

Black Day observed in support of Kashmiris in Punjab

Our correspondents

FAISALABAD: On the directions of the government, the Black Day was observed across the Faisalabad division on Sunday to express solidarity with the people of the Indian Held Kashmir.

The divisional and district administrations had arranged various programmes in this connection.

The Kashmir Solidarity Seminar was held at Danish School Jaranwala in which Punjab Minister for Public Prosecution Ch Zaheeruddin was the chief guest while AC Umar Draz Gondal, SP Tariq Sukhera, Danish School Centre of Excellence Principal Col Javed, Ch Imran Yousof, representatives of civil society and a large number of students were also present in the seminar.

Addressing the seminar, the Punjab minister said that the Black Day of this year was a great significance when the situation in the Occupied Jammu and Kashmir were worsening every coming day due to the inhuman acts and continued lockdown for the last 84 days. He said that the people of Kashmir had been facing acute food and medicines shortage and they were unable even to offer prayers at mosques.

He said that it was sheer violence of human rights to keep deprived Kashmiri people from the right to self-determination.

He said that the struggle of freedom fighters could not be oppressed on gun point by India.

He said that the government under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Imran Khan had raised

the Kashmir issue on every world forum with new spirit and determination.

Assistant Commissioner Umar Draz Gondal, Col Javed and others also spoke on the occasion and condemned the illegal occupation and atrocities being committed by the Indian forces on innocent Kashmiris.

They said that the sacrifices of the Kashmiris would not go waste and they would achieve the independence very soon.

They paid rich tributes to the martyrs of the Indian Held Kashmir and said that Pakistani nation stood with them in their struggle of freedom. Later, a rally was taken out from Danish School to observe the Black Day which was led by Punjab Minister for Public Prosecution Ch Zaheeruddin.

The participants were carrying placards and banners pertaining to the slogans in favour of the Kashmiri people.

The participants also chanted slogans against the India and in support to the Kashmir people.

Meanwhile, the Kashmir Solidarity Seminar was held at Jinnah Hall District Council under the arrangements of district administration.

The seminar was presided over by Divisional Commissioner Mehmood Javed Bhatti while Deputy Commissioner Muhammad Ali, SSP Operation Syed Ali Raza, parliamentarians Fainullah Kamoka, Firdous Eai, Latif Nazar, Shakil Shahid and others were also present in the seminar.

ADCG Mian Aftab, PHA DG Asif Chaudhry, AC Sadar Nazia Mohal, Education Chief Executive Officer Ali Ahmad, Health Chief Executive Officer Dr Mushtaq Sapra, staff of different departments, students and representatives of civil society participated in the seminar.

Addressing the seminar, Commissioner Mehmood Javed Bhatti said that October 27 was a black day in the history of Indian Held Kashmir when the India illegally occupied the valley.

He said that Pakistani nation could not keep silent over the Indian atrocities with the innocent Kashmiris and would continue support till their independence.

He said that the objective of observing of the Black Day was to take attention of world forces towards the Indian Held Kashmir situation.

He demanded the UN take immediate action on the Indian brutalities and

atrocities in the Indian Held Kashmir.

Deputy Commissioner Muhammad Ali said that Kashmir was the integral part of Pakistan and agenda of the independence of Pakistan could not be completed without the independence of Indian Held Kashmir.

During their speeches, the parliamentarians said that the struggle of the Kashmiris had been entered in a decisive phase and the blood of the Kashmiri people would not go waste.

They said that Prime Minister Imran Khan had delivered very courageous and brave speech on the floor of the UN General Assembly and raised the voice for the independence of the Indian Held Kashmir.

They condemned the illegal occupation of Kashmir by the Indian forces and said that the Pakistani nation would continue support to the Kashmiri people till their independence.

They said that the Black Day was being observed to sensitise the international community on the crimes and human violation by the Indian troops.

During the seminar, the national anthems of Pakistan and Kashmir were also played.

Later, a rally was taken out from the premises of District Council which was led by Divisional Commissioner Mehmood Javed Bhatti.

Deputy Commissioner Muhammad Ali, SSP Operation Syed Ali Raza, parliamentarians and staff of different departments, NGOs, students, the citizens belonging to different walks of life participated in the rally.

The participants of the rally were carrying banners and placards inscribed with the slogans in support of the Kashmir people.

They also chanted slogans that Kashmir would become Pakistan. The rally ended at Kutchery Bazaar Chowk after passing through Khaleeq Qureshi Road.

The national flag was remained half mast while black flags were displayed including banners and steamers at the important roads/intersections to observe the Black Day.

BAHAWALPUR: The Black Day was observed on Sunday to express solidarity with the Kashmiris and condemn the illegal occupation of the Kashmir by the India forces.

The rallies were taken out in several areas of the city in protest against vic-

timisation of the Kashmiris and prolonged lockdown and violence in the IJK.

A rally was taken out from the Deputy Commissioner Office.

The rally was led by Additional Deputy Commissioner Ahsanullah Jamali and other officials marched on city roads and reached the GPO Chowk.

The participants of the rally were carrying banners and placards inscribed with slogans against India.

Addressing the rally, the ADC and other officials said that India had made eight million people as prisoners in the Indian Held Kashmir.

A protesting rally was also taken out from Deputy Commissioner, Rahimyar Khan Office.

The rally led by Additional Deputy Commissioner (Revenue) Rahimyar Khan Dr Jahanzeb Hussain marched on city roads.

Assistant Commissioner Ch Aitzaz Anjum, Chief Executive Officer, District Health Authority, Dr Sakawat Ali Randhawa, Deputy Director (Development), Ch Talib Hussain and others.

The officials of the Punjab Emergency Service, Rescue 1122, Civil Defense, government employees of several departments, doctors, lawyers, traders and civil society members participated in the rally.

Addressing the rally, the speakers said that credit went to the incumbent government for raising the Kashmir issue before the world.

The rally led by Bahawalnagar Deputy Commissioner Shoaib Khan Jadoon was staged that started from DC Bahawalnagar Office and culminated at Minchanabad Chowk.

Addressing the participants, the DC said that the people of Kashmir had been facing acute shortage of food, medicines and water due to prolonged lockdown in the occupied Kashmir.

He said that Pakistani nation had been fully supporting their brethren and sisters in Kashmir.

India would face defeat over Kashmir issue at international platform and the people of the Indian Held Kashmir would get freedom from India soon, he said.

JHANG: Like other parts of the country, October 27 was observed as a Black Day in the district and various rallies were brought out to express solidarity with the people of Indian Held Kashmir.



FAISALABAD: Punjab Prosecution Minister Ch Zaheeruddin leads a rally. —The News photo



SARGODHA: Participants in a Black Day rally. —APP



HAFIZABAD: MNA Shaikat Ali Bhatti leads a rally. —The News photo





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