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Summary

A number of Muslim organisations in the country have questioned the Waqf (Amendment) Bill, 2025 passed by the Central government in the Supreme Court. They submitted in the court that this law is a direct interference in Islamic religious matters, hence it should be repealed. In its interim order, the Supreme Court has rejected the demand to repeal the law, but imposed an interim stay on three sections of this bill. For example, the court has limited the number of non-Muslim members in the Waqf Council and in the state Waqf boards. This apart, District Magistrates have also been barred from deciding Waqf disputes. The court has also stayed the condition of being a follower of Islam for five years to make a waqf. The biggest controversy is over removing the provision of 'Waqf by User' in the amended law. Muslim institutions have expressed the fear that the government will remove this provision and take the Waqf properties in its control.

Urdu newspapers say that the Supreme Court has tried to please both the government as well as the petitioners. Minister for Minority Affairs Kiren Rijiju and former Union Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi termed the verdict of the Supreme Court as a victory for democracy and the rights of the Parliament. However, majority of the Muslim leaders have expressed dissatisfaction over the verdict of the court. They declared that they would continue with the democratic and legal battle against this law.

In the United Nations, a resolution seeking recognition to Palestine as an independent nation has been passed with an overwhelming majority. A total of 142 countries supported the resolution. India was among the nations that supported it. The Urdu newspapers have welcomed this stand of the Indian government. A total of 12 countries did not take part in the voting. Whereas, 10 countries including the US and Israel opposed the resolution. Israel totally refused to accept an independent Palestine state. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has declared that he is committed to protecting his country's legacy and borders.

Recently, Israel carried out an airstrike at the Hamas headquarters located in Qatar. The purpose of this attack was to target the top leadership of Hamas. Hamas claims that all its senior leaders are safe. Muslim countries, especially Arab countries, have condemned the Israeli attack on Qatar. The Arab countries have started thinking of forming a joint army of Islamic nations on the lines of NATO to take on Israel. However, till now Muslim countries have avoided taking any credible step against Israel and their protest is limited to issuing statements.

In Europe, France has the largest population of Muslims. Currently, more than 60 lakh Muslims live in France. In view of the aggressive attitude of Muslims, the anger against them is growing among the French people. Due to pressure from people, the French government had to take some legal steps to stop the infiltration of immigrant Muslims in the country. The data shows that the Muslims staying in France had killed several French people in the past three years. Due to this a feeling of hatred is growing day-by-day against Muslims and Islam in France. Recently, severed heads of pigs were found outside a dozen mosques in Paris. It is worth mentioning that pig is considered as haram in Islam. Following this incident, Muslims held huge protests against government in several places in France. According to government sources, 79 anti-Muslim incidents took place in France in March 2025, which is 72 percent more than the incidents that took place in March 2024.

National

Supreme Court refuses to stay Waqf Bill



Inquilab (September 16) states that the Supreme Court has refused to stay the Waqf (Amendment) Bill passed by the Union government. However, the court has temporarily stayed its three provisions. Nine Muslim organisations had questioned the law before the Supreme Court. They demanded that this law violates the rights given to Muslims in the Constitution and hence it should be repealed. A Supreme Court bench comprising Chief Justice B R Gavai and Justice Augustine George Masih temporarily stayed the power given to the district magistrate to decide on the status of Waqf land. This apart, there will also be a stay on the condition of being a follower of Islam for five years before making a property as Waqf. The court did not stay the decision to appoint non-Muslims in state Waqf boards and Central Waqf Council. However, the number of non-Muslim members in state Waqf boards has been limited to three while the number of non-Muslim members in Central Waqf Council has been limited to two.

Roznama Sahara (September 16) states that the Waqf (Amendment) Bill passed by Parliament provided that only a person who has been a follower of Islam for at least five years can create a Waqf. The Supreme Court has imposed a temporary stay on it. The court said that

until the state governments formed a law to decide whether an individual is a Muslim or not, till then this provision shall not be implemented, because it may be arbitrarily used due to lack of a proper law. In the new Waqf law, a provision has also been made that in case a dispute arises over a Waqf property, it will be decided by the district magistrate. While staying this section, the court said that till the decision on the ownership of any property is received from the Waqf Tribunal or Court, no change shall be made in the records of the disputed Waqf property. The court clarified that the District Magistrate cannot be empowered to decide the title of any property.

Though the court did not stay the appointment of non-Muslim CEOs in state Waqf boards, but clearly said that the CEO shall be appointed from the Muslim community itself as far as possible. The court has also refused to intervene in the conditions regarding the registration of Waqf properties, because it is not a new rule. This rule was already present in the 1995 and 2013 Waqf laws. Chief Justice Gavai said that the court issues stay order or cancel any law passed by the Parliament only in certain special circumstances. On the 'Waqf by User', the court said that now such properties cannot be registered without a valid deed. The court said that it

is appropriate to do this to neutralise attempts to take over government property in the name of Waqf. It is worth mentioning that a provision of 'Waqf by User' was present in the old law. It means that if any property is being used as Waqf for a long time, then it is considered as Waqf property whether the Waqf Board has any documents regarding the property or not. It is worth mentioning that in the new Waqf law, the provision of 'Waqf by User' has been removed.



Commenting on the decision of the court, chief of Jamiat Ulema, Maulana Arshad Madani said we were expecting much more relief from the court, and we are not happy about whatever relief the Supreme Court has given. Our fight has not ended till now and it will continue till this black law is repealed. This new law is a direct attack on the Indian Constitution. Madani said the minorities have been given religious freedom in the Constitution and they have also been given a free rein to practice their religion. The new Waqf law is against religious freedom, hence we have questioned them in the Supreme Court. We are confident that the Supreme Court will strike down this law and give us the Constitutional rights. He said that the court's comments over the 'Waqf by User' is of serious concern.

All India Muslim Personal Law Board expressed dissatisfaction over the verdict of the court. Spokesperson of the board, Syed Qasim Rasool Ilyas, said the Supreme Court has put a temporary stay on some of the charges, but the fears we expressed about the violation of our constitutional rights have been ignored by the court. This has disappointed us. Chief of All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen Asaduddin Owaisi said we are confident that this decision is temporary. We want the Supreme Court to reconsider the issue. This new law of the government will not protect Waqf property. Owaisi alleged that

the usurpers of Waqf property will be rewarded and it will not be used for the benefit of those classes for whose interests the Waqf creator had created the Waqf.

Inquilab (September 16) states that member of All India Muslim Personal Law Board Maulana Khalid Rashid Firangi Mahali has expressed happiness over the verdict of the Supreme Court. He said that Muslims got relief from the stay imposed on three sections by the Supreme Court. He said he was totally confident that when the final verdict of the Supreme Court comes, it will be based on justice. Chief of Jamiat Ulema Maulana Arshad Madani said that scrapping 'Waqf by User' from the new Waqf law is against Islamic principles and the Shariah law. This is an attack on the religious rights of Muslims. Former MP Maulana Badruddin Ajmal said our fight against the Waqf (Amendment) law passed by the government will continue and our legal battle against it will go on. He demanded that the entire law should be declared as unconstitutional. Aam Aadmi Party leader Sanjay Singh described the interim order of the Supreme Court as 'Supreme Tamacha' on the Modi government. He said the Modi government wanted to hand over the Waqf lands to its capitalist friends at throwaway prices, but the court has put a stop to their plans.

Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav said the government should not interfere in the issues of Waqf. Waqf is a religious and social institution and its

management should remain in the hands of that community. He expressed hope that the Supreme Court will protect the rights of the minorities in this issue. Congress leader Meem Afzal said this was a partial relief and the Muslims need to remain alert for the protection of Waqf. He said the government wants to seize the Waqf of Muslims. Senior Advocate of Supreme Court Z K Faisan, while welcoming this decision of the court, said that in the present circumstances we do not have more expectations that this. He said the entire verdict of the Supreme Court is yet to come.

Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh said the order of the Supreme Court on the Waqf (Amendment) Act, 2025 is not just a victory to those parties who opposed this law in the Parliament, but also a victory of all the members of the JPC who submitted a detailed dissent notice. That time those notes were overlooked but now these have been proved right. He said we welcome this order, because it is a victory of justice, equality and fraternity.

Qaumi Tanzeem (September 16) states that Minister for Minority Affairs Kiren Rijju has welcomed the verdict of the Supreme Court on the Waqf law. Rijju said that some people question the decisions of the Parliament without any reason. The government has explained the intent and provisions of this law in the court. This verdict of the Supreme Court strengthens the democracy. When a law is passed in the Parliament, a detailed discussion is held on the same. Lot of discussions took place on this law in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha. It is clear from this verdict of the Supreme Court that the decision of the government is totally correct and this law cannot be cancelled. He said that the entire Muslim community will benefit from this new law. Rijju said that the arbitrary and wrong use of Waqf property will stop. Now the income from the Waqf properties could be used for Muslim women, children and the poor.



General secretary of Muslim Personal Law Board Maulana Mohammad Fazlur Rahim Mujaddidi said we are not happy with the interim order of the Supreme Court. He announced that a board of senior lawyers have been formed to analyse the verdict of the court. The Muslim Personal Law Board will discuss with them and express its views. Congress MP and petitioner Imran Pratapgarhi has expressed happiness over the verdict. He said the court has stopped the conspiracy hatched by the government to grab Waqf property. Senior leader of BJP and former Union Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi said that mafia gangs have been occupying the Waqf and this law has been brought to free the Waqf from the clutches of the mafia gangs.

Inquilab (September 16) in its editorial said that Muslims got a temporary relief from the verdict of the Supreme Court. The newspaper expressed hope that the court in its final verdict will give protection to the rights given to Muslims in the Constitution.

Siasat (September 17) in its editorial said the expectations that the Muslims had from the Supreme Court were not met. In its interim verdict, the court has ended the 'Waqf by User' provision. This would create several problems. The most important aspect of this decision of the Supreme Court is that the court has not confirmed the status of Waqf in Islam and has supported the government's encroachment on Waqf property.

The surprising thing is that the court has indirectly supported the appointment of non-Muslims in Waqf board. This has



given the opportunity to the government to arbitrarily interfere in Waqf. This is the reason why Muslims did not welcome this verdict. The newspaper urged that Muslims should continue with their legal battle so that they get justice.

Urdu Times (September 16) in its editorial described the Supreme Court verdict as incomplete justice. The newspaper said that Muslim unrest against government legislation remains unabated. The Muslim Personal Law Board, which represents the Muslims, expressed dissatisfaction over this verdict of the court. The board said that the rights of Muslims over Waqf property have not been clearly defined. Therefore, the dispute over their ownership will continue.

In Section 3 (D) of Waqf (Amendment) Act 2025, it is illegal to declare properties notified as ancient monuments under the Ancient Monuments (Preservation) Act, 1904 or the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 as Waqf, but the court

has refused to stay this as well. The court has also not clarified how the income from the Waqf properties could be utilised.

As per the amended Waqf law, the benefits from the income generated from the Waqf properties of Muslims could be received by non-Muslims as well. Whereas the basic condition of Waqf law is that the income from the Waqf properties could be utilised only for the education and welfare of the Muslims. However, this is not being implemented honestly. This is the reason why the All India Muslim Personal Law Board has described it as a half-justice.

Hindustan (September 16) in its editorial said the Supreme Court has refused to scrap the Waqf (Amendment) Act passed by the government. However, the Muslims have been given some relief with regard to certain provisions. In its verdict, the court has tried to please both the sides. The newspaper said the court has given a free hand to the Modi government to interfere in the Waqf properties of Muslims. However, Waqf is a religious issue of Indian Muslims. Masjids, madrasas, dargah and kabristans are the properties of Muslims for centuries under the Waqf Act. Following the verdict of the Supreme Court, the question that arises is whether the court is truly bound to protect the constitutional rights of minorities or is it attempting to shift this responsibility.

Anti-conversion bill passed in Rajasthan

Urdu Times (September 11) reports that the 'Rajasthan Prohibition of Unlawful Conversion of Religion Bill, 2025 has been passed in Rajasthan Assembly. Now this bill will be sent to the Governor. After getting approval from the Governor, it will be sent to the President. After getting the nod from the President, it will become a law. As per the bill, a person who carries out religious conversion through force, allurement, fraud or pressure can be punished with a minimum of seven years in

prison and a maximum of life imprisonment. Rajasthan's Law Minister Jogaram Patel told journalists that despite protests from the Opposition, the bill got passed in the Assembly. He said that a few legislators of Congress neither wanted any discussion to take place on the bill in the House nor wanted to get it passed. Their protest was condemnable, but we got the bill passed in the interest of the nation. He said that before preparing this bill, the anti-conversion laws in force in various states



of the country have been studied in detail so that it could be effectively implemented.

Another Rajasthan Minister, Avinash Gehlot, alleged that the Congress was obstructing the passage of this important bill due to Muslim appeasement. That is why Congress boycotted the debate on this bill in the Assembly, as its four legislators belong to the Muslim community. He said that the nation has suffered a lot due to the Muslim appeasement policy of Congress.

Another Minister, Jawahar Singh Bedham, described it as a historical step for Rajasthan. He said that a campaign of religious conversion is being carried out some by foreign powers through inducements. Once the bill is passed, illegal conversion could be stopped successfully. Opposition leader in Rajasthan Assembly, Tika Ram Jolly, described the bill as a political agenda of BJP. The ruling party is making a mountain out of a molehill to get the votes of a particular community. He said that in the past five years, only 13 cases of conversions came to the fore in Rajasthan. During this period, neither a single incident of mass conversion came up nor a violent incident took place due to conversion. Then what is the need to hurriedly bring a law in this connection?

It is worth mentioning that as per this bill, anyone accused of forceful conversion could be given a punishment of up to life-term in jail. This apart, a fine of Rs 25 lakh could also be imposed on the

accused. In this bill, there is a provision to run bulldozer on the buildings of the institutions involved in religious conversion. It is said that an anti-conversion bill is being passed in the Rajasthan Assembly for the third time. Earlier, anti-conversion laws were passed in 2006 and 2008 as well. These two laws were passed during the reign of former chief minister Vasundhara Raje and they also received the approval of the President. Later, due to the objections of Attorney General, they did not get legal status.

The current bill provides for imprisonment of up to 14 years for fraudulent religious conversion. This apart, a fine of minimum Rs 5 lakh could also be imposed on the accused. Fraudulent conversion of minor girls, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and persons with disabilities can result in a punishment of 10 to 20 years. If any person is involved in mass conversion, he may get a punishment up to life-term in jail. This apart, a fine of Rs 25 lakh could also be imposed on him. The bill has a provision to award 10-20 years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs 20 lakh on those who accept money from abroad and from illegal institutions for religious conversion. If any individual gets married with the goal of religious conversion, the court may cancel the marriage. Rajasthan's Minister of State for Home Jawahar Singh Bedham said that several states in the country had brought

anti-conversion laws before Rajasthan. In Arunachal Pradesh, an anti-conversion law was brought in 1978. This apart, anti-conversion laws were brought in Andhra

Pradesh in 2007, Uttarakhand in 2018, Himachal Pradesh in 2019, Uttar Pradesh in 2021, Karnataka in 2021 and Haryana in 2022.

Uproar over desecration of national emblem at Hazratbal dargah

Inquilab (December 6) states that after the renovation of the historic dargah Hazratbal in Jammu-Kashmir capital Srinagar, a plaque of the national symbol Ashoka Emblem was placed there. The installation of this plaque caused a huge uproar. Ashoka Emblem, the national symbol, was vandalised by Muslim protesters. The protesters say that no statue of any kind could be installed inside the dargah. Statue-like structures inside the dargah is against Islam. It is known that Dargah Hazratbal was renovated recently. Chairperson of Jammu-Kashmir Waqf Board Dr Darakshan Andrabi had inaugurated it recently. Dr Andrabi has condemned the incident. She said that people belonging to a particular party were behind this incident. She said that stringent legal action will be taken against these miscreants. She said that the miscreants who destroyed the national symbol Ashoka Emblem are no lesser than terrorists. I request Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah to immediately arrest these miscreants. She said that when I saw the Ashoka Emblem destroyed, it felt as if a cloud had burst upon me.

Inquilab (September 11) reports that the chairman of All India Muslim Majlis-e-Mushawarat Naved Hamid has condemned the installation of India's national symbol Ashoka Emblem in the dargah. He said that by doing this an attempt has been made to mislead the Muslims.

Roznama Sahara (September 8) states that Union Minister for Minority Affairs Kiren Rijju has condemned the vandalism of Ashoka Emblem at the Hazratbal dargah. He said that stringent



action should be taken against the accused. The Jammu-Kashmir Police have registered a case against those who vandalised the national emblem at Hazratbal dargah and are investigating the issue.

Akbar-e-Mashriq (September 7) states that Jammu-Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has criticised the installation of Ashoka Emblem in the dargah. He said that national symbols are used in government functions, not in religious places. He said that the Jammu-Kashmir Waqf Board should apologise to the people of the state for this mistake. This step of Waqf Board has hurt the religious sentiments of the people. Omar Abdullah criticised the demand of Darakshan Andrabi to arrest the accused under the National Security Act. He said that the founder of National Conference Sheikh Abdullah had carried out the maintenance of this dargah during his reign. This is a holy place for Muslims from across the world, because the Mue Mubarak (hair) of Prophet Hazrat Mohammad is kept here. He said that Sheikh Abdullah never tried to keep a plaque in his name in this dargah. Spokesperson of Jammu-Kashmir BJP Sunil Sethi, while describing this incident



as anti-national, said these miscreants have conspired to end the peace and social harmony in the state.

Mursif (September 15) said that the chairperson of Jammu-Kashmir Waqf Board Darakshan Andrabi is a BJP leader. The newspaper asked whether such a plaque has ever been installed in any temple, masjid or gurdwara? PDP leader Mehbooba Mufti has also criticised the installation of Ashoka Emblem on dargah premises. She demanded that legal action should be taken against those who install such plaques, because it has hurt the religious sentiments of Muslims. Muttahida Ulema Mahaj has also condemned the installation of Ashoka Emblem on dargah premises and said that this is not in accordance with Islamic traditions.

The newspaper said that Dargah Hazratbal is not just a building, instead it is a spiritual centre for Kashmiri Muslims for centuries. This dargah was constructed by

Mughal Subedar Sadiq Khan during the regime of Mughal emperor Shahjahan. In 1634, when Mughal emperor Shahjahan arrived in Jammu-Kashmir, he offered namaz in this dargah. The newspaper said that this dargah has historical importance. Kashmiri trader Khwaja Nooruddin Ishai brought the Mue Mubarak of Hazrat Mohammad from Bijapur. The then Mughal emperor Aurangzeb arrested him and put him in jail and the Mue Mubarak was seized from Srinagar and sent to Ajmer. Later he changed his decision and sent the Mue Mubarak back to Srinagar. Along with this, he ordered the release of Khwaja Nooruddin Ishai, but Nooruddin died in jail itself. Then Nooruddin Ishai's daughter Inayat Begum took over the responsibility to look after the Mue Mubarak. Ever since, her descendants are looking after the Mue Mubarak. The maintenance work of Hazratbal dargah was started by Sheikh Abdullah in 1968.

Gang plotting to establish Islamic Caliphate in Bharat arrested

Qaumi Tanzeem (September 13) states that the Special Branch of Delhi Police arrested five terrorists after busting a gang of terrorists. Additional Commissioner of Police Pramod Kushwaha claimed that these terrorists were nabbed from Delhi, Jharkhand, Telangana, Madhya Pradesh

and Maharashtra. It is being said that their links are with Pakistan's intelligence agency ISI. The gang was preparing to unleash the jihad of 'Gazwa-e-Hind' to establish Islamic Caliphate in Bharat. He claimed that an information had received that more than 40 people are part of this



possession. This gang has been running an online group named 'Gazwa-e-Hind.' It is being said that recently people belonging to this gang organised a training session to make bombs and use of weapons at a secret camp in Aravali mountains in Haryana. Meanwhile, Aftab and Sufiyan were arrested from Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station in Delhi. The two were trying to flee to Mumbai. More arrests are likely in this connection.

network. This gang used to be in contact with each other through the Signal app.

The arrested terrorists include Sufiyan Aboobakar, Ashar Danish, Aftab Ansari, Kamran Qureshi and Mohammad Huzaifa Yemen. The court sent them on police remand. According to the police, Ashar Danish, the leader of this terrorist gang, was recently injured while making a bomb and suffered multiple injuries on his body due to the explosion of gunpowder. This gang is linked to notorious Islamic terrorist organisation ISIS. Several security agencies are interrogating them.

Siasat (September 12) states that the mastermind of this gang Ashar Danish is a resident of Ranchi. He has got a Master's degree in English. He was arrested from Islamnagar locality in Ranchi. Several items like the material meant for manufacturing bombs, laptop, cash and maps of several cities were seized from his

Hindustan (September 11) states that Ashar Danish, who was arrested from Ranchi, is an original resident of Bokaro and he came in contact with Pakistan's intelligence agency ISI through internet.

Inquilab (September 9) states that the National Investigation Agency (NIA) raided 22 places in five states in the country in search of Islamic terrorists. The highest number of nine raids were held in Jammu-Kashmir. While eight places were raided in Bihar and one each in Karnataka, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu, raids were conducted in two places in Uttar Pradesh.

As per another news, an NIA team raided the houses of Mohammad Iqbal, Mohammad Noor Hashim, Mohammad Mubarak and Mohammad Nizam at Durgapur village in Katihar in Bihar and took some people into custody. All these people are being interrogated at the NIA office located in Patna.

Case against head of Tablighi Jamaat quashed



Akbar-e-Mashriq (September 5) reports that the case registered against the head of Tablighi Jamaat Maulana Saad Kandhalawi

and others have been withdrawn on the directions of the Delhi High Court. The government had accused the Tablighi



Jamaat of spreading the Corona pandemic and cases were registered against its office-bearers in 24 places in the country. According to the newspaper, the crime branch of Delhi Police submitted a report in the court seeking closure of the case in this connection. The Delhi Police said that no credible evidence was obtained to show that Maulana Saad and his colleagues had spread Corona pandemic. Nothing objectionable has been found in the speeches obtained from the laptop of Maulana Saad seized by the police.

As per media reports, a case was registered against Maulana Saad and others on the basis of a complaint lodged by the Station House Officer of Hazrat Nizamuddin police station on March 31, 2020. It was alleged that an audio recording of Maulana Saad was released on WhatsApp on March 21, 2020. In this he was heard urging his followers to violate the lockdown and social distancing and take part in the ijtema of the Markaz. Following this, the government sealed the

Nizamuddin Markaz of Tablighi Jamaat. Later, on the orders of Delhi High Court, the Markaz was handed over to Tablighi Jamaat. This apart, the court struck down the cases registered against 70 members of Tablighi Jamaat. The court said that there is no evidence to prove that the members of Tablighi Jamaat took part in any prohibited activities.

It is worth mentioning that the Tablighi Jamaat was founded in 1926 by Maulana Saad Kandhalawi's great-grandfather Maulana Ilyas Kandhalawi. Tablighi Jamaat is considered as the biggest organisation of Muslims in the world. Tablighi Jamaat is active in nearly 150 nations of the world. It is being said that nearly two crore people are associated with this organisation. In the Indian sub-continent, the Tablighi Jamaat got divided into several parts. Currently, there are five divisions among them. Two of the divisions are in Bharat. Whereas two groups are in Bangladesh and one group is in Pakistan.

Severed Pig heads found outside mosques spark uproar in France



Qaumi Bharat (September 11) states that a commotion took place in French capital Paris after severed pig heads were found outside a dozen mosques recently. Following the incident, Muslims held huge anti-government protests in several places in France. It is worth mentioning that France has the largest Muslim population among European countries. The population of Muslims in France is nearly 15 percent. The interesting thing is that the name of French President Emmanuel Macron was found written on the severed heads of pigs. Till now, it has not been found whose hands were behind this incident. It is said that in Islam, consuming the meat of pig is considered haram.

The police chief of Paris Laurent Nuñez said at a press conference that foreign hands could be behind the incident. He admitted that anger against Muslims and Islam is growing day-by-day in France. He said the government will extend all possible security to the Muslims living in France. The police chief said that currently France is passing through a political and financial crisis. Using this opportunity, anti-French elements wanted to create communal tension in the country. Nunez said that foreign elements are already creating instability in the country. The head of Grand Mosque of Paris Chems-Eddine

Hafiz alleged that a feeling of hatred is being incited against Muslims and Islam in Europe. This incident in Paris is an indication for the same. He appealed to the people of the country to maintain communal harmony.

In a news published in its September 12 edition, this newspaper said that French Interior Minister Bruno Retailleau has condemned the incident. He said that the social structure of France is secular and I am confident that the citizens of the country will continue to follow this old tradition. He said he wanted the Muslims staying in France to follow their religion without any fear. Retailleau said the sad thing is that earlier also several incidents of insulting the Quran and the Prophet took place. It has been found that the hands of extremists were found behind these incidents. It is worth mentioning that in 2015, a cartoon of Islam's Prophet Mohammad was published in French journal 'Charlie Hebdo.' On this, some Islamic extremists attacked the office of the journal and set fire to it and its 12 employees were killed.

Awadhnama (September 11) states that in the wake of the war between Israel and Hamas, Jews have been attacked in several countries in Europe. Due to this, a feeling of hatred against Muslims is

growing in these countries. Recently, extremists Muslims carried out nationwide mass protests seeking the establishment of an Islamic Caliphate in Germany. During these protests, fatal attacks were launched against ordinary citizens as well. In view of this, the German government has declared nine Islamic organisations as terrorist organisations and imposed a ban on them. This apart, more than a dozen mosques

were also shut down. The German Interior Minister alleged that the hands of Iran were behind these Islamic terrorists.

Urdu Times (September 12) alleged that there has been a rapid increase in anti-Muslim incidents in France. In March 2025, a total of 79 anti-Muslim incidents took place in France, which is a 72 percent increase compared to the previous year March.

Pakistan and China sign USD 8.5 billion deal

Qaumi Tanzeem (September 6) states that China will make investments worth 8.5 billion dollars in Pakistan. During his visit to China, Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, while addressing Chinese industrialists, stressed that China should make more investments in Pakistan. He said that Pakistan is determined to enhance cooperation with China in defence sector. China has assured that it would cooperate with Pakistan in manufacturing fighter planes. China has also agreed to set up a factory in Pakistan to manufacture these planes.



As per media reports, Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif also inspected a factory manufacturing aircraft in China. He expressed hope that Pakistan will set new records in defence and other sectors with the cooperation of China. Chinese investments will help Pakistani citizens get job opportunities. Sharif urged Chinese industrialists to make investments in agriculture, Information Technology,

Artificial Intelligence and minerals etc in Pakistan. He said that labour is cheap in Pakistan and China could make more profits by setting up its industries in Pakistan. The Pakistan Prime Minister said that under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor agreement signed in 2015, the Chinese companies have made investments worth 35 billion dollars in Pakistan. Due to this, Pakistan's basic infrastructure got strengthened.

Taliban campaign to make textbooks Shariah-compliant

Awadhnama (September 10) states that the Taliban government has decided to modify the syllabus of higher education in accordance with Islamic Shariah. Under this new policy, several subjects are being removed from the syllabus and hundreds of textbooks are being revised so that the textbooks are in compliance with Shariah.

According to a spokesperson of higher education ministry, 18 subjects at University level are being removed. Whereas a committee of Islamic scholars is looking into nearly 201 subjects. This apart, a ban has been imposed on 679 textbooks. The subjects which have been removed from the syllabus include



fundamental rights, political Islamic movement, human rights, democracy, Afghan Constitution, women's societal role, political system, social science and sexual exploitation etc.

A government spokesperson said that our government will not tolerate such syllabus or textbooks which does not conform to the Wahabi viewpoint. The 679 textbooks on which a complete ban has been imposed include law, international relations, Islamic thought, philosophy, translation of Quran and commentaries on Shariah. The committee of Islamic scholars said the textbooks on which a ban was imposed were not in conformity with Islamic ideology. There were several books among them which were being taught in

the Islamic education department of the Universities.

Observers believe that due to this new policy of Taliban, several Islamic scholars will have to take refuge abroad. The Taliban government has terminated several such professors from their jobs who have been teaching in the universities and had received higher education from abroad. In

their place, those who received education from Islamic institutions and madrasas are being appointed. This apart, in order to check the eligibility of the professors teaching at the universities, a special interview drive is being conducted. In this interview panel, only those who are well-versed in Sunni and Wahabi ideology are included. Its goal is to remove those professors, whose ideology and education are different from the ideology of Taliban, from their posts. Taliban leaders believe that education in their country should be imparted only according to the Islamic system. Due to this, the students who study in the universities in Afghanistan will have to face difficulties in getting jobs in other countries.

Ban on Shariah law in Texas state in US

Urdu Times (September 15) states that the US state of Texas has imposed a ban on Shariah law. This has increased dissatisfaction among Muslims. Texas Governor Greg Abbott said that a ban on Islamic Shariah has been imposed in his state because it is not in tune with the American social structure. He urged the residents of the state that if any individual or organisation force them to follow Shariah law, they should immediately inform the local police or public safety wing. It is being said that a video of a Maulavi had gone viral in the Houston city in Texas. The viral video



shows the Maulavi directing shopkeepers through a loudspeaker not to sell liquor, pig meat and lottery ticket. The Governor said that such activities create trouble for the

residents of the state. We will not allow any individual to impose any religious law on the people of the state. Abbott said that he has signed an official order imposing a ban on Shariah law.

It is clearly mentioned in the 'American Laws for American Courts' passed in 2017 that the US courts cannot apply any foreign or religious laws, and hence Islamic Shariah law cannot be forcibly imposed on the American people. Council on American-Islamic Relations (CIR), while criticising the order issued by Governor Greg Abbott, said that the Shariah law is limited only to Muslims. It is not any government law. It is worth mentioning that earlier, in the beginning of

this year, Governor Abbott had opposed a 400-acre residential and commercial complex proposed by the East Plano Islamic Center (EPIC). Under this, there was a proposal to establish houses, schools, masjids, madrasas and other commercial institutions. The Governor alleged that there is a possibility to convert these premises into a Shariah zone, hence permission cannot be granted for the same. It is worth mentioning that Texas Governor Greg Abbott is a leader of Republican Party and is considered close to US President Donald Trump. Muslim leaders say that the stand of Governor Abbott is anti-Islam and he deliberately targeted the Shariah law.

Clashes between Pakistan army and militants in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa



Aurangabad Times (September 15) states that it has been stated in a press release issued by Pakistan's defence ministry that nearly 100 militants and 39 Pakistani soldiers were killed in clashes between the army and the militants in the past week. It has been claimed in this press statement that the terrorists of banned organisation Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) infiltrated Pakistan's border and attacked Pakistani army four times. The biggest encounter took place in Bajour district. Here the army raided the base of terrorists.

In the ensuing clashes, 50 terrorists and 30 Pakistani soldiers were killed. In three different clashes that took place in South Waziristan, 45 terrorists were killed. This apart, 19 soldiers were also killed. The army claimed that these attacks were being controlled from the Afghanistan's territory and huge cache of weapons were seized from the deceased terrorists. Pakistan's army chief Asim Munir and Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif took part in the namaz-e-janaja of the killed soldiers. Munir said the flames of terrorism being spread in



Pakistan at the behest of foreign powers will not be tolerated at any cost. The entire Pakistani nation is united to take on this. He said that until each and every terrorist is wiped out, the campaign by the army will continue. Munir claimed that foreign weapons have been seized from the custody of terrorists and those who were killed were Afghan citizens.

Chattan (September 5) states that Islamic terrorist organisation ISIS has taken responsibility for the suicide blast that took place at a public gathering in Quetta in the beginning of this month. It is worth mentioning that 15 people were killed and 38 were injured in this blast. Balochistan's Additional Chief Secretary Hamza Shafakat said it was a suicide attack and the attacker was aged around 20 years. President of Balochistan National Party

Sardar Akhtar Mengal claimed that the hands of Pakistani army were behind this blast, which wanted to crush the freedom movement taking place in Balochistan under its pretext.

Chattan (September 2) states that the Afghanistan government has summoned the Pakistan's Ambassador based in Kabul to the foreign affairs ministry. Lodging its protest, the Afghanistan government said the Pakistan government is killing innocent Afghan citizens through drone attacks after violating the border of Afghanistan. The Afghan foreign ministry say that it is the responsibility of Afghanistan government to protect Afghanistan's territory. The manner in which Afghanistan's border is violated by Pakistan will have serious consequences.



West Asia

Israeli attack on Hamas headquarters in Qatar



Inquilab (September 10) reports that Israel has targeted the headquarters of Hamas located in Qatar capital Doha. A senior Israeli official told Israel television 'Channel 12' that it was US President Donald Trump who had given permission to Israel to attack the Hamas headquarters based in Qatar. Meanwhile, Hamas told 'Al Jazeera' that the target of this attack was the team that holds talks on behalf of Hamas. According to 'Al Arabia,' the Israeli attack targeted the Hamas delegation in Katara region in Doha. During the time of the blast, the delegation was holding discussion on the statement of US President Trump where he mentioned about the ceasefire in Gaza and the release of hostages. Secondly, Israel also claims that it had targeted the head of Hamas's political bureau, Khalil Al-Hayya. However, he survived the attack, though his son Humam was killed. This apart, a few other leaders of Hamas were also killed in this attack. The US White House did not make any comments on this attack.

Spokesperson of Iranian foreign affairs ministry Ismail Badhai has described the Israeli attack on Qatar as 'dangerous' and a violation of international laws. President of United Arab Emirates Mohammad bin Zayed Al Nahyan said we

stand by Qatar and condemn this attack. Saudi Arabia also condemned the Israeli attack on Qatar. Spokesperson of Hamas's political bureau Suhail al Hindi claimed that no important leader of Hamas was killed in this Israeli attack. He said that five persons including Hamas senior leader Khalil Al-Hayya's son Humam and the office manager of Khalil, Jihad Labad, were killed in the attack. Suhail al-Hindi said when Israel attacked the office of Hamas located in Qatar, that time the leaders of Hamas were discussing about the Gaza ceasefire. He said that after this attack, the question of any kind of a deal with Israel does not arise at all.

As per another news, Qatar has refused to mediate for the ceasefire in Gaza following the Israeli attack. A spokesperson of Qatar said we will not tolerate the stand of Israel. This attack by them is an open violation of international laws and it is a major threat to the safety of the people of Qatar. A spokesperson of Türkiye's foreign ministry said that Israel wants war, not peace. The spokesperson said that we stand firmly with Qatar.

Inquilab (September 13) states that the United Nations Security Council has condemned the attack on Qatar, but it did not take the name of Israel. The 15



members of United Nations Security Council said in a joint statement that Qatar had been playing the mediatory role for the ceasefire in Gaza and for the release of hostages. Hence the attack on Doha was of serious concern. Due to this attack, the issues of ceasefire in Gaza and the release of hostages have landed in trouble. In this meeting, Algeria, Pakistan, Russia, Britain, China, Somalia and Slovenia described the Israeli attack on Qatar as a violation of the charter of United Nations. This emergency meeting was requested by Algeria, Pakistan and Somalia. Pakistan's Permanent Representative in United Nations Asim Iftikhar Ahmad said the United Nations should take some credible step against Israeli aggression so that the authority of international laws and United Nations charter will remain. He said that Israel has no interest in ceasefire, because it wants to take over the entire Gaza.

Urdu Times (September 12) reports that after the Israeli attack on Qatar, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi talked to Qatar Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani over telephone and said that India condemns the violation of the sovereignty of Qatar. India wants such issues to be resolved through mutual discussions.

Urdu Times (September 11) states that US President Donald Trump said that the decision to attack Qatar was not his, instead it was of Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. The US has never supported these kinds of attacks. Qatar is an independent nation and an ally of the US. It is making efforts to establish peace in the region along with the US. White House had claimed that the US had already warned Qatar about this attack. Whereas,

Qatar has rejected the claim. Foreign ministry spokesperson of Qatar, Dr Majid Mohammad al-Ansari said that Qatar was not given prior information regarding this attack.

Urdu Times (September 12) states that Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has threatened Qatar to expel Hamas leaders from the country. If it does not do so, it will have to face its consequences. Netanyahu said the Israeli action in Doha was similar to the US retaliation following the 9/11 attacks. On October 7, 2023, the biggest ever attack took place on Israel. How can we forget that? He asked how come the US forgot that it had moved a resolution in the United Nations Security Council after the attacks on US on September 11, 2001. It had been stated in it that no country should give refuge to terrorists. Wherever they are, they will be given death. Netanyahu said we are working on the same policy. Qatar is giving refuge to the terrorists of Hamas. They are being given accommodation and money. Using this money, they are fueling terrorism against Israel. We are doing what the US had done. The US entered Afghanistan and killed terrorists and also killed Osama bin Laden in Pakistan.

A spokesperson of Qatar said that the Hamas leaders were given refuge in Qatar at the behest of the US. Qatar Prime Minister Sheikh Mohammad bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al-Thani said the Israeli attack dashed the hopes of Israeli hostages' release.

Awadhnama (September 11) states that Pakistan's defence minister Khawaja Asif has condemned the Israeli attack on Qatar. He appealed to all Muslim nations to get united against rogue Israel and destroy its economic power. Khawaja Asif said that if we think that Israel will adopt a liberal policy towards us, then we will be making a fool of ourselves. The Qatar Prime Minister announced that Qatar will give a befitting reply to Israel. He said that all Muslim nations should get united and retaliate against Israel.

Siasat (September 12) states that a heated debate took place between US President Trump and Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on the question of targeting Hamas. Trump said that he is not happy about this attack. Describing this attack as a unilateral one, the US said that the attack has damaged US and Israeli interests.



Siasat (September 10) states that Hamas sources confirmed that when Israel launched the attack, a high-level meeting of the top leadership of Hamas was taking place. The meeting was attended by Khaled Mashaal, Khalil Al-Hayya, Zaher Jabarin, Muhammed Darwish and Musa Abu Marzouk. The newspaper said that these prominent leaders of Hamas narrowly escaped as Israel missed the target.

Siasat (September 12) states that recently, the Israeli aggression has escalated significantly. In the past three days, the Israeli military carried out indiscriminate air strike on six countries. They include Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Tunisia, Qatar and Yemen. After the air strike on Lebanon, Israeli military claimed that it had destroyed Hezbollah's weapons depots and military installations.

Awadhnama (September 14) in its editorial said that the recent Israeli attack on Qatar is a wake-up call for those Gulf countries who are dependent on the US instead of Allah. The world is watching that the Arab countries are not taking any credible step against Israel due to the appeasement by the US. Their condemnation is limited to just issuing paper statements. If the US wanted, it could stop Israel's drive to commit genocide of Arabs, but it did not do so. The United States vetoed a ceasefire proposal in Gaza which was brought before the United Nations.

Urdu Times (September 12) in its editorial said that no one should be surprised over the Israeli attack on Qatar. The Arab countries are violating the directions of the Prophet and the Quran.

Their links are with those countries who want to destroy and ruin Islam and the Muslims. Israel Prime Minister Netanyahu is seeing the dream of Greater Israel. Despite all these, if the eyes of Arab nations are not opening, then their existence will be in trouble forever. Now time has come for the Arab countries to get united and take some credible step against Israel. It should be remembered that when Arab countries weaponized oil and brought European countries and America to their knees in 1973, the entire world was shaken. Today we are more powerful than them. What is required is all Muslim nations should immediately stop the supply of oil and gas to the US and Western nations. The Muslim countries should economically boycott the Western nations and cutoff all kinds of relations with them.

Hindustan (September 11) in its editorial said that Israel has flouted all international laws. If the United Nations does not take any credible step for the protection of Qatar, then Aalam-e-Islam is meaningless. The newspaper said that Qatar had given refuge to the leaders of Taliban and Ikhwanul Muslimeen (Muslim Brotherhood) also in their own country, but the US never carried out an attack on them. Israel has proved that it can stab the mediator in the back.

Inquilab (September 11) in its editorial alleged that Israel wants to seize Gaza and wants to finish off the existence of Palestinians forever. This is the reason why it is not ready to accept the mediation of anyone including the United Nations.

Etemaad (September 11) in its editorial alleged that on the one hand, the US pretends to have a ceasefire with

Hamas by using Qatar as a mediator. Whereas, on the other hand, it orders Israel to kill the leaders of Hamas. Strangely, the US has been using Qatar for negotiations since the beginning. The agreement with

the Taliban was also initiated from Qatar. The newspaper alleged that the US is consistently supporting Israel so that it can destroy the feeling of nationalism among Arabs and turn them away from Islam.

142 nations support independent Palestine



Awadhnama (September 14) states that a historical decision was taken at the United Nations recently. A total of 142 nations have supported recognising Palestine as an independent nation and creating two nations to end the Israel-Palestine conflict. Bharat also voted in favour of this resolution. The UN General Assembly thus approved the 'New York Declaration', which advocates for a solution to the age-old Israel-Palestine conflict. Out of the total 193 member nations in the United Nations, 142 have supported this resolution. Whereas, 10 countries voted against this resolution. Meanwhile, 12 countries did not take part in the voting. France and Saudi Arabia had prepared the draft of the resolution. In July this year, the two countries had held a high-level meeting to discuss the establishment of the two nations.

This proposal calls for the transfer of administration of the entire Palestine to the Palestinian Authority after a ceasefire in Gaza. It also calls for an end to the Hamas government in Gaza and handing over of its weapons to the Palestinian Authority. India has supported this resolution. This is

in accordance with India's old policy on the Palestinian issue. Palestine's permanent observer Riyad Manzoor described this resolution as a hope for peace. Without taking the name of Israel, Mansoor said we appeal to those who are treading on the path of war and destruction to listen to the voice of peace.

On the other hand, Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has rejected this proposal. While signing on a project to increase the number of Jewish colonies in West Bank, he said there won't be any Palestine state here. This is our land. Israeli representative in United Nations Danny Danon, while describing this proposal as a drama, said only Hamas will benefit from it. The US has also opposed this proposal. Counselor in US mission Morgan Ortagus said this was a publicity stunt done at a wrong time. She said this proposal was a gift for Hamas.

It is worth mentioning that the New York Declaration has condemned the attack carried out by Hamas on Israeli citizens on October 7, 2023. Nearly 1,200 people were killed in this attack and 250 people were taken hostages. It also condemned Israel's



Assembly has created a new stir in international politics. A total of 142 countries supported the creation of two nations to resolve the Israel-Palestine controversy. India has also supported this proposal. Earlier, Bharat had remained neutral on the ceasefire proposal in June this year, but the voices raised across the world in support of the Palestinian people have reminded India of history. The foundation of India's foreign policy was laid by Jawaharlal Nehru, which was based on non-alignment. In 1988, when

blockade of Gaza and attacks on civilians and infrastructure there. According to the health ministry of Gaza, till now 64,000 Palestinians have died in Israeli attack.

Urdu Times (September 13) states that Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that a Palestinian state will never come into existence. We will protect our legacy and every inch of our land. We will not allow anyone to occupy it. It is said that Netanyahu has signed on a project related to expansion of Jewish colonies in West Bank. Under this project, new houses, roads and basic infrastructure will be built on a 12 square kilometre land in East Jerusalem. Recently, the Israeli cabinet had given approval to this project. Analysts say that the completion of this project will destroy the plan to create a separate Palestinian state. Under international law, all the Israeli colonies built in West Bank are considered as illegal, because under Geneva Convention if any country occupies the land of any other country, then it won't be able to settle its population there. However, Israel does not recognise this factor. Their claim is that before the war of 1967, West Bank was not in any recognised state, hence the Geneva Convention will not be applicable on it. Israel also contends that the people are living in this region at their own will.

Urdu Times (September 14) in its editorial said that the passage of the resolution for an independent Palestinian nation in the United Nations General

Palestine announced its independence, India was among the countries that granted recognition to it immediately. During Rajiv Gandhi's regime, India had strongly supported the Palestine people in the United Nations. It is a matter of happiness that now the conscience of the Indian government has awakened and it has openly supported an independent Palestine.

The newspaper said that due to this decision of Indian government, an ideological war has started in the country. Congress has called it a victory of its moral legacy. Whereas BJP and its supporters say that Congress support to Palestine is an opportunist politics, which they are using to please the vote bank of a particular community in India. The BJP is trying to convince its supporters that voting for an independent Palestine is just a political move and that there is no change in India's policy. It is worth mentioning that the diplomatic ties between India and Israel began in 1992.

Siasat (September 13) states that Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has rejected the proposal for separate statehood for Palestine. He said that the question of granting recognition to Palestine does not arise at all, because this land belongs to Israel. The newspaper said that Israel wanted to increase the population of Jews in the region. Thousands of Jews are being settled in the region with this aim. Now it is the

responsibility of the entire world to ensure that the resolution adopted by the United Nations for an independent Palestine is implemented and Israel is forced to grant recognition for the same. If Israel refuses to

do so, then military force should be used against it. Western nations could play an important role in this. Israel is chanting the tune of Greater Israel, but the Muslim world is remaining mute spectators.

Arab nations contemplate joint military force

Roznama Sahara (September 16) states that the Arab countries have started contemplating about a joint military force on the lines of NATO. As per the reports of Arab media, this proposal was mooted by Egypt and discussions were held on the same at the recently held summit of Arab nations in Riyadh. In this joint Arab force, the military contingents and weapons of the member-nations of Arab League will be included. As per media reports, Egypt has first proposed the formation of a joint military of Arab nations at the Arab summit meeting held at Sharm-el-Sheikh in 2015. The proposal of Egypt got the green signal at the summit. Later, the proposal was put in cold storage. Now, after the Israeli attack on Qatar, discussions have once again started on the proposal. As per media reports, Egypt had proposed the creation of a joint force of Arab countries in response to the capture of large parts of Yemen by Iran-backed Houthi rebels in 2015. That time, an alliance was formed under the leadership of Saudi Arabia to fight the war in favour of the internationally recognised government in Yemen.

As per latest reports, the Egypt government wants the headquarters of this joint military to be established in Cairo. The reason for it is that the biggest Army among Arab countries is that of Egypt. As per this proposal of Egypt, the generals of the 22 Arab League countries will be appointed commanders of this army in turn.

General Secretary of Arab League, Ahmed Aboul Gheit, said now the time has



come to make this vision of a united army a reality and there shall be no delay in implementing the same. Following the Israeli attack on Qatar, Qatar should not think that it is alone, hence all the members of Arab League should get united and stand with it.

It is worth mentioning that following the Israeli air strike on Qatar on September 9, 2025, Qatar has demanded a summit meeting of Arab League. Addressing this meeting, Qatar Prime Minister Sheikh Mohammad bin Abdulrahman Al Thani urged international community that they stop adopting double standards and get united and punish Israel for its crimes.

As per another news, secretary of Iran's supreme national security council Ali Larjani said that nothing will happen to the Israeli government just by making speeches. It is necessary that Arab countries form a joint operation room, from where the military operations of the united army of Arab nations could be conducted. He said that any kind of delay in this will be dangerous for Islam.

Israeli attack on Houthis

Urdu Times (September 12) reports that more than 50 Houthi rebels were killed in an Israeli airstrike on Yemen capital Sanaa. Whereas, more than 200 others were also injured. It is worth mentioning that Israel had earlier wiped out the entire cabinet of the Houthis. The Houthi government has confirmed the death of 35 senior military commanders. Israel



had targeted the military bases and oil depots of Houthis. Israel claimed that nearly 100 Houthi rebels were killed and 500 were injured in this attack. Earlier, Houthi rebels had targeted the Tel Aviv air base using drones. Israel carried out this attack in retaliation for it. The United Nations expressed concern over the growing military tension in Yemen and urged both sides to try and resolve the issue through mutual talks.

Etemaad (September 13) states that a mass funeral procession of those who were killed in Israeli attack in Yemen was taken out. Thousands of people took part in this including tribal leaders, military

commanders and ordinary citizens. The chief of Houthi rebels Abdul Malik Al-Houthi said this attack will not thwart our intentions against Israel, instead it will accelerate. We are ready to make the biggest sacrifice in the path of Allah. On this occasion, slogans were raised against the US and Israel.

As per another news, the Houthis attacked an Israeli ship using missiles at 40 nautical miles from Saudi Arabia. The ship was carrying the flag of Liberia and it was owned by an Israeli company. A spokesperson of Saudi Arabia confirmed this attack and said that the Israeli ship was carrying oil.

Attack by Islamic terrorists in Nigeria



Urdu Times (November 8) states that Islamic terrorist organisation Boko Haram attacked a village named Darul Jamal in Nigeria's north-east state Borno. Nearly 60 people were killed in this attack. Nigerian air force claimed that nearly 30 terrorists

were killed in their retaliatory action. It is said that Boko Haram is linked to Islamic terrorist organisation Al Qaida.

As per media reports, the attackers arrived at the village on motorcycles and opened indiscriminate fire. The terrorists

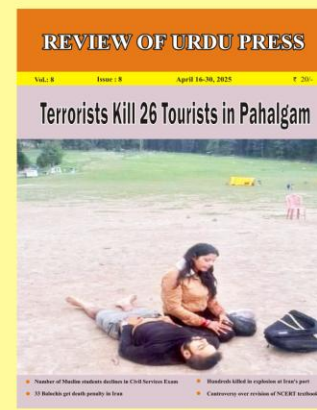
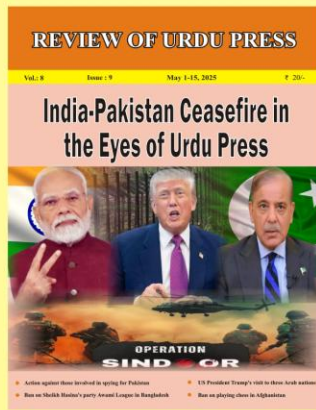
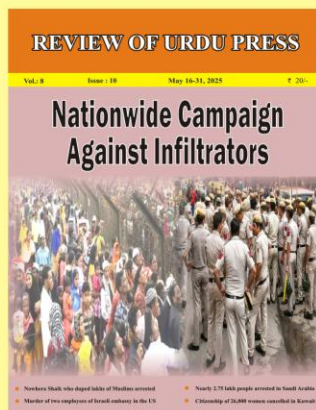
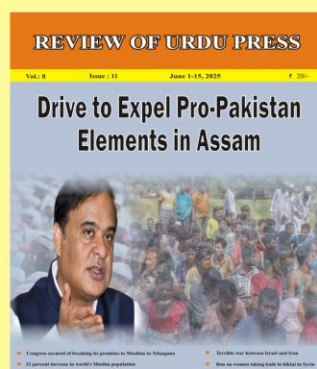
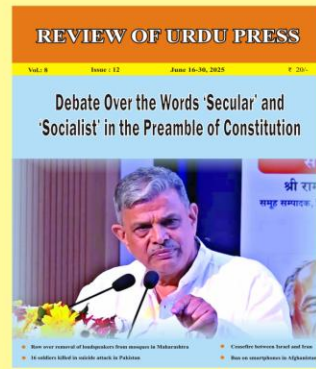
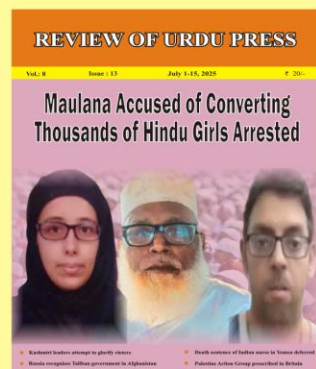
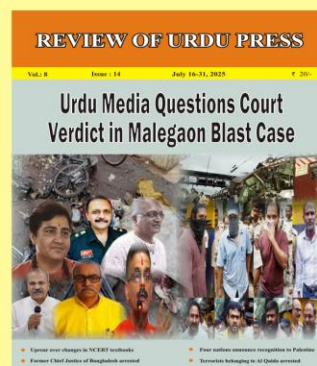
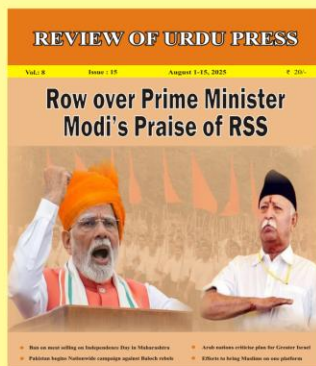
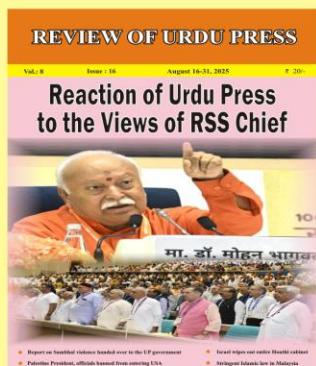


set fire to several houses. The terrorists of Boko Haram had carried out attacks in this area in the past as well. Dozens of people were killed in those attacks. In view of security of the citizens, the government has made arrangements for their stay in a camp. The villagers had returned to their village from this camp only recently. Governor of Borno, Babagana Zulum, visited the area. He requested the villagers not to move outside their house. He said that the security system in the village has been tightened.

A researcher at Institute for Security Studies, Taiwo Adebayo, told news agency 'AP' that they have visited the spot of the incident. Majority of those killed were Christians. Adebayo said the attackers belong to a unit of Islamic terrorist organisation of Al Qaida named Jama'atu Ahlis-Sunna Lidda'Awati Wal-Jihad. This organisation has been opposing the spread of Christianity and implementation of Western education in Nigeria. This terrorist

organisation wanted to establish a radical Islamic Shariah rule in Nigeria. Arab organisations are providing weapons and financial aid to this organisation. According to the United Nations, an armed conflict is taking place between Christians and Muslims in Nigeria and its neighbouring country Niger since 2009. Till now nearly 35,000 people have died in this clash and more than 20 lakh people have been displaced.

As per official information, leader of Boko Haram Abu Bakar Shekau had committed suicide in 2021. Later, the organisation got divided into two groups. One group is supported by Islamic terrorist organisation ISIS and it is known as Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP). Whereas the name of the second group is Jama'atu Ahlis-Sunna Lidda'Awati Wal-Jihad. The two groups are running a campaign against the followers of the other group. This apart, they also target the Christians living in this part of the region.



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