

DAILY TRACKER

Taliban's extremist implementation of sharia law

1. 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 otherwise.

Source: <https://www.orfonline.org/expert-speak/afghan-women-under-taliban-rule/>

2. The Taliban's Ministry for the Promotion of Virtue and Prevention of Vice on Friday issued posters around the capital Kabul ordering Afghan women to cover up. "According to Sharia law, Muslim women must wear the hijab," the poster reads, referring to the practice of covering up.

Source: <https://www.freepressjournal.in/world/afghanistan-taliban-religious-police-issue-posters-ordering-women-to-cover-up-their-head>

3. Women in northern Afghanistan will no longer be allowed to use community bathhouses, according to the Taliban. Bathing is an ancient habit, and for some, it is also the only way to get a warm wash.

Source: https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2022/jan/07/taliban-stop-afghan-women-using-bathhouses-in-northern-provinces?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other

4. Under the Taliban, Afghan women have no right to leave their homes, travel, or work without the presence of a male guardian. Afghanistan has turned into a massive prison for its own citizens.

Source: <https://twitter.com/HabibKhanT/status/1479158247701594113>

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

1. Om Parkash Maheshwari, a Hindu man from Daheli in Sindh's Tharparkar district, has been missing for almost a week. His mother and daughter are pleading with her to get better. His mother claims that they went to the police station but that no one listened to them. And our government remains deafeningly mute.

Source: https://twitter.com/voice_minority/status/1479377841955516421

2. A verified Pakistani account openly incites Muslims against Hindus. This is the essence of Pakistan. Religious radicalization by revisionists. They also have the audacity to discuss human rights in Kashmir.

Source: <https://twitter.com/pakfactsheet/status/1479678455788675078>

3. Pakistan targets Sikh minorities on a regular basis in order to enrage them. Inconsistencies in the Kartarpur Corridor (KC) audit, the renaming of the Gulab Devi Lahore underpass to Abdul Sattar Edhi, and the prohibition on Sikhs carrying swords within government facilities in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa are just a few examples, according to Al Arabiya Post.

Source: <https://www.bollyinside.com/news/world-news/pakistan-systematically-persecutes-sikh-minority>

4. People in PoK's Gilgit-Baltistan desire independence from Pakistan, which they accuse of abusing human rights in the territory.

Source: <https://twitter.com/AltafHu77199137/status/1479428825058529280>

5. Baloch youth are still being kidnapped in Balochistan; today, the Pakistan Army kidnapped Qalandar son of Lulha Bugti and Marshalla son of Aziz Bugti from a hospital in Naseerabad area.

Source: https://twitter.com/BRP_MediaCell/status/1479096466182397952

6. Baloch are extremely living in poor life where is no facilities available from side of state to the Baloch people. Pakistan only provides extra judicial murder, enforced disappearances, mutilated corpses and mass graves to the people of Balochistan.

Source: <https://twitter.com/BalochJamil3/status/1478627254754156544>

7. Since Pakistan conquered the autonomous Baloch state of Kalat in 1948, the volatile and historically tense province of Balochistan has seen repeated insurgencies. Despite its vast wealth, Balochistan is Pakistan's largest and poorest province. The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a key pillar of Beijing's Belt and Road Initiative, has stoked resentment by bringing billions of dollars into the region, which residents claim has benefited them little because most new employment have gone to outsiders. The Balochistan conflict has a long and complicated history, but the stakes have escalated in recent years as China has become interested in Balochistan's copper, gold, gas, and coal deposits.

Source: <https://www.wionews.com/south-asia/from-pakistans-repression-to-chinese-discrimination-the-untold-story-of-balochistan-443140>

8. Death sentence has been given to Zafar Bhatti, a Christian leader under 295C by a sessions court. He was arrested in 2012 for allegedly sending blasphemous text. In 2017 he was given life imprisonment.

Source: <https://twitter.com/VikalpShukla/status/1479730796881584130>

Positive stories on steps taken against radical Islam

1. Following an investigation by the Metropolitan Police's (Met) Counter Terrorism Command, a man who attempted to travel from the United Kingdom to Syria to engage

in terrorism has been arrested. Mamun Rashid, 28, flew from the United Kingdom to Istanbul in the summer of 2018 with the goal of crossing the border into Syria and joining the armed opposition to the government. In early 2019, he was apprehended near the Turkey-Syria border and deported back to the United Kingdom. On his return, he was apprehended by the Met's Counter Terrorism Command.

Source: <https://www.hstoday.us/subject-matter-areas/counterterrorism/man-who-attempted-to-travel-to-syria-for-terrorism-jailed/>

2. Saudi and Emirati social reforms have been praised for reducing the prominence of religion in public life, enhancing women's rights, and catering to non-Muslim lifestyles, respectively. Despite a radical cutback in decades-long global Saudi funding for the spread of an ultra-conservative interpretation of Islam and the Emirates' trumpeting of notions of tolerance, Saudi and Emirati efforts to position their countries as the Muslim world's beacons of an autocratic notion of moderate Islam have done little to encourage moderation beyond their borders.

Source: <https://www.globalvillagespace.com/saudi-and-emirati-religious-moderation-inspires-few-beyond-their-borders/>

3. Turkey's Defense Minister, Hulusi Akar, said on Saturday that the government will fight terrorism at its source and that it has no interest in other countries' lands. At the annual evaluation meeting in Ankara, the minister met with members of the press. Akar, conscious of the country's geopolitical and geostrategic importance, stated that Turkey is working hard in its region and in vital geographies to protect national security and promote harmonious ties with its neighbours and partners.

Source: <https://www.dailysabah.com/politics/war-on-terror/turkey-to-fight-against-terrorism-with-new-concept-akar-says/amp>

4. An official stated on Friday that three Jaish-e-Muhammad (JeM) terrorists were killed in a midnight operation with security forces in central Kashmir's Budgam area. This brings the total number of terrorists killed in the last seven days to 11.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/3-jem-terrorists-killed-in-budgam-encounter-101641603834525-amp.html>

5. A lady who advocated for terrorism has been barred from teaching for the rest of her life. Miriam Sebbagh, a teacher at Hunwick Primary School in Crook, County Durham, was discovered to have given money to terrorists she knew. She allegedly sought to radicalise a friend, according to a teacher misconduct tribunal. Ms Sebbagh was arrested and probed by police in 2017, but the Crown Prosecution Service determined that there was insufficient evidence to pursue criminal charges, according to the panel.

Source: <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-tees-59912747.amp>

6. Late Thursday, anti-terrorist operations in Hasaka province, northeast Syria (Rojava), seized a suspected Islamic State (ISIS) member. According to the anti-ISIS global alliance, he is accused of plotting a rocket attack against the Syrian Democratic Forces

(SDF) and the SDF. "Last night in Shaddadi, Syria, InSF HAT conducted an operation that resulted in the capture of a #Daesh [Arabic acronym for ISIS] member who was planning a rocket attack against @cmoc SDF and Coalition forces," the US-led coalition tweeted, referring to the Kurdish Internal Security Forces' (Asayish) counterterrorism forces.

Source: <https://www.rudaw.net/english/middleeast/syria/070120222-amp>

7. Sweden and France have launched a joint team to investigate crimes against humanity and war crimes carried out by foreign fighters from the Islamic State (IS) group against the Yazidi minority. The two countries' ongoing investigations are coordinated by the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust). The new task force aims to streamline their efforts and enable information and evidence to be shared more swiftly.

Source: <https://www.middleeasteye.net/news/sweden-france-joint-team-prosecute-foreign-islamic-state-fighters-crimes-yazidi>

8. After German intelligence sources reported that the Iranian institution in the city-state supports the late Qasem Soleimani, who was classified a terrorist under US and EU law, a controversial Islamic organisation has removed Iran's Hamburg Center from its Shura executive board. The Hamburg Shura Council is a group of Muslim organisations in Hamburg. The Islamic Center of Hamburg (IZH) is "Iran's long arm in Europe," according to the German daily Die Welt, and has "connection to a terrorist group," including being directed by Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei.

Source: <https://www.jpost.com/international/article-691866>

9. The public is being urged to "stay cautious" by counter-terrorism police in the UK, who say the country is still at "serious" risk of a terrorist attack. Despite the fact that the holiday season went through without a hitch, police are advising the people not to relax their vigilance. It comes as France marks the seventh anniversary of the terrorist assault on Charlie Hebdo, a satirical magazine.

Source: <https://www.gbnews.uk/news/uk-terrorism-police-urge-public-to-remain-vigilant-as-severe-terror-threat-continues/200593>