

The Society

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Societal abuse faced by Ahmadis

Choburji, Lahore; November 26, 2018: Mr. Waqar, Ahmadi lives here in a house on rent. His neighbor who is also a lawyer abused him for his faith. He lodged a false FIR against him accusing him of robbery. The police arrested Mr. Waqar on November 26. Mr. Waqar tried to make peace with his neighbor to which he agreed on the condition that he would recant from Ahmadiyyat and became a good Muslim. Mr. Waqar did not accept that. At last the lawyer reconciled after payment of a fine that was initially demanded at Rs. 200,000 but later settled at Rs. 30,000.

Ahmadi harassed for faith

Model Colony, Karachi; July 17, 2018: Mr. Numan Basit an Ahmadi lives in Model Colony, Karachi. Some ex-colleagues stopped him at the road, bad mouthed him and called him an apostate. They blamed him for having meals with them and not disclosing that he was a *Mirzai*. Mr. Basit decided not to respond and went away.

It has a background. Mr. Basit had left that job two years ago. Lately his ex-colleagues saw him doing security duty on Eid day at Bait-ul-Sana, an Ahmadiyya mosque in Model Colony. They came to know that Mr. Basit was an Ahmadi; hence the angry but bigoted protest.

Social boycott imposed by mulla

Gulshan Jami, Karachi; October 2018: In May a mulla here became hostile to Mr. Muneeb Ahmad Khan, Ahmadi, harassed him severely and called him *Wajib-ul-Qatl*.

In October, Mr. Khan called an electrician to his house for some repairs. He asked for water. The same mulla happened to come there and he started abusing the founder of Ahmadiyyat. He told the workers there that these people are Qadianis and eating and drinking with them is forbidden. Mr. Khan did not respond in kind and stayed calm. The mulla went away after creating that scene.

Ahmadi told to dislodge – for his faith

Wandhar; Balochistan: Mr Ittefaq Ahmad, resident of Wandhar for over 35 years told here to vacate his business and leave.

Mr Ahmad runs a shop in the main bazaar. This shop is owned by a local madrassah and mosque.

For the last two or three years, Mr. Ahmad experienced a muted anti-Ahmadi propaganda that would surface off and on, but it was countered with the help of the mayor and the local chief. This time, in May 2018, Mr Ahmad received a notice to vacate the shop within three months.

It is learnt that a mulla had come from Karachi and had met the Mosque Committee. He spoke against Ahmadis and gave *fatwa* that the rent collected from an Ahmadi was *haram* (illicit) for the mosque and the madrassah. He further asserted that Ahmadis were *Wajib ul Qatl* (must be put to death). The president of the Mosque Committee expressed his compulsion in the light of the *fatwa*.

Mr. Ahmad told the Committee that he was a resident of Wandhar for long, and had business obligations and loans to clear; this was not possible to do within three months. Also his children were going to school, so he should be provided relief till the end of the academic session.

The president told Mr. Ahmad to write him an application.