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Why the government should Define Islamophobia and rid our streets of racism and selective outrage

British Muslim organisations have urged the Government to combat the Islamophobia, racism and selective outrage perpetrated by far-right activists who recently wreaked havoc on Britain's streets.

Having been motivated by Islamophobic and racist social media posts falsely claimed an individual who killed a number of young girls and injured many others was a Muslim migrant, the ensuing riots ensured many

Masjids were targeted across the country.

Numerous law abiding Muslims were attacked along with those from other minority ethnic groups whilst hotels housing asylum seekers, including children were targeted.

Prime Minister, Kier Starmer has been urged to meet with representatives of the Muslim community who have called for the government to officially adopt the all-

party parliamentary group definition of Islamophobia – “rooted in racism and is a type of racism that targets expressions of Muslimness or perceived Muslimness”.

The Labour leader has been invited to undertake “urgent actions” including launching an independent review, enter into dialogue with “elected representatives of Muslim communities” and adopt an updated definition of Islamophobia.

Islamophobia should be treated as a hate crime



“Unity will prevail in the end as racism and Islamophobia have no place in our society”

Aziz Daji IMWS Chair

The APPG definition of Islamophobia has been adopted by one in seven local authorities, whilst the Leader of the Liberal Democrats, Ed Davey said the UK government must “treat Islamophobia with the urgency it deserves” and start by “adopting a formal working definition of Islamophobia” and appointing “an Independent Government adviser on Islamophobia.”

Mr Davey believes a first step would be “adopting a formal working definition of Islamophobia” and “appointing an Independent Government adviser on Islamophobia.”

The all-party parliamentary group say Muslims are racialised through Islamophobic tropes stereotyping them as a homogenous group that is fundamentally different from the rest of society.

Their research suggests Islamophobia manifests itself in the same way as other forms of racism and functions as a form of racism. By conceptualising Islamophobia as “a type of racism”, Muslims are victims of more than just overt expressions of religious hatred and abuse, but are subject to a system of discrimination, control, and socio-economic exclusion.

The Islamophobia Action Group has urged the government to adopt the All-Party Parliamentary Group’s definition of Islamophobia without further delay. This,

it argues, would send a clear message that anti-Muslim hatred will not be tolerated in British society.

A spokesperson for the Islamophobia Action Group said: “Islamophobia has fueled the recent far-right riots, and the consequences are clear and dangerous. The government must act now by adopting the APPG definition of Islamophobia; investigate far-right activities; and engage directly with Muslim communities and their national representatives. This is a critical moment to address the root causes of hate and to protect our society.”

The Prime Minister has also been asked to launch an investigation into the role social media, politicians and mainstream media played in relation to the violence.

“We want the government to look into why the riots happened. It did not come from nowhere,” said a spokesperson for MEND (Muslim Engagement and Development).

“We want the government to look into themselves, address social media and all the different facets that led to this. A review has to look at all of this and has to come to a real outcome with practical steps we can take. At the end of the day, the riots have happened. We now have to see how we can work to stop it happening again in the future.”

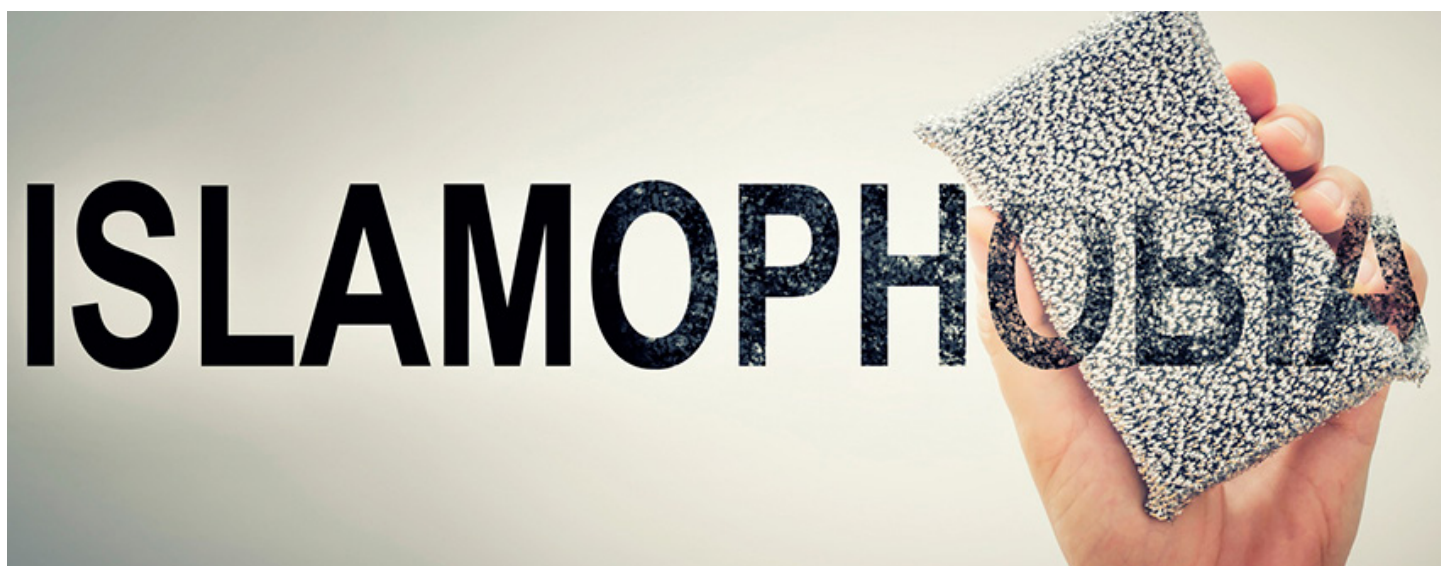
The recent riots have also served to “prove the need to regulate social media” as online misinformation “could cost lives”.

The spokesperson added: “We have to look at what happened here and how it managed to fuel the flames so horrendously to the point where people were stuck in hotels while they were literally being set alight.”

The Runnymede Trust, a leading British race equality and civil rights think tank released an open letter to the Prime Minister from 80 anti-racist and migrants’ rights organisations. The letter urged the Prime Minister to look at “Why the unprecedented levels of racist rioting took place across the UK.

“It is devastating that the tragic crime committed in Southport continues to be associated with ongoing violence against people of colour. It is contemptuous of the grief experienced by the families and of the Southport communities affected,” read the statement.

“What is happening is the direct result of years of normalised racism and Islamophobia, enabled by mainstream politicians and the British media. Many of us warned of these outcomes during the election period which saw an intensification of Islamophobia, and anti-migrant narratives.



“We are particularly concerned that certain sections of the media and political elite have chosen to take the ongoing violence as an opportunity to entertain debates about ‘legitimate grievances’, ‘integration’ and immigration.

“Muslim communities and people of colour should never have to justify their level of integration in order to claim basic protection from criminal acts, and it is incredulous that we should have those debates in the midst of this unprovoked and sustained violence. To blame the victims of this violence is an insult to people of colour across the country.

“The Islamophobia, racism and anti-migrant violence we have witnessed on the streets of the UK represents the rot that has become normalised as part of our politics. The new Labour government must take this opportunity to reset the direction of travel and foster zero tolerance for far-right, racist and anti-migrant narratives.

“As organisations that work on racial justice and Islamophobia, we say that it is the government’s responsibility to take command of the narrative and show leadership. An emergency Cobra meeting is insufficient, this is a national emergency and Parliament should be recalled to effect a national, coordinated political response which gets to the root of this violence.”

Imam Qari Asim, who was the last person to hold the post of independent Islamophobia adviser to the government, believes the Muslim community has “lost

any confidence” in the Torry party to tackle anti-Muslim hatred.

“I am not saying the whole Conservative Party or government, but there are certain factions in there that do not want to recognise the scale of anti-Muslim hatred in the country,” said Qari Asim.

“Members of my congregation have lost any confidence in the government in tackling anti-Muslim hatred, especially when people are reluctant to even call it out.

“It goes to show they don’t really understand the levels of anti-Muslim hatred or even that they are potentially pandering to the far right.”

The former adviser celebrated the UK as “A country that believes in values of equality, openness and respect for diversity.”

He said: “We come together to stamp out antisemitism or other forms of racial hatred. All Muslims are asking for is the same treatment of anti-Muslim hatred. I think it is high time that a Islamophobic definition is achieved and robust and immediate action is taken to carry out that work, and one of the first steps would be to define anti-Muslim hatred.

“I am not wedded to a particular term. What we want to see is the protection of Muslim communities who are targeted by people who feel Muslims are fair game or know they don’t face any consequences for

targeting them.”

MCB Secretary General, Zara Mohammed, said: “We have sadly seen the amplification of voices like Nigel Farage and a dangerous move to the far- right, at the expense of further demonising already marginalised Muslim communities. This must be stopped.

“We need leadership that works to tackle the economic crisis impacting the future opportunities of millions of Britons in the worst socio-economic areas, as well as work to create a hate-free society.”

IMWS Chair, Aziz Daji believes it is imperative that stronger protections against Islamophobia in the UK are implemented.

He emphasised the need for a clear definition and more engagement to address the “insurgence of hate” affecting Muslim and ethnic minority communities.

He said: “We need action on this as a priority, to make clear that Islamophobia will not be tolerated.

“Unity will prevail in the end as racism and Islamophobia have no place in our society. We have witnessed so much compassion, kindness and decency from people from a plethora of backgrounds including our very own British Muslim community, who despite being targeted, have showcased a great deal of empathy. We must act quickly to stamp out Islamophobia from our society, once and for all.”

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Guests asked to refrain from leaving a mess during Weddings at the Al-Hikmah Centre

Staff and management at the Al-Hikmah Centre have spoken out after images of mess left after a wedding at one of Batley's most popular wedding venues, which recently underwent a stylish refurbishment went viral.

Staff at the Al-Hikmah centre in Batley were appalled after guests dumped half eaten cake and deserts, napkins, cups and plates on chairs and the floor, some of it, tea infested across the floor at the new IMWS wedding banqueting suite.

Tea soaked chairs, with cups of tea littered across the floor, along with the remains of a plethora of gastronomical delights, reduced to filth and rubbish destroying the luxurious feel of a bride and groom's special day, whilst angering hard working staff, who spent hours cleaning up the mess.

IMWS General Manager, Nadeem Raja, who unveiled the new banqueting suite at the Al-Hikmah centre to the public on the 26th of May during a Mega Wedding Fair –

allowing people from the vicinity and as far as London to take a look at the elegant new suite, has asked guests to take advantage of the extra staff available during weddings and to enjoy the benefits that the centre brings, including the recent renovation along with pricing model, which is still the most competitive in the area.

“I would politely urge people to take pride in the banqueting suite. We set out to create something unique as opposed to a stereotypical caricature. The entire hall was refurbished with a beautiful light textured style which feels brighter and has a neutral backdrop, allowing couples to bring their own style to the room even more.

“The beautiful new soft lights add a touch of glamour in a way that's perfectly balanced against the natural feel and neutral tones – hence the bride and groom will not enjoy their big day, they are afforded an opportunity to do so, safe in the knowledge that they get value for money.”

Mr Raja urged guests to speak with the extra staff on hand and to showcase the appropriate etiquette, expected in a high-end banqueting suite.

“We're so excited by this investment and redevelopment as it gives a cohesive connection to the lower part of the wedding hall, which is also due to undergo a renovation.

“It's a very exciting time for IMWS., so please, make use of our staff that are on hand, who will be happy to assist and remove any rubbish, please help us to keep the suite one of the most popular wedding halls in the area and the region, indeed, the feedback we have received thus far, has been phenomenal.

“There has been a great deal of interest in the banqueting suite as many now believe that it is one of the best wedding venues in the country, and I believe it will do very well. “





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Stop the killing of innocent children in Gaza

Tragic sights, especially those involving children, tend to showcase the generous nature of British people and how they are moved by their plight.

In November 2023, £33.5 million was donated to Children in Need and more than £400,000 has been raised in less than a fortnight for the families of those young angels who sadly passed during the knife attack in Southport.

Therefore, it is as beyond belief as it is disheartening that the horrendous images coming out of Gaza have not ensured millions of us are marching towards Westminster, lambasting those who are partaking in the barbaric slaughter of children by the Israeli state.

We need to take heed of the stories of innocent children, women and entire families being wiped out.

Three-month-old baby Reem Abu Hayyah was left orphaned after an Israeli airstrike wiped out her parents and five young siblings.

In a separate strike, Mohamed Abuel-Qomasan lost his wife and their twin four-day-old babies, Asser and Ayssel, while he was at a local government office registering

their births. The rate of the barbaric killing of children is a criminal and disgusting act.

The EU has confirmed that at least 10 schools have been targeted in the past few weeks alone whilst Save the Children insist school attacks are happening at least weekly, with three in one 48-hour period recently.

These are blatant war crimes!

Our government has told the UN that the UK is "appalled" by these strikes on schools and "horrified" by reports of detainees being raped in Israeli prisons while lamenting that, "Palestinians have nowhere safe to turn".

However, talk is extremely cheap, as our country took five months to call for a ceasefire and is still licensing arms sales to the IDF butchers.

Especially when they know those words will be music to the ears of the fanatics in Tel Aviv who believe they are on a "religious" mission to send Gaza back to the Stone Age.

With 40,000 Palestinians dead and a further 10,000 estimated to be buried under rubble – this is surely more about

unyielding vengeance!

How longer can Western governments keep spouting out the fact that Israel has a right to defend itself at any cost, whilst turning a blind eye to Palestinian suffering?

Although Labour has dropped its objections at the International Criminal Court to arrest warrant proceedings against Benjamin Netanyahu and is considering a partial arms embargo on Israel.

With 40,000 Palestinians dead, the government must enforce a full and immediate arms embargo...

An embargo needs to be implemented and needs to begin now!

Pressure needs to be piled on Joe Biden to withhold arms sales to Netanyahu until he stops sabotaging the prospect of a meaningful ceasefire.

The bottom line is that Israel is committing a criminal humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza and the blood of those slaughtered children is on all of our hands.....

IMWS presented with award by Islamic Relief at prestigious event

The Indian Muslim Welfare Society has been presented with an award recognising the charity's dedication, commitment and service to humanity.

The award was presented to IMWS Chair Rafik Dabhad, Projects & Events Manager, Munir Daji, IMWS General Manager, Nadeem Raja and elected member, Masum bhai Karolia by Islamic Relief's Deputy Director, Zia Salik at an appreciation dinner at the Empire Suite in Leeds, where Dr Hani El Bana, the founder of Islamic Relief also commended the society.

The award recognises the significant work of IMWS, despite the unprecedented impact of the pandemic and financial strains of the UK economy, IMWS continues to support millions of people in struggling communities across the UK and the globe, continuing to alleviate poverty, empower communities, and respond to disasters.

IMWS Chair, Aziz Daji dedicated the award to every IMWS member.

"We are pleased to be recognised by a prominent institution like Islamic Relief, the world's biggest Western Muslim aid and development agency for our contribution to supporting those in need around the world," said Mr Daji.

"This award is a recognition of the

selfless efforts and dedication of our hardworking staff, partners within the UK and beyond as the immense trust that our donors and supporters place in IMWS by giving their donations to support our campaigns is a testament to their generosity.

"We are thoroughly honoured to be given such an award. Whilst it has been a challenging couple of years during the pandemic, our teams have pulled together and ensured our work reaches more people than ever."



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Health Page

NHS soup and shake diet can help beat type 2 diabetes

People can reverse their type 2 diabetes by going on a strict 900-calorie-a-day liquid diet offered by the NHS.

Under a new expansion plan, the radical NHS Type 2 Diabetes Path to Remission Programme is being rolled out nationally to benefit patients across the whole of England, doubling its capacity this year.

The programme will now be available in 42 local health areas – up from 21 last year – meaning that eligible patients will be able to access it in every part of the country.

The NHS soup and shake diet has been shown to reverse type two diabetes with participants consuming just 900 calories a day of an exclusively liquid diet.

Hundreds completed the year-long diet offered by the NHS, with a third putting their type two diabetes into remission,

A third shed lots of weight - nearly two-and-a-half stone (16kg) - and put their diabetes into remission.

The programme is being offered to people around England. It is separate from

the weight loss jab Wegovy that will be provided by some specialist NHS weight-loss management services.

The shake and soup diet programme, external is fully funded by the NHS, so there is no cost for the individual. They are given a bespoke diet and exercise advice sessions in person or online, as well as support from their GP.

Experts say the opportunity can be truly life-changing for people - if they can stick at it.

Sticking to it may be challenging though, results suggest. Dieters must endure a few months of consuming only shakes, soups and meal-replacement bars, before healthy solid foods can be gradually reintroduced.

Unmanaged, diabetes can increase the risk of getting other serious health problems and damage the eyes and nerves.

Dr Clare Hambling, NHS national clinical director for diabetes and obesity, said: "Obesity is one of the biggest threats to health in the UK and will be one of the biggest and most costly challenges

for health systems globally, so seeing such encouraging outcomes from our programme shows that obesity can be tackled head-on."

People are eligible if they are:

between 18 and 65

have been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes within the last six years

have a body mass index (BMI) over 27 kg/m² (if from white ethnic groups) or over 25 kg/m² (if from black, Asian and other ethnic groups)

Over 10,000 more people living with type 2 diabetes and excess weight or obesity in England are to be offered to partake in the NHS soup and shake diets this year to help them lose weight and significantly improve their health.

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Cllr Aziz Daji: We must support Batley Library

My desire is to serve my community and I am clear in relation to my responsibilities as an elected councillor for Batley East.

It is a role in which I can represent people from a plethora of backgrounds. It is a privilege and an honour. Identifying and building relations with community groups and voluntary organisations is fundamental to being an effective ward councillor.

One such example is the Friends of Batley Library, whom I met recently, alongside Batley and Dewsbury MP, Mohamed Iqbal in order to discuss new ideas about the service. The group would like to bring fresh ideas to get more community activities operating from the building on Market Place.

Ideas discussed include hiring out rooms on weekday evenings, Saturday mornings and all day Wednesday. Rooms are available for community group meetings and child minding activities.

It was also suggested, local firms could be approached to sponsor the buildings renovation with materials, source local tradesmen to for help with roofing, electrics, plumbing and internal decoration.

Batley's Carnegie Library is purpose built, has easy access and offers services suited to the town's needs. The library's culture is inclusive, does not discriminate and is a designated warm space. In order to generate income, national banks such

as Nat West, HSBC, Halifax, Lloyds and Yorkshire Bank could be asked to set up banking hubs – thus ensuring it may be possible for the library to make some income.

One of the main points I would like to emphasise time and again is that this is your library so please make the most of it. Libraries, just like many other services, have had to adapt over the years. We will all remember them as quiet places to go for a bit of peace whilst reading a book or newspaper.

However, today's library offers so much more and even that must expand to serve the public demand. Several clubs are already based at the library, which also runs information and learning sessions and has books and computers for public use. But the Friends committee also suggested holding events where people could discover what life was like in Batley during different periods, and staging debates and discussions around different topics.

These are just some of the ideas being bandied about the moment but they can be enhanced further by people suggesting other ideas. What we want above all is more community involvement.

Other issues I have dealt with include fly tipping in Field Hill. I have met with residents in Field Hill, who alerted me to the fact that they have called the council on many occasions, asking them to

remove rubbish, but to no avail. I was also invited by Ebrahim bhai Karolia to visit the Carrside Crescent area to have a look around and talk to some residents. I visited one family and forwarded a referral to the council for some adaptation work. We've also been looking at the area in terms of the possibility of making it a one way street as the residents have requested this.

That's another issue I am following up along with some grass that has not been cut and is overgrown. I was also summoned by my friends to the Warwick Road area, where I also reside. They are concerned with grass and rubbish that is not only an eyesore, it is also a nuisance. Residents are fed up as it impedes people who are walking along with adults so we really need to find a solution to this as we cannot allow this to continue. I am glad to report that action has now been taken and the trees have been cut by Stellex Manufacturing LTD who responded immediately and got the job done.

Crafton Park, adjacent to the area in question has been neglected by the council for way too long. It doesn't seem fit for purpose for children to play in. This is something else I am going to have to log with Kirklees Council and make it better for children to play safely.

**Should any Batley East residents have any concerns, please contact Mr Daji direct: Phone: 07735626256
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Cllr Aziz Daji and MP Iqbal Mohamed with Friends of Batley Library Group

‘Beyond Boundaries’, the Solly Adam story

Suleman Adam, popularly known as Solly Adam, has been described by Sunil Gavaskar, Viv Richards and Ricky Ponting as the Pioneer of the Cricket World. Mr Adam has mentored over 300 cricketers, mainly from South-Asia, many of whom rose to prominence as international cricket stars and star legends, such as World Class Pakistani and Indian test cricketers, Imran Khan and Sachin Tendulkar.

Solly’s infectious sense of boyish enthusiasm as a competent cricketer himself and a mentor to many world class cricket legends has been documented in a new book entitled ‘Beyond Boundaries’.

The book recounts warm stories that recount his association with hundreds of star cricketers and cricket legends across the world. The book also exemplifies the inspirational story of a man with humble beginning, who set up a number of thriving businesses before entering the world of cricket and then becoming a philanthropist.

Mr Adam was also responsible for bringing Sachin Tendulkar to Headingley in 1991. Solly was told an Australian overseas player was not turning up and was asked by Yorkshire County Cricket Club to help the club sign an overseas player.

Solly suggested that they sign Tendulkar as he had just signed his school friend Vinod Kumble to play with him in the Bradford League.

Therefore, Solly called Sachin, who was playing test cricket at the time in Australia and proposed a move to Headingley. Sachin told him to give him a week or so to think about it, as he wanted to speak to his parents about the move, as he was very young at the time. When Sachin arrived in Yorkshire, the club offered him a house to stay in, however, he preferred staying at Solly’s home and Solly looked after him like his own son.

Solly arrived in England in 1963 and

got married in 1968. He started off as a qualified motor mechanic in a small garage and in 1972 he purchased a petrol station.

As Solly’s business empire prospered, he also had the time to pursue his interest in cricket.

A few overseas players were coming over from Pakistan and India at the time and he decided to help them and let them stay in one of his houses. A lot of them went on to become test players for Pakistan and India such as Vinod Kumble, Abdul Kadir, Iqbal Kasim. Solly even had Imran Khan stay over for 10 weeks when he had just signed for another county side.

“In those days you had to undergo a 10-week suspension (a waiting period before you could play for the club), so Imran played league cricket for Wakefield during that time,” said Mr Adam.

India’s most successful captain in recent memory – Surav Ganguly along with Rahul Mankar and many others have all visited Solly recently. Solly is also very close to Indian cricketing great, Sunil Gavaskar, who, along with Javed Miandad, wrote forward’s in the book.

Solly’s contribution to world of cricket has been recognised by Royalty and statesman. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, who invited Solly and his wife to Garden Tea Party at Buckingham Palace in 2015.

Manmohan Singh, the former Prime Minister of India, also congratulated Solly for helping to ease tensions between India and Pakistan after Solly agreed to help the Shah Satnamji Cricket Academy in Shirsha, Northern India, stage a cricket match between Pakistan and India, in the name of peace.

Solly got a phone call from the chairman and was asked to organise and attend the game as guest of honour. As Both the Pakistan and India first team players were

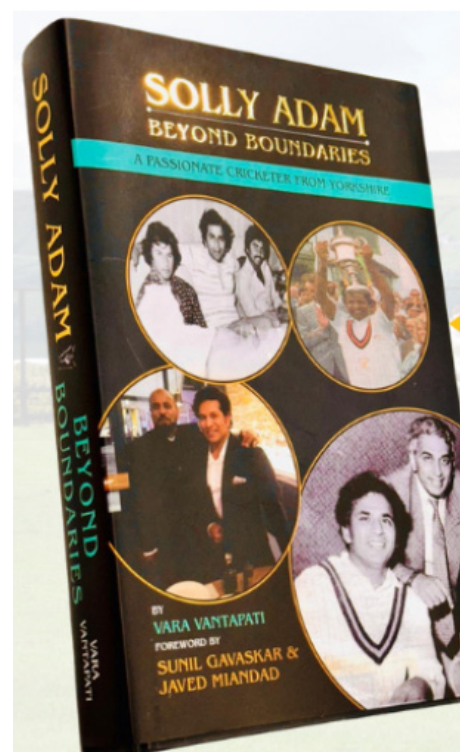
on tour, Solly had to arrange a veteran’s match instead.


Within a day or two Solly called players like, Saeed Anwar, Zaheer Abbas, Waqar Younis, Mushtaq, and they all agreed to take part. This was the first time anyone other than the cricket board of India has organised a competitive cricket match in India.

The game was a sell-out, with over 35,000 people in attendance. The match was also screened live by DD Television India. On being congratulated by the Indian PM Manmohan Singh, Solly said “It was a great honour to be appreciated in that manner.”

Solly is now the managing director of a number of firms including Solly Sports. He supplies many of the junior and senior leagues in Yorkshire.


‘Beyond Boundaries’ will be available to purchase on Amazon and online in due course. **To find out more, please visit: Sollyadam.com E:contact@sollyadam.com**



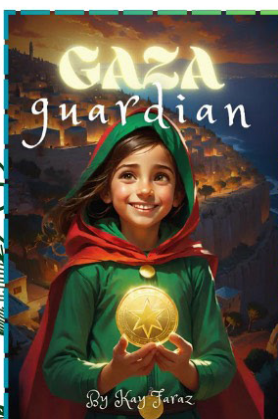
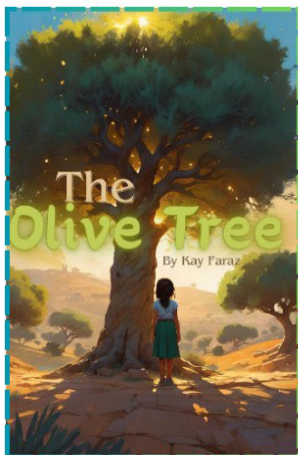


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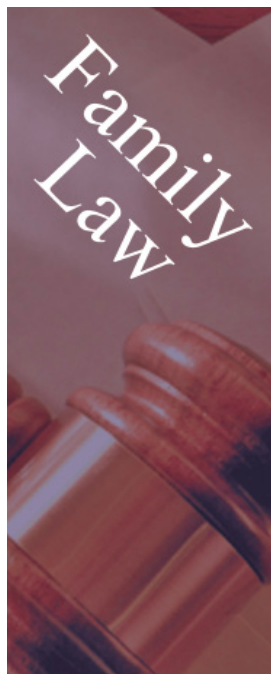
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Dewsbury boy helps his team beat Arsenal and Aston Villa to win Premier League emerging talent competition

A Dewsbury youngster is celebrating after playing a pivotal role in steering his team to victory in a prestigious Premier League competition.

Yousuf Yakub, who has just turned eight, helped his team, Bradford-based Frame 2 futsal beat established Premier League under 8s teams, such as Aston Villa and Arsenal.

They also beat West Brom and Leyton Orient to ensure Frame 2 came away as champions, winning all their tournament games at the Loughborough University staged event.

Yousuf, who has over 6,000 followers on Tik Tok (@officialyy16), has shown

a keen interest for football from an early age and began playing football when he was just four years old, not looking back since. His development within the Frame 2 futsal squad resulted in him getting the prestigious opportunity to battle against young Premier League academy players.

Yousuf said: "I really enjoyed taking part in and winning the Premier League Emerging talent competition. I will continue working hard and take part in more competitions."

Yousuf's proud father Zak said: "He has always played up an age group up in his grassroots team Savile Town FC and he has really enjoyed playing against the best players in his age group and above."



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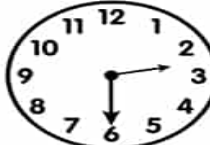

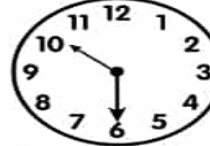


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Telling Time to the Half Hour Worksheet

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મુસ્લિમોની વકફ પ્રોપર્ટી ઉપર કબજો કરવા તરફ મોદીની નજર

મોદી અને બીજેપી સરકાર હવે વકફ એક્ટ કે જે ભારતમાં વકફ પ્રોપર્ટીની રક્ષા માટે બનાવેલ કાયદાને નાબુદ કરવા કે તેમાં સુધારો કરવા અને પોતાના હસ્તક લેવા કોશિષ કરી રહી છે. અને એ માટે પ્રોપર્ટી સંશોધન બિલ લાવી તેમાં મનમાની કરવાનો ઈરાદો રાખે છે. આ કાયદો મુસલમાનોની વકફ પ્રોપર્ટીને ખાસ રક્ષા અને સલામતિ આપે છે. મોગલ સમય દરમ્યાન મોગલ રાજાઓએ અને અમીર મુસલમાનોએ મુસ્લિમોના કલ્યાણ માટે ચલ, અચલ પ્રોપર્ટીઓ દાન કરી હતી અને વકફ બોર્ડ બનાવ્યું હતું. વકફ પ્રથા હુઝુર સ.અ.વ. અને હઝરત ઉમરના જમાનાથી ચાલી આવે છે. જેમાં આવેલ દરેક મિલકત અલ્લાહની માલિકીની હોય છે, જેને બીજાના નામે ટ્રાન્સફર કરી શકાતી નથી કે વેચી શકાતી નથી. તેમાંથી આવતી આવકનો ઉપયોગ મુસ્લિમોના હિતો કે મસ્જિદો, દરગાહ વગેરે ધાર્મિક જગ્યાના ઉત્થાનમાં કરવામાં આવે છે.

આ સંશોધનની ન તો મુસલમાનો કે કોઈ બીજાઓએ માંગ કરી હતી. ભારતમાં મુસ્લિમોની હાલત ઘણીજ કફોડી છે. તેમના કલ્યાણ માટે વકફ સંપત્તિઓના ભાડામાંથી આવતી આવકને તેમના ભલા માટે અને ધાર્મિક સ્થળોની સંભાળ માટે વાપરવામાં આવે છે. ભારતમાં વકફ બોર્ડની સંપત્તિ રક્ષણ મંત્રાલય અને રેલ્વે પછી ત્રીજા નંબરે આવે છે. હાલમાં ૮લાખ ૬૫,૬૪૬ પ્રોપર્ટી વકફ બોર્ડમાં રજીસ્ટર છે. જે કુલ ૮.૪ લાખ એકર છે.

ભારતીય સ્વતંત્રતા અને ધાર્મિક કાયદાઓ મૂજબ આ સંપત્તિઓનું સંચાલન મુસ્લિમો કરે છે અને તેને કાયદો સંપૂર્ણ રીતે પ્રોટેક્શન આપે છે. એ પણ ભૂલવું ન જોઈએ કે, વકફ બોર્ડમાં ઘણી જગ્યાએ એવા મુસ્લિમોનું વર્ચસ્વ રહ્યું છે કે જેઓ કાયદા વિરૂધ્ધ આવી જગ્યાઓ પચાવી પાડે છે અને વેચી નાંખે છે. આવા અનેક કેસો અદાલતમાં હજુ પણ ચાલે છે. ૧૯૮૫નો વકફ એક્ટ વધુ પ્રમાણમાં વકફ બોર્ડનું રક્ષણ કરે છે. સરકાર આ ટ્રસ્ટમાં બિનમુસ્લિમોને દાખલ કરવા માંગે છે. શું આ ભાજપ સરકાર કાશી, બનારસ, અયોધ્યા કે બીજા મંદિરોના ટ્રસ્ટમાં મુસ્લિમોને પ્રતિનિધિત્વ આપી શકે છે? છેલ્લા ૧૧૧૧૧થી શાસન કરતી બીજેપી સરકાર મુસ્લિમોને બરબાદ કરવા હાથ ધોઈને પાછળ પડી છે. તેમણે ત્રણ તલાક, સી.એ.એ., એન.આર.સી. વગેરે કાયદાઓ ફક્ત મુસ્લિમોને હેરાન કરવા આગળ કર્યા છે. વાસ્તવમાં વકફ બોર્ડ એક પણ વકફ પ્રોપર્ટીનું માલિક નથી પણ સો ટકા તમામ સંપત્તિઓનું મુસ્લિમો માટે સંચાલન કરે છે. અને તે જે તે વિસ્તારના મુસલમાનોના સંચાલન હેઠળ છે. લોકસભામાં રજૂ કરાયેલ આ બિલનો કોંગ્રેસ, સમાજવાદીપક્ષ અને અન્ય બીજા દળોએ જોરદાર વિરોધ નોંધાવ્યો છે અને સરકાર ઉપર તેમાં ફેરફાર ન કરવા દબાણ વધાર્યું છે.

સૌથી શક્તિશાળી પાસપોર્ટમાં સિંગાપોર પ્રથમ અને યુ.કે. ચોથા નંબરે

જર્મનીની હેન્ડલી પાસપોર્ટ કંપની દર વર્ષે વિશ્વના પાસપોર્ટનું રેન્કિંગ નક્કી કરે છે. જેમાં ખાસ પ્રકારના માપદંડ હોય છે. જેમ કે, જે તે પાસપોર્ટ ઉપર કેટલા દેશોમાં વિઝા વગર મુસાફરી, ઈન્ટરનેશનલ એર ટ્રાન્સપોર્ટ એસોસિએશનના ડેટા વગેરેના આધારે પાસપોર્ટની રેન્કિંગ નક્કી થાય છે.

જે આધારે ૨૦૨૪ના વર્ષ માટે બહાર પડેલ રિપોર્ટ મુજબ સિંગાપોરનો પાસપોર્ટ સૌથી શક્તિશાળી છે અને તેનો નંબર પ્રથમ આવે છે. સિંગાપોરના પાસપોર્ટ ઉપર દુનિયાના ૧૯૫ દેશોમાં વિઝા વગર મુસાફરી કરી શકાય છે. જ્યારે ફ્રાન્સ, જર્મની, સ્પેન, જાપાન બીજા ક્રમે આવે છે. અને યુ.કે.ના પાસપોર્ટનો નંબર ચોથા ક્રમે છે, જેના ઉપર ૧૯૦ દેશોમાં વિઝા વગર મુસાફરી કરી શકાય છે. અમેરિકાના પાસપોર્ટનો નંબર ૮ મો છે જ્યારે કે, ભારતના પાસપોર્ટનો નંબર ૮૨ મો છે જેના ઉપર ૫૮ દેશોમાં વિઝા વિના મુસાફરી થઈ શકે છે.

મુસ્લિમ હેલ્થ વર્કરોની માનસિક સતામણી

બ્રિટન ખાતે હેડ ઓફ એન એસોસિએશન, હેલ્થ (એનએચએસ) વિભાગમાં કામ કરતા મુસ્લિમોનું પ્રતિનિધિત્વ કરે છે. ગાર્ડિયન ન્યુઝ પેપરના સમાચાર મુજબ બ્રિટનમાં ઓગષ્ટ મહીનાથી ફાર રાઈટ ગ્રૂપ મારફત મુસ્લિમો અને ઈમીગ્રાન્ટો ઉપર હુમલાઓ થઈ રહ્યા છે તેના પગલે એનએચએસમાં વિવિધ હોશ્વાઓ ઉપર કામ કરતા ડોક્ટરો, નર્સો, એમ્બ્યુલન્સ વર્કરો વગેરે ઉપર ઈસ્લામોફોબીયા અને વંશીય હુમલાઓમાં મોટો વધારો થયો છે. તેમના પર ફીઝીકલ હુમલાઓ પણ થઈ રહ્યા છે. પરિણામે આ હેલ્થ વર્કરોમાં ભયની લાગણી ફેલાઈ છે. અને તેઓ માનસિક રીતે તણાવમાં છે. બીમા, એનએચએસમાં કામ કરતા વર્કરોનું એક સંગઠન છે તેમણે ઉપરોક્ત વાતની પૃષ્ઠિ કરી છે અને સરકાર તથા એનએચએસને આ ઉપર પૂરતું ધ્યાન આપી કડક પગલા ભરવા અને મુસ્લિમોને પૂરું રક્ષણ આપવા વિનંતી કરી છે. વધુમાં તેમનું કહેવું છે કે, સોશીયલ મિડીયા ઉપર જૂઠી માહિતી ફેલાવી આવા વંશીય હુમલાઓને હવા આપવામાં આવે છે અને પરિણામે હેલ્થ વર્કરો આવા હુમલાઓનો શિકાર બને છે. જેનાથી તેમની માનસિકતા અને ફરજ બજાવાની ક્ષમતા ઉપર પણ અસર પડે છે. લંડનમાં મુસ્લિમ બસ ડ્રાયવરો ઉપર પણ તેમની ડ્યુટી વખતે હુમલાઓ થઈ રહ્યા છે જેઓમાં પણ ડરનો માહોલ છે.

ઓક્સફર્ડ યુનિવર્સિટીના ચાન્સેલર પદની ચૂંટણી માટે ઈમરાનખાનની ઉમેદવારી

બ્રિટનની ઓક્સફર્ડ યુનિવર્સિટી વિશ્વના દેશોમાં એક આગવું સ્થાન ધરાવે છે. એના ચાન્સેલર બનવાના સ્વપ્નો મોટા મોટા નેતાઓ અને કોર્પોરેટરો જૂએ છે. ૨૮મી ઓક્ટોબરના રોજ એના ચાન્સેલર માટે ૮૦૦ વર્ષમાં પહેલી વખતે ઓન લાઈનથી મતદાન થઈ રહ્યું છે. આ યુનિવર્સિટીના સ્નાતકોને મતદાન કરવાનો અધિકાર છે. સૈયદ જુલ્ફી બુખારી પાકિસ્તાનના પૂર્વ વડાપ્રધાન ઈમરાન ખાનના નજીકી દોસ્ત અને સલાહકાર છે. તેમના જણાવ્યા મુજબ ઈમરાનખાને પણ આ ચૂંટણીમાં ઉમેદવારી નોંધાવી છે. ચાન્સેલર બનવા માટે આજ યુનિવર્સિટીના સ્નાતક હોવું અને બીજી કોઈ યુનિવર્સિટીમાં ચાન્સેલરની સેવા બજાવી હોવી પણ જરૂરી છે. ઈમરાનખાને ૧૯૭૨માં ઓક્સફર્ડ યુનિવર્સિટીમાંથી ઈકોનોમી, ફીલોસોફી, અને પોલીટીક્સની ડીગ્રી મેળવી છે અને તેમણે બ્રાડફર્ડ યુનિવર્સિટીના ચાન્સેલર પદે ૮વર્ષ સેવા બજાવી છે. ૨૦૧૮ થી ૨૦૨૨ સુધી તેઓ પાકિસ્તાનના વડાપ્રધાન હતા પરંતુ હાલની સરકારે તેમને ભ્રષ્ટાચારના કેસમાં જેલમાં પૂર્યા છે. આ કેસમાં બ્રિટનના પૂર્વ વડાપ્રધાન ટોની બ્લેર અને બોરીશ જોન્સને પણ ઉમેદવારી નોંધાવી છે. ઈમરાનની જીતની શક્યતા નજીવી છે.



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