

DAILY TRACKER

Taliban's extremist implementation of sharia law

1. A number of women gathered in Kabul to protest the closure of girls' schools and called for serious attention to girls' education. Women in Afghanistan are barred from going to schools or any other educational institutions and also are restricted to go to work.
Source: <https://twitter.com/Etilaatroz/status/1465690888903012354>
2. Taliban are enforcing severe Sharia Law across Afghanistan. There is no central authority or government; each Talib serves as a police officer, prosecutor, and judge. He makes the decision on how to cope with his opponent.
Source: <https://twitter.com/rahmanrahmanee/status/1461350700391170065>
3. Most secondary schools for girls remain shuttered three months after the Taliban took control of Afghanistan, with only boys and male teachers being permitted back into classrooms. Sadat, 16, is one of a number of Afghan female students who are risking their lives to further their education.
Source: <https://www.thenational.scot/news/19746623.girls-afghanistan-risking-education/?ref=twtre>

Human Rights under Taliban

1. Despite a declared amnesty, Taliban fighters in Afghanistan have summarily killed or forcefully vanished more than 100 former police and intelligence officers in just four regions since taking control of the country on August 15, 2021, according to a study issued today by Human Rights Watch.
Source: <https://www.hrw.org/news/2021/11/30/afghanistan-taliban-kill-disappear-ex-officials>
2. Committee to Protect Journalists said that the Taliban must conduct a comprehensive investigation into the recent attack on journalist Ahmad Baseer Ahmadi and do all possible to ensure the safety of journalists.
Source: <https://cpj.org/2021/11/journalist-ahmad-baseer-ahmadi-severely-beaten-in-afghanistan/>
3. Afghan midwife was forced to flee to Cork with her husband and three young children. Nooria Faizi and her family were forced to flee Kabul after Taliban members came to her home and threatened to kill her, her husband, and their three young sons.
Source: https://www.corkbeo.ie/news/afghan-midwife-family-flee-cork-22310836?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

4. More than 3,000 households that have been disproportionately affected by the country's rising humanitarian crises since the Taliban took power. More than half of Afghanistan's 38 million people are projected to go hungry this winter, according to international relief agencies, as the country grapples with a worsening economy following the Islamists' return to power.

Source: https://english.alarabiya.net/News/world/2021/11/29/UN-World-Food-Program-offers-cash-for-struggling-Afghan-families?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

5. Women's rights are once again being reverted. Despite the Taliban's vow to take a more "moderate" stance, with the new rulers declaring to protect women's rights in accordance with Islamic law, the Taliban has in effect denied women their rights since the takeover.

Source: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/international/world-news/view-uncertain-future-of-womens-rights-in-afghanistan/articleshow/87974613.cms>

6. Daughter of a physician in Mazar-i-Sharif city of Balk province of Afghanistan has been kidnapped. The kidnapping took place and investigation has also been initiated, this is the grave humanitarian risk that haunts the country.

Source: <https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/afghanistan-daughter-of-doctor-kidnapped-in-mazar-i-sharif20211130184905/>

7. Navid was apprehended by Talibs in Lashkargah last Thursday, and his body was discovered the next day. According to his brother, he was tortured to death before being dropped into the Helmand River. According to his relative, Navid used to work at a stationary store and would occasionally criticise Talibs on Facebook.

Source: <https://twitter.com/MSharif1990/status/1465461532930813961>

8. At least five people were injured after a roadside bomb blast in Kabul. The target of the attack appeared to be an open-backed vehicle, according to eyewitnesses

Source: <https://twitter.com/WorldBreakingN9/status/1465722249881825280>

9. On Monday (Tuesday in Manila), the Foreign Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) warned that Afghanistan was on the verge of a humanitarian crisis and urged international donors to increase financial aid to the Afghan people.

Source: https://www.manilatimes.net/2021/12/01/news/world/humanitarian-disaster-looms-in-afghanistan/1824248?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

Current Situation

1. Pakistan has tied its decision to enable India to transfer 50,000 tonnes of wheat and pharmaceuticals to Afghanistan as humanitarian help to the condition that the relief goods be transported by Pakistani vehicles.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/world-news/pakistans-move-to-allow-india-s-aid-to-afghanistan-comes-with-a-rider-101638193348567.html>

2. More than half of private education centres in Afghanistan have shuttered in the last three months since the Taliban took control of the country. According to the organisation, the main reason for the closure of these educational institutes is that families' economic situation has deteriorated.

Source: <https://www.newindianexpress.com/world/2021/nov/29/50-per-cent-private-education-centres-in-afghanistan-shut-since-taliban-takeover-2389533.html>

3. Fifteenth summit of the heads of the state in Economic Cooperation Organisation was held in Turkmenistan as Afghanistan continues to face a daunting economic crisis

Source: <https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/heads-of-state-at-economic-cooperation-organization-summit-discuss-afghanistan-crisis20211129220457/>

4. Afghan people are confronting a fast deteriorating humanitarian situation. Millions of Afghan women, children, and the elderly are in desperate need of aid, including food, medicine, and shelter. The impending economic collapse and worsening living circumstances in Afghanistan would exacerbate the country's instability, endangering regional and worldwide peace and security. In line with relevant OIC decisions on Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, as chair of the Islamic Summit, called on the OIC to convene an Extraordinary Ministerial Meeting to review the humanitarian crisis in the country and avenues for an urgent humanitarian response.

Source: <https://www.saudigazette.com.sa/article/614141>

5. United Nations said that its flash appeal for more than \$600 million to support the humanitarian response in Afghanistan until the end of the year was now fully funded.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/un-raises-600-mn-for-afghanistan-aid/article37653009.ece>

6. Pakistan has provided a list of requirements that must be met before Indian help can be delivered to Afghanistan. According to sources, Islamabad has provided a set of conditions, two of which are very concerning.

Source: <https://www.indiatoday.in/india/story/pakistan-puts-transit-conditions-indian-aid-afghanistan-1882482-2021-11-30>

7. Afghanistan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs spokesman Abdul Qahar Balkhi. "We are trying our best with the conditions we find ourselves in," Qahar Balkhi said of the country's humanitarian catastrophe, which the IEA inherited from the previous government.

Source: <https://twitter.com/PakAnalyst/status/1463917499301380097>

8. According to persons familiar with the preparations, the World Bank is finalising a proposal to deliver up to \$500 million from a blocked Afghanistan aid fund to humanitarian organisations, but it excludes tens of thousands of public sector personnel and is complicated by US sanctions.

Source: <https://www.aljazeera.com/economy/2021/11/29/world-bank-is-working-to-free-up-500m-in-afghanistan-aid-report>

9. The Taliban asked for help in keeping Afghanistan's airports running in weekend talks with EU officials that also raised "grave concern" about the humanitarian situation in their country, according to an EU statement.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/taliban-asks-eu-for-help-with-afghanistans-airports/article37759635.ece>

10. Kabul has exported 500 tones of talc powder to a number of countries including China, Spain and the UK.

Source: <https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/kabul-resumes-exports-of-talc-powder-says-afghanistan-industrial-association20211130112444/>

11. According to a Taliban spokesperson, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) has prohibited former Afghan President Ashraf Ghani from participating in Afghan politics while residing in Dubai.

Source: <https://www.wionews.com/videos/taliban-uae-bans-ashraf-ghani-from-taking-part-in-afghanistan-politics-433034>

12. The Taliban administration in Afghanistan is scrambling for funding to resuscitate the country's dwindling economy. The World Bank has decided to finalise a proposal to give up to \$500 million to humanitarian organisations from a frozen Afghanistan aid fund.

Source: <https://www.wionews.com/videos/world-bank-works-to-redirect-frozen-funds-to-afghanistan-for-humanitarian-aid-only-432957>

13. Russian President Vladimir Putin has urged Western banks to release Afghanistan's national reserves, citing the country's humanitarian needs as the primary reason.

Source: <https://tass.com/world/1368703>

14. Most of the Afghans who helped Canada during its presence there remain trapped within Afghanistan's borders, & face terrible reprisals.

Source: <https://twitter.com/MLInstitute/status/1465727322569392129>

15. The Taliban has killed or "disappeared" more than 100 former Afghan police and intelligence officers since taking power, according to Human Rights Watch.

Source: <https://twitter.com/latimes/status/1465714997103931395>

16. The World Bank plans to deliver up to \$500 million from a frozen Afghan reconstruction fund to humanitarian agencies, as millions of Afghans face food shortages and growing poverty.

Source:

https://www.graphicnews.com/en/pages/42065/World_Bank_bid_to_free_Afghan_funds?utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter&utm_campaign=gngraphicnews

17. A family in Badghis, western Afghanistan, sold their three-year-old daughter to a shopkeeper due to poverty.

Source: <https://twitter.com/SBAfghanistan/status/1465233931196944385>