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Details:

Tomato and Onion Crisis Due to Shortage in Supply is Government Negligence

A report published in Dawn dated 2nd November 2017, confirmed that in October the prices of tomatoes surged by 31.43pc month on month, whilst the prices of onions also underwent considerable inflation. What became known as the "tomato and onion crisis" was due to a lack of supply, in the face of constant and high demand for two staples of the local diet. Federal Minister for Food Security, Sikandar Hayat Bosan, confirmed on 25 October 2017, that the problem of the tomato and onion crisis would be over within a few days after crops ripened in Balochistan, making it clear that the government will not import vegetables from India.

It is a sign of government neglect that such crises strike Pakistan with regular frequency. The government fails the people despite Pakistan having 5 large rivers, countless smaller rivers as well as the world's largest irrigation network, diverse climate, 4 distinct seasons and 70% of its population associated with agriculture. Yet, tomato and onion prices skyrocketed to the point they were out of reach for many people.

Under World Bank and IMF dictation, the government discourages farmers from cultivating crops for domestic consumption and encourages export focus. Colonialist conditions on loans force huge taxation on agricultural inputs, forcing farmers to seek export crops to survive. In this way Pakistan has also been forced to focus on the needs of the global market, rather than its domestic population. This is a precarious situation which could escalate to forcing expensive imports in the future, though the government avoided that on this occasion. In contrast to the current misery, under Islam, the Indian Subcontinent was regarded as a "golden bird" as it was by far the richest country in the world. The Indian Subcontinent contributed to about 24% of the world's GDP, a blessing of Islam's agricultural laws. However, the introduction of capitalism by the British led to famine and the GDP contribution fell to 2 to 3%.

In Islam, whoever cultivates a dead land through its revival, becomes its owner. Moreover, no one is allowed to leave an agriculture land uncultivated for more than three years, or it will be taken and given to one who will cultivate it. This will assist low paid agricultural labourers in becoming owners of agricultural land and prevent their need to migrate to cities for better pay. Islam will increase the production of the land according to its immense potential, guarding against food crises. Hizb ut Tahrir mentioned in its draft constitution, Article 159, *"The State supervises agricultural affairs and their products in*

accordance with the needs of the agricultural policy, so as to achieve the potential of the land to its greatest level of production."

Only the Khilafah State Will Give India a Befitting Response

On 4 November 2017, National Conference (NC) President Farooq Abdullah today called on India and Pakistan to take effective and urgent measures to restore peace along the Line of Control (LoC). This was after Pakistan's rulers "protested the deliberate" targeting of civilians along the Line of Control (LoC) during the Pakistani and Indian armies' special hotline contact on 30 October 2017, the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) said in a statement.

The Indians and their agents want to bury the Occupied Kashmir issue forever, turning the LoC into a border, as part of the partition of Occupied Kashmir, abandoning it to Hindu oppression. Instead of the protection of civilians along the LoC, traitors amongst Pakistan's military and political leadership have embarked upon a policy of strengthening the Indian stance. They are restricting one of the most powerful Muslim armies to mere retaliation or protests, whether it is recent border tensions or previous ones, hence granting relief to the cowardly Indian armed forces, by demanding that our powerful armed forces exercise "restraint" before relentless Indian hostility, causing more than 800 casualties on Pakistan's side of the border.

Alliance with America is the root cause of the rulers' spineless stance before India. It is the Musharraf-Aziz regime who on American demands declared Jihad in Kashmir as "terrorism," thus granting India a great relief. Then the Kayani-Zardari regime fully engaged our armed forces on the Western border in defense of America's occupying forces in Afghanistan, an American demand which granted India on the eastern border even greater relief, further strengthening its regional ambitions. Moreover, in the era of Kayani, General Raheel, again on an America demand personally revised Pakistan Army's military doctrine, as embodied in its "Green Book," thus removing India as the foremost threat to the country, thereby reducing the role of the Ummah's most powerful and capable armed forces to challenge the rise of India.

America is an open, hostile, Kafir enemy of Muslims, which is clear from its relentless efforts to bring Pakistan to heel before India. Islam forbids alliance with the enemy forces who fight Muslims, occupies our lands and desires only our ruin, for Allah (swt) said, يَا

﴿ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَتَّخِذُوا عَدُوِّي وَعَدُوَّكُمْ أَوْلِيَاءَ تُلْقُونَ إِلَيْهِم بِالْمَوَدَّةِ وَقَدْ كَفَرُوا بِمَا جَاءَكُمْ مِنَ الْحَقِّ ﴾

“O you who believe do not take my enemy and your enemy as allies, meeting them with softness. Indeed, they disbelieve in that which has come to you of truth.” [Surah Mutahina 60:1]

It will only be the coming Second Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood that will uphold the rights of the oppressed, by implementing the commands of Allah (swt) and eliminating tyranny, be it Indian or American. So the sincere officers who are responsible, love Allah (swt) and want to march towards dignity and victory must grant Nussrah for the establishment of the Khilafah, needing no helper other than Allah (swt). Allah (swt) said, ﴿إِنْ يَنْصُرْكُمُ اللَّهُ فَلَا غَالِبَ لَكُمْ وَإِنْ يَخْذُلْكُمْ فَمَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يَنْصُرُكُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ وَعَلَى اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ﴾

﴿ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ﴾ **“If Allah helps you, none can overcome you; and if He forsakes you, who is**

there after Him that can help you? And in Allah (Alone) let believers put their trust.” [Surah Aali-i-Imran 3:160]

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Foreign Secretary Tehmina Janjua on 7 November 2017 informed the Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs that the United States (US) had assured Pakistan that no group, including Indian spy agency Research and Analysis Wing (RAW), would be allowed to launch attacks on Pakistani soil from across the western border. In addition, the US appreciated efforts of Pakistan to limit the theatre of operations for the Afghan Muslims that are resisting the foreign occupation. “The Americans have told us that they could see early signs of Taliban experiencing temporary disruption in movements across the border. They have seen that happen,” Foreign Secretary Tehmina Janjua said while briefing the committee’s members on recent interactions with the US officials. Pakistan is erecting a 12-foot-high fence along its largely porous 2,611-kilometre-long border with Afghanistan. Additionally, new forts and outposts on mountain peaks are being established and 73 new wings of the Frontier Corps are being raised to man the border. The project is expected to be completed in two years. Ms Janjua told the committee that Pakistan was opposed to any role for India in Afghanistan even if it was limited to economic matters.

The United States is desperate to prod the Afghan Muslim resistance onto the negotiations table, to secure a deal to allow it to remain in Afghanistan. So its agents in Pakistan's leadership are trying to persuade the Muslims of Pakistan that having the US private military, military and intelligence on its doorstep is not a threat to its security. Thus, the Foreign Secretary claims that the US has "assured" Pakistan that India's RAW, including its Gulbashaan Yadav network, will not be allowed to attack Pakistan. However, the US's assurance is meaningless because it itself established a Raymond Davis network on Pakistani soil which has launched relentless attacks on Pakistan's armed forces in order for them to limit the theatre of operations of the Afghan Muslim resistance. Moreover India and the US have shared enmity towards the Muslims and Islam.

Rather than assisting the Afghan resistance in ridding the region of the US presence, Pakistan's rulers are working actively to limit its movements using border fences, forts, outposts and paramilitary. By weakening the Afghan resistance, Pakistan's rulers are working to ensure an undeserved victory for the US on the negotiation table. What is “assured” is that the US will continue to consolidate the Indian presence in Afghanistan as it has done since the era of Bush Junior. The Khilafah on the Method of the Prophethood alone will ensure that the Muslims are secured from the plots of the Kuffar. Allah (swt) said, **﴿مَا يَوَدُّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَلَا الْمُشْرِكِينَ أَنْ يُنَزَّلَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِنْ خَيْرٍ مِنْ رَبِّكُمْ وَاللَّهُ يَخْتَصُّ بِرَحْمَتِهِ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ ذُو الْفَضْلِ الْعَظِيمِ﴾** **“Neither those who followed earlier revelation who deny the truth, nor the Mushrikeen like to see good bestowed upon you from your Sustainer; but Allah bestows grace upon whom He chooses- for Allah is limitless in His great bounty.” [Surah al-Baqara 2:105]**