auto-link&utm_id=89

14. Multiple reports have surfaced of military jets landing at Bagram Airbase in Afghanistan, just hours after photographs emerged showing the base's power being restored for the first time since US forces left the stronghold in July. Images circulating on social media appear to show the airbase's floodlights blazing in the distance, amid rumours that multiple military planes had recently taken off and landed at the site.

Source= <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-10054081/Military-planes-reportedly-spotted-landing-Bagram-air-base-Afghanistan.html>

15. Rana Sanaullah, a leader of the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N), said the prime minister was not taking into account the sacrifices made by the military personnel. Imran Khan is unable to shake hands with the opposition, but is willing to shake hands with PML-N leader Faqeer Muhammad, a key Taliban figure, according to reports. According to TRT: "The prime minister stated that he expects a deal to

emerge from the talks, but that nothing is guaranteed. He also stated that he believes discussion is the only way forward and that if a deal is made, the government will "forgive" the militants."

Source= <https://www.samaa.tv/news/2021/10/imran-khan-giving-nro-to-taliban-says-rana-sanaullah/>

16. Hasib Panjshiri of the Panjshir Central Forces, the NRF Resistance2 Commander, is always on the lookout for terrorists and stealing their weapons. He honours his recent vow, fearless and dedicated.

Source= https://twitter.com/femme_foret/status/1444712571139985408?s=08

17. According to the details, after Donald Trump sought a judge to force Twitter to reinstate his account, Twitter has banned the accounts of Taliban Spokespersons. According to Twitter, the Taliban Spokesperson Zabihullah Mujahid's Twitter account @Zabehulah M33 has been temporarily blocked because "there was some strange behaviour from this account." The verified badges from the accounts of numerous Afghan government agencies had already been withdrawn by Twitter.

Source= <https://thepakistandaily.com/twitter-restricted-taliban-spokespersons-account/>

18. In Afghanistan, desperate farmers are resorting to opium as a source of income. Since the Taliban took control the country, opium prices have more than tripled, forcing farmers to turn to poppy production due to a severe water shortage.

Source=

https://twitter.com/AFP/status/1443520999509561348?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwtterm%5E1443520999509561348%7Ctwgr%5E%7Ctwcon%5Es1_&ref_url=https%3A%2F%2Fscroll.in%2Fvideo%2F1006646%2Fwater-opium-is-fast-becoming-a-way-of-survival-for-desperate-farmers-of-afghanistan

19. With the withdrawal of US military personnel from Afghanistan, great attention has been paid to the surveillance of, and possible action against, terrorist activity within the country. In April, CIA Director William Burns testified before Congress that the American withdrawal would reduce Afghanistan's "capacity to collect and respond on threats." Foreign terrorist groups "will have an opportunity to regroup, plot, inspire in an environment that's more difficult for us to collect intelligence and work against than it was previously," FBI Director Christopher Wray said in testimony last month.

Source= <https://foreignpolicy.com/2021/10/03/afghanistan-isnt-good-terrorist-real-estate/>

20. India and Germany are on the same page when it comes to Afghanistan, and the two countries will work together more closely in this area.

Source= <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/india-germany-will-see-closer-cooperation-on-afghanistan-german-envoy/articleshow/86726919.cms>

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21. The Taliban's re-accession to power, which coincided with Pakistan's nuclear weapons programme, has heightened international tensions. With the Taliban's ascension to power, there has been a fervent narrative among Pakistan's conservatives, including the political establishment, who are elated and spurred by the development.

Source= https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/world/pakistan/talibans-return-to-power-amid-pakistans-nuclear-program-alarms-international-community/articleshow/86725173.cms?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter