

Press Release

The Shahzaib Murder Case Verdict is Confirmation of the Failure of Pakistan's Judiciary.

The Khilafah's Shariah Judiciary is the Only Solution

On October 18, a three-member bench of the Supreme Court acquitted the accused Shahrukh Jatoi, of murder in the notorious Shahzeb murder case. Although this verdict sparked public condemnation, it was not unexpected. In dozens of previous verdicts, including the Nazim Jokhi, Raymond Davis, Abdul Majeed Achakzai cases, courts have given colonialists and other powerful people a way to escape through various legal loopholes. The Shahzeb murder case has again established that the system has collapsed. The state of Pakistan has become a state to serve the elite, in which the common man has no stake. It is time to replace the collapsed system with a Khilafah (Caliphate), built on the strong foundation of Islam!

In the Shahzeb murder case, the entire state machinery was involved in saving the accused, at every stage. Obstructing the registration of the case, not arresting the accused, transferring him out of the country, turning the jail into a five-star hotel, providing luxurious facilities in the hospital, forcing consents and then, on the basis of terrorism provisions, initially rejecting consent only to then accept, through the Supreme Court. It is clear that every level, Pakistan's judiciary has collapsed. A three-stage judicial appeal system gives powerful people the time, space and convenience to subvert justice. Through the appeals system, death sentences are first commuted to life imprisonment, before acquittal, as happened in this case. The long period of ten years provides an opportunity for the elite to frustrate the heirs from getting justice, forcing them into consent, through the abuse of the Islamic law of Diyah (Retaliation). Shahzeb's father, DSP Aurangzeb, died whilst remembering his son.

If there was a system of Islam today, in the court of the Qadi Aam, Shah Rukh Jatoi would have imposed Qisas on conviction, within a few hearings. The heirs who did not consent, would not be pressured. They would not have been compelled to grant consent out of frustration. Democracy's British judiciary can never provide justice, because, in this system, the powerful people make laws in their own interests, by hijacking the parliament. However, the first Khaleefah (Caliph) of Muslims, Abu Bakr Siddique, started the Khilafah with this statement, نقري حتى آخذ الحق له وأضعفكم عندي القري حتى أخذ الحق له وأضعفكم عندي القري حتى "The weak among you is deemed strong by me, until I return to them that which is rightfully theirs. And the strong among you is deemed weak by me until I take from them what is rightfully someone else's." (AI-Badaiya WaI-Nahiya, Tabari, Ibn Hisham)

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