

DAILY TRACKER

Taliban's extremist implementation of sharia law

1. Afghan women under Taliban are protesting for their rights, their freedom which had been curtailed by the Taliban regime. These women are demanding basic human rights in Afghanistan.
Source: <https://twitter.com/RaminMazhar/status/1481216944661581824>
2. Taliban spokespeople have promised to preserve women's rights to employment and study since reclaiming control of Afghanistan, but within an ill-defined Islamic framework. However, their recent acts strongly suggest the opposite.
Source: <https://twitter.com/orfonline/status/1481264703586410496>
3. Burqa-clad women demonstrate in Jawzjan, claiming that the Taliban have not changed and that they are lying. A number of women in the northern province of Jawzjan wore burqas and urged the international community to exercise caution in their dealings with the Taliban. "Do not impersonate me," they say. I am a woman, and I am free.
Source: <https://twitter.com/aamajnews24/status/1481231653062197251>
4. Women and children made up 80% of people internally displaced in Afghanistan in 2021. Gender-based violence, exploitation, and trafficking are all threats that these groups confront both within and outside borders, adding to the difficulties of fleeing for safety.
Source: <https://twitter.com/UNHCRAsia/status/1481083512203755524>

Promotion of radicalism in Pakistan: HR violations of minorities in Pakistan: Steps taken in the world against Pakistan's radicalism

1. A 14-year Christian girl has been abducted and forcefully married to 45 year Muslim man. Minorities are in continuous fear in Pakistan as they are forced to covert or persecuted.
Source: <https://twitter.com/BhushanLalKoul3/status/1480964256765923331>
2. Homes and a Hindu shrine were demolished. Armed men assaulted men, women, and children, forcing them to evacuate their houses in the village of Thakur, Hyderabad, Sindh, Pakistan. The majority of Pakistanis regard the presence of a non-Muslim in their area as a curse.
Source: https://twitter.com/pk_persecution/status/1481194747377057792
3. On a daily basis, incidents of insulting and cruel treatment of minorities or impoverished people occur. Some events are reported, however the majority of incidents go unnoticed.

Source: https://twitter.com/NEP_JKGBL/status/1481021184284282882

4. Christians descended from lower-caste Hindus in Pakistan are still marginalised, with unclean work and limited chances. Of Pakistan, a surge in Christian sanitary cleaners demonstrates the existence of religious discrimination.

Source: https://twitter.com/voice_minority/status/1479683785029562370

5. Pakistani Christians, who have been under increasing pressure to digitise church documents in order to aid an accurate enumeration of their country's declining population numbers over the last two decades, are leery of the next digital census.

Source: <https://twitter.com/UCANSriLanka/status/1480892383051108353>

6. In Hyderabad, Sindh Province, a local Hindu temple was vandalised. Women were abused and beaten. Those who fought for the right to worship were shot. Three of them are still gravely unwell.

Source: <https://twitter.com/sidis28/status/1481143372270440456>

7. Chief Justice Athar Minallah of the Islamabad High Court (IHC) expressed his disgust with the dismal condition of affairs in prisons on Wednesday, stating there is no rule of law within the country's jails.

Source: <https://tribune.com.pk/story/2338341/human-rights-violations-in-jails-irk-ihc>

8. The Pashtun Tahafuz Movement (PTM) in California staged a protest in front of the Pakistan Consulate in Los Angeles. The protest on Monday brought attention to the human rights atrocities committed against Pakistan's Pashtuns. "Pakistan is the mother of terrorists," the demonstrators wrote on the walls of the Consulate building, "Stop Pashtun Genocide," "Stop Enforced Disappearances," "With the progress of the Taliban, Democracy, Human, Women, and Children Rights are at Risk," and so on.

Source: <https://ahmedabadmirror.com/pashtuns-protest-in-front-of-pak-consulate-in-los-angeles/81817770.html>

Positive stories on steps taken against radical Islam

1. Ambassador T S Tirumurti, India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations and the Chair of the UN Security Council's Counter-Terrorism Committee for 2022, outlined the year's priorities and presented India's counter-terrorism focus and viewpoint. In the aftermath of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, the Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC) was formed in 2001. The CTC was established as a subsidiary body of the United Nations Security Council by UNSC Resolution 1373 (2001).

Source: <https://www.deccanherald.com/national/counter-terrorism-committee-chair-ambassador-tirumurti-discusses-priorities-for-2022-1070465.html>

2. The Lambeth and Southwark Safer Transport Team patrolled Elephant & Castle and Borough today, utilising QR code scans to provide Counter Terrorism information to businesses and others. Terrorism is defeated through communities.
Source: <https://twitter.com/MPSRTPC/status/1480946953777209345>
3. At a Homeland Security Dialogue attended by top officials from both nations on Wednesday, India and the United States discussed ongoing collaboration in counterterrorism, cyber security, and a variety of other challenges. Officials from the two countries outlined additional initiatives that can be done to investigate opportunities and synergies in enhancing security cooperation during the virtual meeting, according to an official release.
Source: <https://www.currentnewstv.in/2022/01/12/india-us-review-cooperation-in-cyber-security-counterterrorism-ops/>
4. To secure the resort's busiest locations, Blackpool is preparing to embrace tougher security measures to tackle the threat of terrorism. While there is no specific threat to Blackpool, officials have agreed to implement an anti-terrorism traffic regulation order (ATTRO) to enable the new powers, according to a council report. The resort, which attracts millions of visitors each year, is acting in reaction to terrorist assaults in other cities where popular areas have been targeted.
Source: <https://www.blackpoolgazette.co.uk/news/crime/new-counter-terrorism-measures-adopted-to-protect-blackpool-3524914>
5. A guy was sentenced to prison for making "terrifying" threats of violence on a railway carriage while brandishing a knife. During an outburst about 9/11 and the Taliban, Mohammed Khan caused "unacceptable terror" on the service, which he boarded in Manchester, authorities said. Officers apprehending the 50-year-old discovered a knife in his backpack, causing a station to be evacuated. Khan, who has no known home, was sentenced to a year in prison on Tuesday at Preston Crown Court.
Source: <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-manchester-59963005>
6. Terrorism is a "serious" threat to Mali, according to the UAE's UN envoy, who called for a comprehensive approach to combating armed extremists in the volatile West African country. Lana Nusseibeh, speaking before the Security Council, praised the work of the G5 Sahel group, an anti-extremist partnership made up of troops from Chad, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, and Mauritania. "Despite counter-terrorism efforts, terrorist groups in the country continue to increase their presence and operations," Ms Nusseibeh told the 15-nation body in New York.
Source: <https://www.thenationalnews.com/world/africa/2022/01/11/terrorism-a-critical-threat-to-mali-says-uae-envoy/>
7. Army Chief Gen MM Naravane stated on Wednesday that the Indian Army is determined to exhibit "zero tolerance" for terrorism and is committed to extracting "dire costs" for it, referring to Pakistan's cross-border terror in Jammu and Kashmir. He

claimed the concentration of 350 to 400 terrorists in terror launch pads and training facilities on the other side (Pakistani side) of the Line of Control (LoC) and continuous infiltration attempts "reveal" the adversary's "nefarious intents," speaking at a press briefing ahead of Army Day.

Source: <https://theprint.in/india/resolved-to-show-zero-tolerance-to-terror-army-chief-on-cross-border-terrorism/801825/>

8. The government is expected to release plans for new counter-terrorism legislation known as "Martyr's Law" on Monday. Venues would be required by law to offer precise security preparations in the event of a terrorist attack, according to the recommendations. Owners of venues and places, both private and public, are now under no obligation to act on free advice from experienced counter-terrorism advisers regarding terrorist dangers and how to lessen the risk.

Source: https://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/martyrs-law-counter-terrorism-legislation-22693195?utm_source=twitter.com&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=sharebar

9. As part of Eren-Winter operations, 20 terrorists were killed and 339 caves, shelters, and depots were demolished in 14 different domestic counterterrorism operations. Despite the terrible winter weather, 14 distinct Eren-Winter operations are continuing smoothly, according to information provided by the Interior Ministry. Since the initial operation on Nov. 7, 2021, 12,171 gendarmerie commandos, gendarmerie special operations, police special operations, and security guards have participated in Eren-Winter operations, neutralising 20 terrorists.

Source: <https://www.dailysabah.com/politics/war-on-terror/eren-operations-deal-heavy-blow-to-pkk-terrorists-in-turkey>

10. In a move that risks further alienating European Muslims, France has opened an EU debate on the "very delicate" issue of blasphemy and terrorist violence. In a recent memo to member states, the French EU president noted, "Recent instances have highlighted the extraordinarily sensitive nature of the notion of blasphemy, which rallies and mobilises all streams of the radical Islamist movement."

Source: <https://euobserver.com/democracy/154054>