

## **DAILY TRACKER**

### **Taliban's extremist implementation of sharia law**

1. At least 50 journalists and media workers have been jailed since the Taliban took power in August last year, with detentions ranging from a few hours to nearly a week. Threats, interrogations, and arbitrary arrests of journalists have escalated, according to RSF, and these measures are in violation of Afghan press legislation.

SOURCE: <https://www.siasat.com/afghan-journalists-face-harassment-under-taliban-media-body-2270562/>

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

1. Counter-terrorism police are advising Pakistani exiles seeking asylum in the UK to keep a low profile after warnings that their lives could be jeopardised if they criticise Pakistan's powerful military. Possible targets have been informed that they must notify police if they want to travel within the UK, according to Counter Terrorism Policing, a partnership of UK police forces and security services.

SOURCES: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2022/feb/05/your-lives-are-in-danger-police-warn-pakistani-dissidents-in-uk>

2. According to Sindh Suhai Sath, a non-governmental group, Pakistan is experiencing an alarming increase in honour killing instances, with 176 persons killed last year. Under this custom, a man accused of having an extramarital relationship is labelled 'Karo,' and his female counterpart is labelled 'Kari,' and both are at risk of being murdered by blood relatives.

SOURCE: <https://www.indiablooms.com/world-details/SA/33228/pakistani-ngo-describes-rise-in-honour-killing-cases-as-alarming.html>

3. Three Pakistani traffickers were shot dead by BSF in Jammu's Samba district on Sunday, and 36 kilogrammes of heroin were seized. The deceased smugglers were also found to have an Italian pistol and Pakistani money. DK Boora, inspector general of the BSF's Jammu Frontier, told reporters that in the early hours of today, alert BSF forces neutralised three Pakistani smugglers who were attempting to carry narcotics across the Samba border, thwarting a major smuggling attempt.

SOURCE: <https://www.thestatesman.com/india/3-pakistani-smugglers-shot-dead-bsf-36-kgs-heroin-recovered-1503044129.html>

4. "Inflation, unemployment, and poverty have all grown since this'selected' government took office. This elected administration has plundered the people not merely of their votes, but also of their money.

SOURCE: <https://www.brecorder.com/news/40152481>

5. According to a Human Rights Activist, Pakistan's solidarity for Kashmir is founded on lies and deceit. Pakistan's policy, according to the chairman of the UKPNP, is to deceive the people and the rest of the world. Pakistan also continues to plot against the Kashmir authority.

SOURCE: <https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/paks-solidarity-for-kashmir-based-on-lies-fraud-says-human-rights-activist20220206101303/>

6. Jammu and Kashmir Police disrupted another narco-terrorism ring on Saturday in north Kashmir's Baramulla area, arresting two people and seizing contraband worth Rs 18 crore. Forces have stopped half a dozen efforts from across the border to bring narcotics across the border to fund terror groups active in Jammu and Kashmir in the last few months.

SOURCE: <https://www.ibtimes.co.in/another-module-narco-terrorism-busted-by-jk-police-two-held-drugs-worth-18cr-details-845442>

7. The people of Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) have denounced Pakistan for declaring February 5 as "Fraud Day" instead of "Kashmir Solidarity Day." Several protest rallies were staged around PoK in areas such as Bagh, Mong, and Hajira, where residents denounced Islamabad's double standards on Kashmir.

SOURCE: <https://www.freepressjournal.in/india/kashmir-solidarity-day-marked-as-fraud-day-in-pok>

8. The NSP in Pakistan fails to address social cohesiveness, despite the fact that the government has made various steps to curb religiously inspired extremism and terrorism.

SOURCE: <https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/pakistans-nsp-fails-to-address-social-cohesion20220206183852/>

### **Positive stories on steps taken against radical Islam**

1. President Joe Biden stated that "this horrific terrorist commander is no more" after the killing of Islamic State chief Abu Ibrahim al Qurayshi in a US military raid on Thursday. While this triumph should be celebrated, has Islamist terrorism come to an end? IS militants have been dealt a serious blow by the Biden administration. But, as it tries to salvage the fatally flawed 2015 nuclear deal, its fight against terrorism contrasts sharply with its inadequate response to the world's most active state-sponsor of terrorism today.

SOURCE: <https://www.ncr-iran.org/en/news/terrorism-a-fundamentalism/to-stop-terrorism-in-the-name-of-islam-target-its-heart-in-tehran/>

2. On Saturday, a local court remanded journalist Fahad Shah to police prison for ten days, one day after his arrest. Meanwhile, the editor-in-chief of the online news magazine "The Kashmir Walla" was "wanted in three cases for glorifying terrorists and distributing false news," according to authorities.  
SOURCE: <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/journalist-fahad-shah-wanted-in-3-cases-for-glorifying-terrorism-police/articleshow/89373215.cms>
3. Two TRF terrorists backed by Lashkar-e-Taiba were murdered in Srinagar's Zakura neighbourhood on Friday evening, one of whom was engaged in the January 29 murder of J&K police head constable Ali Mohammad Ganie near his residence in Bijbehera, Anantnag. The two men from south Kashmir were hiding in a Srinagar neighbourhood when they opened fire on a security squad, resulting in a gunfight.  
SOURCE: <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/cop-killer-among-2-terrorists-shot-dead-in-srinagar/articleshow/89373259.cms>
4. When militants from within Afghanistan opened fire on Pakistani forces across the international border in Khyber-Kurram Pakhtunkhwa's province on Sunday, at least five soldiers of the Pakistan Army accepted death, according to the military. Pakistani military responded appropriately, according to Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR), and terrorists sustained numerous casualties, according to intelligence reports.  
SOURCE: <https://tribune.com.pk/story/2342287/five-soldiers-martyred-in-terrorists-attack-from-afghanistan>
5. Saudi Arabia has reaffirmed its firm commitment and great interest in combating terrorism, as well as its strong engagement with the United Nations, based on the Kingdom's pioneering and ongoing partnership with the world organisation in global anti-terrorist operations. Saudi deputy envoy to the UN Mohammed Al-Ateeq made the remarks at the UN Office of Counter-annual Terrorism's ambassadorial briefing on Friday, the Saudi Press Agency reported on Saturday.  
SOURCE: <https://www.arabnews.com/node/2018996/saudi-arabia>
6. The clearance operations initiated after terrorists attacked their camps in the Panjgur and Naushki regions of Balochistan last week have been concluded, according to the Inter-Services Public Relations, which added that 20 terrorists and 9 security officers were killed. "Both (of the)attacks were effectively rejected by the rapid response from troops at both sites," the ISPR, the military's media wing, said, according to The Express Tribune.  
SOURCE: <https://sambadenglish.com/9-pakistani-soldiers-20-terrorists-killed-in-deadly-balochistan-attack/>

7. In his report presented by the minister of Foreign Affairs and National Community Abroad, Ramtane Lamamra, at the AU Summit in Addis Ababa, President Tebboune, in his capacity as African Union coordinator on prevention and fight against terrorism and violent extremism, said that "the battle against terrorism and violent extremism can't be won without a comprehensive approach that goes beyond the security dimension, to address the structural factors and root causes,"  
SOURCE: <https://www.aps.dz/en/algeria/42712-president-tebboune-terrorism-can-be-defeated-only-through-fight-against-extremist-groups-prevention>
8. To combat the financing of terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, the BANGKO SENTRAL ng Pilipinas (BSP) reminded banks to adopt targeted financial sanctions (TFS) such as asset freezing. Through Memorandum No. M-2022-007, BSP Deputy Governor Chuchi G. Fonacier instructed its supervised financial institutions to establish TFS-related measures that are "consistent and proportionate to their risk profile." Following its gray-listing in June 2021, the government plans to report to the Financial Action Task Force in May that it has increased TFS for terrorism financing and proliferation finance.  
SOURCE: <https://www.bworldonline.com/bsp-tells-banks-to-tighten-guard-vs-terrorism-financing/>
9. I observed a public meeting and a lengthy Boulder City Council discussion leading up to the acceptance of an MOU for our Boulder Police Department to join the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force with utter amazement. Terrorist threats are a real possibility in Boulder. The shooting of Boulder's King Sooper and Tuesday's events were very real, and White Supremacy terrorism is on the rise across the country.  
SOURCE: <https://www.dailycamera.com/2022/02/06/letters-to-the-editor-25/>
10. Balochistan's Chief Minister, Abdul Quddus Bizenjo, praised security forces on Sunday for repelling terrorist attacks in Balochistan's Naushki and Panjgur localities earlier this week and killing the attackers. Terrorists tried two separate attacks on security forces camps in Panjgur and Naushki on February 2. Security forces, on the other hand, had thwarted both attempts and killed 20 terrorists in a subsequent clearance operation.  
SOURCE: <https://www.dawn.com/news/1673650>
11. Turkish security forces have killed 22 terrorists from the PKK's Syrian offshoot, the YPG, in northern Syria in the last two days. The terrorists were targeted while planning assaults in the Operation Peace Spring and Euphrates Shield zones, according to the Defense Ministry's Twitter account on Sunday.  
SOURCE: <https://www.dailysabah.com/politics/war-on-terror/turkish-forces-kill-22-ypgpkk-terrorists-in-northern-syria>

12. Gbenga Olawepo-Hashim, a former presidential candidate and senior member of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC), has praised the country's Armed Forces and other security forces for continuing to make enormous sacrifices in the fight against terror and keeping the country safe. In a statement issued over the weekend by his Abuja media office, Olawepo-Hashim stated that in order for those sacrifices to not be in useless, the nation must build a new Defense and Security Architecture to permanently kill the germ of terror and eliminate banditry/kidnapping across the country.

SOURCE: <https://tribuneonline.ng.com/terrorism-olawepo-hashim-advocates-new-defence-security-architecture/>

13. The National Police have detained three people for allegedly financing terrorism in Libya. The National Police arrested three people, for allegedly participating in a terrorism-financing activity. One of the detainees was detained in Valencia, while the other two were detained in Barcelona and Girona. The principal suspect allegedly exploited a complicated business network with international consequences to divert and supply finances to a Daesh-affiliated terrorist organisation in Libya.

SOURCE: <https://www.euroweeklynews.com/2022/02/05/suspected-jihadists-arrested-in-spain-for-allegedly-financing-terrorism-in-libya/>

14. Lt.-Gen. Faruk Yahaya, the Chief of Army Staff (COAS), expressed pleasure with military operations in 2021, claiming that they successfully suppressed criminals and other problems. "These drills have gone a long way toward decreasing and curtailing criminality and other nefarious activities across the country." As we begin yet another training cycle, I urge you to stay focused on your common obligations of safeguarding peace and stability across the country.

SOURCE: <https://gazettengr.com/military-operations-reduced-banditry-terrorism-in-2021-coas/>

15. At first sight, the terrorist's 8ft by 5ft cell appears to be nothing special. A single bed, a thin blue mattress, a toilet, a sink, and a wooden table are all provided. The windows, on the other hand, are a different storey. They're impossible to break into and include sound-blocking glass 'bafflers' to keep the cell's very dangerous occupant from interacting with – and radicalising – convicts on other wings. The security measures at Britain's first dedicated jail 'terrorism wing,' where those discovered attempting to radicalise fellow convicts are cocooned, are meant as much to prevent extreme ideologies from getting out as they are to keep the extremists locked in.

SOURCE: <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-10480629/Inside-Britains-dedicated-terrorist-prison-wing.html>