

# Yearly summary of persecution Some statistics and information

2018

## Summarized thematic info regarding the Persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan during 2018

### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

- Qazi Shaban Ahmad Khan was killed on June 25, 2018 at his house in Lahore.
- Mr. Muhammad Zafrullah was shot dead on August 29, 2018 in District Nankana.

### **Faith-based murder attempts and assaults**

- Mr. Sajjad Ahmad survived an attack on his life on May 26, 2018 in Lahore.
- Mr. and Mrs. Ziauddin were shot at and injured on July 7, 2018 in Faisalabad.
- Mr. Jamil Ahmad was injured in an attack on September 29, 2018 in Sanghar.
- Dr. Manzoor Ahmad and Dr. Imran Ahmad were attacked by a youth carrying pistol on October 2, 2018 in Kotli, Azad Kashmir.
- Mr. Abdul Sattar, Mr. Nazir Ahmad and another Ahmadi were beaten up severely on April 23, 2018 in Sialkot.

### **Religion-based arrests and prosecution**

Application of Ahmadi-specific laws, religion laws and registration of faith-based police cases was relentlessly undertaken by the state and society. This year 62 Ahmadis were booked by the police, while 15 suffered arrest or detention.

### **Attacks on places of worship, and worship**

- Attack, gross desecration and severe damage to an Ahmadiyya mosque in Sialkot, Punjab on May 23/24, 2018. Officials engaged a mob to destroy the adjacent venerated site. Two Ahmadis booked by the police. Riot leaders thank the district administration for substantial support.
- On demand of mischief mongers, the authorities sealed an Ahmadiyya mosque on May 28, 2018 in Deryan Wala, District Narowal.

- Ahmadiyya prayer centre in Joharabad was sealed by the police in April 2018. The police demanded an NOC for the centre.
- Mob attack on Ahmadis and Ahmadiyya mosque on August 23, 2018 in District Faisalabad. Lies and disinformation on social media fan fire of anti-Ahmadiyya hostility. Mosque set on fire. Six Ahmadis injured. Truce imposed by authorities.
- On demand of a local mulla, the authorities locked unlawfully Ahmadiyya mosque in Goth Qamaruddin, District Noshehro Firoz, Sindh in October 2018.
- On demand of some mischief mongers, the police stopped Ahmadis' worship in their prayer centre in Sillanwali, District Sargodha in June 2018.
- On demand of mullas, the police stopped Ahmadis' worship in their prayer centre in Peelovains, District Khushab in February 2018.
- Hateful graffiti on Ahmadiyya mosque's wall in a cantonment area in District Rawalpindi on August 5, 2018.
- Ahmadiyya prayer centre in Johar Town, Lahore was at risk in October 2018 as the mullas demanded closure of the prayer centre.
- An Ahmadiyya prayer centre in Lahore under threat of closing down – in the name of security.
- Ahmadiyya mosque in Qiyam Pur Saddey, District Narowal was under threat of take-over. The authorities were also threatened with law and order problem and bloodshed by Islamist bigots in June 2018.
- Ahmadiyya mosque escaped desecration in Ghoghhat, Sargodha in March 2018. Mullas issued notices to demolish its minarets and niche.
- Ahmadiyya mosque in Karachi was threatened on April 19, 2018. Mullas blocked the road, protested and staged a sit-in. Ahmadi families had to flee from the neighborhood.
- Ahmadiyya mosque in Uwrah, District Sialkot was under threat of mullas in June 2018.
- Ahmadiyya mosques in Multan were under serious threat of extremists in February 2018.

### **Religion-based tyranny**

- Mr. Almas Ayub Butt was charged under PPC 298-B&C in Pasrur, District Sialkot on July 21, 2018.
- Provincial minister Mr. Zaeem Qadri threatened murder – personally, to any Ahmadi who peddles Ahmadiyya translation of the Quran. He brazenly refused constitutional rights to Ahmadis in January 2018.
- The police registered a case under PPC 298-C against Mr. Muhammad Ahmad for undertaking *Qurbani* in Guldast Town Gujjarpura, District Lahore on September 5, 2018.
- Special mention of anti-Ahmadi laws in Electronic Crimes Bill (Amendment) moved by PTI, presented in the Senate on September 20, 2018.
- Mr. Shahid Hussain was charged under PPC 298-C for undertaking *Qurbani* in Sadhokey, District Gujranwala in August 2018.
- The police booked two Ahmadis, Mr. Abdus Sattar Butt and Mr. Mumtaz Butt on May 12, 2018 under section 132(2) of Punjab Government Act 2013 with FIR 271/18 at police

station Nikapur, Sialkot, on fabricated charge of ‘unlawful construction’ of a residence built a century ago during the Raj.

- Mr. Arfat Qadir was charged under PPC 298-C in Basti Punjab, District Rajan Pur on October 2018.
- Mr. Waqar Ahmad Bajwa, Mr. Waqas Ahmad, Mr. Nadeem Ahmad and 4 or 5 unnamed were implicated in a police case, Nr 283/18 under PPC 342 for wrongful confinement on June 3, 2018 in Rabwah.
- A police case was registered against three Ahmadis Mr. Abdus Salaam, Mr. Abbas, Mr. Muhammad Inaam and twenty-five un-named Ahmadis under PPC 295/354, 337 A, 337 L, 148 and 149 on June 22, 2018 in Rabwah.
- The police registered FIR Nr 363/18 at Police Station Mangtanwala, District Nankana against Messers Shamoon Ahmad, Nosheerwan Ahmad, Zeeshan Ahmad and Nawaz Ahmad under PPC 506, 337, 148, 149 on June 30, 2018.

### **Freedom of religion denied**

- Ahmadis were not allowed to practice their religious ritual of Qurbani on Eid-ul-Azha in some locations in the Punjab.
- An intelligence agency recommended further restrictions on Ahmadis’ Freedom of Religion and Human Rights in May 2018.
- Ahmadis were made to sign an agreement that violated their rights guaranteed by the Constitution. Police DSP became a party to deprive Ahmadis of their rights in Baidadpur Virkan, Sheikhpura in August, 2018.
- Freedom of worship was denied or restricted in Districts Sargodha and Khushab of Punjab in April 2018. KN activists availed administration and police support to implement their designs.

### **Judiciary’s role**

- Justice Shaukat Aziz Siddiqui of Islamabad High Court (IHC) delivered a very unjust verdict against Ahmadis, on the basis of End of Prophethood in March 2018. It had serious impact on Ahmadis’ fundamental rights and freedom of faith. Siddiqui quoted with great satisfaction Para 13 of Raja Zafarul Haq’s Report: The new addition of Section 48A has resulted in making the previous Articles 7B and 7C which became operative 15 years ago on 20.06.2002 as perpetually operative. Raja Haq is a rabid anti-Ahmadi politico.
- Two affidavits to state one’s faith, one for Muslims and one for non-Muslims, were enforced by NADRA. Ahmadis are made to express the ‘non-Muslim’ status imposed on them. These affidavits are the outcome of verdict given by Justice Siddiqui of Islamabad High Court on March 9, 2018.
- Bail applications were mostly denied or hearings were repeatedly postponed.

### **Burial problems**

- Mr. Hameed Ahmad was denied burial in the common cemetery in Rafiqabad, District Layyah on May 25, 2018.

- Mrs. Amina Bibi was denied burial in the common cemetery in Chak 5/3 Ahmad Pur Sial, District Jhang on September 30, 2018.
- Ahmadis were stopped to offer an Ahmadi's funeral prayer by his non-Ahmadi son and TLP activists in Chak 103/6R, District Bahawal Nagar in September 2018.

### **Torture**

- Chaudhry Aslam, his son and nephews were beaten up by a mob in Chak 563 GB, District Faisalabad on January 7, 2018.

### **Blasphemy laws**

- Mr. Saeed Ahmad Waraich was falsely charged under PPC 295-C in Tandlianwala, District Faisalabad on January 20, 2018. He is in prison.
- Mr. Javed Ahmad Ghuman was charged in a fabricated blasphemy case under PPC 295-C in Chak 368 TDA, District Layya on July 1, 2018. He is in prison.
- Ahmadis in Mirpur Khas narrowly escaped being charged under blasphemy law in March 2018.

### **Hateful propaganda**

- Hate material included in KPK text book containing derogatory remarks against the holy founder of the Ahmadiyya community.
- Windfall of hateful Khatme Nabuwwat conferences in Punjab. Three major anti-Ahmadi conferences were held in Lahore in March 2018, and numerous secondary ones. Official support visible throughout.
- 'Exploit religion' was the trend in election campaign 2018 with most of the political parties. Khatme Nabuwwat was made the issue.
- Extensive hate campaign against Ahmadis went on unchecked all across the country throughout the year. Rabwah remained vulnerable because of numerous conferences held in this town by anti-Ahmadi mullas; the participants were transported here and were incited against the Ahmadiyya community.
- In June 2018 Mulla Khadim Rizvi of TLP prescribed 'Death' for Ahmadis who do not become Muslim.
- Jamaat Islami held anti-Ahmadiyya 'Jurists' Conference' in Islamabad in October 2018.

### **Ahmadi women**

- Ms Atika Shahid, an Ahmadi young lady, a gold-medalist, an M.Phil. student at National Institute of Bio-technology and Genetic Engineering, Faisalabad was expelled by the administration from the course on September 26, 2018 for her faith.
- Ms. Ufaq Feroz, headmistress in Government Girls High School Jan Muhammad Wala, Tehsil Kot Momin, District Sargodha faced faith-based hostility in March 2018.

## **Threats**

- Mr. Mubashir Ahmad, an Ahmadi received threats to his life and felt so disturbed that he stopped sending his children to school in Nankana on January 11, 2018.
- Mr Hamza Farooq an Ahmadi student faced hatred and life threat in Lala Musa, District Gujrat on August 6, 2018.
- Murder threat to Ahmadis in Mandi Bahauddin on August 20, 2018.
- Mr. Zahid Shafique an Ahmadi received a threat letter in Quaidabad, District Khushab on September 8, 2018.
- Extremists threatened LUMS university for its students' visit to Rabwah in October 2018.
- Mr. Khaleeq Ahmad is a technician, expert in repairing transformers. Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan sent threatening letters to this Ahmadi's fellows in profession urging his social boycott in Mardan in April 2018.

## **Official prop to persecution of Ahmadis**

- Azad Jammu and Kashmir Parliament (PML-N majority) followed Pakistan to declare Ahmadis as non-Muslims in February 2018.
- Brilliant Ahmadi, Professor Atif Mian was asked unjustly and indefensibly by the government to resign from Economic Advisory Council. His faith was the issue.
- Move (by a JUI-F member) in the National Assembly to impose Death Penalty on Ahmadis in June 2018.
- Official encouragement, facilitation and even participation in Ahmadis' persecution remained rampant in numerous ways.

## **Civic discrimination**

- Rabwah town's civic situation was deplored by a non-Ahmadi journalist in February 2018. Councilors and police were blamed.
- Plot against an Ahmadi-owned school in Kot Shera, District Gujranwala in September 2018.

## **Miscellaneous**

- Incidents of religion-based severe harassment of Ahmadi businessmen were reported from different places.
- Ahmadis were denied sports activities on demand of Mulla Ilyas Chinioti, an MPA of PML-N, in Rabwah in March 2018.
- US declared Pakistan CPC in December.

2017

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## **Ahmadis were murdered for their faith**

- Mr. Saleem Lateef was target-killed on March 30, 2017 in Nankana.
- Dr. Ashfaq Ahmad was gunned down on April 7, 2017 in Lahore.
- Ms. Tahira Parveen Malik was murdered on April 18, 2017 in Lahore.
- Mr. Basharat Ahmad was killed on May 3, 2017 in Rahimyar Khan.

## **Faith-based murder attempts and assaults**

- Mr. Ahmad Ibrahim survived an attack on his life on June 10, 2017 in Lahore.
- Armed men attempted attack on Mr. Basharat Ahmad in Syedwala on November 17.

## **Religion-based arrests and prosecution**

- This year 77 Ahmadis were booked by the police while 26 suffered arrest or detention.

## **Attacks on worship and places of worship**

- The Ahmadiyya mosque in Muridkay, District Sheikhpura was set on fire by a deranged youth at about 3 a.m. on August 28, 2017.
- The construction of Ahmadiyya community centre was stopped by the administration under the pressure of mullas in Kahkashan Colony, Rabwah.
- On demand of mullas, the administration stopped Ahmadis' worship in their local prayer centre in Iqbal Town, Lahore.
- Ahmadis were denied repairs and upgrade of their mosque in Mandhiala Waraich, District Gujranwala by the administration, under pressure of mullas, in June 2017.
- Ahmadis were denied construction of their community centre in Dhor, District Nawabshah, under pressure of mullas in June 2017.
- Ahmadis were denied construction of their prayer centre in Gorgaij, District Larkana in July 2017.
- The administration ordered Ahmadis to close down the main-gate of their mosque in December 2017 under the pressure of mullas in Lodhran.

- Ahmadis in Pilasor, District TT Singh were made to raise the outer wall of their mosque so that the minarets of their mosque became invisible from outside.
- The administration ordered Ahmadis to demolish the minarets and niche of their mosque in District Muzaffar Garh during December 2017.

### **Religion-based tyranny**

- Mr. Idrees Ahmad and Mr. Sabah-ul-Zafar were most wrongfully awarded three years' prison sentence by an ATA court in Faisalabad on May 31, 2017.
- Seven more Ahmadi pressmen of Rabwah were implicated in a wrongful police case in Lahore on October 25, 2017.
- The President of Sadr Anjuman Ahmadiyya Rabwah (the main body of Ahmadiyya community in Pakistan) and Mr. Naseer Ahmad Farooqi, the District Amir of Ahmadiyya community in Quetta were booked under PPC 419, 420, 427 and 34 with FIR no. 140 in City police station, Quetta on October 11, 2017.
- The police booked Mr. Naveed A. Khan under T.P. 337H2 and violation of A02015-A013/20/65/2B on October 23, 2017 in Rabwah.
- The police arrested Mr. Shahbaz Ahmad Bajwa with FIR no. 31/17 under The Punjab Security Ordinance 2015, on February 19, 2017 in District Bahawalpur.
- The police registered a case against Mr. Muzaffar Ahmad under PPC 107/51 and arrested him in May 2017 in District Sialkot.
- Mr. Arif Ahmad and Mr. Amir Ahmad were implicated in a false police case under PPC 107/151 on November 17, 2017.
- Mr. Zafrullah was booked in a bogus police case under section 337/H, 34B etc.
- The mulla imposed total surrender on spineless government in October 2017 over Ahmadis' right of vote.
- Prime Minister Azad Kashmir stated on June 10, 2017, "Immediate action will be taken against Qadianis' activities in Kotli. ..."
- Captain ® Safdar of the ruling party made a rabidly anti-Ahmadiyya speech in the National Assembly on October 9, 10, 2017; the Speaker did not interrupt him.
- A resolution was moved in AJK Assembly by the ruling (PML-N) party on April 26, 2017 that Ordinance XX (anti-Ahmadiyya law) should be vigorously implemented in letter and spirit. The Assembly passed the resolution.
- Rana Sanaullah, Law Minister in Punjab also said, "Ahmadis, more than any other non-Muslim minority, are dangerous to the Islamic faith," (*The daily Din; Lahore, October 10, 2017*)
- All Parties Namus Risalat (honour of the prophet) Conference targeted Ahmadis in Dreamland Hotel, Islamabad on February 1, 2017.

### **Freedom of religion denied**

- On March 13, 2017 two Ahmadis in Lahore, Mr. Amjad Iqbal Saloni and Mr. Ikram Ilahi were charged under PPC 298-C and 295-A. They were arrested and denied bail.
- Punjab government started afresh investigation whether Ahmadis are printing their prime and foremost scripture, the Holy Quran.
- Ahmadis were not allowed to practice their religious ritual of *Qurbani* on Eid-ul-Azha in some locations in the Punjab.
- Rana Sanallah told the Punjab Assembly, “Constitution provides full religious freedom to all the minorities in Pakistan, but this could not be given to Ahmadis as they do not consider themselves a minority.” October 2017

### **The Judiciary’s role**

- Three Ahmadis, Mr. Mubashir Ahmad, Mr. Ghulam Ahmad and Mr. Ihsan Ahmad of Bhoiwal were sentenced to death by a judge Muhammad Akram in Ferozwala on October 11, 2017.
- The police registered FIR Nr. 65 in March 2017 against 40 Ahmadis, in Police Station Choa Saydan Shah, District Chakwal for the murder of Mr. Naeem Shafiq – a member of the rioting and attacking mob, which attacked Ahmadiyya mosque in Dulmial last year. This was done at the orders of a judge.

### **Burial problems**

- Twenty Ahmadis of Lathianwala, District Faisalabad were charged under PPC 407/451 and arrested on October 6, 2017. They had resisted takeover of Ahmadis’ cemetery land.
- Malik Safdar, brother of Malik Hameedulla former District Amir, was denied burial in the common cemetery in Daska, District Sialkot on October 28, 2017.

### **Torture**

Mr. Riasat Ali was picked up by CTD personnel, taken to their hide-out and tortured to obtain information on community affairs in August 2017.

### **Blasphemy laws**

- Mr. Liaquat Ali Ranjha, Additional Session Judge, Jhelum sentenced Mr. Qamar Ahmad Tahir to imprisonment for life for allegedly defiling the Holy Quran, on July 1, 2017.
- Mr. Faheem Ahmad, an Ahmadi of Ganga Pur, District Faisalabad narrowly escaped being charged under blasphemy law in May 2017.
- Mr. Mohammad Yunus, an Ahmadi owner of a registered private school in Khushab escaped an attempt of being accused under the blasphemy law in April 2017.

### **Hateful propaganda**

- Hateful anti-Ahmadiyya posters were put up on road-signs in Islamabad in June 2017.



- Extensive hate campaign against Ahmadis went on unchecked all across the country. Rabwah remained vulnerable because of various conferences held in this town by anti-Ahmadi mullas, in which the participants were incited against the Ahmadiyya community.
- Islamabad sit-in in the name of End of Prophethood generated great deal of anti-Ahmadi propaganda.

### **Ahmadi women**

- Ms. Tahira Parveen Malik was murdered on April 18, 2017 in Lahore.
- An Ahmadi lady faced harassment in a market in Lahore on April 8, 2017 for her religious identity.

### **Threats**

Mr. Tasawwar Ahmad received threatening letter from the Khatme Nabuwwat organization in Hattar, District Hazara in November 2017.

### **Official encouragement to persecution of Ahmadis**

- Anti-Ahmadiyya activities remained in high gear in Lahore the provincial capital this year as well. Mullas openly spread hate against Ahmadis.
- Official encouragement, facilitation, even participation remained rampant in numerous ways.

### **Civic discrimination**

The municipal committee of Rabwah increased the local taxes by almost 100% for its residents, of whom 95% are Ahmadis.

### **Impartial view**

US Secretary of State Rex Tillerson stated that religious freedom was under attack in Pakistan. (*The daily Dawn of August 17, 2017*)

## 2016

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#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

- Mr. Bilal Ahmad was shot dead on January 11, 2016 in Rabwah.
- Mr. Qamar ul Zia was murdered on March 1, 2016 in Kot Abdul Malik, Distt. Sheikhpura.
- Mr. Dawood Ahmad was shot dead on May 24, 2016 in Gulzar Hijri, Karachi.
- Dr. Hameed Ahmad was killed on June 4, 2016 in Attock.
- Dr. Ch. Abdul Khaliq was murdered on June 20, 2016 in Karachi.
- Sheikh Sajid Mahmud was shot dead on November 22, 2016 in Gulzar Hijri, Karachi.

#### **Faith-based murder attempts and assaults**

- Mr. Javed Ahmad Khokhar and Rana Iftikhar were shot at by unknown assailants on January 27, 2016.
- Mr. Muhammad Ashraf of Hafizabad was assaulted by a mulla in March 2016. He got a sore eye and his ear got hurt due to the impact of the slap.

#### **Ahmadis arrested, and those who faced religion-based prosecution**

- The Counter Terrorism Department unlawfully and wrongfully raided the Ahmadiyya central offices and a printing press and arrested four persons on December 5, 2016. Nine Ahmadis were booked in this police case.
- A special court judge in Lahore added on April 18, 2016 the staggering blasphemy clauses PPCs 295-C and 295-B to the charge sheet of Mr. Tahir Mahdi, Ahmadi printer, for no other reason than the demand of his opponent party.
- A violent anti-Ahmadiyya mob attacked the Ahmadiyya mosque in Dulmial, District Chakwal on December 12, 2016. They occupied it, set fire to its furnishings and sacred publications. It was then sealed by the authorities. The police booked 36 Ahmadis and 36 non-Ahmadis by name in the FIR and arrested four Ahmadis afterwards.
- The police in Rabwah booked 5 named Ahmadis and unabashedly another 55 as unnamed in a spurious police case and arrested all the named Ahmadis on September 22, 2016 on a mulla's demand.
- Mr. Zeeshan Hameed, an Ahmadiyya missionary was wrongfully implicated in a police case in Kotli, AJK on a spurious charge of preaching in January 2016.
- Police registered FIR no. 125 against Mirza Ikramullah S/O Mr. Zafarullah under 14-14/15 Punjab Security Act on April 25, 2016 in PS Kala, District DG Khan. They blamed the accused that the boundary wall of the Ahmadiyya mosque did not meet the security standard and CCTV cameras were not working properly.
- Mr. Muhammad Khan Joya of Chaubara, District Layyah was wrongfully implicated under two police cases by anti-Ahmadiyya opponents who had killed his daughter-in-law Maryyam Kahtoon five years ago. He was arrested on June 26, 2016.

- Additional Session Judge upheld 3 years' imprisonment sentence to Mr. Masud Ahmad Chandio, an Ahmadiyya missionary and awarded one-month imprisonment to Mr. Abdur Razzaq, in a case registered under the anti-Ahmadi law PPC 298-C. Both the accused were arrested and sent to Hyderabad prison on August 15, 2016.
- Mr. Habib Ahmad was wrongfully implicated in a blasphemy case under PPC 295-B in P.S. Thekriwala, District Faisalabad with FIR no. 82.
- Mr. Farhan Ahmad S/O Mr. Sultan Ahmad was wrongfully mentioned in an FIR by an anti-Ahmadiyya neighbour on October 24, 2016. Ahmads had to shift residence to remain safe from the evil doings of their opponents.

### **Attacks on worship and places of worship**

- A violent anti-Ahmadiyya mob of more than a 1000 people attacked the Ahmadiyya mosque in Dulmial, District Chakwal on December 12, 2016. They occupied it and set fire to its furniture, mats, books etc. It was then sealed by the authorities. Ahmadi were denied their only mosque in the town. One Ahmadi and one non-Ahmadi died during the attack. The police booked 36 Ahmadi and 36 non-Ahmadi by name in the FIR and arrested four Ahmadi afterwards.
- The DCO Khushab handed over the local Ahmadiyya mosque in Chak 2/TDA in March 2016 to an anti-Ahmadiyya group. This mosque was previously sealed by the administration on October 28, 2015.
- One, Muhammad Bilal in February 2016 took photos of a 70 years old Ahmadiyya mosque in Daska and lodged an application with the SHO Daska City. He demanded demolition of the minarets of the mosque.
- The police destroyed the *Kalima* and other sacred writings from the Ahmadiyya mosque in Chak No. 32 South in District Sargodha on July 28, 2016.
- Ahmadi were harassed by hostile neighbours in Township, Lahore while congregating for prayers in their local prayer centre. As a result the worship centre had to be closed for a while in October, 2016.
- Ahmadi were denied the construction of their place of worship and missionary's house in 278-HR, District Bahawalnagar in April 2016.

### **Miscellaneous**

- The Punjab government issued fresh orders in January 2016 to ban numerous Ahmadiyya publications and almost all the periodicals – quoting the recommendations of the Ulama Board as the authority.
- A housing authority in the Punjab, once again advertized auction of 'government land' in Rabwah (Chenab Nagar) in March 2016 forbidding Ahmadi to bid for it or even buy the land at some future date from the successful bidder.
- Police inspector Shujaat Malhi, who was under arrest for torture to death of Mr. Abdul Qadoos (an Ahmadi) was released on bail in May 2016, at Lahore High Court's orders.
- Two Ahmadi children, Muhammad Ibtisam of Prep class and his brother Basal Ahmad of class III were expelled from Sir Syed Public School, Attock on October 15, 2016.

- Speakers at a Khatm-e-Nabuwwat Conference on April 10, 2016 in Government owned Aiwan-i-Iqbal demanded “implementation of anti-Qadyani Ordinance 1984 and taking National Action Plan (NAP) to Chenab Nagar.”
- A high level meeting was held on October 25, 2016 in the Assembly Secretariat (KPK) under the chairmanship of Mr. Asad Qaisar, the Speaker to formally include Khatme Nabuwwat (KN) in school syllabi.
- In a rally taken out by Pakistan Peoples Party in Kotli AJK, Raja Pervez Ashraf, a former prime minister indulged in hate-speech against Ahmadis on April 30, 2016.
- The Deputy Chairman Senate urged ban on Qadianis’ activities in a Khatme-e-Nabuwwat conference held in Golra Sharif, a village on the outskirts of the capital on August 25, 2016.
- Mufti Munib-ur-Rahman Chairman of Pakistan’s official ‘Ruet-e-Hilal Committee’ made a hate-speech against Ahmadis in a Khatm-e-Nabuwwat conference in Lalian (10 kms away from Rabwah) on September 26, 2016.
- A factory owned by two Ahmadi brothers, Mr. Nasir Mahmood and Mr. Zafarullah S/O Mr. Mukhtar Ahmad Jutt was set on fire in Sheikhpura on September 12, 2016.
- Extensive hate campaign against Ahmadis went on unchecked all across the country. Rabwah remained vulnerable because of various conferences held in this town by anti-Ahmadi mullas where the participants were incited against the Ahmadiyya community.
- Anti-Ahmadiyya activities remained in high gear in Lahore this year as well. Mullas openly spread hate against Ahmadis.
- The judiciary in general, played a hostile role in providing little relief to Ahmadis who faced fabricated charges based on religion. It was difficult to obtain bails.
- Incidents of religion-based severe harassment of Ahmadi businessmen were reported throughout the year from different places.

**December 31, 2016**

## 2015

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#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

Mr. Nauman Najam was shot dead on March 21, 2015 in Karachi.

Mr. Ikramullah was murdered on August 19, 2015 in Taunsa, Distt. D G Khan.

#### **Faith-based murder attempts and assaults**

- Mr. Saleem Razaqat along with his two nephews, Mr. Moaaz Ahmad and Mr. Shameer Ahmad were shot at on October 11, 2015 in Karachi. Mr. Saleem Razaqat and Mr. Shameer Ahmad got serious injuries.
- Two pillion riders opened fire on Mr. Munir Ahmad when he was returning home on November 18, 2015 in Karachi. One bullet hit Mr. Munir in his shoulder.
- A factory owned by an Ahmadi was set on fire, after looting on November 20, 2015, and the residences inside were also torched with the motive of burning Ahmadis alive inside. Ahmadis narrowly escaped loss of life.
- *Other assault victims are mentioned in Chapter 4.*

#### **Ahmadis arrested, and those who faced religion-based prosecution**

- Mr Abdul Shakoor was wrongfully arrested in Rabwah on December 02, 2015 by Counter Terrorism Department and sentenced to 8 years imprisonment and Rs. 150,000 fine by Anti-terrorism court.
- Mr. Tahir Mehdi Imtiaz, printer of the Ahmadiyya monthly Ansarullah, was arrested on March 30, 2015 in a fabricated case registered under a blasphemy clause PPC 295-A and an anti-Ahmadi law PPC 298-C in Lahore.
- Mr. Faisal Shehzad and Mr. Saleem Ahmad were wrongfully arrested on February 09, 2015 under the anti-Ahmadi law PPC 298-C in Aalam Garh, District Gujrat.
- The high court ordered the arrest of Mr. Mansur Ahmad of Mangat Uncha, District Hafizabad on October 21, 2015 under the blasphemy clause PPC 295-B. Mr. Ahmad has suffered prosecution for 11 years.
- Mr. Mubashir Ahmad, Mr. Ghulam Ahmad and Mr. Ihsan Ahmad were wrongfully charged under PPC 295-A, 337-C and 427 with FIR no. 291 in police station Sharaqpur Sharif, District Sheikhpura on May 13, 2014. They were refused bail, and are in prison since July 18, 2014.
- Mr. Muhammad Qasim Majoka was arrested on October 22, 2015 after the court sentenced him to two years' imprisonment under anti-Ahmadiyya law PPC 298-C in District Sargodha.
- Mr. Mansur Ahmad was sentenced to one year's imprisonment and Rs. 20,000/- fine under an anti-Ahmadiyya law 298-C in Mankeerah, District Bhakkar on May 20, 2015.
- The police arrested Mr. Rafiq Kahlon, Mr. Abdul Rauf, Mr. Bilal Ahmad, Mr. Luqman Ajmal, Mr. Masood Ahmad and Mr. Ikram on April 20, 2015 in a spurious case under CrPC 148, 149, 324/337-H, 7-ATA and 16-MPO in Chak 109 GB, District Faisalabad.

- Mr. Mukhtar Ahmad was arrested and tortured in prison in March 2015 in Bhari Shah Rahman, Gujranwala, on false accusation.
- Mr Munawar Din of District Khushab; Mr Bashir Ahmad and Mr Tariq Ahmad of District Layya were maliciously booked in April 2015 for failure to immediately provide security to their mosques.
- Mr. Aqib Saleem was finally acquitted on August 15, 2015 after one year of detention in a false case registered under PPC 295-A, 324 and 8/11 WATA in Gujranwala.

### **Attacks on worship and places of worship**

- In January 2015 two attempts were made to burn an Ahmadiyya mosque in Attock.
- The land for an Ahmadiyya mosque was illegally occupied by opponents on March 14, 2015 in Qayyampur Virkan, District Gujranwala.
- On May 04, 2015 the authorities demolished parts of an Ahmadiyya mosque in Panchand, District Chakwal.
- A policeman was injured by firing when two unidentified armed men attacked an Ahmadiyya mosque on July 11, 2015 in Taunsa Sharif, District Dera Ghazi Khan.
- An Ahmadiyya mosque in Goleki, District Gujrat was awarded to opponents by a civil judge on September 17, 2015.
- The police demolished minarets of the Ahmadiyya mosque in Qutba Jora, District Kasur.
- Authorities sealed an Ahmadiyya mosque in Chak 2/TDA, District Khushab on October 28, 2015.
- An Ahmadiyya mosque in Kala Gujran, District Jhelum was attacked by a mob, its belongings burnt followed by its occupation on November 21, 2015. The authorities locked it.

### **Kidnappings**

- Dr Muhammad Aslam was kidnapped from his clinic in Quetta on December 30, 2014 and was released a few days later.
- Mr. Abdul Aziz Bashir was kidnapped on October 05, 2015 and was tortured. However he managed to flee from the entrapment.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Mob destroyed an Ahmadi-owned factory and occupied an Ahmadiyya mosque in Jhelum. Loot and arson took place in police presence. All Ahmadis had to flee from their homes and hearths to save their lives.
- Government of the Punjab banned more than 90 books and publications of the Ahmadiyya community on the recommendations of Mutahiddah Ulama Board. These included the entire works of the founder of the community.
- Local councils' elections: 33,000 Ahmadi voters in Rabwah could not vote for their councilors. Election commission took no steps to facilitate Ahmadis' participation.
- The (PTI) speaker of KPK Assembly declared to the crowd in an anti-Ahmadiyya conference that the KPK government will soon make End of Prophethood part of school syllabus.

- Majlis Tahaffuz Khatme Nabuwwat Peshawar issued a pamphlet which states: “*It is Jihad to shoot such people (Ahmadis) in the open.*” The pamphlet contained names and addresses of Ahmadi doctors in Peshawar.
- Extensive hate campaign against Ahmadis went on unchecked all across the country. Rabwah remained vulnerable because of various conferences held in this town by anti-Ahmadi mullas where the participants were incited against the Ahmadiyya community.
- A shopkeeper in Lahore was arrested and an FIR was registered against him under section PPC 295-A and MPO-16 for displaying a sticker in his shop which conveyed: *Qadiani (dogs) are not allowed entry here.* He was later released on bail within a day by a judge due to protest of traders.
- A candidate in the local bodies’ election distributed pamphlets during his campaign with a note: “*Qadianis need not bother to vote for me*”.
- The only book depot in Rabwah was raided by authorities; its proprietor was arrested by anti-terrorism squad.
- Anti-Ahmadiyya activities remained in high gear in Lahore this year as well. Mullas openly spread hate against Ahmadis.
- Punjab Assembly unanimously adopted a resolution condemning former High Commissioner to UK Wajid Shamsul Hasan’s statement criticizing anti-Ahmadi amendment to the constitution.
- The judiciary in general, played a hostile role in providing little relief to Ahmadis who faced fabricated charges based on religion. It was difficult to obtain bails.
- Incidents of religion-based severe harassment of Ahmadi businessmen were reported throughout the year from different places.
- Two Ahmadi teachers were fired from their jobs because of the pressure from anti-Ahmadiyya elements.
- Boys of a madrasa damaged gravestones by pelting stones in an Ahmadi graveyard in Rabwah on January 12, 2015.
- A mulla on state payroll, Zahid Mehmud Qasmi, stated: ‘Qadianis are a colossal mischief (fitna); the world of Islam will have to unite to crush its head.
- A researcher on the ‘Ahmadi issue’ recommended research and open discussions; “**Only then we might be able to avoid the impending human disaster which is in the making,**” he said in an interview.

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#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

Mr. Arsalan Sarwar was target-killed on January 14, 2014 in Rawalpindi.

Mr. Razi-ud-Din was killed on February 8, 2014 in Karachi.

Mr. Khalil Ahmad was shot dead while in police custody on May 16, 2014 in Sheikhpura.

Dr. Mahdi Ali Qamar was assassinated on May 26, 2014 in Rabwah.

Mr. Imtiaz Ahmad was killed on July 13, 2014 in Nawabshah.

Ms. Bushra Bibi, Miss Hira Tabassum (8 years old) and Miss Kainat Tabassum (7 months old) died of asphyxiation in an arson attack on July 27, 2014 in Gujranwala.

Mr. Mubashar Ahmad Khosa was shot dead on September 22, 2014 in Mirpur Khas.

Mr. Latif Aalam Butt was murdered on October 15, 2014 in Attock.

Mr. Luqman Shahzad was gunned down on December 27, 2014 in District Gujranwala.

*(Total: eleven)*

#### **Faith-based murder attempts and assaults**

- Mr. Abdul Ali S/O Ch. Abdul Majid escaped death when a man entered his shop and put a dagger on his neck on January 23, 2014 in Rahim Yar Khan.
- The rioters indulged in attack, loot, arson and extermination against the Ahmadi residents of Arafat Colony in Gujranwala; the targeted 125 Ahmadi men, women and children fled to avoid harm and bloodshed.
- *Other assault victims are mentioned in Chapter 4.*

#### **Ahmadis arrested, and those who faced religion-based prosecution**

- Mian Muhammad Yar and Mian Waheed ul Hassan of Haveli Lakha, Okara were arrested on a bogus charge under PPC 298-C with FIR no. 224 on March 14, 2014.
- Mian Anas Ahmad was wrongfully arrested under ATA 7 with FIR no. 228 in Haveli Lakha, District Okara on March 14, 2014.
- Mr. Tahir Ahmad Khalid was arrested under PPC 295-B, 337 A1-F1 with FIR no. 68 in police station Tando Allah Yar, District Hyderabad on March 31, 2014.
- Mr. Saleem and Mr. Atiq were wrongfully charged under PPC 295-A, 324, ATA 11-W with FIR no. 553 in police station Peoples Colony, Gujranwala on July 28, 2014.
- Mr. Munir Ahmad, Mr. Faisal Ahmad and Mr. Salim Ahmad were implicated in a false police case under the anti-Ahmadi law PPC 298-C on November 27, 2014 in PS Daulat Nagar with FIR no. 358, and the police arrested them.



- Mr. Khalil Ahmad, Mr. Mubashir Ahmad, Mr. Ghulam Ahmad and Mr. Ihsan Ahmad were wrongfully charged under PPC 295-A, 337-C and 427 with FIR no. 291 in police station Sharaqpur Sharif, Distt. Sheikhpura on May 13, 2014.
- Mr. Imran Nasir, Mr. Adnan Nasir, Mr. Ahmad Tahir Mirza, Mr. Farhan Ahmad, Mr. Tahir Mahdi Imtiaz and Mr. Abdul Manan Kausar were booked under PPC 295-A, 298-C in police station Millat Town, Lahore on April 16, 2014.
- Mr. Mubashir Ahmad, Mr. Khalid Mahmood, Mr. Javaid Ahmad were booked falsely under PPC 298-C with FIR no. 547 in police station Baghbanpura, District Gujranwala on June 1, 2014.
- Mr. Muhammad Idrees Gurgaiz, Mr. Muhammad Khan Gurgaiz, Mr. Mushtaq Ahmad Gurgaiz, Mr. Muhammad Abbas and an Ahmadiyya missionary (Malik Khalid Mahmood) were charged under the anti-Ahmadiyya law PPC 298-C with FIR no. 96 in police station Tando Bhago, District Badin on July 24, 2014.
- Two Ahmadis, Mr. Khurshid Ahmad and Mr. Bilawal Ahmad, security guards were booked in Rabwah (Chenab Nagar) by police with FIR No. 393/2014 on December 16, 2014 under PPC 341/342, 506/148 and 149.

### **Attacks on worship and places of worship**

- An attempt was made to set an Ahmadiyya mosque on fire on January 23, 2014 in Goth Lashari, Hyderabad.
- Policemen on February 18, 2014 demolished the minarets of Ahmadiyya mosques in *Basti* Baba Jhanda and Baba Rahmat, District Rahim Yar Khan on orders of the DPO.
- The police responding to the demand of mullas stopped Ahmadis from essential repair and renovation work of their mosque in Bhera, District Sargodha in February 2014.
- The authorities stopped Ahmadis from building their mosque in Narowal in June 2014.
- On May 28, a magistrate ordered sealing of the Ahmadiyya mosque in Raipur, District Sialkot on the absurd plea of 'threat to peace'. A judge cancelled the magistrate's orders. The police then approached the judge to revise his order in view of 'law and order'.
- The police stopped the construction of a mosque in Masroor Abad, in D.G. Khan in June 2014 but later allowed the completion of the building only for residential purpose.
- Miscreants forced entry into an Ahmadiyya prayer center in Faisalabad on July 26, 2014. They abused the Ahmadis present and plundered the center. The police arrived and the SHO told Ahmadis not to worship there or face closure.
- Some terrorists were arrested in Lahore. They disclosed, *inter alia*, that Qadiani places of worship and worshippers were on their hit-list.

### **Burial problems**

- The police desecrated *Kalima* on seven gravestones of Ahmadis in Chak 96 GB, District Faisalabad on March 13, 2014.
- Two-month old daughter of Mr. Zahid Ahmad died on March 17, 2014. Her burial was denied in the common cemetery in the village by the extremists.

- Mr. Majeed Ahmad was buried on May 1, 2014 in the common cemetery. His remains were disinterred later by the authorities and buried elsewhere.
- Mr. Irshad Ahmad, president of the Ahmadiyya community in Gangapur died on August 28, 2014. His burial was not allowed in the common cemetery in Kartarpur despite the wish of his non-Ahmadi relatives.
- Mirza Sadaqat Ahmad, died in Fatehpur, District Gujrat on 19 October 2014. His burial in the common cemetery was disallowed by the mullas.
- Mr. Muhammad Boota died in Rao Kay, District Narowal on November 3, 2014. He was buried in the common cemetery with the permission of village mullas. Later other mullas agitated the issue and approached the police for disinterment.

### **Kidnappings**

- Mr. Shafiq Ahmad Khan, an office-bearer of local Ahmadiyya community was badly injured in an unsuccessful attempt to kidnap him on March 7, 2014 in Karachi.
- Mr. Naseer Ahmad of Kotri East, District Hyderabad was kidnapped by unknown men at about 8 p.m. on October 10, 2014.
- Mr. Mubarak Ahmad Bajwa was kidnapped five years ago in Distt. T.T. Singh. It is now learnt that he was slaughtered by his captors soon afterwards, for his faith.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Three Ahmadi females including 7-month old suckling died in arson attack. Eight homes and four shops were looted and gutted by the mob in police presence in Gujranwala on July 27, 2014.
- Lahore, capital of the Punjab, remained the epicentre of persecution of Ahmadis. Religious bigots, the police, the administration, the judiciary and the politicians joined hands to make life very difficult for Ahmadis in this metropolis.
- GEO TV telecast Aamir Liaqat Hussain's program on December 22, in which mulla Arif Owaisi called Ahmadis joint enemy of all Muslims and Pakistan. The mulla stated that Ahmadis, Jews were behind the Peshawar massacre. An Ahmadi was killed on fifth day after the telecast, in District Gujranwala.
- The Punjab Police in Lahore co-operated with mullas this year as well to deny Ahmadis their right to sacrifice cattle on Eid ul Adha.
- Two Hundred and eighty-eight Ahmadis who had applied for asylum in Sri Lanka were forced to return to Pakistan despite UN protest; Pakistan government disowned them.
- No steps have been taken to facilitate Ahmadis' participation in even local councils' elections.
- The judiciary in general, played a hostile role in providing relief to Ahmadis who faced fabricated charges based on religion. It was difficult to obtain bails.
- A Sessions Court dismissed two Ahmadis' appeal against unfair sentence of 'two years' imprisonment under Ahmadi-specific law.
- Several incidents of religion-based severe harassment of Ahmadi lecturers and teachers were reported throughout the year from different places.
- No arrests have been made in murder cases of three Ahmadis of one family in Karachi despite the on-going operation, although those who instigated such murders are known to the law-enforcing authorities.

- Pakistani TV channel Aaj decided to delete a brief documentary on Amendment No II from the BBC's Urdu program Serbeen that it had contracted to broadcast.
- Ahmadi volunteer denied recruitment in Pak Army, for his faith.
- Harrowing threat messages were delivered to many Ahmadis, mostly in Lahore.
- Extensive hate campaign against Ahmadis went on unchecked all across the country. A mulla stated in the KM conference in Rabwah that: Qadiani Jamaat and its auxiliaries are the slayers of Muslims and have butchered hundreds of thousands (*lakhon*) Muslims in support of interests of the West.
- Khatme Nabuwwat Council issued a pamphlet cursing Mr. Abdus Sattar Edhi and wishing him a burial *sans* shroud, for his good wishes for 'Qadianis'.
- Last but not least, the PML-N provincial government in the Punjab and their federal government deliberately and grossly neglected human rights and freedom of religion of Ahmadis – by commission or omission.

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#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

1. Mr. Hamid Sami was target-killed on June 11, 2013 in Karachi.
2. Mr. Jawad Kareem was killed on June 17, 2013 in Lahore.
3. Mr. Zahoor Ahmad Kiyani was shot dead on August 21, 2013 in Karachi.
4. Syed Tahir Ahmad was murdered on August 31, 2013 in Karachi.
5. Malik Ejaz Ahmad was killed on September 4, 2013 in Karachi.
6. Mr. Ijaz Ahmad Kiyani was shot dead on September 18, 2013 in Karachi.
7. Mr. Bashir Ahmad Kiyani was murdered on November 1, 2013 in Karachi.

#### **Faith-based murder attempts and assaults**

- Mrs. Inamul Haq, an Ahmadi lady was stabbed with dagger by an unidentified man on February 5, 2013 in Badin, Sindh.
- Approximately twenty extremists attacked Malik Maqsd Ahmad at night for his belief on March 26, 2013 in Shamsabad, District Kasur. He got injured grievously and became unconscious as a result of the attack. The attackers beat up members of his family too and damaged his household belongings.
- Rana Muhammad Akmal was shot in his leg by an unidentified bearded man on March 1, 2013 in Mori Darwaza, Sialkot.
- Ch. Nadeem Ahmad was assaulted by a non-Ahmadi youth, Kashif in Sultanpura, Lahore on April 5, 2013.
- Mr. Asif Dawood Advocate was attacked by unknown assailants on April 2, 2013 at 3 p.m. in Nawab Shah, Sindh. The shots severely injured his entrails.
- Malik Muhammad Ateeq escaped a deadly attack on his life in Manzoor Colony, Karachi on April 14, 2013.
- Mr. Aqeel Ahmad was attacked by an opponent of Ahmadiyyat, Muhammad Yusuf in Qambar, District Larkana in April 2013.
- Mr. Naveed Ahmad survived a shot by unknown assailants in Jhelum on June 11, 2013.
- Dr. Qazi Munawwar Ahmad was leaving his clinic in Gawalmandi, Lahore on September 12, 2013 when a youth came running towards him, threw acid on him and ran away. Dr. Munawwar's clothes got burnt and he had body injuries.
- Mr. Naseer Alam Shah was shot in the jaw by unknown assailants in Orangi Town, Karachi on October 23, 2013.
- Mr. Muhammad Ahmad Wajid was shot in the leg when he was riding a motor bike driven by an elder who was hurt fatally on November 1, 2013.
- Mr. Ihsan Ahmad Danish was hit in the head, resulting in injury, in Malot, Islamabad in November 2013.

- On December 8, 2013 close relatives of Mrs. Ahmad, a convert, visited her in Township, Lahore, told her to recant and seek divorce from her husband. Upon her refusal they beat her.

### **Ahmadis arrested, and those who faced religion-based prosecution**

- The Punjab Police raided a printing press Black Arrows, owned by an Ahmadi, on January 7, 2013. They arrested the owner and three other Ahmadis, and a case was registered against them under a blasphemy clause PPC 295-B, an Ahmadi specific law PPC 298-C and PPO 24/A.
- Mulla Hasan Muawiya *aka* Tooti got an FIR registered against Mr. Atif Ahmad under PPC 298-B on February 2, 2013 in Police Station Samanabad, Lahore.
- Mulla Hasan Muawiya *aka* Tooti, accompanied by his gang chased an Ahmadi youth Khalid Ishfaq who was distributing the Ahmadiyya daily *Alfazi* in Ahmadi homes on April 10, 2013. The mulla snatched the *Al-Fazi* from him; and had a criminal case registered with the police against 4 persons from Lahore and the editor and publisher of the daily under PPCs 295-B, 298-C and ATA 11W an anti-terrorism clause. The police arrested the four Ahmadis from Lahore.
- A group of miscreants led by Mulla Hasan Muawiya, brother of a top ranking mulla, and the police raided an Ahmadiyya mosque in Gulshan-e-Ravi, detained nine, including a woman and her son, and booked 8 men on charges of blasphemy and terrorism on April 28, 2013. Seven of them were arrested.
- Deputy Superintendent Police of Baghbanpura came over to the Ahmadiyya centre in Shareefpura, Lahore on August 27, 2013 and arrested three Ahmadis and sealed the prayer centre over a complaint of a few extremists.
- Mr. Esmatullah was implicated in another false police case under PPCs 298-C and 295-B in police station Old Anarkali, Lahore on February 24, 2013.
- Homeopath Dr. Masood Ahmad, a septuagenarian was accused of quoting from the Quran when asked about Ahmadiyyat. A judge refused him release on bail, and suggested that the accused could also be charged under laws PPC 295-C and PPC 295-A; the former carries death penalty while the latter permits trial in an Anti-terrorism court. The case was registered in police station Old Anarkali, Lahore on November 11, 2013.
- A fabricated police case was registered against Mr. Saleem Ahmad in Kunri under the anti-Ahmadi clause PPC 298-C for preaching. FIR Nr. 108 was registered against him on October 12, 2013.
- Mr. Hamid Hussain, the Additional Session Judge ordered the police to register a case against the Ahmadi editor of the oldest weekly in Pakistan, under Ahmadi-specific clause PPC 298-C, on the complaint of a mulla Yaqub.
- Tauqir Hasan, son of mulla Amir, had a criminal case registered against 9 named and 26 unnamed persons with the Kharian police on July 30, 2013. Four of the named accused are Ahmadis, namely Messrs Laiq Ahmad, Tahir Ahmad, Amjad and Asjad.
- Mulla Noor Muhammad and his uncle tried to get a false blasphemy case registered against two Ahmadis in Peelovains, District Khushab but could not succeed. On the pressure of the mullas, the police inspector, however, registered a case under PPC 337 and 452 against Mr. Tasawwar Hayat and Mr. Azhar Mahmood for beating the mulla, on October 7, 2013.

- Mr. Muzaffar Ahmad Dogar of Peeru Chak, District Sialkot was implicated wrongfully in a police case under PPC 298-C.
- Three Ahmadi brothers, elders of the Ahmadiyya community of District Rajanputr were booked by the police on December 19, 2013 under PPC 298-C. Mr Sharif Ahmad, a septuagenarian, was arrested.

### **Attacks on worship and places of worship**

- The Punjab Police covered the *Kalima* (Islamic creed) with white paint in dark hours in an Ahmadiyya mosque in Sheikhpura on June 26, 2013.
- A local cleric belonging to Jamaat Ahle Sunnat Pakistan in Sialkot demanded from the administration the removal of the minarets, verses and the *Kalima* at three Ahmadiyya worship places. Accordingly the administration demolished the minarets and erased *Kalima* and Quranic verses from these mosques in Sialkot on September 22, 2013.
- The administration disfigured two Ahmadiyya mosques in Hameedabad, District Bahawalpur in September 2013 on the demand of mullas.
- Construction of an Ahmadiyya mosque was stopped and a part of it was demolished by the administration on the demand of mullas in Mirpur, AJK in November 2013.
- Anti-Ahmadiyya activists came to the Ahmadiyya mosque of Orangi Town, Karachi on January 13, 2013 and wrote anti-Ahmadiyya phrases on its outer wall after they failed to force entry into the building.
- The police did the mullas' bid and covered with black paint the *Kalima* written in the courtyard and on the outer wall of the Ahmadiyya mosque in Jalya Wala, 267 JB, District Toba Tek Singh on March 9, 2013.
- The police sealed the Ahmadiyya place of worship in Pasroor, District Sialkot on May 31, 2013 until the Ahmadis got an NOC which is not required by law.
- The police forbade Ahmadis to continue building of their mosque in Chak no. 107 RB Sharqi, District Faisalabad on June 14, 2013.
- An Ahmadiyya mosque in Fatehpur, District Gujrat was sealed by authorities in July 2013.
- The police ordered Ahmadis in Chak no. 312/JB, Gojra, District Toba Tek Singh in July 2013 to cover the minarets of their mosque in response to the complaint of mullas. Ahmadis had to cover them with steel sheets.
- Authorities did not allow the Ahmadis in Rawalpindi to offer Eid prayers in their worship place, Ewan-i-Tauheed.
- Mullas demanded from the army establishment of the Wah Cantt to demolish the niche of the Ahmadiyya mosque there and created a lot of trouble for Ahmadis who had to make structural changes to meet the unfair demands of the authorities.
- The police visited Ahmadiyya place of worship in I-9, Islamabad and 'advised' the worshipers to tighten the security in the face of prevailing law and order situation. Subsequently Ahmadis had to stop using the site for worship.
- The police stopped Ahmadis of Shareef Pura, Lahore on August 27, 2013 from offering prayers in their prayer centre situated in an Ahmadi's residence.
- Worship place in Gulshane Ravi, Lahore was raided by police and sealed on April 30, 2013.

## **Burial problems**

- Anti-Ahmadi goons disinterred the dead body of an Ahmadi, Mr. Sanaullah, two days after his burial, in a common graveyard in Dahranwali, District Hafizabad on January 2, 2013.
- The burial of Mr. Sarwar Ahmad was denied by mullas in Peeru, District Jhang on January 11, 2013.
- The police under the pressure of mullas disinterred an Ahmadi deceased, Ms. Seema Bibi on April 19, 2013 in Chak Nr. 133-P, District Rahim Yar Khan.
- A one-and-half year old girl was refused burial in common graveyard in Kuthuwali, District Toba Tek Singh. The local clerics along with approximately fifty bullies, armed with sticks and batons, prevented the burial.
- The wife of Mr. Iqbal Ranjha was denied burial in common graveyard on December 29, 2013.

## **Kidnappings**

- Mr. Mufad Ahmad was kidnapped from near his house in Hayat Abad, Peshawar on January 30, 2013.
- Mr. Shaukat Javed, an Ahmadi of Karachi was kidnapped in March 2013. The Rangers undertook an operation in Gadap Town, Karachi and recovered him. The kidnappers had tortured him and asked him the security details of Ahmadiyya office-bearers in Karachi.

## **Miscellaneous**

- Lahore, the capital of the Punjab, remained the epicenter of the persecution of Ahmadis. The religious bigots, the police, the administration, the judiciary and the politicians joined hands to make life difficult for Ahmadis in this metropolis.
- General Pasha, DG ISI disclosed to the Abbotabad Commission that the police “protected those who attacked the Qadianis” in the two Ahmadiyya mosques in Lahore in May 2010. “No guards were assigned to the hospital as venal political influence intervened everywhere,” he said.
- A High Court Judge approved the bails of Ahmadi accused in a case based on religion. His announcement was greeted with angry shouts and protests from the mullas and their advocates. The judge, within 2 minutes, withdrew his order.
- Freedom of press was severely curtailed for Ahmadis during the year by the administration in league with mullas. A printing press owned by an Ahmadi was sealed in Lahore; the owner was then booked in a fabricated police case. A blasphemy case was wrongfully registered against the editor and publisher of the Ahmadiyya daily, Alfazl. Another police case was registered against the Ahmadi editor of a weekly, Lahore. Printing of the weekly thereby came to a stop.
- The caretaker Chief Minister Najam Sethi took notice of the attack and severe persecution of a president of a local Ahmadi community in District Kasur, who was injured and evicted from his village. The CM failed to rehabilitate him.
- The judiciary in general, played a hostile role in providing relief to Ahmadis who faced fabricated charges based on religion. It was difficult to obtain bails.
- The Election Commission did not withdraw its orders to place Ahmadis on a separate list, who were thereby unable to participate in Elections 2013.

- Several incidents of religion-based harassment of Ahmadi students and teachers were reported throughout the year from different places; as a result some students had to discontinue their studies.
- A Quran teacher in a public school in District Khushab put the photograph of the founder of Ahmadiyya Jamaat on the floor and told the students to trample upon it.
- Three Ahmadis of one family were target-killed within two months in Karachi. No arrests have been made.
- The vernacular media remained very hostile to Ahmadis. It provided full support to the mullas. Special editions were published in major vernacular dailies on September 7 which is celebrated annually by the Khatme Nabuwwat mullas, as Ahmadis were declared non-Muslims on that date in 1974. The English press, however, did publish sympathetic op-eds and news which highlighted the plight of Ahmadis in the country.
- Rabwah continued to suffer from the neglect of authorities in maintenance of town's infrastructure and even day-to-day civic services.
- Threat messages were delivered to Ahmadis all over Pakistan, mostly in Lahore.
- Extensive hate campaign against Ahmadis went on all across the country.
- A mulla said in an open rally in District Larkana: "Ahmadis are *Wajib ul Qatl*. I shall bear all the expenses of any Muslim who kills them, and will ensure his release within a month."
- Authorities continued their ban on Ahmadiyya conferences, rallies and major sports events in Rabwah. Anti-Ahmadiyya mullas were, however, permitted to hold several hateful rallies in Rabwah.
- U.S. Congressmen wrote letters to their Secretary of State Kerry expressing concern over the situation of Ahmadis and minorities in Pakistan.
- The Ahmadiyya central office wrote 475 letters to Pak authorities bringing to their notice violations of Ahmadis' human rights, their freedom of faith, etc.
- Last but not least, the PML-N provincial government of the Punjab and their central government deliberately and grossly neglected the human rights of Ahmadis – by commission or omission.

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8. Mr. Abdul Qadoos died of police torture on March 30, 2012 in Rabwah
  9. Mr. Ahsan Kamal target-killed on January 18, 2012 in Karachi
  10. Mr. Naeem Ahmad Gondal shot dead on July 19, 2012 in Karachi
  11. Rao Abdul Ghaffar murdered on September 6, 2012 in Karachi
  12. Mr. Muhammad Nawaz was killed on September 11, 2012 in Karachi
  13. Mr. Naveed Ahmad was killed on September 14, 2012 in Karachi
  14. Mr. Muhammad Ahmad Siddiqui murdered on September 15, 2012 in Karachi
  15. Mr. Saad Farooq was killed on October 19, 2012 in Karachi
  16. Raja Abdul Hamid Khan was killed on October 23, 2012 in Karachi
  17. Mr. Bashir Ahmad was killed on October 23, 2012 in Karachi
  18. **Chaudhry Nusrat Mahmood died on November 27, 2012 as a result of injuries of an attack on him on October 19, 2012 in Karachi**
  19. Mr. Tariq Ahmad murdered on May 17, 2012 in Layyah, Punjab
  20. Mr. Dawood Ahmad was killed **on January 23, 2012 in Bannu, KP**
  21. Mr. Muhammad Aamir shot dead on December 1, 2011 in Harnai, Balochistan
  22. Chaudhry Muhammad Akram murdered on February 29, 2012 in Nawabshah, Sindh
  23. Mr. Maqsood Ahmad shot dead on March 7, 2012 in Nawabshah, Sindh
  24. Khawaja Zahur Ahmad shot dead on October 4, 2012 in Sargodha, Punjab
  25. Mr. Riaz Ahmad Basra shot dead on October 18, 2012 in Ghatialian, Punjab
  26. Mr. Manzoor Ahmad shot dead on November 11, 2012 in Quetta, Balochistan
  27. Mr. Maqsood Ahmad shot dead on December 7, 2012 in Quetta, Balochistan
- Note: Ahmadis in Karachi and Quetta were singularly targeted.

**Murder attempts**

- A brutal attack in broad daylight that primarily targeted the Amir Jamaat Ahmadiyya of Faisalabad resulted in grievous injuries to two Ahmadis on duty at his residence on February 20, 2012.
- Mr. Naveed Ahmad of Ghokhowal, district Faisalabad was injured, when two unknown motorcyclists fired at him in his shop on February 11, 2012. Three shots hit him on his legs causing a fracture in his right leg.
- Mr. Muneeb Ahmad survived an attack on his life on February 29, 2012 in Nawabshah while his grandfather Chaudhry Muhammad Akram was killed in that attack.
- Mr. Mujeeb Ahmad was shot at by two unknown motor-cyclists on April 28, 2012 in Layyah. The bullet hit his left shoulder but he survived after timely medical treatment.
- Mr. Zaheer Ahmad Alvi was injured but lived after an attempt on his life on September 6, 2012 in Nawabshah.

- The opponents attacked Mr. Faizan Ahmad. They beat him up severely in September 2012 in Mirajke, District Sialkot.
- Mr. Munawwar Ahmad was attacked by unknown men on September 24, 2012. He sustained injuries.
- Mr. Farooq Kahlon and Mr. Ammad Farooq were grievously injured in an attack on them on October 19, 2012.
- A youth named Chand tried to kill Mr. Rizwan Ahmad of Baghbanpura, Lahore on June 26, 2012 on religious grounds. Mr. Rizwan luckily survived this attack.
- Mr. Muhammad Aslam Bhatti of Baldia Town, Karachi was attacked by unknown persons on June 24, 2012. He was hit with four bullets.

### **Ahmadis arrested, and those who faced religion-based prosecution**

- Three criminal cases under the anti-Ahmadi law and other laws were registered with FIR No. 45/12, 71/12 and 72/12 in Police Station Phalia against Ahmadis in the month of February 2012. If declared guilty, the accused could be imprisoned for seven years. The two main accused were arrested; the others escaped.
- Mrs. Tahira Siddique, an elderly housewife was wrongfully accused and charged under PPC 295-B for defiling the Quran, on April 21, 2012 in Khanpur, District Rahim Yar Khan.
- The police registered a case under anti-Ahmadiyya law PPC 298-C and a religious law PPC 295-A at P.S. Civil Lines, Lahore against two Ahmadi lecturers of the Post Graduate College of Nursing on May 31, 2012.
- Mullas succeeded, with the help of police, to implicate 12 Ahmadis of Ghatialian, District Sialkot on July 3, 2012 in a criminal case under Ahmadi-specific law PPC 298-B. Ten accused were arrested.
- Chaudhary Mansur Ahmad president of the Ahmadi community Chak 70 ML, District Bhakar was booked under Ahmadi-specific law PPC 298-C on July 4, 2012 with FIR No 9/12 registered at Police Station Mankera, on fabricated charge of proselytizing.
- The police booked and arrested Mr. Noman Ahmad, Ahmadi, unjustly on demand of a mulla, in a fabricated case in August 2012 in Khoski, District Badin.
- The police registered a case under the pressure of mullas against six Ahmadis under PPC 298-C with FIR No. 74 in Police Station Baddo Malhi on June 29, 2012, for preaching, allegedly undertaken approximately 10 weeks earlier.
- Mr. Asif Javed S/O Mr. Ghulam Hussain was arrested by the police on November 14, 2012 under PPC 506 for making a video of the court proceedings.
- The police charged three Ahmadis on the application of a mulla, under PPC 506/II with FIR no. 374 in police station Kasoki on September 29, 2012.
- The police arrested Mr. Muhammad Ashraf, president of the Ahmadiyya community Sillanwali, District Sargodha under PPC 298-C, law specific to Ahmadis on July 23, 2012.
- The police registered the case under PPC 298, 506 and 34 with FIR no. 231 in Police Station Qila Kallarwala, District Sialkot against four Ahmadis on August 20, 2012.
- A police case was registered against Mr. Abid Ali Khan of Chak no. 27/2-L in Police Station Depalpur, District Okara under PPC 298-C on November 18, 2011.

- A false police case was registered against four members of an Ahmadi family in Lahore under 506/II with FIR no. 1325 on September 7, 2012.
- Mr. Nasim Chughtai, president of the local Ahmadiyya community Daruz Zikr, Lahore was accused of wearing a ring with a Quranic verse inscribed on it. He was arrested on October 18, 2012 under PPC 295-A.
- Mr. Amjab Salooni was subjected to torture and later a police case was registered against him under PPC 298-C with FIR no. 684 in police station Faisal Town, Lahore.
- The police registered a case against Mr. Pervez Ahmad and two others under PPC 506 and 34 at the complaint of a mulla on July 4, 2012 in Ghatialian, Distt. Sialkot.
- A mulla implicated three Ahmadis in a false case and got a case registered in Police Station Waneka Tarar with FIR no. 46 under 297, 506-A, 337, 148 and 149.

### **Attacks on worship and places of worship**

- The Punjab Police demolished the minarets of the Ahmadiyya mosque in Kharian and removed the *Kalima* (Islamic creed) in dark hours on July 10, 2012.
- The police, under the pressure of the mullas, came over to the main Ahmadiyya mosque in Garhi Shahu, Lahore on May 17, 2012. They nailed a steel sheet over the *Kalima* and painted it black.
- The police came to the Ahmadiyya mosque in Sultanpura, Lahore and broke the tiles on which the *Kalima* was written and demolished the minarets on May 2, 2012.
- The police covered the Islamic creed (*Kalima*) with black steel plates in the Ahmadiyya mosque in Mughalpura, Lahore on September 23, 2012.
- The authorities deprived Ahmadis in Rawalpindi their basic right of worship in congregation in their prayer centre in Satellite Town. The imposed restriction continues.
- The police removed the *Kalima* from the Ahmadiyya mosque Mitha Tiwana, District Khushab on September 16, 2012 and took away the plate with them.
- The police barred Ahmadis in Lahore and Sargodha from offering animal sacrifices on the Eid-ul-Adha festival.

### **Attacks on graveyards**

- Approximately 120 tombstones were vandalized by 10 to 15 armed men wearing masks at about 2:30 a.m. on December 2, 2012 in the Ahmadiyya graveyard in Model Town, Lahore. The police were reluctant to register the immense sacrilege.
- The police under the pressure of banned religious organizations removed Quranic verses and religious texts written on tombstones of Ahmadi graves in Mangat Uncha, District Hafizabad on August 17, 2012.
- The police demolished 23 gravestones and took away the pieces with them on September 4, 2012 in Jaranwala, District Faisalabad.
- Unknown men erased Islamic inscriptions from the gravestones in the Ahmadiyya cemetery in Chak Chatha, District Hafizabad on October 19, 2012 during the night.
- The mullas desecrated graves of Ahmadis in Mirpur, Sindh on April 6, 2012 in the presence of the police.

### **Kidnapping of Ahmadis**

- Mr. Qaiser Ahmad S/O Mr. Shahbaz Ahmad was kidnapped on March 18, 2012 from Kotri, district Hyderabad. He was released on payment of ransom.
- Mr. Ali Mahar S/O Raja Mahar Ahmad was kidnapped on March 13, 2012 from Johar Town, Lahore. They released him on receipt of ransom.
- Mr. Latif Ahmad Sabir Nasri went missing from Karachi on October 1, 2012 and has not been traced to-date.
- Sahibzada Naveedur Rahman S/O Mr. Hameedur Rahman, of Bazidkhel, Peshawar went missing on January 10, 2012. He returned eventually.
- An unsuccessful attempt to kidnap Professor Tariq Chaudhri of Kotli, Azad Kashmir was made on December 23, 2011.

### **Miscellaneous**

- The authorities issued orders to ban Ahmadi women's monthly Misbah, and initiated similar action against the daily Al-Fazl.
- The Election Commission has not withdrawn its orders to place Ahmadis on a separate list; they are thereby not in a position to participate in the forthcoming elections.
- Several incidents of religion-based harassment of Ahmadi students were reported throughout the year from different places; as a result some students had to discontinue their studies.
- The vernacular media remained very hostile to Ahmadis; it provided full support to the mullas.
- Rabwah continued to suffer from the neglect of authorities in maintenance of its infrastructure and even day to day civic facilities.
- Threats were delivered to Ahmadis all over Pakistan, mostly in Lahore.
- Extensive hate campaign against Ahmadis went on all across the country.
- Authorities continued their ban on Ahmadiyya conferences, rallies and major sports events in Rabwah. Anti-Ahmadiyya mullas were, however, permitted to hold several provocative rallies in Rabwah.
- Last but not least, the PML-N provincial government of the Punjab deliberately and grossly neglected the human rights of Ahmadis, by commission or omission.

**December 31, 2012**

## 2011

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#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

1. Rana Zafrullah was killed on March 18, 2011 in Sanghar, Sindh.
2. Malik Mabroor Ahmad was murdered on July 11, 2011 in Nawabshah, Sindh.
3. Mr Naseem Ahmad Butt was shot dead on September 4, 2011 in Faisalabad.
4. Mr. Dilawar Hussain was killed on October 1, 2011 in Farooqabad, district Sheikhpura.
5. Ms. Maryam Khatoon was killed on December 6, 2011 in Chobara, District Layyah.

#### **Murder attempts**

- Unknown pillion-riders fired pistol shots at Mr. Basheer Ahmad the secretary of public affairs of the local Ahmadi community in Rachna Town, Lahore on September 7, 2011. He was hit by four bullets in the neck, shoulder and stomach. He survived after a major surgery.
- Mr. Wajih Ahmad Noman was injured in shoulder by a bullet when he was returning home at about 8 p.m. on January 6, 2011 in Mardan, KP.
- Mr. Masood Ahmad was shot in the leg in Hyderabad, Sindh on January 27, 2011.
- Mr. Langa was attacked by a mulla, in Rabwah on March 12, 2011 with an axe, injuring him severely in the head.
- Mr. Waqas Ahmad was overtaken by a few miscreants in Chak No. 11/FW, district Bahawal Nagar on June 6, 2011 and beat him badly. The assault resulted in fracture of his arm.
- Mr Imtiaz Ahmad of Amir Park, Gujranwala city was shot at by two unknown persons on July 16, 2011. He had received threats before this attack.
- Two persons on a motor-cycle approached Dr Rafiq Ahmad and his brother, Ataul Khabir and fired a burst at them on June 15, 2011 in Mardan. Fortunately, both escaped unhurt.

#### **Ahmadis convicted, and those who were made to face religion-based charges**

- A court sentenced two Ahmadis for offering funeral prayers in accordance with Islamic practice, to one year imprisonment. The verdict was announced by the Civil Judge Phalia on July 21, 2011.
- A school boy was booked under fabricated charge of blasphemy; he went into hiding in fear of his life. His father was booked under the Ahmadi-specific law, PPC 298-C in December 2011 in Khushab, Punjab.
- An Ahmadi headmaster was booked for defiling the Quran on December 12, 2011 in Kunjah, district Gujrat, although 30 teachers testified that he committed no such wrong.
- An Ahmadi school teacher was arrested on November 20, 2011 in a murder case simply to placate mullas.
- In all, thirty-six Ahmadis faced spurious faith-based charges this year.

#### **Kidnapping of Ahmadis**

- Mr. Mushtaq Ahmad S/O Mr. Akbar Shah was kidnapped by unknown men on October 17, 2011 in Peshawar.
- Dr. Shah Muhammad, an ex-president of Ahmadiyya community Kotli, AJK and his son Mr. Fahad Javed were kidnapped on October 29, 2011.
- Afaq Ahmad Malik S/O Malik Rasheed Ahmad, a school-boy was kidnapped on February 10, 2011 in Khokhar Gharbi, district Gujrat but the attempt aborted due to an accident to the vehicle used.

- Dr. Naseem Ahmad and his wife escaped an attempt to abduct them on September 27, 2011 in Wapda Colony, Peshawar.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Seven Ahmadi girls and boys were expelled from various schools in Pachnand, District Chakwal just for their faith in August 2011.
- Ten Ahmadi students and a teacher were expelled from schools in district Hafizabad, Punjab in September, 2011 for their faith.
- Election Commission of Pakistan started the process of registration of voters for the next elections. It instructed its staff to make separate lists only for Ahmadis, despite the policy of Joint Electorate.
- A vicious anti-Ahmadiyya hate campaign went on throughout the country during the year. Ahmadis were repeatedly called *Wajib ul qatl* (must be killed as a religious duty). Their address lists were published in Faisalabad, Sargodha and District Chakwal. The authorities took little action against promoters of massacre.
- The police demolished an Ahmadiyya mosque which was under construction in Jattwala, district Lodhran in August, 2011 on mullas' demand.
- Numerous graves in Ahmadiyya graveyard were desecrated in Dunyapur, district Lodhran in December 2011.
- Address lists of Ahmadis were published and distributed in Faisalabad, Sargodha and Pachnand, district Chakwal, after declaring them *Wajib-ul-Qatl* (must be killed).
- Syed Muzaffar Shah and Syed Mubashir Shah, two Ahmadi brothers of Faisalabad received threatening letters from the Amir of Aalami Tahaffuz Khatme Nabuwwat, Faisalabad on March 24, 2011.
- Threats were delivered to Ahmadis all over Pakistan. Reports were received from district Rawalpindi, Lahore, Islamabad, Toba Tek Singh, Attock, Okara, Mardan, Peshawar, Gujranwala, Rahim Yar Khan, Hyderabad and Chiniot.
- Widespread hateful propaganda against Ahmadis has been reported from across the country. Special reports were received from district Sargodha, Bahawalpur, Islamabad, Kotli, Rawalpindi, Lahore, Faisalabad, Narowal, Quetta, Hafizabad, Gujrat, Umarkot and Chiniot.
- Authorities continued their ban on Ahmadiyya conferences, rallies and major sports events in Rabwah. Anti-Ahmadiyya mullas were, however, permitted to hold several provocative rallies in Rabwah.

### **December 31, 2011**

## 2010

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#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

- 1 Professor Muhammad Yusuf was killed on January 5, 2010 in Lahore.
- 2 Mr. Sami Ullah was shot dead on February 3, 2010 in Shehdadpur, district Sanghar, Sindh.
- 3,4,5 Mr. Ashraf Pervez, Mr. Masood Javed, and Mr. Asif Masood were killed on April 1, 2010 in Faisalabad, Punjab.
- 6 Mr. Hafeez Ahmad Shakir was murdered on May 19, 2010 in Karachi.
- 7 - 92 86 Ahmadis were killed on May 28, 2010 in Lahore in terrorist attacks.
- 93 Mr. Nematullah was killed on May 31, 2010 in Mandi Ahmad Abad, district Narowal, Punjab.
- 94 Dr Najmul Hasan was murdered on August 17, 2010 in Karachi.
- 95 Pir Habib ur Rehman on August 19, 2010 in Sanghar, Sindh.
- 96 Sheikh Amir Raza, was killed on September 3, 2010 in Mardan, KP.
- 97 Mr. Naseer Ahmad Butt was killed on September 8, 2010 in Faisalabad, Punjab.
- 98 Sheikh Mahmud Ahmad was shot dead on November 8, 2010 in Mardan, KP.
- 99 Sheikh Umar Javed killed in Mardan on December 23, 2010.

#### **Ahmadis behind bars on 31 December 2010**

1. Three Ahmadis; Mr. Basharat, Mr. Nasir Ahmad and Mr. Muhammad Idrees of Chak Sikandar were arrested in September 2003 on a false charge of murdering a cleric. The police, after due investigation found no evidence against the accused. Based on the evidence of false witnesses they were sentenced to death. They are now in the eighth year of their incarceration. Their appeal lies with Lahore High Court.
2. Four Ahmadis have been wrongfully charged for murder in district Faisalabad. A passerby was killed during an exchange of fire between Ahmadis and non-Ahmadis. The fire-fight broke out because Ahmadis had to defend themselves against perpetual harassment and aggression. The police could not specify whose bullet caused the casualty; however, they arrested four Ahmadis, nevertheless.

#### **Ahmadis convicted, and those who were made to face religion-based charges**

- Three Ahmadis were wrongfully booked under the dreaded blasphemy laws.
- Sixty-seven Ahmadis were charged in religion-based cases.
- Seven Ahmadis of Goi, AJK were arrested in a case under PPC 295-A, 341/324, 147/148, 149/337A, 296 with FIR No. 79 in February 2010.
- The Civil Judge Mirpur sentenced three Ahmadis, Mr. Masood Ahmad Chandio, Mr. Abdul Razzaq and Mr. Abdul Ghani to three years of imprisonment in March 2010 under Ahmadi-specific law.
- Three Ahmadis, Mr. Muhammad Qasim, Mr. Mazahir Ahmad and Mr. Ahmad Yar were arrested under PPC 298-C and 295-C on false accusation of preaching and blasphemy in Haveli Majoka, district Sargodha in October 2010.

- Mr. Ijaz Ahmad, Mr. Yasin and Mr. Latif were sentenced to two years' imprisonment and fined five thousand rupees each under the Ahmadi-specific law PPC 298-C, on January 28, 2010 by a magistrate Hidayat Ullah Shah at Vehari, Punjab.
- The Additional Session Judge of Mirpur Khas, Zareena Abbasi, sentenced Mr. Tahir Ahmad to three years in prison on July 10, 2010, for wearing a T-shirt on which the *Kalima* (Islamic creed) was written

### **Murder attempts**

- 124 Ahmadiyya injured in attacks on Ahmadiyya mosques in Lahore on May 28, 2010.
- Three injured in a suicide attack on an Ahmadiyya mosque in Mardan.
- Mr. Waleed Ahmad, a student of engineering at COMSATS Islamabad escaped an attempt on his life in the university premises.
- Mr. Iqbal Nasir faced an attempt on his life by two motorcyclists on April 14, 2010.
- Rana Manzoor Ahmad s/o Mr. Muhammad Tufail escaped an attempt on his life by two armed men on October 12, 2010.
- Mr. Nasir Ahmad Wahla escaped an attempt on his life on August 16, 2010.
- Mr. Mansoor was grievously injured, while his father died in the attack on May 31, 2010.
- Mr. Arif Mahmud was grievously injured in the fatal attack on his father on November 8, 2010.

### **Abduction of Ahmadi**

- Mr. Iftikhar-ul-Haq, Advocate, a prominent Ahmadi of Quetta was kidnapped on March 19, 2010.
- Bilal Ahmad and Sheraz Ahmad two Ahmadi children of Madina Town, Faisalabad were kidnapped for ransom on March 9, 2010.
- Dr. Bashir Ahmad was kidnapped on October 8, 2010 in Pabbi, Peshawar.

### **Miscellaneous**

- An Ahmadiyya mosque in Ahmad Nagar (near Rabwah) was handed over to non-Ahmadi on January 14, 2010 by the orders of the District Co-ordination Officer Chiniot, Punjab.
- Ahmadi were denied shelter by the authorities in flood-affected areas in southern Punjab.
- All boards of Intermediate and Secondary Education of Punjab revised the admission forms for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> class examination. This electronic form on the internet has only two options, Muslim or Non-Muslim. Ahmadi students can not tick either. This is a vicious dilemma.
- Police erased the Kalima from an Ahmadiyya mosque in Chak Mangla, district Sargodha, on July 17, 2010.
- Police effaced the Kalima from another Ahmadiyya mosque in Dheroke, district Toba Tek Singh, Punjab on October 10, 2010.
- Mr. Yasir Ayaz was denied admission in M.Sc. (Zoology) class by government officials in Government College of Science, Wahadat Road, Lahore only for his faith.
- Ahmadi denied rebuilding of their mosque in Kalowal, district Chiniot on March 25, 2010.
- Noman Ahmad Cheema, a boy under 12, faced severe hostility and persecution in Government High School Ahmad Nagar, District Chiniot. He had to leave his school.
- Rana Khalil Ahmad and Mr. Rashid Iqbal who are accused of alleged blasphemy, escaped an attack while in police custody in court premises on August 13, 2010 in Mirpur Khas, Sindh.
- Mr. Raees Ahmad Butt along with his son, Mr. Nasir Ahmad Butt were beaten up on August 5, 2010 in Larkana, Sindh.
- Mr. Mushtaq Ahmad was beaten up by anti-Ahmadi agitators on May 21, 2010 in Kharian, Punjab.
- A terrorist attempted a suicide attack on an Ahmadiyya mosque in Shalamar Town, Lahore on July 15, 2010, but could not succeed and ran away.



## 2009

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#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

- 1 - Mr. Saeed Ahmad was killed in Kotri on Jan 19, 09.
- 2 - Mr. Mubashir Ahmad was shot dead on Feb 20, 09 in Karachi.
- 3,4 - Mr. Shiraz Bajwa and his wife Noreen Bajwa both doctors were brutally murdered on Mar 14, 09 in Multan.
- 5 - Mian Laiq Ahmad was killed in Faisalabad on May 29, 09.
- 6,7 - Two Ahmadis, Mr. Khalid Rasheed and Mr. Zafar Iqbal were shot dead on Jun 24, 09 in Quetta.
- 8 - Rana Ata-ul-Karim was murdered on Jul 06, 09 in Multan.
- 9 - Mr. M. Ahmad Farooqi was shot dead on Sep 26, 09 in Uch Sharif, Bahawalpur.
- 10 - Zulfiquar Mansur was murdered brutally on Sep 11, 09. He had been abducted a month earlier.
- 11 - Rana Saleem Ahmad, the Deputy Amir of Jamaat Ahmadiyya Sanghar was shot dead on Nov 26, 09.

#### **Ahmadis behind bars**

3. Mr. Muhammad Iqbal was imprisoned for life in a fabricated case of blasphemy. He was arrested in March 2004, and is currently incarcerated in the Central Jail, Faisalabad. An appeal has been filed with the Lahore High Court against the decision of the Sessions Court. It is registered as Criminal Appeal No. 89/2005. He is now in the sixth year of his imprisonment.
4. Three Ahmadis; Mr. Basharat, Mr. Nasir Ahmad and Mr. Muhammad Idrees along with 7 others of Chak Sikandar were arrested in September 2003 on a false charge of murdering a cleric. The police, after due investigation found no evidence against the accused. Yet they faced a 'complaint trial' for a crime they did not commit. Based on the unreliable testimony of the two alleged 'eye-witnesses' (who were discredited in court), seven of the accused were acquitted, but on the same evidence these three innocent Ahmadis were sentenced to death. They are being held on death row at a prison in Jehlum, while their appeal lies with the Lahore High Court. They are now in the seventh year of their incarceration. Their appeal to the Lahore High Court is registered as Criminal Appeal No. 616/2005 dated 26 April 2005.
5. Dr. Muhammad Asghar was arrested on a fabricated charge of blasphemy in June 2008. The judge rejected his plea for bail. The police investigation found him innocent. Subsequently his plea for bail was rejected by the High Court – and the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court has directed his expeditious trial which is now in progress. It is learnt that his plea for bail has now been accepted by the Supreme court, but he was still in prison on December 31.

#### **Ahmadis who were made to face charges**

- Thirty-seven Ahmadis were wrongfully booked under the dreaded blasphemy laws.
- Fifty-seven Ahmadis were charged under Ahmadi-specific laws.
- Ms. Bushra Naheed, an Ahmadi school teacher was falsely charged under PPC 295-A, triable in Anti-terrorism court. She is accused only of speaking harshly to a woman worker.

- An Ahmadiyya mosque was desecrated in Lathianwala; *Kalima* (Islamic Creed) and Islamic terminology written on the walls of the mosque as well as Ahmadis' houses was covered with cement and paint by the police. A case was registered against 32 Ahmadis under 295-A, 295-C and 298-C, etc.

### **Murder Attempts**

- A murder attempt was made on Mr. Muhammad Iqbal Abid, an Ahmadi religious teacher on February 25, 2009 at Vehari.
- An Ahmadi college lecturer, Mr. Mubashir Ahmad Tahir escaped death from murderers in Chakwal. He received serious injuries when they tried to behead him.
- An Ahmadi lawyer Mr. Riasat Ali Bajwa was attacked on May 4, 2009.
- Another Ahmadi Mr. Javed Ahmad escaped a murder attempt on August 12, 2009 in Kunri.
- Mr. Luqman Ahmad Gondal s/o Mr. Nasir Ahmad Gondal (president of the local Ahmadiyya community) closely escaped an attempt on his life on September 12, 2009.
- Mr. Muhammad Ayaz, 20-years old son of a former president of the district Ahmadiyya community became the target of an attack on his life on February 7, 2009.
- Dr Pervaiz Zareef of Bhati Gate, Lahore closely escaped an attempt on his life on November 25, 2009.

### **Abduction of Ahmadis**

- Qamar Ahmad, an Ahmadi was abducted by two men in the vicinity of his home at about 21:30 on March 16, 2009. He was left unconscious on roadside.
- Mr. Bashir Ahmad Advocate, President of the local Ahmadiyya community, Achini Payan, near Peshawar was abducted on April 1, 2009. He has not been recovered yet.
- Mr. Rashid Karim, a well-known Ahmadi in Faisalabad, was abducted on May 9, 2009. He was released 5 months later after payment of heavy ransom.
- Mr. Zulfiquar Mansur was abducted at Quetta in September 2009. A month later his dead body was recovered from roadside in city's suburbs.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Four school-going children of 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade were falsely charged under PPC 295-C in Layyah; they remained incarcerated for about 6 months.
- An Ahmadiyya mosque was attacked with a grenade in Sialkot.
- A gang of religious extremists, comprising approximately 50 men attacked an Ahmadiyya mosque in the village of Kalaswala on October 27 and destroyed it.
- All Ahmadi teachers were fired from Qurban High School in Lahore under the pressure of mullas.
- Four rockets were launched against an Ahmadi-owned industrial plant in Feb 09.
- Anti-Ahmadiyya Khatm-e-Nabuwat Conference was held in the Royal Mosque, Lahore under the auspices of the provincial government in April 2009.
- An Ahmadiyya graveyard was attacked and desecrated by rioters in Pir Mahal, Toba Tek Singh in June 09. Thereafter the authorities cancelled the land allotment order issued by them to Ahmadis 20 years ago.
- Two Ahmadis were assaulted for their faith on August 7, 2009 in Nankana.
- A Khatme Nabuwat Conference was held in Rabwah by rabid mullas on 15, 16 October 2009. It is worth noting that Ahmadis, who are 95% of the Rabwah population, are not allowed to hold their gatherings and sports competitions in this town, while the authorities allow outsider mullas to hold conferences here, in which they use highly provocative language to injure the feelings of Ahmadi residents of Rabwah.

- SHO Police Station Chiniot City, ordered Ahmadis of Kot Muhammad Yar to stop their weekly Friday worship.
- Ahmadis of Tatle Aali, District Gujranwala were forbidden by the local police to congregate for prayers.

## **2008**

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MORE Ahmadis were murdered this year for their faith, and more faced persecution under the Ahmadi-specific laws as compared to the last year. After 19 years, this year again the entire Ahmadi population of Rabwah was booked by the police. Rules were devised to bar Ahmadis' participation in National Assembly elections. Consequently, Ahmadis have no representation in the Parliament. All the Ahmadi students of the Punjab Medical College were rusticated and they suffered tremendous harassment and interruption in their education for months, before they were rehabilitated. This year proved among the worst in violation of human rights of Ahmadis in the past quarter of a century. Its toughest months were those when a democratic government was in place, not the military. This is rather a sad comment on the performance of a democratic regime.

#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

1. Mr. Basharat Ahmad Mughal was murdered at Karachi on February 24, 2008.
2. Dr Sarwar of Peshawar was killed on March 19, 2008.
3. Dr Abdul Mannan Siddiqui was shot dead in Mirpur Khas on September 8, 2008.
4. Seth Muhammad Yusuf was assassinated on September 9, 2008 in Nawab Shah.
5. Sheikh Saeed Ahmad of Manzoor Colony, Karachi was attacked on September 1, 2008. He died 12 days later, on September 13, 2008.
6. Pillion riders murdered Muhammad Ghazanfar Chattha on November 18, 2008.

#### **Ahmadis still in prison at the end of the year**

1. Mr. Muhammad Iqbal was imprisoned for life in a fabricated case of blasphemy. He was arrested in March 2004, and is now incarcerated in the Central Jail, Faisalabad. An appeal lies with the Lahore High Court against the decision of the Sessions Court. It is registered as Criminal Appeal No. 89/2005. He is now in the fifth year of his imprisonment.
2. Three Ahmadis namely Messrs. Basharat, Nasir Ahmad and Muhammad Idrees along with 7 others of Chak Sikandar were arrested in September 2003 on a false charge of murdering a cleric, as alleged by the opponents of the Jamaat. The police, after due investigation found no evidence against the accused. Yet these men still faced a 'complaint trial' for a crime they did not commit. Based on the unreliable testimony of two alleged 'eye-witnesses' (who were proven false in the court), the court acquitted seven of the accused, but on the evidence of the same two liars, it sentenced these three innocent Ahmadis to death. They are being held on death row at a prison in Jehlum, while their appeal lies with the Lahore High Court. They are now in the sixth year of their incarceration. Their appeal to the Lahore High Court is registered as Criminal Appeal No. 616/2005 dated 26 April 2005.
3. Dr. Muhammad Asghar was arrested on a fabricated charge of blasphemy. The judge rejected his plea for bail. The police investigation found him innocent.
4. Rana Khalil Ahmad, an elderly and disabled gentleman, is detained for allegedly writing a letter to a cleric.
5. Mr. Rashid Iqbal is incarcerated on a false charge of Blasphemy for writing something on road with a chalk.

### **Ahmadis who were made to face charges**

- Thirty Ahmadis were wrongfully booked under the dreaded blasphemy laws.
- Seventy-six Ahmadis were charged under Ahmadi-specific laws.
- Two Ahmadies were booked for murder on complaint of clerics. The police found them innocent and released them.
- The entire population of Rabwah was booked for celebrating the Khalifat centenary.
- All Ahmadis of Kotli, Azad Kashmir were booked for undertaking repairs and improvements in their mosque.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Ahmadis were denied the right to vote in the National Assembly elections, by devious rules.
  - All Ahmadi students of Punjab Medical College Faisalabad were rusticated including 15 female students.
  - The administration and police of Kotli, Azad Kashmir, destroyed an Ahmadiyya mosque under construction, and forbade the building process of another.
  - The entire Ahmadi population of Rabwah was booked by the police under law specific to Ahmadis.
  - Ahmadi businessmen of Rabwah were charged and arrested for writing the words *Imam* and *Khilafat* in Ramadan calendars distributed free for social service and publicity.
  - Geo television aired a program '*Aalam online*' in which, 'Jihad, blood and duty to kill' were mentioned in the Ahmadiyya context.
  - The administration forbade the town of Rabwah to host Junior National Championship of Basketball. Teams that had arrived returned without playing.
  - A magistrate sealed an Ahmadiyya mosque by order.
  - The authorities responding to protest of clerics forbade Ahmadis to celebrate their Khilafat anniversary on May 27, 2008.
  - The police failed to register an FIR concerning rioters who damaged and stole Ahmadis' property at Kotri.
  - A deputy commissioner in Azad Kashmir refused to entertain an Ahmadi's tender for supply of medicines and rations to a hospital, for reason of his faith. The decision was conveyed in writing.
  - An Ahmadi community president and a religious teacher were arrested in Rawalpindi for using a house as prayer-center.
  - Those who murdered 8 Ahmadis in Mong and injured 20 others in 2005, while they offered their prayers, were declared Not Guilty by a Special Court, although the police and investigating agencies were sure that the accused had committed the massacre.
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## 2007

### **A Summary of the Persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan** *Some statistics and information for January 1 – December 31, 2007*

More Ahmadis were murdered this year for their faith and more faced prosecution on religion-based charges than last year. Special steps were taken by the Election Commission of Pakistan to exclude Ahmadis from the Joint Electorate system and voters' Form 2 was redesigned to impose Non-Muslim identity on Ahmadis, thus closing the door of their participation in Elections 2008. The administration and the police continued to behave as if to deny human rights to Ahmadis. Federal Ministry of Interior, however, seemed to take some notice of Ahmadiyya grievances and problems; however concrete results of its intervention have still to be visible.

#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

- 1 Mr. Muhammad Ashraf was killed by an ex police inspector at Seerah, Mandi Bahauddin on March 1, 2007.
- 2 Chaudhary Habibullah Sial was found murdered at his home on the morning of April 8, 2007 at Adda Nur Pur Nehr, District Qasur.
- 3 Dr. Hameedullah of Steel Town, Karachi was abducted and killed sometimes between 20-22 September 2007.
- 4 Professor Dr Mobashir Ahmad of Clifton, Karachi was shot dead on September 26, 2007 outside his clinic.
- 5 Mr. Humayun Waqar was assassinated in his shop at Sheikhpura on December 7, 2007.

#### **Ahmadis in prison on December 31, 2007**

- 1 Mr. Muhammad Iqbal was imprisoned for life in a fabricated case of blasphemy. He was arrested in March 2004, and is now incarcerated in the Central Jail, Faisalabad. An appeal lies with the Lahore High Court against the decision of the Sessions Court. It is registered as Criminal Appeal No. 2. He is now in the fourth year of his imprisonment.
- 2 Three Ahmadis namely Messrs. Basharat, Nasir Ahmad and Muhammad Idrees along with 7 others of Chak Sikandar were arrested in September 2003 on a false charge of the murder of a cleric, as alleged by opponents of the Jamaat. The police, after due investigation found no evidence against the accused. Yet these men still faced a '*complaint trial*' for a crime

they did not commit. Based on the unreliable testimony of the two alleged eye-witnesses (*who were proven false in the court*) the court acquitted seven of the accused, but **on the evidence of the same two liars** the court sentenced these three innocent Ahmadis to **death**. They are being held in a death cell at a prison in Jhelum, while their appeal lies with the Lahore High Court. These innocent are now in the fifth year of their incarceration. Their appeal to the Lahore High Court is registered as Criminal Appeal No. **616/2005** dated 26 April 2005.

- 3 Four Ahmadis are in prison at Qambar, Sindh after their arrest in a fabricated case under religious law 298, later upgraded to **PPC 298-C** and **295-C**. They are Messrs Mukhtar A Chandio, Aquil Ahmad, Javed Ahmad and Nadir Hussain.

### **Ahmadis who were made to face charges**

Twenty-two Ahmadi were wrongfully booked under the dreaded Blasphemy law.

Twenty-four Ahmadis were charged under Ahmadi-specific laws.

Thirty-six Ahmadis were booked under common laws but in religion-based incidents and under faith-related considerations.

An Ahmadi dead was deliberately charged under a religion-based law that prescribes 10 years' imprisonment.

Two Ahmadis children aged 8 and 11 were booked for being on the mailing list of an Ahmadiyya children's magazine.

### **Miscellaneous**

Rules and procedures were formulated so that Ahmadis would disassociate themselves from participation in Elections 2008.

Ahmadis were not permitted to hold their traditional annual conference at Rabwah. However, Ahmadis' opponents were permitted and facilitated to hold three major conferences during the year, at Rabwah.

MMA, the political alliance of mullas, moved an Apostasy Bill in the National Assembly whereby an apostate from Islam would be given death sentence. The bill was worded to specifically target Ahmadis.

The administration and the police proceeded to defile an Ahmadiyya graveyard to placate a few mullas.

Rabwah the Ahmadiyya headquarters town, continued to suffer from official neglect and maladministration. Essential services like water, electricity, telephones, security, roads, education etc remained highly problematic, causing suffering to the residents.

Ahmadiyya schools and colleges were not denationalized despite government policy to that end.

**In short, more things change, more they remain the same — at least for Ahmadis in Pakistan, for the present.**

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Ahmadiyya Community was targeted by the state and the mullah this year also as in the past. No relief whatsoever was provided, despite rhetoric in support of ‘enlightened moderation’. The authorities took initiative to press charges against Ahmadi individuals and the Ahmadiyya press, on baseless accusations. A riot at Jhando Sahi, in police presence, made the entire local Ahmadi community flee from their homes and hearths.

#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

1. Sheikh Rafiq Ahmad, in Manzoor Colony, Karachi on March 11, 2006
2. Dr Mujib ur Rahman Pasha, at his clinic in Sanghar, on May 7, 2006
3. Mr. Munawwar Ahmad, at his home in Gujrat, on August 22, 2006

In addition, murder attempts were made on Ahmadi individuals at Rahim Yar Khan, Mirpur of Azad Kashmir, Dera Ghazi Khan and Chawinda (district Sialkot) on March 16, August 01, September 29 and October 16 respectively.

#### **Ahmadis in prison on December 31, 2006**

1. *Mr. Muhammad Iqbal was awarded life imprisonment in a fabricated case of blasphemy. He was arrested in March 2004, and is now incarcerated in the Central Jail, Faisalabad. An appeal lies with the Lahore High Court against the decision of the Sessions Court. It is registered as Criminal Appeal No. 89/2005 dated 15 January 2005.*
2. *Three Ahmadis namely Messrs. Baccarat, Nasir Ahmad and Muhammad Idrees along with 7 others of Chak Sikandar were arrested in September 2003 on false charge of murder of a mullah, at the complaint of Ahmadi-bashers. The police, after due investigation found nothing against all these accused. Still the innocent faced a ‘complaint trial’ for a crime they did not commit. Based on the unreliable testimony of the two alleged eye-witnesses (who were proven false in the court) the court acquitted seven of the accused, but on the evidence of the same two liars the court sentenced these above-named three innocent Ahmadis to death. They are lodged in death cell at Jhelum prison, while their plea for justice lies with the Lahore High Court. It is now over three years that they are in prison. Their appeal to the Lahore High Court is registered as Criminal Appeal No. 616/2005 dated 26 April 2005.*
3. *Mr. Mansur Hussain of District Hafizabad was awarded imprisonment for life last year for allegedly burning some pages of a time-worn copy of the Holy Quran. He is in prison since December 2004. His appeal to the Lahore High Court registered as Criminal Appeal No. 1885/2005, dated 6 December 2005 is awaiting a hearing.*

#### **Ahmadis made to face charges**

- 10 Ahmadis were booked on false charge of blasphemy
- 29 Ahmadis booked under Ahmadi-specific laws
- 9 Ahmadis faced charges under religious laws
- 2 Ahmadis were booked under religious consideration

## Miscellaneous

- Ahmadis were deprived of participation in country's democratic institutions by excluding them from Joint Electorate. They have no representation anywhere, not even in the local union council of their own town, Rabwah.
  - Serious anti-Ahmadiyya riots occurred at Jhando Sahi, District Sialkot on June 24, 2006, in heavy police presence who gave the rioters free hand to inflict injury and indulge in arson and loot. Ahmadiyya mosque was totally destroyed. The entire community had to flee in search of safety, and could not return for weeks.
  - Ahmadiyya press suffered unabashed attack by the Punjab Government. The printer and publisher were booked under Anti-terrorism Act. The printer, an old man who is not in good health remained incarcerated for months. His plea for bail was opposed by the state. He has not been told what exactly he printed that is objectionable to the authorities. The charges are thus *mala fide* and dishonestly applied. The same team was charged again two months later under the same false pretext.
  - Highly provocative and slanderous conferences were permitted by the authorities and held by opponents at Rabwah. The participants were transported from outside Rabwah.
  - Ahmadi places of worship were defiled. Freedom of faith was blatantly restricted.
  - Disinterment was enforced by authorities to placate the mullah. Attacks were carried out at Ahmadi businesses and at a graveyard. The police took no action against the perpetrators of the crime.
  - Numerous Ahmadis received dangerous threats to their person and families - in writing.
  - Educational institutions owned by Ahmadis have not been returned to them despite government policy of denationalization.
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## 2005

### **A Summary of the Persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan** *Some statistics and information for January 1 – December 31, 2005*

The Year 2005 brought no long-awaited relief to Ahmadis. The higher-ups decided not to change their policy of status quo, and the persecution and tyranny that was initiated 21 years ago by General Zia remained entrenched. The present regime, despite its proclamations in favor of human rights, has done little to improve the situation for Ahmadis. In fact, there appears a tacit understanding between the ‘mullah and the *military*’ to maintain the heat under the Ahmadiyya issue.

#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

- 1-8. Messers Ahmad Waheed, Raja Lerasip Khan, Raja Altaf Mahmud, Muhammad Aslam Kullah, Yasar Ahmad Kullah, Raja Muhammad Ashraf, Raja Abid Mahmud and Raja Abdul Majeed, at Mong, District Mandi Bahauddin on October 7, 2005.
9. Mr Wasim Ahmad, at Quetta, on September 10, 2005
10. Mr Muhammad Iqbal of Narang Mandi, District Sheikhpura, on November 6, 2005
11. Mr Naeem Mahmud at Sialkot on December 17, 2005

#### **Ahmadis in prison on December 31, 2005 in religion based cases**

- Mr Muhammad Iqbal is undergoing imprisonment for life at the Central Jail Faisalabad, convicted on false charge of blasphemy. He is in prison since March 2004.
- Messrs. Basharat, Nasir Ahmad and Muhammad Idrees of Chak Sikandar are in prison since September 2003. They have been sentenced to death on false accusation of murder of a mullah. The police found them Not Guilty. Their appeal against the Sessions Court’s decision is pending with the High Court.
- Mr. Mansur Ahmad is in prison for life for burning some pages of a time-worn copy of the Quran. He was arrested in December 2004.
- Three Ahmadis are in prison in Bahawalpur on fabricated charge of blasphemy. They were arrested in June 2005.

#### **Ahmadis made to face charges**

60 Ahmadis were subjected to face charges in religion based cases. They face imprisonment; some of them are exposed to death penalty; while 16 have been let off the hook.

- 16 were falsely booked for blasphemy.
- 24 were booked under Ahmadi-specific laws.
- 19 were booked in religion-based circumstances.
- One is facing prosecution under laws on religion.

#### **Miscellaneous**

- The authorities and courts continued to implement Ahmadi-specific and other religious laws, and provided little relief.
- Fabricated charges of blasphemy were pressed, and the toothless Amendment to the procedure of investigation proved entirely useless.
- Authorities violated their own sacrosanct areas like the press. Ahmadiyya press was attacked in a major assault; but then the authorities relented.
- Rabwah, the Ahmadiyya headquarters town remained a target of alarming discrimination. The anti-Ahmadiyya mullahs enjoyed the confidence of political and official circles.

- No relief was provided to Ahmadis in any way, despite a barrage of pious statements in support of human rights and minorities.

*Again, in fact, nothing changed for Ahmadis in 2005, the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the present regime*

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## 2004

### **A Summary of the Persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan** *Some statistics and information for January 1 – December 31, 2004*

The government maintained a deliberate posture of ‘no concern’ with human rights situation of Ahmadis in the country. Ahmadi-specific laws and discriminatory practices remained firmly in place throughout the year.

#### **Ahmadis in prison on December 31, 2004, in religion-based cases**

1. Eight Ahmadis of Chak Sikandar are in prison since September 2003 on fabricated charges of a murder they did not commit. Their bails have not been granted and they continue to face the spurious trial while still in prison.
2. Mr Muhammad Iqbal of District Faisalabad is undergoing life imprisonment on fabricated charge of blasphemy. He was declared guilty on the basis of evidence given by false witnesses.
3. Mr Zulfiquar Ali is in prison facing trial under Hudood Ordinance on ridiculous charge of committing adultery with his own wife on the basis of her being a Muslim.
4. Messers Shahadat Ali, Mansur Hussain and Abdul Hafeez are awaiting trial under the Blasphemy clause PPC 295B.

#### **Ahmadis made to face charges**

Fifty one Ahmadis were made to face criminal charges under religious laws or for reasons of their faith:

1. 4 persons under the Blasphemy clauses
2. 19 under Ahmadi-specific law
3. 1 under a religious law
4. 27 under other laws, but the cause was their Ahmadi faith

#### **Ahmadi sentenced under the dreaded Blasphemy Law**

Mr Muhammad Iqbal, a convert to Ahmadiyyat was sentenced to imprisonment for life and ordered to pay Rs. 10000/- as fine, on false charge of blasphemy against the Holy Prophet (PBUH). If he does not pay the fine, he will serve additional six months in prison. The sentence was announced by Sajjad Hussain Sundhar an Additional Session Judge, on November 29, 2004. The accusation was made by mullah Zulfiquar Ali, the Imam of village mosque, supported by false witnesses from his flock.

#### **Miscellaneous**

Political leadership remained committed to the policy of self interest at the cost of fundamental rights of Ahmadis. The Police Post case at Rabwah and the Machine Readable Passports issue proved conclusively that the government was prepared to go an extra mile to placate the mullah and violate Ahmadis’ constitutional rights.

The wedding invitation cards case in Sindh shows that the police and authorities have no instructions whatsoever to be mindful of Ahmadis’ human rights.

The incarceration of 8 and prosecution of 10 Ahmadis of Chak Sikandar shows authorities’ unabashed disregard for justice as for Ahmadis are concerned.

Separate voter lists were maintained and religious certification continued in Form IV despite Joint Electorate, to keep Ahmadis outside mainstream politics. The mullah remained free to spit venom against Ahmadis whenever and wherever he chose. He chose often.

Ahmadis were exposed throughout the year to stark discrimination, personal risk, job deprivation, physical harm, social alienation, religious intolerance, police victimization, political isolation, and endless prosecution. In short:

**The Year 2004 was like any other preceding year since 1984.**

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## 2003

### **A Summary of the Persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan** *Some statistics and information for January 1 – December 31, 2003*

Persecution of Ahmadis went on during the year 2003 as in earlier years, as the authorities in Islamabad decided not to change their policy on the Ahmadiyya issue despite their public profession of liberal and anti-extremist agenda. It shows their ‘conversion under compulsion’ rather than a genuine change in their perception, outlook, and action.

#### **Ahmadis murdered for their faith**

1. Mr Iqbal Ahmad, President of District Rajanpur on February 25, 2003
2. Brigadier ® Iftikhar Ahmad in Rawalpindi Cantt on July 17, 2003

#### **Ahmadis in prison on December 31, 2003 in religion-based cases**

- 1-2 Mr Ismail, 75 years old and Mr Tahir Ahmad of District Rahim Yar Khan, accused under Ahmadi-specific law
- 3-12 Ten Ahmadis of Chak Sikandar, accused but innocent of the murder of one mulla Amir.
- 13-16 Four Ahmadis, undergoing imprisonment sentence, in Takht Hazara case where five Ahmadis were murdered in an Ahmadiyya mosque
- 17 Mr Daud Muzaffar of Rabwah, mentally unstable, charged under the anti-Ahmadiyya law

#### **Ahmadis made to face charges**

Eighty-one Ahmadis were made to face criminal charges under religious laws or for reasons of their faith.

1. 5 persons under Blasphemy clauses
2. 21 Ahmadis from Rabwah
3. 32 Ahmadis of Chak Sikandar, subsequent to the murder of mullah Amir by someone unknown
4. One from district Badin
5. One in D. I. Khan in NWFP
6. Three in Rahim Yar Khan
7. Eighteen Ahmadis of Sadullahpur, Dist. Gujrat

#### **Miscellaneous**

Officials at senior level collaborated with mullahs to implement unjust and harsh measures against Ahmadi individuals and institutions in the Punjab.

Life became still more difficult in NWFP where MMA government promoted anti-Ahmadiyya environment.

Mullahs exercised complete freedom in Rabwah to use the most provocative and profane language against Ahmadis.

Mullahs, in collaboration with the police, kept the Ahmadiyya population at Rabwah on edge of a possible flare-up at the convenience of the mullah.

Ahmadis’ life, liberty and property remained under siege and attack all over the country. Ahmadi-specific laws remained in place. Ahmadis were not allowed to rebuild their mosques destroyed earlier by religious fanatics. Innocent Ahmadis remained incarcerated in prisons. Ahmadis’ educational institutions forcibly taken over by the state were not returned, despite declared policy of the government.

***In short, nothing changed for the better. Religious extremism had a free hand against Ahmadis in Pakistan during 2003.***

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## 2002

### **A Summary of the Persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan** *Some statistics and information for January 1 – December 31, 2002*

*Persecution of Ahmadis in Pakistan went on as before as the discriminatory laws remained in force. The military regime had the powers and the opportunity to remove these laws from the statute book, but decided to do nothing and maintained the old policy. In fact, discrimination against Ahmadis was taken to a higher level when, despite Joint Electorate, Ahmadis were put on a Separate List as non-Muslims. This deprived them effectively of their right to vote.*

#### **Ahmadis Murdered for their Faith**

1. Mr Ghulam Mustafa Mohsin of Pir Mahal, District Toba Tek Singh, on January 10, 2002
2. Mr Maqsud Ahmad of Faisalabad, on September 1, 2002.
3. Dr Rashid Ahmad of Rahim Yar Khan, was attacked on November 9, 2002; died on November 15, 2002.
4. Mr Abdul Waheed of Faisalabad, on November 14, 2002

#### **Punishment handed out**

Mr Hameedullah Bajwah, an ex-president of Ahmadiyya Community of District Lodhran was sentenced to three years' imprisonment on September 21, 2002, under the Anti-Ahmadiyya law, by Mr Qamar Ejaz, the Senior Civil Judge at Lodhran.

#### **Ahmadis in Prison on December 31, 2002 in Religion-based Cases**

1. Mr Abdul Majid, an octogenarian. He is in prison for the last one year and 8 months without being found 'guilty'. Bail was denied to him even by the High Court.
2. Mr Mushtaq A Saggon is facing trial under anti-Ahmadiyya law. He is in prison for the last four months. No bail.
- 3-6. Four Ahmadis undergoing imprisonment sentence, in Takht Hazara case where five Ahmadis were murdered in Ahmadiyya Mosque by the rioters.

#### **Ahmadis made to face Charges**

Seventeen Ahmadis were made to face criminal charges under religious laws or for reason of their faith.

1. One in District Muzaffargarh
2. One in Peshawar
3. Two after conversion in Hafizabad
4. Four for building their house of worship
5. One had his old case reopened, in which he was not indicted earlier
6. Two in Mirpur, Azad Kashmir
7. Six in Lahore

#### **No Political Rights**

Elections to the local and other councils were held on the basis of Separate Electorate. This resulted in no participation of Ahmadis in the government at those levels. Later, when Joint Electorate system was adapted for national elections, Ahmadis were, regardless, placed specifically on a separate list of non-Muslims. This deliberate action denied them again their right of vote, by implication. As such, Ahmadis



have no representation in the government of their town Rabwah, nor they have any representation at provincial and national level.

### **Miscellaneous**

1. Major gains of religious parties in National and Provincial Assemblies have put Ahmadis at greater risk.
  2. Ahmadis' traditional religious gatherings remained banned.
  3. Provocative processions and open-air conferences by non-Ahmadis are routinely permitted in Rabwah by the authorities.
  4. Mullahs remained free to foment sectarian hatred and violence against Ahmadis in society.
  5. Ahmadiyya life, liberty and property remained under siege and attack all over the country.
  6. Ahmadis faced discrimination and harassment in education.
  7. The officialdom exercised discrimination and injustice against members of the Ahmadiyya Community.
  8. The vernacular press continued with its unethical and unworthy role in support of the anti-Ahmadiyya lobby.
  9. Hundreds of Ahmadis charged under anti-Ahmadiyya laws during past years continued appearing before courts.
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## **2000**

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#### **Murdered only for their faith**

1. Dr. Shamsul Haq at Faisalaad on January 17, 2000
2. Mr Abdul Latif at Chak Bhauru, District Sheikhpura on June 8, 2000
1. Mr Iftikhar Ahmad at Ghatialian, District Sialkot on October 30, 2000
4. Mr. Shehzad Ahmad “ “ “
5. Mr. Ata Ullah “ “ “
6. Mr. Ghulam Mohammad “ “ “
7. Mr. Abbas “ “ “
1. Nasir Ahmad at Takht Hazara, District Sargodha on November 10, 2000
2. Nazir Ahmad “ “ “ “
3. Arif Ahmad “ “ “ “
4. Mubarak Ahmad “ “ “ “

5. Mudassar Ahmad “ “ “

**Sentenced**

1. Mr. Ataullah Waraich, Ahmadi of Chak 11/F.W. District Bahawalnagar sentenced to two years’ imprisonment under PPC 298B for building a niche and minaret in an Ahmadiyya mosque.
2. Mr. Mubarak Ahmad Nusrat, Ahmadi of Mirpur Khas sentenced to 2 months and 21 days imprisonment and Rs. 3000 fine for offering prayers.
3. Sh. Muhammad Yusuf sentenced to one year’s imprisonment and Rs. 5000 fine at Qasur on 11 October, 2000 for displaying Quranic verses at his shop and the Kalima (Islamic creed) at his door.
4. Messers Mohammad Hussain and Mohammad Sadiq were sentenced to one year’s imprisonment and Rs. 5000 fine at Qasur on October 11, 2000 for displaying Kalima (Islamic creed) at their house.

**Charged**

166 Ahmadis were booked under the Anti-Ahmadiyya law, other religious laws or for religious reasons. Three of them were charged under various clauses of the Blasphemy Law.

**Mosques violated**

During the Year 2000, two Ahmadiyya mosques were demolished, two were handed over to non-Ahmadis, one was sealed, construction of another one was blocked, two were desecrated and seven mosques were actively threatened with the like activity.

**The Terror of Anti-Terrorism Act**

20 Ahmadis were wrongfully charged under religious law PPC 295A for preaching etc and pushed to Anti- Terrorist Special Courts.

**Prisoners**

Prison population remained high throughout the year. At one time it rose to 45 Ahmadis in prison. Even at the end of the year, 25 Ahmadis were in prison on various counts, all of them for accusations related to religion. Most of them are behind bars for two and half years.

**Expulsion from Home and Hearth**

Scores of Ahmadi families were forced by the prevailing persecution to leave their home and hearth to seek protection elsewhere. This resulted in immense hardship to the effected families.

**Government Policy**

Throughout the year, the government actively pursued the policy of doing nothing to alleviate the sufferings of the Ahmadiyya Community. Mullas were given a free hand.

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## 1998

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#### **1. Murdered for their Faith**

- a. Mr. Ayub Azam of Wah Cantt was murdered on 7 July 1998.
- b. Malik Naseer Ahmad, President Ahmadiyya Community Vehari was murdered on 4 August 1998.
- c. Master Nazir Ahmad Buggio of Nawab Shah was murdered on 10 October 1998.
- d. Malik Ejaz Ahmad was murdered at Wazirabad on 1 December 1998.

#### **2. Murderous Assaults**

- a. On Dr Bilal Ahmad of D.G.Khan on 13 January 1998
- b. On Mr. Bashir Ahmad, President Jamaat Arain, on 13/14 (night) August 1998
3. Number of Ahmadis implicated in various criminal cases under religious laws, which carry severe punishments including mostly Death, imprisonment for life and Unlimited fines- 106
4. Number of Ahmadis implicated under the Blasphemy Law, PPC 295 C, for which the prescribed punishment is nothing but 'Death"- 28

#### **5. Ahmadis in Prison**

- a. Messers Abdul Qadeer, Ashfaq Ahmad and Shahbaz are serving life sentences under the Blasphemy Law.
- b. Mr. Waheed Ahmad is serving 10 years' prison term for allegedly filling in the religious column of Census Performa incorrectly for another person.
- c. Fifteen Ahmadis from Naukot are in prison awaiting trial. They were arrested subsequent to the incident when a non-Ahmadi mob attacked their place of worship.
- d. Four Ahmadis from Chak 20 Ghugh, district Jhang, are in prison awaiting trial under PPC 298-C.

#### **6. Group Persecution**

As a result of incidents at Naukot/Nafisnagar precipitated by mullahs, seventeen Ahmadis of Naukot and five from Nafisnagar were charged; not a single mullah has been arrested. Four Ahmadis at Chak 20, six in district Gujranwala, five at Pattoki, eleven in district Sialkot while eleven from District Gujrat have been implicated in various criminal and civil cases on communal grounds.

## **7. Ahmadiyya Mosques sealed by the Government**

- a. At Gilgit on 4-2-1998
- b. At Drigh Road on 23-1-1998

## **8. Mosque destroyed**

At Naukot (Sind)

## **9. Mosques under litigation**

- a. Dulmial, district Chakwal
- b. Goleki, district Gujrat
- c. Kharian, district Gujrat
- d. Kot Mirza Jan, district Gujranwala
- e. Musa Wala, district Sialkot
- f. Sahiwal

## **10. Raid at Ahmadiyya Mission**

Ahmadiyya Centre raided by the Police at Swat. Books, cassettes, files, photographs confiscated. Ahmadi Missionary and son of the local Ahmadi leader arrested, and charged under discriminatory religious laws. Ahmadi President of Swat Community also charged under the Ahmadi specific laws.

## **11. Government Policy**

The government has directly encouraged anti-Ahmadiyya gangsters in all their efforts to suppress and victimize Ahmadiyya Community. As a result human rights situation has visibly worsened for Ahmadis this year. There is a quantum jump in the number of criminal cases in which Ahmadis have been implicated. The government has insisted on sending Ahmadiyya cases to anti-terrorist courts for quick disposal. Change of name of Rabwah town is the new low in the State's attitude towards Ahmadis.

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