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Summary

A few mischievous elements are trying to create communal tension in the country at the behest of some foreign conspirators in order to disturb social harmony. Recently, during the processions taken out as part of Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi (Birthday of Hazrat Mohammad), an 'I Love Mohammad' campaign was unleashed in several Muslim majority areas of the country. Till recently, there was no such tradition of displaying a poster or banner of 'I Love Mohammad' during the processions on Milad-un-Nabi. The administration had got information that some people were trying to create social tension, hence a ban was imposed on taking out processions or demonstrations without permission in several parts of the country. Despite this, attempts were made to create unrest by organising illegal demonstrations at many places. Mischievous elements also pelted stones on police in several places including Bareilly in Uttar Pradesh and also opened fire at them. Maulana Tauqueer Raza Khan appealed to Muslims in the city to stage a show of strength. He announced that he will hold a protest along with the masses at the office of the district magistrate after Juma namaz and would hand over a memorandum. Tauqueer Raza has tried to incite Muslims several times before and create unrest and riots.

The strange thing is that after inciting the mob, Maulana Tauqueer himself disappeared. Following this, violence spread in the city. The Uttar Pradesh police registered more than 21 cases against the trouble-makers and arrested more than 100 people. Those who were arrested include Maulana Tauqueer Raza and his colleagues. Surprisingly several Islamic fundamentalist organisations have strongly come out in support of Maulana Tauqueer Raza. They are demanding the release of Maulana and his colleagues without any conditions. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath announced that no rioter will be allowed to spread unrest in the state and will be strongly dealt with.

US President Donald Trump has come out with a 20-point plan for a ceasefire and permanent peace in Gaza. This plan has been prepared after discussions with Egypt, Qatar, United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia. However, there are many obstacles in implementing it. Israel has welcomed this Trump plan, but terrorist organisation Hamas has categorically refused to lay down its weapons.

The politics in West Asia has taken a new turn. Six European nations have granted official recognition to an independent Palestinian state. The countries which have granted due recognition to Palestine include France, Belgium, Malta, Andorra, Monaco and Luxembourg. This apart, some other nations have also granted official recognition to Palestine state. This development has dealt a severe blow to both the US and Israel. It is worth mentioning that earlier 142 nations had supported an independent Palestine state in the United Nations General Assembly.

US President Trump has announced imposition of sanctions on the Chabahar Port being developed by India with the cooperation of Iran. This has dealt a major blow to both India and Iran. India has invested nearly 600 million US dollars in this project. The Chabahar Port is of strategic importance to India, because it is considered as an alternative to the Gwadar Port in Pakistan being developed by China. India wants to do direct trade with Afghanistan and the countries in West Asia through the Chabahar Port.

National

Attempt to incite communal violence in Uttar Pradesh



Inquilab (September 28) states that the Uttar Pradesh police has arrested the chief of Ittehad-e-Millat Council Maulana Tauqeer Raza Khan and his over a dozen colleagues on charges of violence that took place during the Juma namaz in Bareilly. The district administration has also sealed the properties of Maulana Tauqeer's billionaire close associates. The district administration said the properties which have been found illegal during the investigations will be razed using bulldozers. Till now, more than 100 accused have been arrested in connection with the violence that took place in Bareilly. A total of 21 FIRs have been registered against more than 2,000 people in various police stations. The arrests are still continuing. An eight-member investigation team has been constituted for investigation in to Bareilly violence. This team will also investigate whose hands were behind the nationwide 'I love Mohammad' campaign. Top officials of police claim that there is no such tradition of carrying such posters and banners during the procession on Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi.

The interesting thing is that the 'I love Mohammad' campaign started from Kanpur. More than two dozen people have

been arrested in this connection. Following this, series of similar protests started in other Muslim-majority areas of the country. District Magistrate of Bareilly Avinash Singh and Senior Superintendent of Police Anurag Arya alleged in separate press conferences that there could be foreign hands behind this plan to spread violence in the state. People were called from outside in huge numbers in order to incite violence in Bareilly and they were provided weapons, explosive substances and stones for stone-pelting. The rioters even opened fire on police during the violence.

Roznama Sahara (September 28) states that Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said at an event that we will teach the rioters such a lesson which even their next generations will remember. Chief Minister Yogi said, "that Maulana in Bareilly forgot who was ruling the state. He was threatening that we will jam the streets. We said that neither the roads will be jammed nor there will be any curfew." Justifying his government's bulldozer justice, Chief Minister Yogi said this policy is necessary to end the mafia raj and to maintain peace in the state. Congress, Samajwadi Party and Muslim organisations criticised this statement of Chief Minister



Yogi. He described the Chief Minister's statement as hateful and worrying.

Roznama Sahara (September 29) states that the Bareilly police has arrested a billionaire builder Farhat and his son Farman. They had given shelter to Maulana Tauqeer Raza Khan at their bungalow on the night of Juma. The father-son duo is also accused of circulating an inflammatory video of Maulana Tauqeer. In this video Maulana Tauqeer said that "Shoot at me like Atif and Ashraf. I am ready to die in the name of Prophet Mohammad." It is worth mentioning that Maulana Tauqeer has announced that after the Juma namaz he will go to the office of the district magistrate from the Islamia maidan along with a crowd and will submit a memorandum to him, but at the last moment, the Maulana disappeared from the spot. After this, the crowd gathered on the ground started indulging in violence in the city. After looting several shops and buildings, those were set on fire. The police were attacked and they were fired upon. Deputy Inspector General of Police Ajay Sahni said that 22 police personnel were injured during clashes with the mob.

Etemaad (October 1) states that the district administration has found eight illegal properties of Maulana Tauqeer Raza and necessary action is being taken in this connection. The police have arrested a man named Tajim. He had opened fire on police during the violence in Bareilly. All India Muslim Personal Law Board has demanded that Maulana Tauqeer and the other arrested people should be released without any conditions. Spokesperson of the board, Syed Qasim Rasool Ilyas said it is not a

crime to say 'I love Mohammad.' It is totally wrong to register a case against anybody or arrest him on this basis.

Urdu Times (October 1) states that the Bareilly Municipal Corporation has sealed nearly 40 properties. Preparations are on to raze these properties using bulldozers.

Qaumi Tanzeem (October 1) states that the chairman of Jamiat Ulema, Maulana Arshad Madani, alleged that Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and his police are harassing Muslims and fake cases are registered against them. He said that in order to prevent the situation from turning worse, Maulana Tauqeer Raza and his colleagues should be released immediately.

Hindustan (October 1) states that the Amir of Jamaat-e-Islami Syed Saudatullah Hussaini has condemned the arrest of Maulana Tauqeer and his colleagues. He said that the rulers of this country is spreading flames communal hatred in the country. Hussaini alleged that the lovers of the Prophet are being harassed and fake cases are registered against them.

Hindustan (September 25) states that Jammu-Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has condemned the campaign unleashed against 'I love Mohammad.' He has advised Muslims to take recourse to the judiciary to save their legitimate rights.

Siasat (September 28) states that a case has been registered against nearly a dozen people on charges of taking out a procession without permission. This case has been registered on a complaint by a Hindu organisation, Hanuman Sena. It has been alleged in this complaint that Muslims are deliberately creating communal tension in the city and taking out illegal processions.

Urdu Times (September 28) states that the Mumbai Police has decided to take stringent action against those running the 'I love Mohammad' campaign. According to the newspaper, cases have been registered in Parbhani in Maharashtra, Hyderabad,



Ahmedabad and in Burhanpur for taking out 'I love Mohammad' processions.

Urdu Times (September 24) states that in Kashipur in Uttarakhand, when a few people took out a procession with posters and banners of 'I love Mohammad,' the police arrested them. The police snatched the banners from the marchers and tore them. In order to maintain peace, Section 163 has been imposed in several cities of Uttarakhand. Cases were registered against more than 400 people on charges of pelting stones at police. Superintendent of Police of Kashipur, Manikant Mishra, said that if processions are taken out after violating the law, then those taking out the procession will be arrested immediately.

Urdu Times (September 30) in its editorial accused the Uttar Pradesh government of targeting Muslims. The newspaper expressed concern that the judiciary, media and secular forces have become mute spectators to the persecution of Muslims. The newspaper alleged that Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, regardless of his constitutional position, is continuously spewing venom against Muslims and Islam.

Urdu Times (September 27) alleged that the communal government is persecuting the lovers of the Prophet across

the country. This has threatened the secular structure of the country.

Urdu Times (September 26) in its editorial has condemned the action against those who used the poster of 'I love Mohammad' during the procession of Milad-un-Nabi in Kanpur. The newspaper has expressed concern that due to the provocation of communal elements, Hindus have also started a 'I love Mahadev' campaign. The newspaper alleged that the government deliberately wanted to create communal riots in the country. The newspaper appealed to the Muslims to remain alert and save themselves from falling into the trap of communal elements.

Hindustan Express (September 30) in its editorial alleged that peace-loving Muslims are being targeted with atrocities at the behest of communal rulers. The newspaper said that the government is supposed to protect all sections of society but it is deliberately targeting a particular community with violence and fake cases are registered against them.

Hindustan (September 29) in its editorial asked whose hands were behind those who spread flames of hatred against the 'I love Mohammad' campaign in the country. Who are those people who are making Muslims the target of their violence and want to destroy and ruin them? The



newspaper demanded that those who have been arrested in connection with the 'I love Mohammad' campaign shall be released without any condition. The government and administration should use their wisdom instead of spreading the flames of hatred in the country and justice shall be done to all citizens.

In an article, this newspaper claimed that All India Majlis-e-Mushawarat has condemned the action taken by the administration against the Muslims in

Bareilly. Majlis-e-Mushawarat has announced its decision to call an all India minorities conference to resolve this crisis that has fallen upon Muslims.

Hindustan (September 28) has appealed to Muslims across the country to put up posters and banners saying 'I Love Mohammad' at their shops and houses to encourage Muslims to fight for their legitimate rights. The newspaper said we have to give a befitting reply to the enemies of the religion.

In an article published in **Urdu Times** (September 20), it has been said that Bharat has become a Hindu Rashtra. Now, the Muslims of this country would not be able to love their own Prophet, because it has been described as a crime. The newspaper said that we will give a befitting reply to it.

Probe into 558 madrasas in Uttar Pradesh stayed



Urdu Times (September 24) states that the Allahabad High Court has stayed the investigation being conducted by the Economic Offences Wing into 558 madrasas which have been receiving government grants. The Economic Offences Wing of Uttar Pradesh Police had started an investigation into these madrasas on the directions of the National Human Rights Commission. A division bench comprising Justice Saral Srivastava and

Justice Amitabh Kumar Rai has issued a notice to the National Human Rights Commission and the complainants. The next hearing in this case will be on November 17, 2025. A man named Mohammad Talha Ansari had filed a complaint with National Human Rights Commission that financial scams were being committed on a large scale in these madrasas. On this, the National Human Rights Commission wrote a letter to the



Director General of Economic Offences Wing and asked to conduct an investigation into these madrasas. The state government has been directed to conduct an investigation into these allegations and sent its report to the commission.

The argument of the managers of the madrasas is that under Article 36 (2) of Human Rights Protection Act, 1993, a complaint of human rights violation cannot be considered after one year has passed. This apart, under Article 12(A) of this Act, the commission can order an inquiry only on a complaint by the affected parties. It is worth mentioning that the petition by Teachers Association Madarsia Arabia and two others sought the cancellation of the National Commission for Human Rights' orders dated February 28, April 23, and June 11, 2025, directing the Director General of the Economic Offences Wing to investigate the complainant's allegations and submit a report to the commission.

Inquilab (September 23) states that the managers and teachers of madrasas have welcomed the stay ordered by the Allahabad High Court into the inquiry of madrasas receiving government grants. Earlier, the high court, while hearing another petition, ordered that the stay imposed by the state government on the appointment of teachers in madrasas is not legal. This verdict of the court has offered relief to the teachers who had obtained

Kamil and Fazil degrees. It is worth mentioning that the state government had imposed a ban on the appointment of these teachers. General secretary of All India Teachers Association Madaris-e-Arabia Wahidullah Khan Saeedi says that the Yogi government is deliberately harassing the managers of the madrasas so that they get fed up and shut down the madrasas. Due to the constant interference of the state government, there is a negative impact on the studies of the students, as the students and teachers are not able to study seriously. They see an uncertain future.

Inquilab (October 2) reports that BJP legislator in Madhya Pradesh Rameshwar Sharma alleged that a conversion drive is taking place in the madrasas in the state. He said that these are not madrasas, instead centres of religious conversion. Sharma said that a ban should be imposed on all madrasas in Madhya Pradesh. It is worth mentioning that earlier the National Human Rights Commission had directed the state government that a detailed investigation be conducted into the role of madrasas over religious conversions. The commission said that the Hindu students studying in these madrasas are being encouraged to convert to Islam. In this connection, a complaint had been filed with the police on September 28. It has been alleged in this that 556 Hindu children were enrolled in 27 unrecognised madrasas in Madhya Pradesh with the intention of religious conversion. Rameshwar Sharma said the state government will not tolerate this campaign for religious conversion. It is worth mentioning that Freedom of Religious Act, 2021 is implemented in the state. As per this law, there is a provision to take stringent action against those involved in religious conversion through force, fraud and inducement.

Four terrorists arrested for plotting Islamic rule



Siasat (October 1) states that the Uttar Pradesh Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) has claimed that a conspiracy was being hatched to establish an Islamic rule based on Shariah in the country at the behest of Pakistan. Four terrorists were arrested in this connection. These people had formed a new terrorist organisation named 'Mujahideen Army.' Their plan was to kill several prominent Hindu leaders and spread communal riots in the country. They have been identified as Akmal Raza, Safeel Salmani alias Ali Razvi, Mohammad Tausif and Qasim Ali. They have been arrested from Sultanpur, Sonbhadra, Kanpur and Rampur respectively. Senior police officers claimed that these terrorists were expanding the network of their group on the basis of money obtained from Pakistan and inciting Muslim youths to establish Islamic rule in the country. It is being said that their links were with Pakistan's intelligence agency ISI.

Urdu Times (September 30) states that during the interrogation of the arrested terrorists, the police got information that their intention was to overthrow the elected governments in Uttar Pradesh and at the Centre through violence and establish a government based on Shariah. They also bought foreign weapons with this aim. These terrorists also accepted that on the directions of Pakistan, they were running a campaign among the Muslim youths in

the country that the government was persecuting Muslims and hence it was necessary to carry out an armed struggle to oppose it. Terrorist literature and material for making bombs were also seized from their possession. According to police officials, there is a possibility of more arrests taking place in this connection.

Inquilab (September 24) states that the Uttar Pradesh ATS has arrested three persons on charges of collecting funds in the name of the victims in Gaza. They were accused of collecting Rs 2 crore from different parts of the country. The ATS arrested Mohammad Ayaan, Abu Sufiyan and Zaid Notiyar from Bhiwandi in Maharashtra. The Uttar Pradesh ATS suspect that the accused wanted to use the money collected to spread violence in the country. The police are interrogating the accused. The police got information that they transferred some money to suspected bank accounts which are being used to incite terrorism in the country. According to police, the head of this gang is Mohammad Ayaan. The three had opened accounts in different banks, to which huge money had been transferred recently from unidentified sources. On this, the bank officials had banned transactions in these accounts and informed the police. Later the police started an investigation into it. The three were arrested after the investigation.

Row over inclusion of chapters related to RSS in school syllabus

Inquilab (October 2) states that the Delhi government has announced the inclusion of chapters related to Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh and a few of its leaders in the syllabus of government schools in the state. According to government sources, a detailed insight will be given into the origin and history of RSS, its ideology, the contribution of RSS in the freedom movement and the participation of swayamsevaks in natural calamities. State's Education Minister Ashish Sood said this step has been taken to create a sense of civic duty and social responsibility among students. He said that special chapters related to Veer Savarkar, Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose will also be included in the syllabus.

On the other hand, the students wing of Congress, the National Students Union of India (NSU-I), has criticised the decision of the state government. NSU-I has demanded that it should also be mentioned in the syllabus that the RSS had opposed Indian Constitution and National Flag and the murderer of Mahatma Gandhi Nathuram Godse was linked to RSS.

NSU-I also alleged that the policies of Sangh are against Dalits, backwards, minorities and women. Veer Savarkar is included as a hero in the syllabus. He had apologised to the British and also got pension from them. The role of the Sangh was limited to inciting communal riots in the country and to divide the society. NSU-I president Varun Chaudhary alleged that BJP government may take advantage of its power and make RSS a hero, but it cannot change the history of the country. Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Sardar Patel and Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose took part in



the freedom movement of the country. Whereas the RSS was opposed to democracy and equality. Chaudhary said his organisation will hold protests outside government schools and will oppose this decision of the government.

Inquilab (October 3) states that Leftist organisation Democratic Youth Federation of India (DYFI) has condemned this decision of the Delhi government. The DYFI has alleged that due to this decision of Delhi government, a feeling of hatred will spread among the new generation of the country. The organisation announced that demonstrations will be held in schools and colleges to create public awareness against the decision of the state government.

Inquilab (October 4) states that the president of Delhi Pradesh Congress Committee Devendra Yadav said the decision taken by Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta to impose RSS ideology in government schools of Delhi under the guise of National Education Policy is very dangerous. The state government wants to inculcate a feeling of loyalty towards the Sangh in the minds of children. This is part of a well-planned campaign. Congress will oppose this effort. He said that a huge demonstration will be held against this decision of the government.

Azam Khan's release from jail



Inquilab (September 24) states that Samajwadi Party leader Mohammad Azam Khan has been released from Sitapur jail after a gap of 23 months. The district administration of Sitapur imposed Section 163 before the release of Azam Khan. This section prohibits gathering of more than four persons at a time, taking out processions and staging demonstrations. It is worth mentioning that the state government had registered 72 cases against Azam Khan. They include serious charges including illegal encroachment of land, looting, dacoity and fraud. Senior leader of Samajwadi Party Shivpal Singh Yadav, while expressing happiness over the release of Azam Khan, said he has been trapped in fake cases due to political reasons. The Samajwadi Party has described it as a victory of justice. After his release from jail, Azam Khan briefly spoke to journalists but did not answer to many of their questions. He said that a conspiracy had been hatched against him and everybody knew it. I do not wish to say anything in this connection. My health got deteriorated due to the stay in the jail. He said he will focus on getting his treatment done first.

Urdu Times (September 29) states that journalist Shahid Siddiqui in a post on social media alleged that Azam Khan and his son Abdullah Azam were being given slow poisoning in the food. Shahid Siddiqui said that Azam Khan told him that he would not join any new party.

Akhbar-e-Mashriq (September 26) in its editorial alleged that the Yogi Adityanath government in Uttar Pradesh has framed Azam Khan in a false case out of revenge. It is surprising that a case has been registered against Azam Khan on

charges of stealing books as well. The newspaper alleged that the Uttar Pradesh government wants to break the morale of Muslims by harassing them, hence Azam Khan has been targeted.

Hindustan Express (September 24) in its editorial said the state government is deliberately harassing Azam Khan so that he should stop raising his voice for the rights of Muslims. The newspaper said that Azam Khan has been dealing with jail and bail for five years. He was arrested for the first time in 2020. If he is released in one case, he is trapped into another one. Similarly, cases were registered against his wife and son as well. Azam Khan got freed from jail after a long period. What is to be seen is how long he would be able to stay outside jail.

Siasat (September 24) in its editorial alleged that the Yogi government in Uttar Pradesh has registered dozens of cases against Azam Khan. It is to the extent that his entire family was humiliated. FIRs were filed against Azam Khan for stealing chicken, stealing buffalo and theft of books. The newspaper said that Azam Khan's health may have deteriorated due to the FIR and stay in jail, but his spirit remains high. He had always stood against communal powers and would stand till the end.

Mursif (September 24) states that the president of Rashtriya Shoshit Samaj Party Swami Prasad Maurya alleged that nobody had stood with Azam Khan during this delicate period. He was a legislator of Uttar Pradesh Assembly for 10 times. This apart, he was also a member of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha. The way BJP has treated him reveals its despicable mentality.

Preparations on to declare Bangladesh as Islamic nation



Urdu Times (September 26) states that the Muhammad Yunus government has started making preparations to declare Bangladesh as an Islamic nation. The current government in Bangladesh is facing lot of pressure from Islamic fundamentalists. This apart, Pakistan and other Muslim nations are exerting pressure on the government to declare Bangladesh as an Islamic nation. In this connection, Turkiye President Recep Tayyip Erdogan recently held talks with the caretake prime minister of Bangladesh. After the fall of the Sheikh Hasina government, Bangladesh's radical party Jamaat-e-Islami has become active. This party's links extend to Pakistan. During the time of Sheikh Hasina's government, a ban was imposed on Jamaat-e-Islami and it was declared as an illegal organisation. During the Bangladesh liberation struggle, Jamaat Islami had openly supported Pakistan. Recently, the offices of Islamic terror organisations like ISIS, Al Qaida and Hizb ut-Tehrir have been set up in Bangladesh.

Urdu Times (September 18) states that these days a special group of US military is active in Bangladesh. As per media reports, 120 officials of US Army and Air Force had arrived in Chatgaon on September 10. For them, 85 rooms were already booked at Radisson Blue hotel. It

was strange that not a single name of the US officials staying at the hotel was entered in the guest register of the hotel. This apart, on September 14, a special aircraft of Egyptian air force landed at Shah Amanat International Airport in Chatgaon. The US soldiers also visited the Patenga air base in Bangladesh.

Urdu Times (September 21) states that Jamaat-e-Islami registered a huge success in the Dhaka University Students Union elections. Whereas Bangladesh Nationalist Party had suffered a massive defeat. According to Bangladeshi newspaper 'Prothom Alo', in the elections, the candidates of Jamaat-e-Islami's students' wing Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir registered victory in 23 out of 28 posts. In the past, Jamaat-e-Islami never managed to get such a huge victory in the elections held to Dhaka University Students Union.

Urdu Times (October 1) states that the European Union has made a plan to sent 150 election observers for the Parliamentary elections to be held in Bangladesh in February 2026. For this, the European Union has proposed a tripartite agreement with the foreign ministry of Bangladesh and the Election Commission. British High Commissioner in Bangladesh Sarah Cooke said that Britain will extend



all possible help to the Bangladesh Election Commission to conduct a free and fair elections.

Urdu Times (September 26) states that preparations have started for the upcoming parliamentary elections in Bangladesh. The recognition of the election symbol of Sheikh Hasina's party Awami League, boat, has been cancelled. It is worth mentioning that the last general elections took place in Bangladesh in 2021. In this elections, Hasina's party Awami League registered a huge victory. The Bangladesh Election Commission has released a list of 115 election symbols. Currently, 50 political parties have registered with Bangladesh election commission. Whereas, the registration of five political parties has either been

cancelled or suspended. Jamaat Islami is contesting the elections on 'weighing scale' symbol.

Urdu Times (September 30) states that bloody clashes have started between Adivasis and Bengalis in the south-eastern region of Bangladesh. Three persons were killed in these clashes and many were injured. The clashes began after the incident of a gang-rape of an

Adivasi student. This incident took place in Chatgaon village in Khagrachhari district in Bangladesh.

Hindustan (September 19) states that the Bangladesh election commission has cancelled the voter identity cards of Sheikh Hasina and her family members. Director General of National Identity Registration Wing ASM Humayun Kabir told journalists that the voter identity cards of Sheikh Hasina, Sheikh Rehana Siddiqui, Sajeeb Wazed Joy, Saima Wazed, Shahnaz Siddiqui, Bushra Siddiqui, Tulip Rizwana Siddiqui, Ajmera Siddiqui, Radwan Mujeeb Siddiqui and Tariq Ahmed Siddiqui have been cancelled. He said that cases under treason are pending in the courts against these people.

Taliban refuses to hand over Bagram air base to the US



Etemaad (September 22) reports that US President Donald Trump has demanded the Taliban government in Afghanistan to hand

over the Bagram air base once again to the US. Commenting on this, Afghanistan's defence minister Mohammad Yaqoob

Mujahid said we will not give even an inch of land to the US or any other foreign government. We are prepared to continuously wage a war for the next 20 years to protect our land. It is worth mentioning that Afghanistan's defence minister Mullah Yaqoob is the son of the founder of Afghanistan's Islamic Emirate Mullah Omar.

Mullah Yaqoob said we very well know how to protect our country and our borders. Afghans are not cowards. The second political director in Afghanistan's foreign ministry Mohammad Zakir Jalali said that Afghan government is outrightly rejecting this demand of the US President. We don't even think about handing over Bagram air base or even an inch of land to a foreign government. The question of even holding a discussion about this issue with the US or any other government does not arise at all. We are committed to the freedom and integrity of Afghanistan.

Last week, US President Trump demanded the Taliban government in Afghanistan to hand over the Bagram air base once again to the US. If the Taliban government does not do so, then it will have to face serious consequences. He also claimed that they were holding talks with the Taliban government in this connection. We want to take it back as early as



possible. A spokesperson of Chinese government, while condemning the threat of the US President, said the US President is blackmailing the Afghanistan government. China firmly stands with Afghanistan on this issue.

Bagram is the biggest air base in Afghanistan. The US military used to conduct the war against Taliban from here. In July 2021, the US military vacated this important military air base all of a sudden. More than 10,000 US soldiers were deployed at this air base with most modern missile systems. US experts say that the Afghan government is unable to operate or maintain this state-of-the-art airbase. Due to the Israeli attack on Qatar, now the US is trying to take control of the Bagram air base in one way or another, because the US military could use this air base against Iran, Russia and China.

Defence deal between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia

Inquilab (September 19) states that a major defence agreement had been signed between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. As per this agreement, if there is a foreign attack on either of the two countries, it will be considered as an attack on both the countries and the two will jointly take military action against the attacking nation. The leaders of Pakistan and Saudi Arabia have described this agreement as historic. As per government sources, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammad bin Salman and Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif have signed on this agreement at Saudi

capital Riyadh. This agreement came after the Israeli attack on the Hamas headquarters located at Qatar capital Doha. Ever since this attack, there is concern among Arab countries. As per media reports, during the signing of this deal, Pakistan's army chief Asim Munir was also present.

Commenting on this agreement, spokesperson of India's foreign ministry Randhir Jaiswal said that India will study the implications of this development on its national security as well as regional and global stability. He said we had seen news

about a strategic mutual defense agreement between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. India government had got information that talks were on between the two nations for this agreement.

Urdu Times (September 19) states that Saudi Arabia's media, while welcoming this agreement, said that both countries will jointly give a befitting reply to any threat to Islam. Pakistan's former ambassador to United States Hussain Haqqani said that Pakistan can now buy state-of-the-art weapons from the world with the financial aid of Saudi Arabia. Pakistan's defence minister Khawaja Asif said the use of nuclear weapons is also included in this agreement.

Etemaad (September 20) in its editorial, while commenting on this agreement, said that after the recent Israeli attack on Qatar, the threat to Muslim countries has increased. Till now, these countries are dependent on the United States for their security, but following the recent incident, it has become clear that the security guarantee of the US has no value. This is the reason why Saudi Arabia had to look for a new ally in this region. Since Pakistan is a nuclear armed country, it could play a significant role for the protection of Saudi Arabia. However, this agreement will not stop India from carrying out attack on Pakistan in future, but even then, this has strengthened the position of Pakistan. Following this agreement, Saudi Arabia will make huge investments in defence and other sectors in Pakistan.

The newspaper said that Saudi Arabia does not have the capability to fight a war like Pakistan. It has been proved after the recent incident that despite having all resources, Gulf countries do not have the capacity to fight a war. Military cooperation between Saudi Arabia and Pakistan is not something new. Saudi military has been training in Pakistan. Even today, the responsibility for the security of the Saudi royal family is undertaken by Pakistan army. It is natural for both India



and Israel to be concerned about this agreement. Following the agreement between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia, the question that arises is will an attack on one country will really be treated as an attack on both the countries. If it really happens, what kind of help will one country be able to provide to the other? Pakistan has old enmity with Bharat. In such a situation, the question that arises is that if India carries out attack on Pakistan, will Saudi Arabia send its army to Pakistan?

Commenting on this agreement, **Siasat** (September 20) said that both the countries are independent and the two have every right to sign a deal between them. The world knows that Pakistan has a tense relationship with Bharat. However, the relationship between India and Saudi Arabia is friendly right from the beginning. There is a strong trade relationship between the two countries. Lakhs of Indians are working in Saudi Arabia. The mutual relationship between Saudi Arabia and Pakistan has been strong, but Saudi Arabia has given more importance to its relationship with Pakistan. This agreement could also affect the regional balance. Though Saudi Arabia has signed a deal with Pakistan, it has to ensure that its relationship with Pakistan should not be at the cost of its relationship with Bharat. This agreement should not create any hindrance or problem in the relations between India and Saudi Arabia. The entire world knows that Pakistan is involved in anti-India activities. The Saudi rulers need to remain alert to ensure that this strategy of Pakistan does not succeed.

Masood Azhar's entire family confirmed killed during Operation Sindoor

Urdu Times (September 17) reports that Pakistani terrorist organisation Jaish-e-Mohammad has for the first time admitted that the entire family of Maulana Masood Azhar, the mastermind of several terrorist attacks, was killed in the 'Operation Sindoor' carried out by India. A video of Jaish commander

Masood Ilyas has gone viral in Pakistani media, in which it has been said that 10 people belonging to Masood Azhar's family and four colleagues were killed in the Indian air strike at the headquarters of Jaish-e-Mohammad in Bahawalpur on May 7. Those who were killed include Masood Azhar's elder sister and brother-in-law, Masood Azhar's nephew and his wife and Masood's niece and her five children. This apart, four colleagues of Masood Azhar were also killed in the Indian attack.

It has been said in the video that in his entire family, only Masood Azhar is alive now. The headquarters of Jaish-e-Mohammad is located at Masjid Subhan Allah in Bahawalpur. According to the newspaper, till 2011, there was only one masjid in the area. Later, with the help of Pakistani army, a terrorist training camp and a helipad were constructed on this 18-acre land.

As per a report of BBC Urdu, terrorist Masood Azhar said had he also been killed in the Indian attack, he would have been lucky. It is worth mentioning that during Operation Sindoor, India had targeted nine terrorist camps located in Pakistan. The Indian Air Force also attacked the headquarters of Islamic terrorist organisation Lashkar-e-Taiba based in Muridke and destroyed it. In this attack, it has been confirmed that at least 40 people were killed. In February 2019, Jaish-e-Mohammad had taken responsibility for the Pulwama attack. On a



demand by India, the United Nations had included Masood Azhar in the list of global terrorists. India's allegation is that Pakistan army is giving protection to Masood Azhar.

Qaumi Bharat (September 19) states that the commander of Jaish-e-Mohammad, Ilyas Kashmiri, has also claimed that Pakistan's army chief General Asim Munir had directed senior military officials to remain present at the funeral of the terrorists killed in the 'Operation Sindoor' launched by India. As per a release issued by Pakistani army headquarters, Asim Munir had said that all those who have been killed in this attack would be considered as 'Qaumi Shaheed' and a three-day national mourning would be observed across the country. Munir had also directed the corps commanders of Pakistan that they wear regular uniform and take part in the funeral of the terrorists. Not only this, they should also provide security to those taking part in the funeral so that they could be protected from Indian attack.

The newspaper said that it has been confirmed from this directive of Asim Munir that there is close relationship between Pakistan army and the terrorist organisations. It is worth mentioning that when the video of top officials of Pakistan army taking part in the last rites of the terrorists who were killed in Indian attack went viral, the Pakistani army had described the video as fake. Now terrorist Ilyas Kashmiri's viral video has exposed the Pakistani army and the government.

Insurgents active in Pakistan



Pakistan, the birthplace of Islamic extremists, is now burning in the fire it has lit. The Pakistan army has imposed a curfew in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan for the past one week. Due to this, traffic has come to a standstill in large parts of the country. This apart, internet and mobile services have also been shut. As per latest information, public anger has erupted in Pakistan occupied Kashmir as well. Due to huge protests by Awami Action Committee, nearly a dozen Pakistani security personnel and 16 residents were killed in the past four days. As per BBC Urdu, the situation in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir has become explosive.

The BBC correspondent has confirmed that more than 100 police and security personnel were admitted to the military hospital in Rawalpindi with injuries. Chief of Awami Action Committee Shoukat Nawaz Mir said that at least 16 Kashmiri residents were killed and more than 200 others were injured in the firing by Pakistani Rangers. He announced that until their demands are met, the campaign for Kashmir Bandh will continue.

According to Pakistani Newspaper **Dawn** (September 20), military operations are on against the terrorists in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan. Till now, 175 terrorists were killed during this drive and more than 500 terrorists have been

taken into custody. A military spokesperson has confirmed that curfew has been imposed in entire Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan in order to carry out this campaign smoothly and internet and mobile services have also shut down.

Sahafat (September 23) states that the counter-terrorism wing of Punjab police carried out 940 raids in three months in search of terrorists. As part of this campaign, 125 terrorists were killed and 89 were arrested. According to the spokesperson of this organisation, the arrested terrorists were found to have their links abroad. A total of 28 terrorists were arrested from Lahore and Rawalpindi. This apart, seven terrorists each were arrested from Faisalabad and Bahawalpur, 12 each from Jhang and Sargoda, five from Sahiwal, four from Gujranwala, six from Gujarat and Bahawalnagar. Explosive substances, detonator, cash, computer and other items were seized from them. As part of the anti-terrorism drive in Pakistan, 13,521 searches were carried out in the past three months in which 1,131 suspects were arrested.

BBC (September 25) states that a spokesperson of Pakistan military headquarters said that an intensive search operation is on in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan. A large number of terrorists have been arrested in this



operation. It is being said that these terrorists belonged to organisations like Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) and Balochistan Liberation Army (BLA). Foreign weapons and explosives were seized from them in huge quantity.

Qaumi Bharat (October 1) states that at least 10 people were killed and more than 30 were injured in a suicide attack that took place near the headquarters of Frontier Corps located in Balochistan's capital Quetta. Two terrorists were also killed in this attack. The government has declared an Emergency in entire Balochistan. Till now, no organisation has taken responsibility for this attack.

Chattan (September 22) states that 24 people were killed in a blast at militants'

ammunition depot in Tirah Valley of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Those who were killed included women and children.

Chattan (September 24) states that more than 30 people were killed in an air strike launched by the Pakistan Air Force in Tirah Valley in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Commenting on this incident, Chief Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Ali Amin Ghantapur said we cannot stop the Pakistani army from attacking because as per the Constitution, our powers are limited. We cannot make any kinds of interventions with regard to the army. Ghantapur has announced a compensation of Rs 1 crore each to the family members of those who were killed in the attack by Pakistani army.

Trump's 20-point plan for ceasefire in Gaza



Qaumi Bharat (October 1) states that US President Donald Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu have announced a 20-point plan to end the war and establish permanent peace in Gaza. This plan also includes points such as release of all hostages within 72 hours, disarmament of Hamas and setting up of an executive governance body for Gaza. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has also welcomed this plan. He said that this plan will provide a path to peace, security and development for the Palestinian and Israeli people, as well as for the entire West Asia region. Modi expressed hope that all the parties concerned will support this initiative of Trump. The newspaper said that in this 20-point plan of Trump, there is a proposal to create a temporary board in Gaza to run the administration. Trump will preside over this board and it will also include former prime minister of Britain Tony Blair.

Inquilab (October 1) states that Donald Trump had said that if both the sides accept this plan, then ceasefire will come into effect, but it is not possible to say now whether this will help establish peace in the region. After returning from the US, Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said we have accepted this proposal, but Hamas is not ready for it. If such a situation arises, we will eliminate

the root of the Gaza war forever. Netanyahu said that during his meeting with the US President, no discussions took place regarding the creation of a separate Palestinian state.

While rejecting this proposal, a spokesperson of Hamas said we will not lay down our weapons. This plan by Trump is totally in favour of Israel, hence we reject it. The plan has deprived the Palestinians and the people of Gaza of their Constitutional rights. Trump said that if Hamas does not accept this plan, then we will force them to accept this. He claimed that Arab and Israeli leaders have accepted this plan.

Palestinian Islamic Jihad has rejected this plan. General secretary of this organisation Ziyad al-Nakhlah said this is the result of the US and Israeli collusion. This plan confirms the Israeli stance. He alleged that Palestinians are deprived of their Constitutional rights. Egypt and Qatar have urged Hamas to seriously consider this plan and do not take any decision in haste. It is worth mentioning that Egypt and Qatar play the role of mediator on the Gaza issue. Whereas Indonesia, Pakistan, Turkiye, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Jordan, United Arab Emirates and Egypt have welcomed this plan and described it as positive efforts for peace. These countries expressed hope that if Palestine gets

recognition as a separate state, then it will help resolve this dispute.

European nations have welcomed the Trump's plan. French President Emmanuel Macron said this plan provides a new opportunity for peace. He said Israel should accept this plan wholeheartedly and Hamas should immediately free all Israeli hostages. British Prime Minister Keir Starmer has welcomed this plan. He urged all sides to implement the plan as early as possible. The Palestinian Authority, while welcoming the plan, said this has opened the path for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state.

Inqilab (October 2) states that Hamas has sought amendments to the plan of US President. It stressed that the Israeli military should completely withdraw from the Gaza region and immediately stop the killing spree of Hamas leaders. Hamas said we are seriously thinking about Trump's plan but we have not arrived at a final decision yet.

As per another news, United Nations General Secretary Antonio Guterres has welcomed the plan for ceasefire. He said all the sides should implement this plan with complete honesty so that permanent peace could be established in this region and people feel relieved. He said that arrangements for the uninterrupted delivery of relief supplies to the victims of Gaza are being made. Britain, Italy, Russia and Palestinian Authority also welcomed this plan of Trump. These countries stressed that Hamas should be totally disarmed and there should be an announcement pardoning their fighters. If those belonging to Hamas want to leave Gaza, then they should be given a secure path to exit from there.

Addressing US military officers in Virginia, US President Trump said we need Hamas's signature on this plan. If they do not do so, they will have to face the hell. According to Palestinian sources, Hamas has started a high-level discussion on different aspects of this plan. Qatar announced that it will hold discussions with



Hamas and Turkiye and will try to carry forward talks regarding this plan. Qatar said that under this plan, Hamas will be completely isolated from Gaza politics. In future, no action will be taken against any of its fighters and they will be granted general amnesty. A provision has also been made in this plan for the Israeli military to gradually withdraw from Gaza region. Qatar Prime Minister Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman al-Thani said there is a need to clarify certain points in the plan of the US President. He said if this plan is accepted, it may increase the possibility of establishing peace in the region and the war will end. He said there are some differences among Palestinian groups regarding this plan, and there is a need to have a consensus.

International Centre of Justice for Palestine (ICJP), while expressing dissatisfaction with Trump's plan, said it indicates a superficial and colonial thinking. This plan neither takes into account the sentiments of the Palestinian people nor gives importance to their opinions. The interesting thing is that the plan has totally overlooked the Israeli occupation of Gaza. Israel has been given a free rein to obstruct the path to peace. The governing bodies created under this plan are controlled by European colonial powers.

As per another news, Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has expressed regret over the attack on Qatar. Whereas the US President said that in future if any attack takes place on Qatar, it will be considered as an attack on the US and we will protect Qatar. The US will defend the independence and territorial integrity of Qatar at all costs.

Six European nations announce recognition of Palestine



Roznama Sahara (September 24) reports that six European nations—France, Belgium, Malta, Andorra, Monaco and Luxembourg—have formally announced recognition to Palestine. This decision has dealt a major blow to the US and Israel. French President Emmanuel Macron said this was the only way in which peace could be established in West Asia. Luxembourg Prime Minister Luc Frieden described it as a historical decision. Whereas Prime Minister of Belgium Bart de Wever said this decision is necessary to establish permanent peace in West Asia. French President Macron expressed hope that Australia, Portugal and Canada will also soon grant due recognition to an independent Palestine. United Nations Secretary General Antonio Guterres said this will give Palestinians their due rights.

Inqilab (September 24) states that the US administration has criticised the decision of these six countries to grant recognition to Palestine. The US said that if the world community grants recognition to Palestine, it will promote the terrorist activities of Hamas. This would also allow Israel to legally annex the West Bank.

Awadhnama (September 28) states that Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that giving recognition to a separate Palestinian state is suicidal for Israel. We will continue our war against

this injustice. Until Hamas is prepared for disarmament, we will not stop our war. Netanyahu described the decision of European nations to grant recognition to Palestine as shameful. He said that these European nations have given a free rein for Arabs to massacre Jews by granting recognition to Palestine. We will not accept this decision under any circumstance and will fight against this till the last breath.

Qaumi Tanzeem (September 23) states that Britain, Canada, Australia and Portugal have also granted recognition to Palestine. Palestine's foreign ministry has welcomed this decision of these countries. Palestine's foreign ministry expressed hope that the other nations in the world will also follow these countries. Foreign Affairs Minister of Palestine Varsen Aghbekian said Saudi Arabia has played a key role in the efforts to have various countries recognize Palestine. We will never forget it. She said that the granting of recognition to Palestine by Britain confirms the legal status of Palestine and this is a strong message to Israel.

Palestine President Mahmoud Abbas said that granting of recognition to Palestine by different countries in the world is an important step towards permanent peace. Hamas has also said that this decision is a victory for the rights of the Palestinians. Hamas leader Mahmoud



Mardawi said that granting of recognition to Palestine by different countries in the world has confirmed that aggressor Israel has not been able to abolish the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people. The world has confirmed the existence of an independent Palestinian state.

While condemning the recognition given to Palestine by European nations, Israel said this has increased instability in the region and has permanently destroyed the possibility for a peaceful resolution to the Palestinian problem. Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that the double standards of Western nations have been exposed. At one level, they condemn terrorism. On the other hand, they promote terrorists. He said that we will never allow a Palestine state to come into being under any circumstance and will stop it till our end. The process to establish Jewish colonies in Palestinian region will continue and we will keep our territories in our possession, because we are the real heirs of these territories. He said the United Nations is deliberately creating problems for Israel and it is supporting the demand for independent Palestine. This is a threat for the existence of Israel. This will give a new life to the powers who incite the flames of terrorism.

Awadhnama (September 30) said that the recognition granted by the Western nations to the Palestine state is a sham. The Western countries got afraid of the unity of Arab countries on this issue, and to deceive the Arabs, they have started the drama of recognizing Palestine. This will not resolve

the problem. As long as Israel exists, there will be no peace for Arabs and Islam.

Mursif (September 24) in its editorial said Palestinians are being oppressed by Israel and America and innocent lives are being taken away. This hurts the humanity of Western countries. Finally, their conscience awakened, and accepted the legitimate demands of Palestinians. The newspaper urged that the world community should find a permanent solution for this problem so that playing Holi with the blood of innocent Arabs could be stopped.

Hindustan (September 23) said that the world is fully aware of the fact that Britain created Israel due to the pressure of the US. In the 1967 war, Israel defeated Arabs and made a dangerous plan for Greater Israel. Even though some Western countries have recognized Palestine, the threat of Greater Israel still looms over the Arab world. The Jews want to occupy the land of many Arab nations so that they could fulfil the dream of Greater Israel.

Qaumi Bharat (September 23) in its editorial said that the Western nations had described the war being fought by Palestinian people as terrorism. Now, seeing the sacrifice of the Palestinian people, they had to accept that Palestine is an independent nation which imperialist forces treacherously occupied and enslaved it to the Jews. The newspaper said that Bharat is among those nations which had granted recognition to Palestine as an independent nation in 1988.

Etemaad (September 24) in its editorial said the world has finally recognized the sacrifices of the oppressed Palestinians and also sent a message of solidarity with the oppressed Palestinians. The granting of recognition by Britain to Palestine is most important because it is a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council and it has the power to veto the decision of the Security Council. This is a diplomatic and moral victory for Muslims.

Siasat (September 24) has also described this decision as a historical victory for the Muslims in the world. The newspaper said that this land belonged to Arabs and the Muslims right from the beginning. In the First World War, after the collapse of the Ottoman Empire, the League of Nations had handed over the responsibility of this region to Britain. In 1917, the Britain had assured to give an independent nation to the Jews under the Balford Declaration. After this, under their rule, Jews from all over the world started entering this region. During the Second World War, due to the genocide of Jews in Germany, the demand for a separate nation for them gained strength.



In 1947, the United Nations supported the plan to divide this region into two states. One among them was Israel, whose responsibility has been handed over to Jews. The second state was the Palestine for Arabs. Due to its religious importance, a decision was taken to keep Jerusalem under international control, but the Arabs rejected it. On May 14, 1948, with the

support of European nations, Israel declared its independence. On the next day itself Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Iraq and Lebanon attacked Israel, but due to the support extended by Western nations, they had to face huge defeat. Following this, Israel started occupying the land of Palestinians. The Jews had rendered 10 lakh Palestinians homeless. From then on, the clashes between Arabs and Jews started, which continues till today.

Chattan (September 23) said that granting of recognition to Palestine by Western nations is a victory of Islam. The newspaper said that due to the unity of Muslim nations, the US and Israel had to suffer defeat.

US sanctions on Chabahar Port in Iran

Urdu Times (October 1) states that US President Donald Trump has imposed a number of sanctions on the Chabahar Port in Iran. This will have a negative impact on India as well. According to US media, the then Trump administration in 2018 had freed the Chabahar project of sanctions. Now it has been withdrawn. These sanctions have come into effect from September 30, 2025. It is natural for Bharat to get concerned over the sanctions imposed on Chabahar because it is an important port from the strategic point of view. The Chabahar port is being developed jointly by India and Iran. The port is very important for both the countries.

Trump has announced that those who operate Chabahar Port or take part in



other activities mentioned in IFCA Act will come under US sanctions. This will make it difficult for Indian companies involved in the Chabahar project to find suppliers and financiers. Nowadays, the India-US relations are strained over several other issues including the tariff. In such a situation, there could be more tension



between the two countries over the sanctions imposed on Chabahar project.

Under the US sanctions, a 45 days' time has been given to Indian and foreign companies including government-owned India Ports Global Limited to withdraw from Chabahar project. Failure to do so will result in all assets in US getting frozen and restrictions on US transactions. According to US law firms, it will be impossible for India to make investments in this project due to the sanctions, as it stops the supply of dollars. Chabahar is of strategic importance to Bharat. In the past one decade, India had invested 600 million dollars in Chabahar project for direct trade with Afghanistan and West Asia. India wants to do direct trade with several countries through this port. Chabahar project is considered as an alternative to Gwadar port in Pakistan being developed with Chinese help. This important project of India has landed in trouble due to the sanctions imposed by Trump.

Urdu Times (September 22) states that the proposal mooted in the United Nations Security Council to keep Iran away from sanctions in future could not be passed because nine countries including the US, Britain, France and Denmark opposed the proposal. Whereas, only four nations namely China, Russia, Pakistan and Algeria voted in favour of it. Due to this, the sanctions imposed by the United Nations on Iran will continue. As per these sanctions, Iran will not be able to purchase

weapons from abroad. It will also find it difficult to purchase equipment to keep the ballistic missile programme running. This apart, their assets abroad will be frozen.

This newspaper in its editorial said there will be huge setback to India's economy due to the US sanctions on Chabahar project. India is struggling to cope with the heavy tariffs imposed by

Trump. Now, due to the sanctions imposed by the US on Chabahar project, India's financial difficulties will increase. Due to these sanctions, India will not be able to extend financial aid for the reconstruction of Afghanistan. The US State Department claims that the US is taking on the terrorist activities of Iran by imposing sanctions on individuals and institutions based in Hong Kong and United Arab Emirates apart from international illegal network. The US State Department said that these networks have helped in the sale of Iranian oil. As long as Iran continues to use its illegal income to attack the US and its allied countries, we will continue to use all available resources against Iran. The newspaper said that in his madness to teach a lesson to Russia and Iran, US President Trump is also severely hurting India's economic interests.

The newspaper says that India and Iran are jointly developing a terminal at Chabahar port located in the Gulf of Oman. On May 13, 2024, India had signed a contract with Iran to operate this port for 10 years. India is trying to strengthen its relations with Middle and West Asian countries through this project. Unfortunately, Prime Minister Modi has fallen into Trump's trap and is tarnishing the country's reputation with his emotional statements. Modi forgot that the US has never been anyone's friend. It is worried about its own interests only. Now, India's plans have been thwarted by the US imposing sanctions on Chabahar port.

Russia plans to set up eight new nuclear energy plants in Iran



Siasat (September 24) reports that the head of Iran's nuclear energy organisation Mohammad Islami visited Moscow recently. On this occasion, Russia and Iran signed on an agreement to establish eight small nuclear energy plants. This announcement has been made at a time when Iran's relations with the US and European countries are strained. The Western nations have announced their decision to impose earlier sanctions on Iran so that it could be stopped from developing nuclear energy.

Earlier, a proposal has been rejected at the United Nations Security Council. In this proposal it had been demanded that in future no sanctions shall be imposed on Iran over development of nuclear energy. Earlier, Britain, France and Germany had announced that if Iran grants permission to the United Nations to inspect its nuclear plants and if it gives an assurance to hold talks with the US in this connection, then no sanctions will be imposed on it for the next six months.

Siasat (September 26) in its editorial has welcomed the agreement signed between Iran and Russia over nuclear energy plants. The newspaper said that among the eight small nuclear energy plants, four will be set up at Bushehr

province in Iran. This will help resolve energy crisis during the summer months in Iran. Four other nuclear energy plants will be established in the other cities of Iran. The newspaper said that currently only one nuclear energy plant built with the help of Russia is functioning in Iran, which produces one Gigawatt electricity. If Iran becomes self-reliant on nuclear energy, it will become free from the blackmailing of European countries.

The newspaper said this agreement has added a new chapter in the energy policy of Iran. Iran has been continuously saying that its nuclear programme was meant for peaceful purposes, but the European Union, US and Israel have suspicion on this claim. These countries do not want Iran to emerge as a world power in the field of nuclear energy. This is the reason why Israel carried out massive bombing in Iran's nuclear enrichment centres and military bases in the month of June. More than a dozen top nuclear scientists and military commanders of Iran were killed in this bombing. Iran's foreign minister Abbas Araghchi accepted that due to these attacks, the Uranium enrichment centres of Iran suffered huge damages.

The newspaper said that the increasing cooperation between Iran and

Russia in nuclear energy sector will give a new turn to the balance of power in this region. This will not only strengthen Iran, but will increase Russian influence in the entire region. It cannot be denied that the

nuclear energy is a double-edged sword. If at one level it is a first source for electricity production and energy needs, on the other, the efforts of US and Israel is to see that Iran never emerges as an energy power.

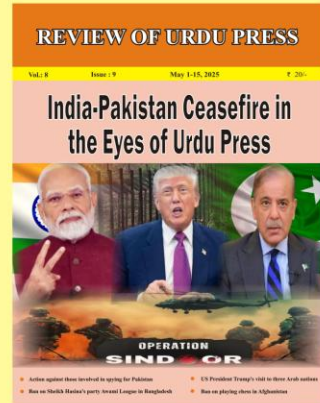
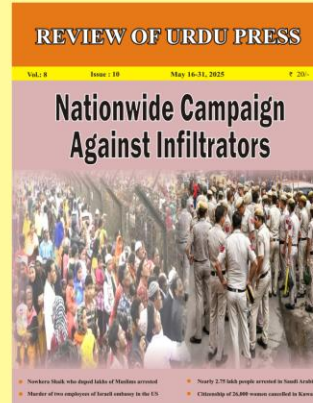
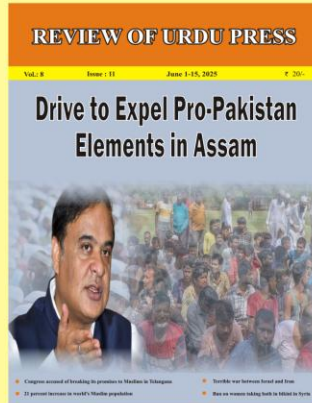
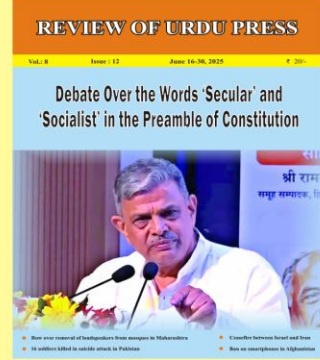
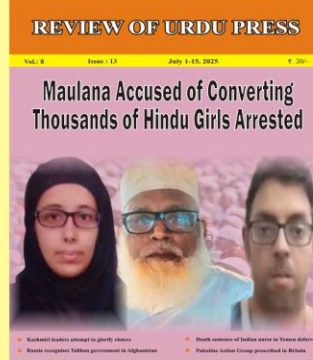
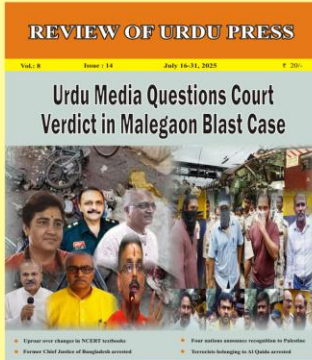
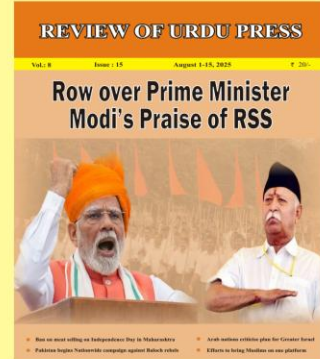
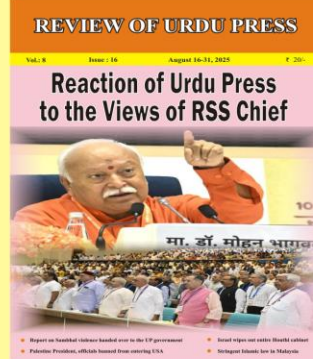
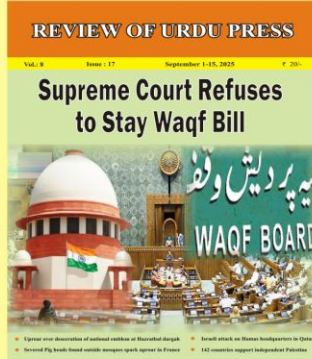
Syria and Ukraine restore diplomatic relations



Roznama Sahara (September 26) states that diplomatic relations between Syria and Ukraine has been restored once again. Recently, Ukraine President Vladimir Zelensky had met with Syrian President Ahmed al-Sharaa in New York. Later, the two countries agreed to restore diplomatic relations. It is worth mentioning that Ukraine had cut off relations with Syria in 2022 as the government of then Syrian President Bashar al-Assad had proposed recognizing the independence of the Russian-backed breakaway republics of Donetsk and Luhansk in eastern Ukraine.

Zelensky and al-Sharaa expressed hope that this decision will open a new chapter in the relations between the two countries. Syrian President Ahmed al-Sharaa had arrived in New York to take

part in the United Nations General Assembly session along with his delegation. It is worth mentioning that Syria has taken part in the United Nations General Assembly session after a gap of nearly 60 years. In the 1967 Arab-Israel war, Israel had captured the Golan Heights in South-Western parts of Syria. In protest against it, Syria had boycotted the United Nations General Assembly. Nooruddin al-Atasi was the last Syrian President to take part in United Nations meeting. He was the President of Syria during 1966-1970. Addressing the General Assembly, Ahmed al-Sharaa demanded the United Nations that international sanctions imposed on Syria should be removed so that the reconstruction of the country could be undertaken.



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