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From the Qur'an

"Indeed, those who like that immorality should be spread [or publicized] among those who have believed will have a painful punishment in this world and the Hereafter. And Allah knows and you do not know."

(Surah An-Nur: Verse 19)

"O you who have believed, do not follow the footsteps of Satan. And whoever follows the footsteps of Satan - indeed, he enjoins immorality and wrongdoing. And if not for the favor of Allah upon you and His mercy, not one of you would have been pure, ever, but Allah purifies whom He wills, and Allah is Hearing and Knowing."

(Surah An-Nur: Verse 21)

Hadith

Abu Hurairah (رضي الله عنه) said:

The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "There are two types of people who will be punished in Hell and whom I have not seen: men having whips like the tails of cows and they will be beating people with them, and, women who will be dressed but appear to be naked, inviting to evil; and they themselves will be inclined to it. Their heads will appear like the humps of the Bactrian camel inclined to one side. They will not enter Jannah and they will not smell its fragrance which is perceptible from such and such a distance."

(Sahih Muslim)

{ EDITORIAL }

All praise is due to Allah (SWT), and peace & blessing on his noble Messengers (AS), in particular, on the last of them all the blessed Prophet Muhammad (SAAW).

Certain important questions are in the air. The mainstream print and electronic media of Pakistan would not talk about it, nor would the ruling elite. Why over the last five months or so have the so-called liberal and feminist tropes in Pakistan remained eerily silent and indifferent towards the plight of the Palestinians in general and the women and children of Gaza in particular? Why have these 'desi' liberals and feminists practically raised no voice against the ongoing genocide of Palestinian Muslims by Israel and its egregious actions against Palestinian women and children?

Is it because of the bare fact that most of these desi liberals and feminists are dependent on the finance received from Washington, London and Brussels to name a few – the same people who are either carrying out the genocide themselves or actively funding it?

The 'civil society', as these desi liberals and feminists are adamant on pronouncing themselves, have been portrayed for years by the West and our English press as the torchbearers of 'universal democratic rights' and 'civil liberties'. Of course, the desi liberal and feminist does not have any real 'ideological' foundations that predicates their work, so we would not question their philosophical stance at all. They are, for the most part, a mishap born out of the 'gora' complex, stooges of the white liberal and feminist of the West, as has been proved time and again by both empiricism and experience.

Israel's near-total siege and indiscriminate bombardment of Gaza have already martyred, maimed and disappeared under the rubble tens of thousands of Palestinian women and children. Many more have been displaced and left to survive the harsh winter without appropriate shelter and supplies. The almost complete breakdown of the healthcare system, coupled with the lack of food and clean water, means that some 60,000 pregnant women and 92,000 breastfeeding mothers in Gaza are facing the risk of anemia, bleeding, and death.

According to the United Nations, women constitute half of Gaza's population. With a substantial portion of the population being young — 47.3 per cent under 18 and 21.8 per cent between 18 and 29. With tens of thousands of Palestinian men massacred by Israel, almost thirteen per cent of Gazan families today are led by women.

The UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls underscores the systemic violence Palestinian women have endured under Israeli occupation for decades. Since the escalation of the Israeli bombardment in Gaza, the plight of Palestinian women has intensified, with many falling victim to war crimes. Children are starving to death.

Meanwhile, hundreds of Palestinian women and children in the occupied West Bank are still imprisoned, many without trial, and trying to survive in abominable conditions.

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This catastrophe is playing out in the open, but these desi liberals and feminists seem to have nothing to say about it.

It has become amply evident by now to most rational humans that these desi liberals and feminists enjoy convenient double-standards. However, the very worst of these is, ironically, a strange form of misogyny, and is starkly revealed in their treatment of conservative and traditionalist Muslim women, even those being murdered in the thousands in Gaza.

These desi liberals and feminists will gayly march in the streets of Islamabad, Lahore and Karachi to impose the filthy LGBTQ+ agenda in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. They will robustly defend the Transgender Act of 2018, which had been declared un-Islamic by a landmark decision of the Federal Shariat Court in May 2023. Yet that decision is in legal limbo (just like the FSC judgement declaring riba un-Islamic) due to an appeal filed against it in the Supreme Court of Pakistan. All this while the desi feminist and liberal is uncannily silent on the massacre of Palestinian women and children. What a sorry place to be!

May Allah (*SWT*) give us the eyes and hearts to see through the deceptions of evil, reject the devious narratives of liberals and feminists on the basis of rational thought gifted divinely to us all, sincerely follow the commandments given by Him (*SWT*) and His Messenger (*SAAW*) and bless us all with the capacity to discern the Truth from falsehood.

Signing off...

Raza ul Haq (Editor)

Muslim women in the West in the crosshairs of Zionists, white ‘feminists’

As we stand up for our Palestinian sisters, the only thing we need from white feminists supporting their slaughter is that they get out of our way.

Sahar Aziz

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For five long months, and with no end in sight, the Israeli government has been committing genocide against the Palestinians in Gaza with explicit and unconditional support from the US government.

After 7 October 2023, the Israeli military started indiscriminately bombing homes, mosques, churches, hospitals and schools in the overpopulated Palestinian enclave, killing Palestinian civilians in their thousands. Israel has also put the Strip under a total siege, preventing the entry of water, food, fuel, electricity or medical supplies, and leaving more than two million people faced with death by starvation, dehydration and disease.

For such war crimes to be committed in plain sight, and with no meaningful contestation from the international community, the Palestinians at the receiving end of Israel's bombs had to be dehumanised, and their allies around the world discredited as anti-Semitic and violent.

Such othering occurs through a relatively straightforward mechanism. First, Palestinians as a group are presented as barbaric, violent and over all less than human, so people around the world do not object to them being indiscriminately killed and starved. Then those who do not buy this racist narrative and insist on protesting against the oppression of the Palestinian people are smeared, censored, doxed and criminalized.

At the forefront of numerous grassroots, intellectual, and political movements opposing Israel's ongoing war crimes, in the United States and elsewhere in the staunchly pro-Israel West, are Muslim women. Courageous Palestinian, Arab, South Asian and Black women are leading mass protests, political action campaigns, teach-ins at universities, fundraisers for humanitarian aid, and writing letters to university presidents, demanding they protect their Palestinian and Muslim students from doxing, harassment, and intimidation by Zionist organizations on and off campus.

These Muslim women's civic and political engagement is almost always met with attacks on their own safety, defamation of their character, and threats to their employment – all aimed at silencing their voices.

If these threats on their lives and livelihoods do not work, Muslim women who speak up for the Palestinians – especially those holding positions in higher education – are dismissed as “too emotional”, “ignorant”, “bigoted”, or “professionally incompetent” by their pro-Israel peers.

Marginalized simultaneously for their religion, race and gender, Muslim women have long been forced to maneuver a triple bind to avoid discrimination, harassment and stigmatization. They are required to be “good Muslims”, “good women”, and “good racial minorities” all at once and at all times to avoid being targeted within the coercive assimilationist paradigm that constantly polices their behavior.

Being a “good Muslim woman of color” entails a daily emotional and psychological tax of trying to fit into myriad clashing identity performance pressures imposed by Eurocentric, Judeo-Christian cultural normativity.

A “good Muslim woman of color” cannot show emotions such as anger, frustration, or passion lest she be deemed irrational, hysterical, or weak.

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A “good Muslim woman of color” must be unconditionally loyal to the US. She must frequently pepper her speech with comments and statements underlining how grateful she is to be in the US. How lucky she is to live in a country ruled by white men and women who uphold liberal values of democracy, equality, and freedom; irrespective of whether she benefits from these proclaimed values or not.

A “good Muslim woman of color” must never criticize the policies and practices of Western countries that violate international law, indiscriminately kill Muslims, collectively punish Palestinian civilians, or systematically discriminate against Muslim and Arab diasporas in purportedly liberal societies. She must prove that she does not support terrorism in any form, which requires repeated condemnation of any acts of violence by Muslims anywhere in the world.

A “good Muslim woman of color” can never advocate for Muslim women’s rights in the West. White women accept her as a if she directs her writings and advocacy at Muslim, Arab, and South Asian societies. But when Muslim women in the West speak out about the discrimination they face where they are, or call out white women for their support of wars that kill and maim Muslim women abroad, they quickly transition from “fellow activists” to “traitors”.

Thus, a “good Muslim woman” is simultaneously infantilized and patronized, vilified and censored, and depoliticized in a society that is incapable of seeing her as a smart, independent, strong female leader. As soon as her coworkers, neighbors, employers and political representatives discover that she is in fact her own activist – not their feminist – they defame, exclude, discredit and ignore her as they search for another Muslim woman whom they can point to in their media and political campaigns as the “good Muslim woman of color”.

This triple bind is carried today by the Black, Arab, and South Asian Muslim women at the forefront of advocating for the human rights of Palestinians in the media, politics, grassroots organizing, the courts, and academia in the US and beyond.

As they fend off attacks against them, these courageous women must simultaneously protect their own Muslim children from harassment, bullying, and intimidation by Zionists in their towns and schools who have monopolized the conversation about Palestine to declare that only Israelis are human, while Palestinians, in the words of the Israeli defence minister, are merely “human animals”.

This triple bind leaves Muslim women in the West asking: “Why aren’t the white feminists coming to our defence?”

Why are so many white feminists now Zionists first, and busy smearing our reputations by calling us anti-Semitic simply on account of our defence of Palestinian human rights?

Why can’t the white feminists see our struggle to end the dehumanization of Palestinian, Arab and Muslim women as a feminist issue?

Will white feminists ever look in the mirror to recognize their own anti-feminism as they rebuke strong, smart, confident, and fearless Muslim activists within their workplaces, their neighborhoods, and on their faculties for speaking up in support of their sisters in Gaza?

The answer to this question is likely a resounding “no” for too many white women too invested in protecting the status quo and their privileged place in society.

Yet, Muslim women in the West are not in need of white feminist support anyway.

We have learned from our African American sisters. We do not need any approval or permission from anyone to fight for what we know is right. We just need white feminists to get out of our way so that we can do the work of real activism in solidarity with our Palestinian sisters.

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Press Releases issued by Tanzeem-e-Islami

23 February 2024

The Muslim Ummah should unite to take practical measures to end Israel's illegal occupation of Palestine.

Lahore (PR): This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem e Islami, **Shujauddin Shaikh**, in a statement. The Ameer stated that the case regarding Israel's illegal occupation of Palestine is currently being heard in the International Court of Justice, and today Pakistan will present its position on this matter. The reality is that the founder of Pakistan had formulated the country's firm policy on the issue of the illegal Zionist state. The Quaid e Azam declared Israel as an illegitimate child of the West and expressed the determination that Pakistan would go to any extent to help the Muslims of Palestine, even resorting to military action if necessary. The Ameer emphasized that today Israel is taking practical actions to erase Palestinian Muslims from the face of existence. Pakistan needs to demand in the International Court of Justice, in accordance with the permanent and irrevocable policy regarding Israel predicated on the vision of Quaid e Azam, the immediate end of Israel's illegal occupation of Palestine. The truth is that if the nuclear-armed Islamic Republic of Pakistan, gives an ultimatum to Israel to end its brutality against the Palestinians, there will be no other option left for Israel and its allies to stop the ongoing oppression and tyranny. It is essential that Pakistan declares its clear and unequivocal stance in favor of justice and against falsehood.

16 February 2024

Israel is bent on committing the heinous crime of erasing the existence of the Gaza Strip from the map.

Lahore (PR): This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem e Islami, **Shujauddin Shaikh**, in a statement. The Ameer said that Israel's brutal bombing of Gaza has intensified over the past five months since the Zionist forces initiated a campaign of cruelty after 7 October 2023, extending it from northern Gaza to the south continuously. During the last four months, Gaza City, Deir al Balah and Khan Yunis have witnessed inhumane atrocities. According to media reports, around 30,000 Palestinian Muslims have been martyred during this period, the majority of which comprise children, women and the elderly. Over 90,000 people are severely injured and almost double that number are still under the rubble of the demolished buildings. Approximately 80% of houses in Gaza have been destroyed, and almost all hospitals, schools, and refugee camps have been wiped out. One of the major organizations providing aid in Gaza, UNRWA, has been falsely accused, and sanctions have been imposed on it. According to the UN, currently, almost 1 million people in Gaza are suffering from illness and acute poverty. During the past four months, the residents of Gaza are being forcibly pushed towards the south, and there are now 1.3 million Palestinians present in the Rafah area near the Egyptian border. Israel has now initiated the most severe bombing on Rafah. Israeli PM Netanyahu has also announced a ground assault on Rafah. The Ameer lamented that such is the lack of honor and spinelessness of the Muslim countries that they are unwilling to even raise a strong voice against Israeli atrocities. It is ironic that the United Arab Emirates is unwilling to sever ties with the Zionist murderers, yet it has eagerly provided patronage to the polytheists by opening a temple in Abu Dhabi. Moreover, the Butcher of Gujarat and the one who built a temple on the site of the Babri Mosque, the Indian PM, was invited to launch the temple on Arabian soil. The Ameer said that the constant rebellion against Allah (SWT) and His Messenger (SAAW) has brought disgrace to the Muslim Ummah in the world today, and Muslim blood has become extremely cheap. He said that if the leaders of Muslim countries do not repent on the individual and collective levels and abandon this rebellious path, not only will their ignominy in this world continue but they will appear as criminals before Allah (SWT) on the Day of Judgement. May Allah (SWT) grant victory to the Muslims of Gaza and endow the Muslim Ummah with faith-based zeal. Ameen!