

## Webinar Report

### Pakistan: Identity Crisis, Shattered Economy and Balkanization of a Futile State

In recent times, Pakistan is going through financial crisis and it has to face many troubles related to identity crisis as well. Identity crisis is getting deep in front of Pakistan. Pakistan is facing identity crisis from the time of partition and its roots are very old. Today this issue is getting more deep and pervaded, which results Pakistan as disintegrated country on financial, social and global grounds.

On Wednesday **Forum for Awareness of National Security (FANS)** had organised two days international webinar on Pakistan: Identity crisis, shattered economy and balkanization of a futile state. Webinar was started with **Mr. Golok Behari Rai, General Secretary (Org), Forum for Awareness of National Security**. He said Today Pakistan is surrounded with many crisis. Its biggest crisis is identity crisis. It has risk on its integrity and sovereignty, which arise with the birth of Pakistan. Pakistan has language, social, culture etc. and many different types of identity crisis. Because of which Pakistan is turned into failed/ unsuccessful country. Identity crisis was rising in Pakistan from the time of Partition. While Bangladesh which was East Pakistan doesn't have such crisis. It is trying and working on promoting its culture and trying to connect with its roots. While Pakistan has never worked on this side and following its pseudo-identity-nationality "Religious Nationality – Islamic Nation". Which results identity crisis now in Pakistan. Else today it is also visible that Pakistan's economy is under crisis. Its GDP is decreasing. Pakistan is facing many crisis while it is in queer-street. Pakistan's financial status is very poor that even International Monetary Fund (IMF) has warned it many times. Pakistan financial condition is that much poor and has to sell his property to foreign powers. Pakistan is taking more financial loan to pay previous loans. He also said that Pakistan basic identity is not proved yet in terms of religious nationality. Pakistan's integrity, sovereignty and universalness is covered in pieces and it is in situation of breaking into pieces. Pakistan has proved itself as unstable, poor and failed country. Today Pakistan is declared as useless country.

While addressing the webinar **Dr. Indresh Kumar, National Patron of Rashtriya Suraksha Jagran Manch & Executive Member of Rashtriya Swayam Sevak Sangh (RSS)**, termed Pakistan as a big problem. He said that Pakistan born unnaturally on August 14, 1947, and it never has stability in this country since the partition. The situation went from bad to worse due to religious fundamentalism.

Indresh Kumar said that under 'Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam: World Can Live as and One Family' the whole world can coexist together. India has always live this principle and has been giving a positive message to the world. Today the whole world is understanding the importance of 'Om' and has also experienced it. India has always defined truth and right. Most of the countries of the world are peaceful and are running the nation and society by mutual coordination. But in Pakistan the situation is completely opposite. Today this country is facing a crisis on many fronts. Today, one of these is an identity crisis in front of him. Pakistan has many disparities in terms of language, society and economy. Pakistan has always been wandering in search of its identity. Within Pakistan, questions are being raised about the crisis of identity among the local sections.

He said that after the formation of Pakistan, many languages, especially geographical areas were connected. Along with Sindh region, Balochistan, Waziristan, Pashtunistan a large population also joined. Gilgit-Baltistan also later joined the geography of Pakistan. But

Pakistan never adopted them. After partition, people from different states of India went there, but it was not adopted by Pakistan and they still call it as Mujahir. Today, the crisis of identity in front of these mujahirs has deepened. Now they are demanding to create separate Sindh country, Balochistan, Waziristan etc. They are also suffering because of this. They are being subjected to atrocities and atrocities every day by the Pakistani government and Pakistani forces.

The leaders of Sindh region are raising their voice under the Jio Sindh Movement. They have raised the demand for their independent existence from the beginning. Sindhi leaders and Sindhi people have been struggling since 1947. The whole world has now seen how the Pak army is committing atrocities on the Balochs. Baloch leaders are raising their voice against it from the foreign soil along with retaliation at the local level. Many Baloch leaders living in different countries are doing public awareness, mass revolution for the demand of independent Balochistan. There is also intense conflict in Pakistani Punjab. In the name of democracy there is being blown away. Not only this, minorities are being selectively targeted in Pakistan. The condition of minorities in this country is very pathetic. As a minority, a lot of atrocities, atrocities are being done on the Hindu, Sikh, and Jain community there. The situation of minorities in Pakistan is very bad, these incidents keep appearing in the media every day. Pakistan is not constitutionally a democratic country. This is a religious country, full of religious fanaticism. Minorities suffer the most in Pakistan. Pakistan has not yet developed properly. The very birth of Pakistan is the fundamental form of tyranny, injustice. Pakistan is losing its existence as a country.

Pakistan disturbed Kashmir through religious bigotry and nefarious diplomacy. After the removal of Article 370, there has been a lot of positive change in the situation. Terrorists are being wiped out, the stone pelters have lost their roots. Pakistan's border with India is always disturbed. Pakistan spends most of its budget on border firing, violence etc. Due to this there is economic instability in Pakistan. Today China is taking its illegitimate advantage. China is pushing Pakistan towards the quagmire by making a kind of economic conspiracy and is getting it trapped in economic clutches. Pakistan, which is facing serious economic crisis, is now on the verge of bankruptcy. To repay its debt, Pakistan, which is becoming poor, now has to repay the loan by taking a loan. In a way, Pakistan is on the way to become a colony of China. He said that Sindh, Balochistan, Pashtunistan, Gilgit-Baltistan region will get its existence in the coming times. Pakistan will surely be defeated by the ongoing mass movements and struggles in these areas. All these missions will surely be successful. The day is not far, when Pakistan will be seen falling apart. The result of Pakistan's struggle for freedom from atrocities, atrocities will be revealed soon. The day is not far when all the movements of the struggle will be successful. He said that the countries of the world should create a positive environment in which freedom of all can be ensured. He emphasizes that that our path should be of peace, non-violence, not war. Everyone should have the right to have a better life. Pakistan must bring a change in its thinking. He addresses and advises the leaders of various organizations like Sindh, Baloch, Pashtun etc. to unite and carry forward their struggles. He asked all these leaders to show solidarity and sit together and frame an overview for a holistic movement. So that a strong voice can come before the world. With this, the incidents happening against these communities inside Pakistan can be curbed. If all the leaders come together under 'Minimum Program, Maximum Understanding', then their movement will get an edge and the destination will be easy. India will also give full cooperation in their efforts. The united voice of all the leaders will become a great force.

India has always supported the movements of Sindh, Baloch, Pashtun etc. To expose Pakistan completely a united voice, mutual support is necessary. He appealed that all the movements should be better broadcast on social media so that the voice gets strengthened on the world stage and the world is forced to think with prominence.

After this, **Baloch leader Naila Quadri Baloch** said that the bubble of religion shown by Pakistan has now burst. While the constitution of Pakistan was made the rights of other religious communities were not included. Its intention was clear from the beginning. Today the situation is that all the border areas of Pakistan are surrounded by disputes. There is a dispute over LOC, Durand Line etc. He said that the Baloch believe that Pakistan is a failed country in the name of religion. Saudi Arabia, to which he relate himself, has also refused to adopt the people of Pakistan in the name of religion. Balochistan was a free country from the very beginning. Baloch never instilled hatred with others in the name of religion. The Sikh Baloch in Balochistan are still living life in a better way.

Pakistan has dual attitude towards Baloch from the beginning. The budget given by Pakistan in Balochistan today is negligible. Ignoring the health, education of the local people, more budget is given to the Pakistan Army. The Pakistan Army has the most control in the government, according to which the budget of Pakistan is determined. As a result, the entire Balochistan is affected by it.

He said that the Pakistan Army is inflicting atrocities on the Baloch on the basis of Chinese weapons. Pakistan hates the name of Baloch. It is bent on eradicating the existence of Baloch. Their main objective is to capture the natural resources of Balochistan. Recently, the Pak army attacked the Baloch several times. Many women were gang-raped and brutally tortured. Pak army barracks are present and are committing atrocities on Baloch.

He said that India has always supported the Baloch. Government of India should raise its voice in support of Baloch in United Nation. India should also support the Baloch government-in-exile. All Indians should raise their voice in support of Baloch.

At the same time, **Dr Amjad Ayub Mirza (UK)** while addressing the webinar said that Pakistan has no community of its own. The whole Pakistan is occupied by the army there. Pak military through the jagirdars and clerics of the state indirectly rule over the people there. In mosques, the local people are told such things, which is blunting their thoughts, thinking and minds. For this reason the condition of Pakistan is getting worse day by day. He said

that the true motive, identity, culture etc. of the common people are being destroyed in Pakistan. Their secret motive is Ghazwa-e-Hind. When Pakistan doesn't have any culture, then how will people develop their right thinking. Many states like Sindh, Balochistan, Pashtunistan, Gilgit-Baltistan etc. have not been fully merged with themselves. The people in these provinces are considered second class. Incidents of discrimination, injustice, barbarism etc. keep coming to the fore against the people of these states. It is difficult in this

way, but if Pakistan has to develop a new culture in itself, as in the past, countries like China, Russia etc. Today the situation in this country has become worse, the Pakistan government and the Pakistan Army are behind all this. While maintaining their identity, Sindhis, Pashtuns, Baloch will have to unite and wage a new struggle for their independence.

After this, **Dr. Smriti S Patnaik (Research Fellow)** said that the identity crisis in Pakistan is at its worst. There are many important reasons behind this. The main thing in this is that since partition, Pakistan has not been able to assimilate the people who have gone there, nor has it been able to make any original identity of its own. He tries to connect his culture with some Muslim countries of West Asia, but there has been no connection with Pakistan. Pakistan tried its best to create the concept of one language, one religion, but in this also it failed. The army there is fully responsible behind this identity crisis in Pakistan. There are 76 different sects i.e. panth, sects present in Pakistan have varied from the very beginning. They have never been serious about their original identity, which is why the identity crisis is still prevalent. Baloch, Sindh, Pashtun etc are facing identity crisis because of Pak army. She said that Pakistan was influenced by the Islam of Arabia after a few years of its formation,

due to which there is also a crisis of identity. If Pakistan wants to get rid of this, then it will have to adopt linguistic diversity, multilingualism.

At the same time, **Mr. Senge Hasnan Tsering (USA)** said in the webinar that Pakistan has so far failed to find a solution to its identity crisis. It is quite surprising but also sad that Pakistan accepts the Indus Valley Civilization, but refuses to consider itself as a part of India. It is also sad that Pakistanis respect the Mughal invaders, relate themselves with those who have persecuted their ancestors. Such thinking of the people there is also responsible for the crisis of original identity. He said that the people who were involved in the governance in Pakistan and the Pakistani army from the very beginning have only straightened their owls by sowing the seeds of hatred towards Hindus. There has also been a lot of corruption in this name. They always try to keep anti-Hindu hatred alive so that the sentiments of the Pak communes can be instigated from time to time.

He said that today the situation is worse in Sindh, Pashtun, Baloch areas in Pakistan. The people living here for decades are suffering the atrocities of the Pak army. Women and children are so brutalized that people get horrified after hearing those incidents. Even in Gilgit-Baltistan, the Pakistani army continues to wreak havoc on the local people. Thousands of Muslims, minorities have been killed in these areas so far. Pakistan's economy has been devastated due to the identity crisis.

**Yoga guru Mansoor Baloch** in his address said that the internal situation of Pakistan is very bad. At the time of partition the regions added in Pakistan, the citizens of these regions were treated badly from the very beginning. All the border provinces of Pakistan, he has never been with them. With their original identity, Sindh, Pashtun, Baloch etc. have been agitating for separation from Pakistan from the very beginning. Due to this the people of these states have to bear a lot of torture. The Indian government should support the movements that are being run for the independence of Balochistan. Public awareness, mass movement will create pressure on Pakistan and one day freedom will definitely come from Pakistan. All the organizations will have to unite and raise their voice against the oppression of Pak Government and Pak Army.

On the second day of the webinar in his opening address, **Lt. Gen. K.J Singh** said that all the international, national and local organizations associated with the freedom campaigns of the states like Sindh, Balochistan, Pashtunistan, Gilgit Baltistan etc. will have to unite about their thinking, ideas. All these organizations will have to run their freedom movement as a whole, only then will success be achieved in this entire mission. He said that India has better relations with the Pashtuns, Baloch etc. from past. However, at present the relations with the Pashtuns are not same and they need to be improved. Referring to the disintegration of Pakistan, he said that we have seen the disintegration of many countries in past. It could not have been predicted at that time that something like this would happen. There are many such examples. If the movements are organized and carried out, then the disintegration of Pakistan will definitely happen in the near future.

He said that there is a different problem in Pakistan regarding Mujahirs. In Pakistan, incidents of clashes, violence continue to happen between Muhajirs and refugees. Pakistani people must think against the actions of their forces. The Pakistani people must raise their voice against the atrocities of the Pakistan Army. A day will surely come when the Pakistani people will stand firm against the forces there. There is no uniformity even within the Pakistani army. There is already dissatisfaction among some factions within them. He said that Pakistan's inclination towards Arabia is dangerous, due to which there is an identity crisis. After partition, the Pakistani has side-lined the Ganga Jamuni Tehzeeb. He said that

Pakistan will definitely break one day. Because Pakistan do discrimination with the communities. India should support the agitating organizations from outside.

At the same time, **Mr. Razzaq Baloch** said that the identity of Pakistan was decided by Mohammad Ali Jinnah only when he decided to keep Pakistan as a broker of the British. Pakistan had scabbed India at the time of partition. Even today, Pakistan's forces are attached to the British rule. Pakistan doesn't have its own identity. Now it has become a big problem. Because of this reason one day Pakistan will definitely be disintegrated. At this time the condition of Pakistan is very bad, the Pakistani forces are also not able to get full facilities as before. The reason for this is the poor economic condition there. The Pakistani army has become completely unbridled and understands only the language of the gun.

He said that the Baloch have a common attitude towards all religions. This is the reason that till date not a single Hindu has migrated from Balochistan. Referring to Balochistan, he said that resources are being looted there. All this is being done by the Pak Army on the order of the Pak government. The Pak government has full support for the atrocities and atrocities being perpetrated on the Baloch. Pak army is openly committing genocide, genocide in Balochistan. Women, children, students are being killed openly. Women, girls are being treated unfairly. Whereas Balochistan was already an independent country. Pakistan has no right to rule over us. He said that India, Bangladesh should join the International Court of Justice in support of Baloch and Pak army should be put in the dock. To control the barbarism of Pakistani forces, separate military units are necessary in Baloch, Pashtun, Sindh so that the people of these provinces can defend themselves. India should play a role in this. Baloch, Sindhi, Pashtun all do not want to live with Pakistan. All of them are fighting for their existence.

After this, **Mr Zafar Sahito** said in the webinar that Pakistan is not a country nor does it exist. Identity crisis is prevalent in Pakistan from the very beginning. Pakistan was born as an unnatural country. For this reason there is a crisis of identity, which is now becoming the cause of its devastation. Describing Pakistan as a cancer state, he said that this country cannot give anything to the world except ruin. The whole world is facing the brunt of terrorism emanating from here. State sponsored terrorism is an example of this. As long as the name of Pakistan remains, it will prove to be explosive for the world.

He said that Sindh, Baloch, Pashtun are all facing difficulties. The brutality and atrocities of the Pak army in these areas are no longer hidden from anyone. If the actions of Pakistan are not curbed soon, then India will also have to bear the brunt of it. So India has to support our freedom movement.

Pakistan's economy has been in turmoil since the beginning. At present, the economic condition in Pakistan is from bad to worse. The culture in Sindh was destroyed at the behest of the government. By using the abundant resources available in the Sindh region, Pakistanis are also committing atrocities on the people here. Today Pakistan is so compelled that it is taking loans from foreign countries, and is getting trapped in this net. Due to national contradictions in Pakistan, today the economy is torn apart.

Appealing to India, he said that their struggle will have to be supported. India has a big role in this. Only then will we be able to get rid of the oppression of Pakistan.

**Dr. Ashok Behuria** said in the webinar that after the partition, Pakistan has not emerged as a country till date. Even this was not clear that Pakistan is a Muslim country or an Islamic country. Islam also differs and conflicts on many issues. Pakistan has not become an Islamic country till date and behind doing so, the Pakistani regime has proved to be a failure in all its policies. Now questions are also being raised about Pakistani troops. He said that there is an

identity crisis in this country regarding Islam. Different sects, sects have different views, due to which there is a rift in Islamic thinking.

He said that Pakistan has always been presenting a formidable challenge in the front of world. A direct example of which is the terrorism rising from there. Still, some powerful nations of the world have been giving him financial help from time to time, which is completely wrong. With their help, Pakistan is keeping the nursery of terrorism alive. The more dangerous Pakistan is, the more it will continue to get the sympathy of the international community. It also keeps trying to take advantage of it. Therefore, our effort should be that there should be a stable government so that it can move forward by adopting developmental thinking.

In the end, **Mr. Syed Zakir Shah (Pastun)** in his address strongly condemned the Government of Pakistan and the Pakistan Army. Referring to the Pashtuns, he said that the struggle of the Pashtuns, which has been going on continuously for many years, is for their rights. Our struggle continues only to get rid of the atrocities being perpetrated on Pashtuns in Pakistan. We have made thousands of sacrifices till now, now should get red from this formidable problem at any cost. Appealing to various organizations active in the freedom movement, he said that all organizations have to come with honesty and unite and raise their voices. Otherwise, the process of atrocities and atrocities of the Pak government and army will continue like this.