



INCIDENT REPORT

THE NEVER ENDING PERSECUTION OF AHMADIS TAKES ANOTHER LIFE IN PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

It is with agonizing heart-rending grief that we come to you with the horrible news of the brutal target killing of an Ahmadi Mr. Kamran Ahmad in Peshawar, Pakistan.

On November 09, 2021 at around 05:30 PM Mr. Kamran Ahmad an Ahmadi of age 40 years was shot dead by an unknown assailant in Peshawar, Pakistan. He has left behind a widow and 3 minor children. He was an employee at one of the factories on Industrial Estate Kohat Road, Peshawar. He was at work when an unknown man opened fire at him. Thereafter, he died on the spot. He had no personal enmity with anyone. This is the second Ahmadiyya killing this year and fifth in the last two years in Peshawar.

It is worth noting here that the said factory belonged to an Ahmadi businessman who prior to this unfortunate incident has sold one of his factories and was in the process of selling this factory as well due to the rising opposition against Ahmadis in Peshawar.

There is an increase in faith-based attacks on Ahmadis residing in Pakistan. Despite such incidents the Government and the law enforcement agencies has failed to protect members of the Ahmadiyya Community or in curbing the hate speech. This continuous persecution testifies to the utter disregard of the Community's rights in Pakistan and creates a sense of deep insecurity within the Community.

The matter of the fact is that there is alarming increase in hate campaign activities against the Ahmadiyya community in Pakistan. The killing and murder of Ahmadis has become a norm in Pakistan of which the government hardly takes any notice. Threats and attempts to kill Ahmadis have been on the increase almost in every part of Pakistan.

These murders, attacks and threats have created a sense of deep insecurity amongst members of the community while the Ahmadis everywhere in Pakistan are living in a deep atmosphere of fear.

We keep the world community informed in the hope that it will take a stern view of these horrific acts of barbarism in Pakistan and assure the safety and security

of law abiding and peace-loving members of the Ahmadiyya Community in Pakistan.

On July 13, 2021, UN human rights experts expressed their deep concern over the lack of attention to the serious human rights violations perpetrated against the Ahmadiyya community around the world and called on the international community to step up efforts in bringing an end to the ongoing persecution of Ahmadis.

We strongly urge the international community to impress upon the Government of Pakistan to honour its responsibility to provide effective protection and freedom of religious practice to Ahmadis and that perpetrators of such vicious attacks should be brought to justice, to bring its laws and practices in conformity with international standards as ordained by Article 20 and United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights Article 2, 18 and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) Article 25, 26.

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