

**Executive Summary**

Religious extremists murder five more Ahmadi Muslims in targeting religious leaders, active members, doctors and businessmen. No arrests have been made.

Four further attempts on Ahmadi Muslim lives were made putting the victims in a critical state.

Ahmadi Muslim students face prejudice, ostracization and labelled *Wajibul Qatl* (liable be killed) in the classroom with some families having to relocate after locals find out their faith.

Local authorities and police continue to participate in the desecration of Ahmadi Muslim grave stones at a number of graveyards.

Anti Ahmadi extremists lead physical attacks of violence against Ahmadi Muslims and their property.

Government authorities across Pakistan ban thousands of Ahmadi Muslims the right to celebrate the festival of Eid, with police issuing formal warnings to Ahmadis in their homes.

Legislation abused as Anti-Ahmadi laws are used to register cases against the Worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community and four other Ahmadi Muslims, for 'posing' as Muslims.

Thousands of attendees gathered to hear anti Ahmadi extremists continue to propagate the coercion and demonization of Ahmadi Muslims during conferences all over Pakistan.

# FIVE MORE AHMADI MUSLIMS MURDERED DURING OCTOBER. NO ARRESTS MADE.

Anti Ahmadi extremists continue to target Ahmadi Muslim religious leaders, active members, doctors and businessmen. During October, five more Ahmadi Muslim men have been murdered because of their faith. Despite growing violence, particularly in Karachi where nine Ahmadi Muslims have been murdered in recent months, no material steps have been taken by Pakistani authorities to prevent targeted killings of Ahmadi Muslims nor have any efforts been made to arrest the perpetrators

- *4 October, Satellite Town, Sarghoda.* 64 year old Mr. Khawaja Zahur Ahmad, was shot in the head and killed near his home. He had received death threats from religious extremists in recent months who often gathered outside his home. He is survived by his widow, two sons and three daughters.
- *4 October, Ghatialian, District Sialkot.* Mr. Riaz Ahmad Basra, the General Secretary of the local Chapter of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was returning from the Mosque after evening prayers when he was shot dead by anti Ahmadi extremists. Mr Basra had been defending the local Ahmadi Mosque in court from Anti Ahmadi extremists.
- *19 October, Baldia Town, Karachi.* 26 year old Mr Saad Farooq was riding his motorcycle home from Friday prayers, when was ambushed by two other motorcyclists who shot him in the head. Mr Farooq died at the scene. Mr Farooq was an active member of his local Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. He was recently married and is survived by his new bride. His father-in-law, 68 year old Chaudhrey Nusrat Mehmood was also killed.
- *23 October, Baldia Town, Karachi.* Raja Abdul Hameed Khan the owner of a homeopathic clinic was targeted because he professed to be an Ahmadi Muslim and was shot dead in his clinic. Mr. Khan was 40 years of age.
- *23 October, Baldia Town, Karachi,* Mr. Bashir Ahmad, a 70 year old owner of a general store was shot dead within ten minutes of Mr.Hameed Khan's murder. Mr. Ahmad was a well known and peaceful Ahmadi Muslim.

## ATTEMPTED MURDERS

Four shootings of Ahmadi Muslims took place during October in which anti Ahmadi extremists sought to murder Ahmadi Muslims because of their faith.

- *19 October, Baldia Town, Karachi.* An Ahmadi Muslim family was returning home after Friday prayers when anti Ahmadi extremists on two motorcycles ambushed their car in a hail of bullets. Mr. Farooq Kahlon was hit four times, Mr. Ahmad Farooq was hit in the temple and United States resident Chaudhri Nusrat Mahmud was hit in the neck and chest. They are in serious but stable condition.
- *24 September, Karachi* Mr. Munawwar, a 35 year old businessman and owner of a local bakery was attacked by four men on two motorcycles who stormed his shop and fired several shots at Mr. Ahmad and his helper. After emergency medical treatment, he remains in serious but stable condition.

## VIOLENT ATTACKS AGAINST AHMADI MUSLIMS CONTINUE UNABATED

Anti Ahmadi extremists continue to perpetrate acts of violence against Ahmadi Muslims because of their faith.

- *Lahore.* Mr Asim Naseeruddin was attacked with an iron rod by an extremists who led an anti Ahmadi procession to his home. The procession held banners which read, "Asim Qadiani should be stopped from preaching" and "We will not allow Lahore Cantt to become another Qadian."
- *Tando Allahyar, District Hyderabad.* Ms Sadeeqa Zafar's property was stoned by anti Ahmadi extremists who have been tracking her movements.
- *26 October, Jaranwala, District Faisalabad* Khawaja Qaiser Rasheed has been forced into hiding after his family's lives were threatened and the stock from his store looted. Having been threatened with murder, extremists returned to his home and told his wife to convert to Islam or face harm to her children.

## FREEDOM OF RELIGION DENIED AS AUTHORITIES BAN THE FESTIVAL OF EID FOR AHMADI MUSLIMS

Freedom of Religion was denied to thousands of Ahmadi Muslims across Pakistan as authorities banned their observance of Eid ul Adha.

*Satellite Town, Islamabad,* Some 1600 Ahmadi Muslims were barred by authorities from congregating for Eid prayers. The ban followed a week long campaign by Anti Ahmadi extremists and Khatme Nabuwwat who had filled the city with anti-Ahmadi banners and demanded that City Administration seal an Ahmadi Muslim Mosque.

*Sarghoda,* Police visited several Ahmadi Muslims on Eid day issuing them formal warnings against participating in Eid rituals.

## AHMADIS FACE SECTARIAN PREJUDICE IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Ahmadi students continue to face organized sectarian prejudice in schools, colleges and universities. The state has failed to provide protection and fear-free environment to vulnerable Ahmadi students.

*Lahore.* Miss Afshan Malik, an Ahmadi Muslim University student and first prize winner of a poetry competition was required to discontinue her studies and her family forced to flee their home after it was discovered that she is an Ahmadi Muslim. Police have sought to register a case against her because of her faith.

*Hafizabad.* Shiraz Ahmad, an Ahmadi Muslim student was instructed by his teacher to stand before the class and was told that as a Qadiani (derogatory term for Ahmadi) he was *Wajibul Qatl* (liable be killed).

# ANTI AHMADI LAWS USED TO REGISTER FALSE CASES AGAINST AHMADI MUSLIMS

17 September, Anti Ahmadi extremists demanded that police register a case under Anti Ahmadi laws against the worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, His Holiness, Mirza Masroor Ahmad along with the editor and printer of the Daily Jang. The demand was based on a claim that Ahmadi Muslims posed as Muslims. A Judge ordered that police consider whether a case should be filed.



The accused will face trial at a date to be set

15 October, Ghatialian, District Sialkot; police registered a case against four Ahmadi Muslims upon the application of an anti Ahmadi extremist on the grounds that his feelings had been hurt. Mr. Naeem Ahmad, Mr. Gulfam Naeem, Mr. Ahsan Ramzan and Mr. Shahid Abdullah initially had their temporary bail applications rejected but were later bailed by the magistrate's court. The accused will face trial at a date to be set.

# HATE PREACHERS HOLD ANTI AHMADI CONFERENCES



Authorities granted permission to anti Ahmadi extremists

Hate conferences targeting the Ahmadiyya Community continue to take place across the country during October, many with the approval of government authorities.

4, 5 October, Rabwah. Authorities granted permission to anti Ahmadi extremists to hold an anti Ahmadi conference in Rabwah a town that is 95% populated by Ahmadi Muslims. With the tacit support of government authorities, more than 10,000 people were brought in from other towns and cities. The extremists called on the government to, among other things, undertake military operations against Ahmadi Muslims, dismiss all Ahmadi Muslims from government posts and destroy all minarets and niches from Ahmadi Muslim mosques.

Similar conferences were held in Larkana, District Gujranwala and Lahore .

# AHMADI GRAVEYARD DESECRATED AND ANOTHER THREATENED.

Ahmadi Muslim graves continue to face attacks by Anti Ahmadi extremists. On October 19 anti Ahmadi extremists desecrated a number of Ahmadi Muslim gravestones by erasing their Islamic inscriptions.

During October, local authorities and police participated in the desecration of Ahmadi Muslim gravestones in Chak Chatha and for the second time this year, also in District Hafizabad. Authorities tried to persuade Ahmadi Muslims to desecrate the gravestones themselves, but they refused.



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## NEWS REPORTS

- Asian Human Rights Commission Report – October 12
- No legitimacy at the UN with Ahmadiis disenfranchised.
- Report shows religious bias, suppression and jeopardising of citizens rights

The Asian Human Rights Commission has argued that despite Pakistan being a member of the UN 'it has totally failed in fulfilling its responsibilities and obligations entrusted to it' as 'it has shown little respect for the Human Rights Charter' by openly discriminating against Ahmadi Muslims.

<http://www.humanrights.asia/news/ahrc-news/AHRC-STM-202-2012>  
November 7, 2012

The Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCPC) reaffirmed its demand for an end to the discrimination against the Ahmadi Muslims. It feared that citizens' right to life and freedom to practice their religious belief is in jeopardy because of growing religious intolerance, which is affecting all aspects of life, including education and the justice system.

*The daily Dawn; Lahore, October 8, 2012*  
<http://dawn.com/2012/10/08/religious-bias-suppression-jeopardise-citizens-rights/>



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## EDITORIAL

Founded in 1889 by its founder Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (peace be upon him) who claimed to be the Promised Messiah and Mahdi awaited by all major religions, including the Jews, Christians and Muslims, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is now established in 202 countries with tens of millions of adherents worldwide. It is the largest organised Muslim Community in the world and is led by a system of successorship known as Khilafat. Its current Khalifa is the fifth successor to the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him); his name is His Holiness, Mirza Masroor Ahmad. His title is Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih V, the Khalifa of Islam.

Ahmadi Muslims believe that the Promised Messiah is a non-law bearing prophet, that violent Jihad is prohibited and that Jesus (peace be upon him) did not die on the cross. As a result, Ahmadi Muslims worldwide are severely persecuted by radical groups in some, mostly Muslim Countries, often with the support of government.

This newsletter aims to provide short summaries of the regular denial of human rights suffered by Ahmadi Muslims in Pakistan where persecution is most widespread.

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