

INCIDENT REPORT

VIOLENT ATTACKS ON AHMADIS IN PIRO CHAK, DISTRICT SIALKOT



Date: 28 September 2025

Location: Piro Chak, District Sialkot

Overview

On 28 September 2025, local Ahmadis in Piro Chak, District Sialkot, were violently attacked, with at least five Ahmadis seriously injured and multiple Ahmadi homes and properties set on fire. The attacks took place amid heightened tensions in the area following the obstruction of an Ahmadi burial earlier in the month.

Incident Details

According to reports, a mob opened fire on members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, shooting and injuring one individual, and severely beating several others. At least five Ahmadis sustained serious injuries.

The mob subsequently set fire to five Ahmadi residences and a shop. Vehicles belonging to the community—including a car, tractor, and cargo van—were also torched.





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Tensions in Piro Chak had escalated after the burial of an Ahmadi woman, Qudsia Tabassum, was obstructed by anti-Ahmadi agitators. In the days that followed, members of the community were subjected to repeated harassment. On 28 September, extremists first assaulted an Ahmadi individual, then others, before forming a larger mob that launched coordinated arson attacks.



Pattern of Attacks

The incident reflects a wider pattern of violence against Ahmadis across Pakistan, where religiously motivated hostility has repeatedly translated into collective punishment of Ahmadi communities. The obstruction of funerals, physical assaults, and arson attacks on residences form part of an ongoing pattern of exclusion and intimidation designed to enforce religious apartheid at the local level.

Legal Action

Police registered a First Information Report (FIR) at Motra Police Station on the complaint of Sub-Inspector Amir Ali Sindhu. The FIR names 31 individuals and attributes responsibility to an additional 200–250 unidentified persons. The charges cite incitement of religious hatred and



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disruption of public order as the underlying motives.

Police personnel were present at the scene. An investigation has been initiated, though accountability remains uncertain given repeated failures to prosecute perpetrators of anti-Ahmadi violence in Punjab.

Recommendations

1. Immediate protection measures must be put in place for Ahmadis in Piro Chak, including police presence to safeguard lives and property.
2. Authorities in the Punjab should ensure that all individuals named in the FIR are promptly arrested and prosecuted under due process.
3. Independent monitoring by human rights bodies is required to assess the adequacy of the police response and prevent further escalation.
4. National authorities should address the root causes of repeated mob attacks on Ahmadis by enforcing Pakistan's constitutional guarantees of religious freedom and equality.

Conclusion

The attacks in Piro Chak demonstrate the escalating vulnerability of Ahmadis in Punjab, where local disputes and religious incitement rapidly translate into mob violence. The incident underscores the urgent need for credible investigation, protection of Ahmadi lives and property, and accountability for perpetrators to prevent further cycles of violence.