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From the Qur'an:

"Those who disbelieved among the People of the Scripture and the polytheists were not to be parted [from misbelief] until there came to them clear evidence"

"A Messenger from Allah, reciting purified scriptures"

"Within which are correct writings [i.e., rulings and laws]."

"Nor did those who were given the Scripture become divided until after there had come to them clear evidence."

"And they were not commanded except to worship Allah, [being] sincere to Him in religion, inclining to truth, and to establish prayer and to give Zakah. And that is the correct religion."

(Surah Al-Bayyinah: Verses 1 - 5)

Selected Hadith:

It is narrated on the authority of Abu Ayyub (RA) that a man came to the Prophet (SAAW) and said:

Direct me to a deed which draws me near to Paradise and takes me away from the Fire (of Hell). Upon this he (the Holy Prophet) said: You worship Allah and never associate anything with Him, establish prayer, and pay Zakat, and do good to your kin. When he turned his back, the Messenger of Allah (SAAW) remarked: If he adheres to what he has been ordered to do, he would enter Paradise.

1 - 2 All praise is due to Allah (*SWT*), and peace & blessing on his noble
2 Messengers (*AS*), in particular, on the last of them all the blessed Prophet Muhammad (*SAAW*).

EDITORIAL

Islamophobia means an unnecessary and groundless culture of fear against Muslims and Islam. Islamophobia as a term may be defined sociologically as the fear that the Western society has against Muslims. Even though the roots of that pathology terminologically came out in late 1920s and has escalated in geometric proportions since 9/11, the underlying fear and conflict has deep roots in the history of the West.

The confrontation of the 'West' and Islam dates back to the emergence of Islam itself. In the course of time, the relationship between the two civilizations which came up as conflicting with each other during war and peace alike intensified in particular geographic areas labeled as 'frontiers'. Today, the Islamophobia and anti-Islamism, growing fast in the West, are subconsciously inherent in Westerners and that subconscious fear comes out in the Western masses when exploited cunningly by their ruling elite through the corporate media, thus becoming a serious threat for Muslims.

With the recession and collapse of Andalusian Muslims and the colonization of Muslim lands with the support of industrialization, Capitalism produced a new breed of 'biased white men', mainly in Western Europe and USA who thrived on controlling, excluding and externalizing the Eastern and Muslim cultures and peoples. In the second half of the twentieth century, and perpetuated through the first two decades of the twenty-first century, that attitude metamorphosed into a form of racism/xenophobia. This coincided with the emigration of large number of Easterners and Muslims to the West. Bottling up the histrionics, we argue that the rhetorical statement found in various researches that 'although every Muslim is not a terrorist, every terrorist is a Muslim' sums-up the mindset indoctrinated by the corporate media of an average Westerner and provides a clear enough picture to understand the 'fear of Islam' that resides in the collective subconscious of the West.

"Orientalism", another perspective towards East and Muslims, in a different dimension, new yet deeper and with long standing implications, a transfiguring and 'othering' perspective which became widespread among Western thinkers and political figures as early as during the developmental stages of Industrial Capitalism in 18th century Europe.

Liberal economists like James Mill, who had an intellectual background defending the aims of France and England to control the communities tighter in their colonies, despised the Eastern countries claiming that their civilization was static and corrupt. Even Karl Marx mentioned the 'changelessness' of "The Asian Model of Production". Meanwhile, Christian evangelists considered the traditions of Eastern religions as superstition and they slandered them spitefully. Edward Said depicts the understanding of the orientalists as follows:

"The Orient exists for the Westerner and it is produced within the relationship with the West and by the West. It is a mirror which reflects the 'Other' which is foreign to West and inferior to West."

Since the concept of superior West or racism, which was formed around the 19th century by the intellectual jugglery of the Imperialists of the West, has existed in the West to date, Westerners find it easy to attach with prejudice every ill-event and evil sample to the inferior nature of the East and Islam.

(Sahih Muslim)

As an Islamophobic reason, othering,

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transfiguring, expansionism and excluding Muslims because of an orientalist perspective and categorizing each Muslim individual as a potential terrorist, categorically and seriously endangers the lives and future of Muslims not just in the West but the world over. That prejudiced and biased attitude alone prevents the Western masses from getting true information about Islam.

Our job is to respond to all Islamophobic and anti-Islamic actions and movements by using rationale and persuasion. If we are able to show the perfections of Islamic morality and the truths of belief through our own actions, followers of other religions will certainly be interested in what Islam has to offer If we follow these guidelines meticulously, the non-Muslim masses will have a chance to see true Islam in action and the probability of ridding them of the dreadful disease of phobia is likely to increase.

Our sincere advice to the readers is that the strategy to survive the ominous state-sponsored extremism and anti-Islam/Muslim bigotry of the West is two pronged. Firstly, we would advise all our readers to never let go of 'wisdom' and 'insight' in order to look beyond the deceptions of the forces of evil. Secondly, and more importantly, we would strongly recommend our readers (leaders and masses alike) to seek the forgiveness of Allah (*SWT*) for betraying Him (*SWT*) and His messenger (*SAAW*) by holding firmly unto the universal message of the Qur'an and the Sunnah, and strive their utmost to establish the Deen of Allah (*SWT*) in their individual and collective lives, culminating in the establishment of the genuine Islamic System of Social Justice in the World. May Allah (*SWT*) accept our mass apology and save us from His (*SWT*) wrath, give us the potential to look beyond the deceptions of the forces of evil, guide us to establish the Islamic System of Social Justice among our ranks and grant us success in this worldly life and bestow on us lofty ranks in the Hereafter.

Aameen!

Signing off...

Raza ul Haq (Editor)

Main News Headlines 01 – 15 November 2021

- TLP chief Saad Rizvi's name removed from ATA fourth schedule
- Troika plus urges Taliban to respect rights of all Afghans
- PM meets acting foreign minister of Afghanistan Amir Khan Muttaqi accompanied by acting ministers for finance as well as industry commerce and other senior members of the Afghan delegation; reiterates Pakistan's support for Afghanistan in overcoming dire challenges
- Supreme Court Summon PM Imran Khan in APS Massacre Case, amid talks by government with TTP
- TTP announces ceasefire with govt for one-month time period
- PM, Cabinet allows to de-proscribe TLP after secret deal
- Pakistan's Rupee falls to record low after delay in IMF deal
- Pakistan, China reject India's invitation for Afghan moot
- Pakistan corona positivity rate drops to 0.94
- Ex-AJK president Masood Khan to be appointed ambassador to US
- JI submits petition in SC for action against Pandora-tainted people
- · Lahore, Karachi among top five most polluted cities in world
- Blinken says Qatar to handle US interests in Afghanistan
- China uses twitter to threaten military action in Arunachal Pradesh; Indian troops on high alert
- Saudi Arabia deposits \$3B in SBP
- Govt, TLP sign secret agreement after weeks-long unrest
- Taliban's military commander murdered in Kabul hospital attack by Daesh
- Khalistan movement gains momentum as global Sikh communities voice against persecution
- Over 100 global leaders pledge to end deforestation by 2030
- G20 leaders agree on 1.5C global warming target
- US media carries Pakistani detainee's public account of CIA torture
- Israel approves more than 1700 West bank settler homes
- World Bank chief says Afghanistan aid resumption unlikely
- Saudi-led coalition says more than 1000 Yemeni rebels killed in two weeks

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Press Releases issued by Tanzeem-e-Islami

Date: 12 November 2021

Lahore (PR): "Preserving peace in the country ought to be the utmost priority for the entire nation."

This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, <u>Shujauddin Shaikh</u>, in a statement. While commenting on the commencement of dialogue by the government with the Tehrik-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), the Ameer noted that although conflicting parties do have to sit on the negotiation table at some stage, even after the worst violence and bloodshed, however, as the TTP is assumed to have been involved in the murder of innocent civilians and children, therefore the government and state institutions have to be very careful in these negotiations and the sentiments of those must be kept at the fore who have lost their children and loved ones as a result of the violence. TTP ought to openly apologize to victims of the violence and also provide guarantee that neither the TTP nor any of its affiliate groups would participate in any such militant and violent activities in the future, nor will they keep any form of contact with any foreign elements. It would be only fair that that the state institutions too express grief on any lapses done on their part in the past. The Ameer emphasized that had all parties not violated the pristine principles of Islam in their actions then violence and bloodshed of such magnitude would never had taken place and Pakistan would not have had to suffer a massive loss of life and property. According to government sources, this dialogue with TTP is taking place in Afghanistan and the Afghan Taliban have played a very positive role in these negotiations. The Ameer concluded by remarking that we are thankful to the Afghan Taliban for their role regarding preserving peace in our country.

Date: 05 November 2021

Lahore (PR): "The beaten forces have resorted to perpetrating the worst kind of terrorism in Afghanistan."

This was said by the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, Shujauddin Shaikh, while condemning the recent terrorist attack on a hospital in Kabul. The Ameer noted that ever since the Afghan Taliban have formed their government in Afghanistan, the country has become a target of successive terrorist attacks and Islamic State -Khorasan Province (IS-KP), also known as Daesh, has claimed responsibility for all those atrocious incidents of terrorism. The Ameer remarked that the former US president Donald Trump and many other high-ranking US officials have acknowledged in the past that Daesh was created by USA. The Ameer warned that if the US does not cease to foment bloodshed, it would become very difficult to stop violence from spreading in the world. The flames of terrorism being fueled by the US in Afghanistan could well result in USA itself being scorched by that fire. The Ameer said that the US should now reconcile with the fact that it has suffered defeat in Afghanistan, change its own philosophy accordingly and remember that its hostile and provocative approach would only serve as a spoiler for world peace. The Ameer emphasized that peace in Afghanistan would be beneficial for the allies of USA in Asia, too. The Ameer expressed astonishment at why countries such as Pakistan, Iran, Turkey, China and Russia, that present themselves as the advocates of Afghanistan, had not recognized the government of the Afghan Taliban as yet. The Ameer concluded by asserting that if all Muslim states recognize the government of the Afghan Taliban, then it would become extremely difficult for the enemies of Islam to take any malevolent step against them.



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