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From the Qur'an:

"O you who have believed, do not take the Jews and the Christians as allies. They are [in fact] allies of one another. And whoever is an ally to them among you - then indeed, he is [one] of them. Indeed, Allah guides not the wrongdoing people."

"So you see those in whose hearts is disease [i.e., hypocrisy] hastening into [association with] them, saying, "We are afraid a misfortune may strike us." But perhaps Allah will bring conquest or a decision from Him, and they will become, over what they have been concealing within themselves, regretful."

"And those who believe will say, "Are these the ones who swore by Allah their strongest oaths that indeed they were with you?" Their deeds have become worthless, and they have become losers."

(Surah Al-Ma'idah: Verses 51 - 53)

Selected Hadith:

Narrated Hudhaifa (RAA):

The Messenger of Allah (SAAW) stood among us (to give us an address) and he left out nothing that would happen up to the last hour without telling of it. Some remembered it and some forgot, and these Companions of his have known it. When something of it which I have forgotten happens, I remembered it, just as a man remembers another's face when he is a way and recognizes him when he sees him.

(Sunan Abi Dawud)

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).

On Wednesday 6 October 2021, an Israeli lower court (Magistrate's Court), based in Jerusalem gave a decision allowing Jews to perform "silent prayers" at the Masjid Al-Aqsa compound in Occupied Jerusalem.

The decision included an order for the Israeli police to cancel an expulsion warrant issued against the extremist settler, Rabbi Aryeh Lippo, from the mosque, stating that "the presence of Jewish worshipers on the Temple Mount cannot be criminalized as long as their prayers are silent."

Immediately after the decision, calls were made by Jews for holding gatherings at Al-Aqsa Mosque compound on the very next Friday, as the Magistrate's Court had allowed the illegal Jewish settlers to perform silent Talmudic rituals during their storming of Masjid Al-Aqsa.

The verdict was welcomed by most Israelis, including the influential Israeli lawyer, Moshe Polsky.

Although, a higher court named the "Central Occupation Court" in Occupied Al-Quds later annulled the decision made by the Israeli Magistrate's Court on Friday 8 October 2021, the decision by the Magistrate's Court has set a legal and judicial pathway for the Jews to "perform prayers" in courtyards of the blessed Masjid Al-Aqsa in the future.

Muslims around the world were infuriated by the decision made the Israeli Magistrate's Court. The OIC also condemned the decision, albeit, it sounded more like a 'plea of mercy' being made to the illegitimate state of Israel. Commenting on the incidence, the OIC rejected, "any measures taken by the occupying power, Israel, that affect the status of occupied East Jerusalem and the Palestinian presence there, or prejudice the Islamic and Christian sanctities." (And that they) "constitute a grave violation of international law, international humanitarian law and relevant UN resolutions."

The OIC also urged international actors to intervene to facilitate efforts to achieve a two-state solution between Palestinians and Israelis.

The statement of OIC speaks volumes about the defeatist mentality of the so-called leadership of the Muslim world. Is the OIC oblivious to the fact that the establishment of Zionist Israel was illegitimate in the first place?

The truth is that all such illegal decisions constitute an unprecedented attack on the inalienable religious rights of the Muslims of the Holy Land, and their religious heritage. It is a provocation to the feelings of Muslims all over the world. It is a blatant violation of the sanctity of the third holiest site of Islam.

However, these actions of the illegal Jewish settlers are not new. For decades, illegal Jewish settlers, with the full support of the illegitimate Zionist state, have been trampling Masjid Al-Aqsa at will.

The Jews have been at war with Islam since the very beginning. With the advent of the Zionist movement, the backing of the Western colonial powers and the creation and expansion of Israel, they have upped the ante. It has become a norm for the illegal Jewish settlers to storm the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound every day, in the morning and the afternoon, through its Al-Mughrabi Gate, southwest of the mosque.

It is a shame that while Israel occupied East Jerusalem in 1967 and annexed the entire city in 1980, yet Muslim leaderships do not have the courage to defend the third holiest place in Islam.

Signing off...

Raza ul Haq (Editor)

Gender Integration and Equality

The Political and Economic domination of the West has, during the last century, given rise to a desire for cultural domination as well. The West uses all means at its disposal to impose its culture on other countries and societies. These measures include the conditions attached with World Bank and IMF loans, preconditions attached to trade privileges, the work of development agencies in other countries and funding of NGOs, among others. Such pressures are applied even in foreign policy e.g., the Taliban are being pressurized to include women in their government. Gender Integration and Equality is one such agenda.

Gender Integration and Equality have contributed in a big way to the destruction of the social fabric of the Western society and created a host of social problems. The basic unit of the society, i.e., the family and its structure has been totally demolished. On the other hand, Muslims are blessed to possess divine guidance. We are also fortunate that despite all the prevalent decadence, our family system is still intact. We need to resist the cultural onslaught of the West and protect our social values and principles. Gender Integration and Gender Equality, as construed by the West threatens to undermine our society.

It is a pity that the government in Pakistan, as in other Muslim countries, is weak politically and economically, and as a result easily coerced into following the West's agenda against the will of its people.

According to a recent government announcement, the government recently made Gender Development and Equality, a national priority. It claims to have prepared a gender roadmap proposing gender integration across all national policies, programs, offices and key management processes to achieve equality. The roadmap will supposedly bridge the gender gap in education and employment eventually resulting in economic growth of Pakistan. The government is also considering several high-impact strategic interventions to achieve these goals and create, so-called, equitable opportunities for women and girls.

It is the right time for the government to re-assess this initiative and ensure that it is in alignment with Islamic Injunctions. Gender Integration and Equality, Gender Development, Women Empowerment and similar programs are commonly driven by development agencies and NGOs which have their own agendas and perspectives. It is important to make sure that no aspect of the program is against the principles, spirit and dictates of Islam. The Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan includes guarantees to that effect. In addition, Pakistanis who comprise an overwhelming majority of Muslims will reject any initiatives incompatible with Islamic teachings. We have seen the public's reaction to the recently proposed bills on Domestic Violence and the Prohibition of Forced Conversions.

Islam prescribes different roles for both men and women and provides guidance on interactions between *namahrams*. *Purdah*, prohibition of free mixing with the opposite sex, punishments for adultery and defamation are all instruments to protect the family which forms the basic unit of the society.

Quran commanded the mothers of Muslims:

"... do not be too soft in your speech, lest someone having disease in his heart should develop fancies"

(Quran 33:32)

And the Companions were instructed:

"... And when you ask anything from them (the blessed wives of the Prophet), ask them from behind a curtain...."

(Quran 33:53)

These commandments are eternal for all Muslims to follow.

It must be pointed out that while they have different roles in the society, men and women are equal from a spiritual aspect. Both are sent in this world to be tested. Each has a different set of rights and responsibilities, and will be judged accordingly. An example of this is the role of each within the family unit. Man is made "*qawwam*" and given responsibility for the family finances. In contrast, the wife is not required to spend a penny on the household. However, difference of roles should not be interpreted as superiority of one gender over the other. The sole basis of superiority is piety and righteousness.

The Quran says:

"Whoever, male or female, does good deeds and is a believer, then such people shall enter Paradise and they shall not be wronged in the least." **(Qur'an 4:124)**

"... Surely the noblest of you in Allah's sight, is the one who is most pious of you." **(Qur'an 49:13)**

In contrast, the Western idea of gender equality is that there should be equal participation of males and females in all spheres of life, be it politics, sports, employment, etc. This view is not apt and not applicable for Pakistan.

As an example, we have allocated special seats for women in the Senate, National and Provincial Assemblies to increase women's participation in politics. Most appointees to these seats are selected on the basis of their relationships with party leaders and add no real value except being a burden on the exchequer. The few ladies who actively contribute are those elected on general seats.

Sports is another field where women are exploited in the name of Equality. Women are forced to dress scantily and play in front of men who are likely enjoying the players more than the game itself. This is so because the level of competition is years behind men. As John McEnroe recently said of Tennis Champion Serena Williams, "If she played the men's circuit, she'd be like 700 in the world". A serious lover of the game would much rather watch a men's game.

The following sports headlines from the last few months attest to this assertion.

Germany's gymnasts wore body-covering unitards, rejecting 'sexualization' of sport (in Olympic Games).

The Norwegian women's beach handball team has been fined after players opted to wear shorts instead of bikini



bottoms during a European championship game.

Following suit, we have also raised women's teams in games like cricket. What is their level and what is the benefit of women playing cricket in Pakistan? From an Islamic perspective, this cannot be permitted unless the women's team plays in an exclusive women's environment with no male spectators and no media coverage.

Education is important for both men and women and we should endeavor to achieve 100% education for all. However, a prudent policy would be to get boys and girls educated in fields which benefit them as well as the society. To blindly push more and more girls into men's professions where free mixing has to be the norm e.g., the fighting force, engineering, etc. is counter-productive. "Me Too" movement, US girls' gymnastics team scandal and sexual assault cases in the US army are all a result of Gender Integration and free-mixing. Additionally, it is impossible for these women to do justice to their professions and their family life simultaneously.

Pakistan has an estimated 6-7 million jobless, much more by some estimates. It is worth pondering for the planners that a male worker supports an entire family whereas a female is mostly working for herself. Consequently, for every male worker replaced by a female, we are pushing more and more families into further poverty. This is not to say that women should not work at all. Pakistan needs ladies in many professions e.g., lady doctors, teachers and other careers which they can pursue without compromising on their family life and their modesty. For the working ladies, the government must ensure suitably segregated, safe and secure environments in public as well as private sectors.

Gender Equality and Integration is mostly at odds with the teachings of Islam and has caused much havoc in the West. We must avoid it and protect our values and principles in order to prevent our society from falling into the same abyss.

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Press Releases issued by Tanzeem-e-Islami

Date: 08 October 2021

Lahore (PR): "Genocide of the Muslims of India is the real objective of the Modi regime."

This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, **Shujauddin Shaikh**, while commenting on the viral video of the mutilation of the dead body of a Muslim in Assam by Indian authorities. The Ameer noted that ever since the extremist BJP government had passed the notorious 'Citizenship Law' in Assam, the local Muslim population is being systematically and forcibly evicted from their homes, lands and other properties by branding them as 'aliens' and being forced into such ghettos which lack even basic amenities of live. When members of the local Muslim population resist this forced eviction, they are brutally tortured, which has led to the martyrdom of many Muslims and many others have been seriously injured. The Ameer said that, in fact, the BJP government is bent on the full and fast implementation of its ideological manifesto and agenda that "it (BJP) will 'cleanse' India of Muslims". The Ameer said that the horrific incident in India has rattled our Arab brethren, too. The parliament of Kuwait has passed a resolution condemning India. Additionally, the Grand Mufti of Oman, Sheikh Ahmad al-Khalili, has appealed to the Muslim Ummah to take effective measures in order to stop the brutalities and genocide of Indian Muslims being perpetrated under the patronage of the state of India. The Ameer welcomed the social media trend of #BoycottIndia started by our Arab brethren on social media. The Ameer concluded by asserting that the need of the hour is for all Muslim countries to unite in imposing a complete trade, diplomatic and social embargo on the enemy of Islam – India – so that the fascist Hindutva state is cut to size and it dares not to continue with its nefarious designs of targeting the Indian Muslims.

Date: 11 October 2021

Lahore (PR): "The father of the nuclear program of Pakistan, Dr Abdul Qadeer Khan was the 'Mohsin-e-Pakistan' in the true spirit."

This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, **Shujauddin Shaikh**, on the passing away of Dr Abdul Qadeer Khan. **إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ** (Verily we belong to Allah *SWT* and verily to Him *SWT* do we return.) The Ameer asserted that the true and decisive protector of Pakistan is Allah (*SWT*) and Allah (*SWT*) alone. Allah (*SWT*) had made Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan the source for Pakistan becoming a nuclear power, which made the defence of the country impenetrable. He lamented that a military dictator totally submitted to the US after 9/11 and ceded our integrity and pride by making life miserable for Dr Abdul Qadeer Khan on the instructions of USA. He treated Dr Abdul Qadeer Khan with utmost ungraciousness and betrayal by levelling countless allegations against him. The Ameer remarked that late Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan spent the latter part of his life under house arrest in the same country for which he had sacrificed all. The Ameer concluded by supplicating that may Allah (*SWT*) grant him lofty stations in Paradise, grant him entry into Jannat-ul-Firdous and give patience to his kith and kin to bear this loss.

اللهم اغفر له وارحمه وادخله في رحمتك وحاسبه حسابا يسيرا

Ameen!