

What are the Motives of Extremism in Pakistan? How can the society get-rid of extremism by following the teachings of Islam.

## 1: Introduction:

Extremism is holding hate towards others ideology and imposing yours ideology on others. Sectarian conflicts, ethnic issues, mis-use of Blasphemy laws, lack of Islamic education motivates the extremism in Pakistan. The menace of extremism can be handled by creating unity among muslims, providing equality to all communities, gender equality and by preaching true Islamic teachings.

## 2: What Is Extremism?

Extremism means holding the

extreme views in politics and religion and imposing your ideology on others. Religious extremism means holding strict beliefs of hate towards others on the basis of sects, creed, caste, religion or nationality.

### 3:- Motives Of Extremism In Pakistan:

Pakistan is also an extremist state in case of religion. There are following motives which are triggering extremism in Pakistan;

#### 3.1: Sectarian Conflicts:

Pakistan is usually a majority Sunni-sect population but Shia and Wahabi are also great in numbers. The sectarian difference leads towards religious

extremism. They are moulding Islamic teaching according to their own interest and sending hate towards other.

Shia-Sunni conflicts have been risen to such an extent that dozens of people have been killed in Kurram Agency in November-2024.

### 3.2: Gender-Based Extremism:

Another major reason of extremism is gender-based inequalities. In Pakistan the women are not privileged just like men and are not entitled to liberty and freedom resulting in protests such as Orat March.

This inequality leads to mutiny.

In Pakistan women are not entitled to equal education, job opportunities and liberty.

According to Human Rights Commission  
**Pakistan** approximately 4000  
women are killed annually on  
the name of honor. This  
treatment leads to extremism

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and relevant headings

### 3.3: Ethnicity And Marginalised Communities:

Ethnically diverse region of  
Pakistan is liable to  
ethnic conflicts. Punjabi-Sindhi  
conflicts and Punjabi-Pakhtoon  
conflicts are on top of  
ethnic issues.

Recently in November 2024 a  
Punjabi-carrying van was  
brutally murdered by Pakhtoons  
in KPK.

### 3.4: Mis-use of Blasphemy Laws:

Islamic Republic of Pakistan  
banned un-Islamic and hate  
towards prophet Muhammad

and Islam by introducing article 295-C in Constitution of Pakistan. But the intolerants of Pakistan are mis-using these law and using it against their own muslim brothers.

There are many examples of mis-use of Blasphemy laws.

**Mashal Khan murder** was also the mis-use of Blasphemy laws. The murder of a **Sri-lankan employee** in the factory was also the case of extremism.

### 3.5: Lack of Education And Mis-interpretation of Islamic Laws:

Major motive of extremism is lack of education. Education empowers man with patience, dignity and intelligence leading to a peaceful society. Lack of

education results in intolerance and extremism.

Mis-interpretation of Islamic teachings according to own economic and political gains can lead towards sectarianism and extremism.

#### 4: Solutions to Get-rid of Extremism by teachings of Islam:

Here are some solutions suggested to counter the menace of extremism according to teachings of Islam.

##### 4.1: Unity Among Muslim Ummah:

The One hundred fifty Seven million muslims of fifty seven countries should unite for Islam despite the discrimination of sect, color, creed and

nationality.

Allah says in Quran,

"Muslims are not but  
brothers of each other. so  
spread love and  
reconciliation between  
brothers."

One reference is  
enough for a single  
argument

Surah- Al-Anfal says;

"Obey Allah and  
His messenger,  
and do not fall  
for dispute."

"Hold tightly the rope of Allah  
and do not get disputed." Quran

Muslim ummah should unite for  
Islam.

## 4.2: Gender Equality Assurance:

Gender Equality assurance can lead to tolerance and peace and can avoid extremism. In Islam women and men are all equal.

Quran says;

"We have created you all from one soul (Adam)."

Prophet said;

All muslims are equal. No one is superior to other on the base of color, cast or creed.

(Farewell Sermon).

## 4.3 Un-marginalised Community:

Marginalization of communities and discrimination leads to conflict and grouwal. Equal right of all



communities can avoid extremism because equally righted communities are satisfied and peaceful.

Baloch Yakjehti community is a result of marginalisation of Baloch community and distribution of unequal rights and resources.

#### 4.4: Promotion Of Tolerance and Patience by Islamic Scholars:

Muslim scholars of Pakistan should promote tolerance and patience according to Islam's teachings to establish peace and harmony.

Quran says;

ان الله مع الصابرين  
"Allah is with the patient."

#### 4.5: True Preachings of Islam according to Quran and Sunnah:

True preachings of Islam as

described in Quran and Sunnah  
should be preached and conveyed  
to muslims in its true spirit  
to avoid sectarianism and  
extremism

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### 5: Conclusion:

Extremism is  
prevailing issue today in Pakistan.  
Sectarian conflicts, gender inequalities,  
lack of education specially  
mis-interpreted teachings of Islam  
are leading motives of extremism  
but the most important thing is  
that we can handle it with  
true teachings of Islam, education,  
gender equality and unbiased  
distribution of resources among  
all units. Hopeful for the  
peaceful community and patient  
nation by following the true  
preachings of Quran and Sunnah.

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