

Baloch lives matter

A brief on the context of human rights violations in Balochistan and the details of enforced disappearances and extrajudicial killings in 2022

Summary

For many decades, Pakistan has committed gross human rights violations in Balochistan. Enforced disappearances, extrajudicial killings, and the discovery of mutilated bodies of Baloch human rights defenders and socio-political activists are some aspects of human rights violations. From January 2022 to December 2022, 367 persons went missing, and 79 bodies of extrajudicially killed missing persons were identified. Moreover, the bodies of another 58 were unrecognizable; among them, 55 mutilated bodies were recovered in Lahore. It is widely believed that these are the missing persons.

BHRC has verified these figures from different sources and the victims' relatives.



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Human rights violations in Balochistan in context

During the last seven decades, the Pakistani state committed massacres and extrajudicial killings in Balochistan as a policy matter. Since 2002, these actions have increased exponentially. With the help of their auxiliary militias, death squads and religious outfits, military and civil intelligence agencies are involved in forced disappearances and illegal detentions of Baloch intellectuals, social personalities, and political activists in thousands. Dumping the bodies of thousands of Baloch social and political activists with visible marks of inhuman torture has become a routine matter in Balochistan. The verified numbers of extrajudicially killed and missing persons during the last 17 years exceed 15 thousand. Nearly a million people have been internally displaced. Thousands have fled the country and now live as refugees in various countries.

Why is all this happening in Balochistan? To understand this, understanding the context of the Baloch-Pakistan relationship is imperative.

After the second world war, the British Empire withdrew from India. However, to safeguard the strategic and economic interests of the west from a cold-war perspective, it hastily implemented its long-drawn strategy of dividing India and creating a client state. For this, the fallacious theory of Muslims of India being a nation was used. The colonial administration asked the pro-colonialist Muslim League party to demand a state out of India for the non-existing nation of Islam. Amazingly, the Christians, the Buddhists, and followers of other religious faiths in India have never been declared as nations, and no state was created for them. The creation of Pakistan came out of the blue for the region's national entities, aspiring to be independent after the British withdrawal. Instead, for the Baloch, Sindhis, and Pashtuns, only there was a change of colonial masters. They were incorporated against their will into a newly created client state of the colonial power.

Pakistan was purposely created from a cold war perspective. It is perhaps a unique example in the world's political history. First, it is unique in that the colonial administration manufactured the ideology of this newly independent country. Second, it is unique because the party demanding independence was made of Indian lackeys of colonial administration. Third, it is unique that those persons nominated to rule the newly independent state were imported from elsewhere. Finally, it is perhaps the only example in political history that Urdu, the declared national language of a newly independent country, was not the language of any constituent nations of a newly liberated country.

With the state ideology having no roots in the society and the state itself facing a crisis of legitimacy, the establishment employed numerous socio-cultural, political, and militant strategies to eliminate everything that might suggest a multinational picture for the state. The use of state violence became necessary because the ruling Punjabis had nothing in common with the Baloch or other national entities in Pakistan except their religious beliefs. In this context, the state created a ramified military organization with its affiliated political and religious outfits to combat the national aspirations of the subjugated nations.

In the wake of the British withdrawal from India, the Baloch state, called the Khanate of Kalat, declared independence on June 11, 1947. In an agreement called the "Standstill Agreement", signed on August 4, 1947, the future state of Pakistan recognized the Khanate as an independent sovereign State. However, after nine months, it invaded and annexed the newly independent Baloch state on March 27, 1948.

The forceful annexation of their state and various subjugation and assimilation strategies of Pakistan were unacceptable to the Baloch. As a result, the state adopted multiple strategies to counter the Baloch national aspirations, which resulted in many political and armed resistance movements with much bloodshed. Among strategies adopted by the state included the assimilation of the Baloch into a non-existent Pakistani Islamic identity and the use of brutal force.

The school curriculum introduced by the state blatantly fabricated historical facts, human social values, and regional realities. The emphasis was on the fallacious concept of Islamic nationhood, negating all national identities. Urdu is portrayed as a divine and sacred language after Arabic and is imposed as the national language. The teaching of the Balochi language is banned in schools. Notorious plunderers and savage warlords of the Middle East and Central Asia during the Middle Ages who carried out acts of genocide on the Baloch and other peoples in the region are being portrayed as national heroes. The imposition of socio-cultural values of a group of north Indian migrants over cherished Baloch socio-cultural traditions is one of the ugliest assimilation strategies.

Socially, the Baloch identity regarding their religious beliefs is of religious tolerance. Religion was never politicalized by the Baloch and always remained in the personal sphere without becoming a real socio-political imperative. However, to dilute the Baloch national resistance, Pakistan systematically adopted policies to introduce religion as a political factor in Baloch society. The process of making the Baloch perfect Muslims began in the 1970s. Throughout Balochistan, the state established a web of mosques and religious schools. From these schools, various extremist religious groups were created to carry out subversive activities against Afghanistan or India and to be used in the targeted killing of Baloch nationalist activists.

After the 9/11 incidents in the USA, the Pakistani establishment found the unconditional and all-out support of the civilized world as an opportunity to complete its long-term plan of doing away with the Baloch national question. In December 2005, the Pakistani ruler General Pervez Musharraf referring to the Baloch national question, told the media in Lahore that this time it would be a fight to the finish. Consequently, the Baloch and Pakistani security forces became involved in a head-on collision. As a result, a bloody and protracted resistance movement began in Balochistan with tales of much horror and brutalities.

Enforced disappearances, unlawful custody, dumping of mutilated bodies and inhuman torture of the Baloch political activists are part of the strategy to crush the Baloch national aspirations. Compared to all previous active hostilities with Pakistan, the ongoing conflict has brought much devastation to the Baloch. The present conflict has the highest casualties, disappearances, and population displacement.

Since 2005, Pakistani government officials, the Baloch nationalist parties, the Baloch human rights groups and international human rights organizations have given different versions of missing persons and extrajudicial killings. However, all reports and claims present a gruesome picture of the situation in Balochistan.

The dumping of mutilated bodies of missing persons has been daily for years. The security agencies physically eliminated the Baloch society's cream in a planned way. Security forces carry out the abduction of political activists, keep them in illegal detention, inflict inhuman torture and then dump their mutilated bodies in remote and desolate areas. They are doing this in collaboration with their local agents. These hired agents are primarily anti-social and extremist religious elements organized by state security agencies in various parts of Balochistan. They are being used in identifying, kidnapping, and dumping bodies of the Baloch nationalist activists. They are popularly known in Balochistan as the army's 'death squads'.

1. The International Crisis Group (ICG), the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCP), the Asian Human Rights Commission and Amnesty International reported massive human rights violations by security agencies in 2005, 2006 and 2008 during indiscriminate aerial and artillery bombardments on civilian targets. In addition, they noted several cases of torture, extrajudicial killings, and disappearances and accused security forces of carrying out summary executions.
2. In 2005, the interior minister of Pakistan, Aftab Sherpao, stated that only 4,000 people had been arrested in Balochistan.
3. In 2006, Balochistan National Party (BNP) claimed that at least 180 people had died in bombings, including 122 children.
4. In 2007, the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan estimated the number of missing persons as 600.
5. In 2008, according to the Asian Human Rights Commission and verified by the Interior Minister of Pakistan, Rehman Malik, at least 1,100 persons were included in the list of disappeared.
6. Balochistan National Party (BNP) in 2009 claimed that 9000 people were illegally detained in Balochistan.
7. In 2010, UNHRC estimated that thousands of people had disappeared or been arbitrarily detained. Defence of Human Rights, an Islamabad-based human rights group, had put the number of missing persons at 1700. In the same year, the Chief Minister of Balochistan, Nawab Aslam Raisani, publicly accused the security forces of Pakistan of abductions, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial killings in the province.
8. In July 2011, Human Rights Watch, in its report, highlighted draconian tactics used by the military, the paramilitary Frontier Corps (FC) and intelligence services against Baloch political activists.
9. According to Baloch Human Rights Council, in 2015, 463 people were reportedly picked up by security agencies, and they are still missing. In the same year, the Interior Minister of Pakistan, Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan, admitted that the arrests of 36,000 people were from Balochistan. Still, only a few were produced before a court of law.
10. On April 27, 2016, the interior minister of Balochistan's government claimed that security forces detained 12234 persons and killed 334 during the last two years.
11. On August 30, 2016, the Defence of Human Rights organization contended that the security agencies had kidnapped 549 people between January and August of that year.

The "kill and dump" policy is among the most gruesome actions of the security forces in Balochistan.

1. According to lists provided by nationalist parties and Baloch human rights organizations, in 2007, 938 Baloch political activists, intellectuals, writers, students, doctors, engineers, and tribal elite were killed by the army.
2. In 2008, 635 Baloch activists were killed, and their mutilated bodies were dumped in desolate areas of Balochistan.
3. In 2009, 1104 people, including well-known political figures and intellectual personalities, were killed.
4. According to the Human Rights Watch and Human Rights Commission of Pakistan, 143 bodies of missing persons were found in 2012.
5. In a mass grave discovered in Khuzdar district in 2013, the bodies of more than a hundred Baloch nationalists were dumped. During the same year, 157 mutilated bodies were also found in desolate places.
6. According to "Voice for Baloch Missing Persons", a Baloch human rights organization working to recover missing persons, only in 2014 alone, 455 mutilated bodies were found dumped in various places.
7. In August 2016 alone, 143 mutilated bodies of the Baloch activists were recovered from different districts.

Various human rights organizations, including Human Rights Watch, reported that there had been an upsurge in the number of missing persons and mutilated bodies in recent months. According to data collected by the Baloch Human Rights Council (BHRC), the "kill and dump policy" had brought brutality in Balochistan to an unprecedented level. BHRC sources verified that:

1. In January 2022, 48 persons went missing while nine were extrajudicially killed or their mutilated bodies found.
2. In February 2022, the number of missing persons was 29, while seven were extrajudicially killed or mutilated bodies recovered.
3. In March 2022, the cases of enforced disappearances were 26, while cases of extrajudicial killings and mutilated bodies were 11.
4. In April 2022, the cases of enforced disappearances were 33, and the number of extrajudicial killings and mutilated bodies was 14.
5. In May 2022, the number of enforced disappearances was 27, and the number of extrajudicial killings or mutilated bodies was 10.
6. In June 2022, the number of enforced disappearances was 21. The number of verified mutilated bodies of missing persons is four, while 55 cases of mutilated bodies found in Lahore are being confirmed. However, it is believed that they are from the list of missing persons picked up by the security forces in Balochistan on various occasions.
7. In July 2022, 21 persons became the victims of enforced disappearances; eight were killed extrajudicially. In addition, three mutilated bodies dumped by the security forces were unrecognizable.
8. Thirty-four persons became the victims of enforced disappearances, and the security forces extra-judicially killed 5 in Balochistan in August 2022.
9. BHRC verified 13 cases of enforced disappearances during September 2022.
10. In October 2022, the Pakistani security forces picked up 35 persons from various parts of Balochistan and Sindh. However, their whereabouts are not known. Moreover, 15 bodies of the victims of enforced disappearances were found in different places.
11. BHRC verified 23 cases of enforced disappearances in Balochistan during November 2022
12. BHRC verified 36 cases of forcibly disappeared persons and one extrajudicial killing during December 2022 in Balochistan

To counter the Baloch resistance against subjugation, Pakistan uses force with a Jihadist fervour. According to the United Nations General Assembly resolutions, many actions of Pakistani security forces and its auxiliary organizations come into war crimes or crimes against humanity.

Pakistan is waging war in Balochistan without witnesses. Since 2000, several new cantonments have been established in Balochistan, making the number of cantonments six, practically converting Balochistan into a war zone. Military roads and other infrastructure necessary for troop movements were developed on emergency footings. After every 25 Kilometres, a checkpoint has been established, manned either by regular army units or paramilitary forces.

Balochistan has been an undeclared no-go area for international media and human rights organizations. Even the diplomats of donor countries, on whose donations Pakistan has sustained itself, cannot go to the interior of Balochistan. As a result, there has been a total blackout of what is happening in Balochistan.

The Baloch as a people has become the worst example of political, social, and cultural exploitations resulting in a protracted national resistance against Pakistan with accompanying human rights violations and devastation to the people. The genocide actions of Pakistan in Balochistan have been going on for many years.

The Baloch conflict with Pakistan needs resolution, and the international community's intervention is imperative. The Baloch, facing atrocities and genocide acts, needs the help of the civilized world. The International community must act before it is too late for the Baloch.

Monthly data on enforced disappearances and extrajudicial killings in Balochistan from January 2022 to July 2022

January 2022

Number of missing persons: 49
Number of killed and discovered mutilated bodies: 9

January 1, 2022

Frontier Corps abducted Doulat, son of Hassan, from the village Hironk, District Kech.

January 2, 2022

Saraj Baloch, son of Saleh, was killed by shooters affiliated with security forces in Buleda District Kech.

January 3, 2022

Abdurrahman, son of Murad, was abducted by armed men belonging to security forces in District Panjgur.

On the same day, security forces abducted two brothers, Sattar, son of Amir Bux and Mumtaz, son of Amir Bux, from District Panjgur.

On the same day, the security forces picked Sajid, son of Abid of village Kunshkalat, District Kech.

January 6, 2022

Khan Muhammad Marri from District Kohlu disclosed to the media that eight family members are being kept in the personal prison of provincial minister Abdurrahman Khetran. He named them as Farzana, Abdul Sattar, Abdul Ghaffar, Muhammad Umran, Muhammad Nawaz, Abdul Majid, and Abdul Qadir.

January 6, 2022

Security forces abducted two persons from a hospital in District Naseerabad. The names of the abducted are Kalandar, son of Lolha Bugti and Marshala, son of Aziz Bugti.

January 7, 2022

Security forces abducted a young person Ahmad Mullazai, son of Muhammad Ashraf Mullahzai, from District Kharan.

On the same day (January 7, 2022), Mahmud, son of Rahmat, was picked up by unknown persons affiliated with the security forces from District Panjgur.

January 8, 2022

Two mutilated bodies were recovered from the Quetta and Zhob districts of Balochistan. The locals believe that the dumping of bodies is part of the kill-and-dump policy of the army's death squads operating in conjunction with security forces.

January 10, 2022

The security forces took the Usman, son of Liaqat, from Mand, District Kech.

January 11, 2022

Unknown persons abducted three-person from Hingol and District Kech. The abducted were named Bahad, son of Yaakoob, Mia Sabzal and Ilyas.

January 12, 2022

Two dead bodies were found in Hub, District Bela. These are believed to be missing persons.

January 13, 2022

Security forces abducted seven persons from Panjgur and Kech districts. They are named Yusuf, son of Haji Akber, Haji Washdil, Muhammad Shuaib, Muhammad Munir, Shakeel Ahmad and Hamoodi, son of Naseer Ahmad.

January 13, 2022

An older man named Ibrahim, son of Ghulam Muhammad of village Pirandar, District Awaran, was picked up by security personnel.

January 14, 2022

Hafiz, son of Abdul Qadir, was abducted by people known to be affiliated with the security agencies from Chitkan village of District Panjgur.

On the same day, four persons, namely Bilal, son of Inayat Ullah; Jahanzeb, son of Musa; Didag, son of Attaullah; and Obaid, son of Wazir, were abducted by security agencies.

January 15, 2022

Two mutilated dead bodies of unidentified persons were recovered from Hub, District Bela. Generally, these bodies in the past were recognized by relatives of the missing persons as their loved ones.

January 17, 2022

The disappearance of four persons has been reported in the Kech District. The persons who disappeared were named Riaz, son of Fateh Muhammad, Nisar, son of Fateh Muhammad, and Mudi, son of Kahoda Sohrab and Bashshaam.

January 21, 2022

The disappearance of Abul Hasan, son of yar Muhammad, an older person, has been reported. Security forces arrested him during the raid in the surrounding areas of Turbat, District Kech.

January 22, 2022

Mujiburrehman, a schoolteacher, went missing after being abducted by unidentified persons believed to be security personnel from the Shahrag area of northern Balochistan.

January 23, 2022

The dead body of Niamatullah, son of Arz Muhammad, was found in the Kadkoocha, district Mastung. The security agencies picked him up on January 17.

January 24, 2022

Six persons have been picked up and made disappear by the security agencies in Kech and Awaran districts. Forcefully disappeared persons were named Mahboob, son of Sheran; Salim, son of Wali Dad; Sudhir, son of Ali Bakhsh; Nadim, son of Salim; Dad Rahman, son of Abdul Rahman and Karim Bakhsh, son of Wajo.

January 28, 2022

The death squad members killed Ali Jan, a shopkeeper of Tazia, District Chagai.

January 30, 2022

Two brothers from Zehri District Khuzdar became victims of the enforced disappearance phenomenon. They were named Samiullah and Sawad Khan (sons of Naseer Ahmad). On the same day, security agencies picked up Zakir, son of Taj Muhammad, from District Quetta.

February 2022

Number of missing persons: 27

Number of killed and discovered mutilated bodies: 7

February 1, 2022

Security forces picked up two persons from District Kech on January 31, 2022, and their whereabouts are still unknown. Two disappeared persons were named Ismail Aftab and Saeedullah from Tehsil Mand of the district.

February 3, 2022

Security forces killed one person from the Panjgur district on February 2, 2022. The deceased was named Ihtesham, son of Master Ghulam Sarwar.

February 4, 2022

A local death squad affiliated with the Interservice Intelligence agency (ISI) picked up Altaf, son of Jadan, from Tejaban village of District Kech last night. His mutilated body was discovered today.

February 5, 2022

Security forces picked up two persons from Kili Jamaldini of Nushki District, and their whereabouts are still unknown.

Three persons from the Sibi district who became the victims of enforced disappearance were named Hayat, son of Zangi, Atoor Gorgeij and Hashim Domki. The mutilated body of Hashim Domki was later found in the Mach region of the Bolan District.

Security forces abducted Muhammad Khan, son of Nabi Bakhsh Bugti, from Dera Murad Jamali in another incident.

The security agencies also picked up social worker Nadeen Hasrat from the Kech district, keeping him in an unknown location.

February 6, 2022

Security forces raided a house in Mengal Street Quetta and picked up Haroon, son of Haji Nisar Ahmed. His whereabouts are unknown.

February 7, 2022

Security forces abducted social activist Malik Miran from Panjgur District, Balochistan. But, according to his brother, security agencies are not informing the family where he is being kept. He was released after a month of protest by the local population.

February 9, 2022

Yahya Raees, son of Haji Maqbool Ahmed from Bonistan village of Panjgur District, became the victim of enforced disappearance when security forces picked him up. Meanwhile, Muhammad Hashim from Sui, Dera Bugti District, and Naeem from Gokdan Kech District were picked up and made disappear by the security forces on the same day.

February 10, 2022

Members of the death squad affiliated with the security forces of Pakistan harassed a social gathering of the Christian community in Hub, Bela District of Balochistan. First, they beat up many wedding ceremony participants injuring many, including children and women. Then, they left the site after firing in the air for many minutes.

February 11, 2022

Artist Mansoor Anwer from Gramkan village of Panjgur was picked up by the security forces and transferred to an unknown location. His family is still waiting to know about his whereabouts.

February 12, 2022

The security forces arrested the Kalat Teachers Association district president, Kefayatullah Langau, whose whereabouts are still unknown. On the same day, two persons became the victim of enforced disappearances in the Dera Murad Jamali district. They were named Bakhtiar, son of Hamza and Sahib, son of Hamza.

February 13, 2022

Two minors named Saud Sarpara and Sudish Nisar became the latest victims of enforced disappearances from the same family in Faizabad, Quetta District. Farhad Sarpara and Saqib Sarpara from the same family have already been picked up by the security forces early this month.

In another incident, Nazeer Ahmed, son of Noor Muhammad, was picked up by the army-affiliated death squad members from Khuzdar District.

From different parts of Balochistan, three unidentified and mutilated bodies were recovered, believed to be the victims of enforced disappearances.

February 14, 2022

Muhammad Ali, son of Dinar from Tirteij, Awaran District, was arrested by the security forces on February 11 and was tortured to death.

February 17, 2022

The death squad members picked up Yasir, son of Nasser and Wajoo, son of Mazar, from Huzzai Mand, District Kech, and their whereabouts are still unknown.

The mutilated body of an unidentified person was recovered from Eastern Bypass, Quetta District. These unknown or unidentified bodies are believed to be the victims of the phenomenon of enforced disappearances.

February 18, 2022

Security forces picked up blogger and YouTube movie-maker artist Waris Wafa from the Kech District.

February 19, 2022

The security forces picked up Nabeel, son of Liaqat of village Gomazi, Kech District.

February 21, 2022

The death squad picked up two persons from the Parom area of Panjgur District named Hameed, son of Murid and Muhammad Rahim, son of Qader Bakhsh.

February 22, 2022

Ali Haidar, son of Sajoo from the Greishah area of Khuzdar District, was picked up by security forces from Nal Bazar.

February 26, 2022

Security forces arrested Mohammad Khan Chilgari Marri from the Bolan area of Mastung district.

March 2022

Number of missing persons:

27

March 4, 2022

Juma Khan Marri went missing when the security forces arrested him in the Kohlu district.

March 7, 2022

Mullah Sadal, son of Ali of Awaran district, was killed by the death squad members affiliated with the Pakistani army in Windar, district Lasbela, Balochistan. The army killed his cousins Siraj, son of Ahmad and Khaliqdad, son of Ahmad, on October 6, 2016. The same squad also killed another relative, Moosa, son of Nazar Muhammad, on June 18, 2016.

March 9, 2022

Armed persons believed to be members of a death squad forcefully abducted a peon from Turbat University. Mr Shaiq Ahmad, a resident of Shapuk, district Kech became the latest victim of enforced disappearance in March.

March 10, 2022

Locals claim that at least a dozen persons have been killed by drone attacks in the Kech District of Balochistan, while the military claims that these persons were armed insurgents.

Two students of Turbat residential college who the security forces picked up were named Salman, son of Ghafoor and Khalid, son of Muneer. They are the residents of Gomazi village, district Kech, Balochistan

March 11, 2022

An unidentified and mutilated dead body was recovered in Quetta District, Balochistan. The relatives of the disappeared persons had previously identified such bodies as their loved ones.

March 13, 2022

The security forces picked up journalist Ghulam Farooq Jatui when they raided his house in Dadar. However, his whereabouts are unknown to his relatives.

An 80-year-old man Omid Ali has been reported 'missing' from Gwaniki village after being detained allegedly by the Pakistani forces in Balochistan's Kech district.

March 14, 2022

Abdullah, son of Ibrahim from Kunshkalat, Tump, district Kech has been abducted by the security forces accompanied by the local death squad.

March 16, 2022

The mutilated dead body of Abdul Malik, son of Nazeer, a resident of Buleda, district Kech was founded. The security forces abducted him on February 26, 2022.

March 17, 2022

After raiding his house, the security forces abducted Seth Noor Bakhsh, son of Bahram, from the village Segak, district Kech.

In another incident, the security forces picked up a resident of Babu Mahella, Kharan, Shah Fahad, son of Patwari Mahmood Khan. However, his family is not aware of his whereabouts.

In another incident, a resident of Balgatar, district Kech, Dr Hashim Noor, was kidnapped by the members of a death squad operating in the area.

March 18, 2022

From Turbat town (District Kech), four students who the members of a death squad abducted were named Akber, son of Aslam, Ghulam Jan, son of Saleh Muhammad, Naeem, son of Rahmat and Shafi, son of Dildar. They are the residents of Shahrak village.

March 19, 2022

The paramilitary force FC fired on a vehicle and killed Sibkatullah, son of Ilyas, in the Parom area of Panjgur district.

The released missing persons are identified as Qadir Kanwal, a teacher and a social reforms campaigner, Irfan Zehri, a social activist, and Bilal Jattak, residents of tehsil Zehri Khuzdar District, Balochistan. They were kept in solitary confinement for several months.

Two brothers, Musaddiq and Abdul Aziz, sons of Muhammad Asa, went missing from the Gwadar District of Balochistan. Their relatives blame the security forces for their disappearances.

In another incident, Shah Murad, son of Shakar of Sangabad village of district Kech, was off-loaded from a Quetta-bound bus by the members of a death squad affiliated with the army. The security forces did not disclose his whereabouts.

Ziaullah, son of Babu Noorullah and Din Muhammad, son of Muhammad Ishaq, has been abducted by the members of a death squad operating in the Kech district.

March 20, 2022

The mutilated bodies of two victims of enforced disappearances have been identified as Abdul Wahid and Muhammad Iqbal, son of Muhammad Yaqoob of district Khuzdar. They have been under the unannounced custody of security forces since 2021.

March 23, 2022

Gulzeb, son of Ibrahim of Killi Shabo(Quetta), went missing, and his relatives believe that the security forces picked him up. While on March 23, another man Akhtar s/o Afzal was arrested and moved to an unknown location in the Wadh area of the Khuzdar district.

The death squad members picked up Ghani s/o Lashkari from the Panjgur district.

March 28, 2022

Persons picked up by security forces from Hub (District Lasbela, Balochistan) were named Asadullah Bugti and Fateh, son of Zabad. The father of Asadullah has been in the undeclared custody of security forces for the last 11 years.

March 29, 2022

Muslim son of Akram from Mand, district Kech went missing. His relatives blame security forces for his disappearance.

March 30, 2022

Two students belonging to Balochistan were picked up from a tea stall in Lahore by armed persons in civilian clothes but believed to be security personnel. They were named Adam, son of Muhammad Ali and Imran, son of Shabir Ahmad.

April 2022

Number of missing persons: 39

Number of killed and discovered mutilated bodies: 14

April 1, 2022

Two persons named Wasim Ahmad, son of Salim and Muhammad, son of Ghaffar, went missing from the Gobord area of Mand, Kech district.

Kamalan, son of Muhim Jan of Tagran, Kech district, kidnapped by the security forces and missing from August 26, 2021, is now claimed by the counter-terrorism department as being held on terrorism charges in Mach area Bolan district.

In the same manner, two persons, Ahmad, son of Delwash and Hafiz, son of Delwash residents of Aapsar, Kech district, were picked up by unknown persons believed to be members of a death squad on December 24, 2021, and became missing since then were formally declared arrested by the counter-terrorism department in the Naseerabad district of Balochistan.

April 2, 2022

Security forces kidnapped Lal Muhammad of Bagbana, Zehri area of Khuzdar. His whereabouts remain unknown to his family members.

April 3, 2022

Security forces killed three persons in the Nag area of the Washuk district of Balochistan on Saturday. The deceased were named Awaz, son of Imam Bakhsh, Ilyas, son of Bashir and Akber, son of Dosta. Security forces killed Sekindar, son of Chairman Dost Muhammad, a Gomazi, Kech district resident, on the same day.

April 5, 2022

An unidentified mutilated body was recovered from the Hazar Ganji area of Quetta district. Unidentified mutilated bodies are generally believed to be the missing persons abducted by the death squads.

April 6, 2022

The death squad members picked up three persons named Nabi Bakhsh, son of Bahram; Rostum, son of Karim; Raziq, son of Barkat; and Shahdad, son of Murad Ali. Their whereabouts are unknown.

Security forces picked up Dr Jameel Baloch, an MPhil scholar at FPV University in Malaysia. He belongs to the Barkhan district of Balochistan.

April 8, 2022

An unidentified dead body was recovered from the Parom area of the Panjgur district. Such bodies are believed to be missing persons.

A father was killed along with his son by the security forces during a raid on his house in the Kandari area of the Awaran district named Answer alias Haibethan.

April 9, 2022

Iqbal and Azeem belonging to the Kilkoar area of the Kech district, went missing when the security agencies picked them up during a raid. Their whereabouts remain unknown.

Gulzar, son of Abdul Gafoor, was abducted from his home in the Khuzdar district by the death squad members operating in the area.

April 13, 2022

Lala Arshad, son of Muhammad Hussain of Lyari Karachi, became the victim of enforced disappearances. He is believed to be affiliated with the Baloch national struggle.

Six persons from the Gomazi village of Kech district abducted by the death squad affiliated with security forces were named Akber, Mahboob, son of Sheran, Shoab, son of Muhammad, Wajo, son of Wahid, Farid, son of Yunus, Mubarak, son of Dilmurad.

In a gruesome act, the security forces put sand in the radiators of nearly two hundred vehicles carrying fuel from a frontier region. The drivers and passengers walked without water a long distance in the desert and desolate area before reaching Nokundi town. As a result, many suffered from thirst, hunger, and heat strokes.

April 14, 2022

Security forces opened fire in Chagai on demonstrators protesting the security forces' action when they disabled nearly 200 vehicles in a desolate area of the Chagai district. As a result, one person, Hamidullah, was killed, and several others received bullet injuries.

April 15, 2022

Three dead bodies of the drivers forced to walk in the desert on April 13 in the Chagai district were recovered. They died of thirst and heat strokes.

April 17, 2022

The local death squad picked up Salim, son of Karim Bakhsh, a resident of Balgatar, from his home in district Kech.

April 18, 2022

From a Quetta-bound Bus, security forces picked up Salem, son of Karim Bakhsh, a Gaddagi (Balgatar) resident of the Panjgur district. However, his family has not been informed of his whereabouts.

April 20, 2022

After a Counter-Terrorism Department (CTD) raid on a house in Hub Chowki, the missing person was named Safi, son of Master Abdul Razzaq, a resident of Vashbud, Panjgur district of Balochistan.

April 21, 2022

Unidentified shooters gunned down a footballer, Dad Jan, son of Inayat, in Panjgur district. His relatives blame the security forces affiliated death squad for his murder.

April 22, 2022

The mutilated and bullet-ridden dead body of Zubair, son of Ismail, resident of Sirinkan, Kech district, has been recovered from the Turbat area of the community. He is believed to be abducted by the army-affiliated death squad in the area.

Security forces raided the house of the missing person Rashid Hussain and picked up his father, brother-in-law and his teenage nephew. They are being kept incommunicado.

April 23, 2022

An unidentified dead body has been recovered in a desolate area of Toak, Kalat district. Such bodies are believed to be of the missing persons.

A farmer, Sona Khan Bremani of Dhadar district, went missing along with his brother. He is believed to be picked up by the security forces.

April 24, 2022

Three persons from Kech district, namely Naseem, son of Lal Bakhsh, Majid, son of Lal Bakhsh and Doulat, son of Muhammad Ali, went missing after security forces accompanied by the death squad personnel picked them up from Askani Bazar Turbat.

Reports of harassment of pilgrims going to the holy place of Noor ay Pak in Turbat, Kech district, have been reported by local people. In one such incident, security forces stopped a Caravan of pilgrims near

the Dandar area of the Kech district. Men were humiliated in front of their women and children. They were detained for hours before allowing them to continue their journey.

April 26, 2022

Waseem, son of Baba Shoukat from the Gobord (Mand) area of the Kech district, went missing after security forces picked him up at the Dokoap checkpoint.

April 27, 2022

The security forces from Karachi picked up Dr Dildar Baloch, a consultant medical doctor from the Kech district (Balochistan). However, his family members were not informed about his whereabouts. Dr Dildar is the organizer of the Baloch Doctor's Forum. Dr Dildar was released after strong protests from the doctor's community and political parties.

Unknown armed men in civilian clothes picked up a Baloch student named Beebagr, son of Imdad of Kech district, from Punjab University in Lahore.

Frontier Corps soldiers picked up the whole family of Abdul Khaliq from the Gichk area of Panjgur district and kept them incommunicado for two months. They were released on June 1, 2022, after Balochistan High Court took the *suo moto* notice of the case.

April 28, 2022

Security forces raided a meeting of female students from Balochistan at Ghazi University (Southern Punjab). The students were beaten up, and the meeting was dispersed. Later eight students from Balochistan were rusticated by the university authorities.

The Islamabad High Court ordered the provincial authorities in Punjab to stop ethnic profiling of the Baloch students studying in various universities in Punjab.

April 29, 2022

Security forces abducted Saeed, son of Muhammad Omar, a Dasht, Kech district resident, from Malir (Karachi). His whereabouts are still unknown.

April 30, 2022

Najeeb, son of Rasheed, a resident of the Buleda area of district Kech (Balochistan), became the victim of enforced disappearances when security forces picked him up in the Gulshan Iqbal area of Karachi. He is an M.Phil. scholar and a teacher at the University of Karachi.

Security forces also picked up another student from the Nal area of Balochistan in a Karachi raid. The student was named Shoab, son of Azum

May 2022

Number of missing persons: 37

Number of killed and discovered mutilated bodies: 10

May 1, 2022

Atiq Baloch, a medical student from Noshki, went missing after the security forces picked him up. Security forces and members of the local death squad raided a house in the Bawani area of Hub and arrested Yasir, son of Hameed. His whereabouts are still unknown.

May 3, 2022

Two unidentified mutilated bodies were recovered from the Bubertak area of the Kohlu district. Such bodies are believed to be missing persons.

May 4, 2022

Two unidentified bullet-ridden bodies were recovered from a desolate area in the Chagai district. As part of the crackdown on the Baloch students, the security forces abducted Ali, son of Bakhshi and Asghar, son of Issa, from the Maripur area of Karachi.

May 5, 2022

Sajid Ilahi, a student from the Mastung district, became the victim of enforced disappearance when the security forces picked him up on Wednesday.

The security forces released Ghani, son of Lashkari from the Panjgur district, who went missing in March this year.

Local death squad members abducted social activist Irfan Bangulzai from the Mastung district.

May 6, 2022

The bullet-ridden dead body of Zahid Shaikh was found in the Hub area of Balochistan. Unknown persons picked him up on May 2, 2022.

May 7, 2022

Security forces abducted Rashid, son of Taj Bakhsh, from the Lyari area of Karachi. He is believed to be affiliated with the Baloch national resistance.

May 8, 2022

The dead body of Imam Bakhsh, son of Kaloo Khan Abdo, with torture signs, was found in Sindh. He was arrested by security personnel in April this year.

May 10, 2022

Unknown assailants killed Saeed Ahmad, an activist of the Balochistan National Party, in Quetta. The party blamed security agencies for the incident.

May 11, 2022

Waheed Baloch, a resident of Lyari in Karachi, went "missing" when security forces accompanied by unidentified persons in civilian dresses picked him up from his residence.

Unidentified assailants targeted Balochistan National Party leader Nadeem Ahmad Badini in Faridabad, Sohbatpur district. Such incidents are believed to be the work of the army's death squads.

Security personnel in plain clothes abducted a Rawalpindi University student Feroz, son of Noor Bakhsh. Feroz Baloch belonged to Apsar, district Kech, Balochistan.

Sayad Muhammad Mari, an elderly resident of the Harnai district of Balochistan, went missing after security forces picked him up in Dukki town. His teenage son was also abducted. Their whereabouts are still unknown.

May 15, 2022

Four mutilated and unidentifiable dead bodies were recovered in the Dasht area of Quetta district. Such bodies are believed to be missing persons.

May 17, 2022

Security forces abducted Fazal, son of Muhammad Ali, from Bedrang village of District Kech.

Unidentified persons in civilian clothes picked up Sohail Ahmad, son of Muhammad Hayat, from the Malir area of Karachi. He is believed to be affiliated with the Baloch national resistance.

May 18, 2022

Abdul Rashid, a footballer from the Lyari area of Karachi, has been picked up by the security forces from his home. He is believed to be affiliated with the Baloch national resistance. His whereabouts are still unknown.

May 20, 2022

Security forces abducted Mullah Munir, son of Hamza, from Karachi. He is a sympathizer of the Baloch national resistance.

May 21, 2022

Five persons who became the victims of enforced disappearances were Israr Anwar, Nawas Ali Nasir, Adil Imam Bakhsh, Ali Bakhshi and Zahid Jan Muhammad. They were picked up from Karachi. Their whereabouts are still unknown.

May 22, 2022

Military gunship helicopters damaged a pilgrim site during their combing operation in the Kech district.

May 23, 2022

Security forces, accompanied by a local death squad, picked up Abrar, son of Imam, a local college student in Turbat Kech district, on his way to the institution. His whereabouts are not known.

May 24, 2022

Unidentified armed persons believed to be from the security forces picked up a student Karim Jan, son of Fazal, from the Kech district.

May 25, 2022

The security forces picked up Khuda Bakhsh, son of Ali Khan; Ali Khan, son of Khuda Bakhsh; Qadir, son of Khuda Bakhsh; Sanaullah, son of Hasan; Shabir, son of Sanaullah and Hasan, son of Sanaullah from the Mashkay are of Awaran district. However, their whereabouts are not yet known.

On the same day, security forces also picked up Dost Muhammad, son of Khuda Bakhsh Mari and Muhammad Ismail, son of Karim Khan Mari, from the Kahan area of Kohlu district.

May 27, 2022

The security forces from Karachi picked up Zobair Baloch, son of Mola Bakhsh, in the presence of witnesses. However, security forces are denying his arrest.

May 28, 2022

The security forces picked Wali Muhammad, son of Muhammad Hanif, a farmer in the Lijje village of Kharan district. His whereabouts are still unknown.

May 29, 2022

A football player, Habib Jehingo and a student Inzemam Zehri of Kharan town, went missing after security forces picked him up. Their family are unaware of their whereabouts.

May 31, 2022

Members of the local death squads abducted Mangal, son of Ghulam Haidar Mari and Gulzar, son of Ali Murad Mari, from the Hub area of Lasbela district.

June 2022

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| Number of enforced disappearances | 21 |
| Confirmed number of mutilated bodies | 4 |
| Number of unrecognizable mutilated bodies | 55 |

June 4, 2022

The names of the missing students abducted by the security forces on June 4, 2022, from Moosa Colony Quetta are Shahzad, son of Khuda Bakhsh; Atiq, son of Beebagr; and Ahmad, son of Bahadur. They belonged to Balochistan's Kalat, Kharan and Khuzdar districts.

Members of a death squad affiliated with security forces picked up a levy's sepoy Babjan near his police station in Washboard, Panjgur district.

June 7, 2022

Security forces picked up Kalimullah Noor, a postgraduate student in the sociology department of Karachi University, from the Joharabad area of Karachi. Kalimullah belongs to the Tump town of the Kech district.

On the same day, security forces picked up two Baloch students at Karachi University by the security forces in Karachi. Their names are Doda Ilahi and Ghamshad Ghani. They were kept incommunicado for a week, tortured and released on June 13 after widespread protests.

June 9, 2022

Noor Bakhsh, son of Habib Baloch of Raees Gout, Karachi, was picked up by the security forces from his home.

A local death squad abducted Gous Muhammad, son of Gusher, Wali, son of Alam Jan and Kamisa, son of Sowali, from the Mashkey area of Awaran district.

June 10, 2022

Arif Abdul Qadir, a Quetta resident detained by the security forces in 2019, was tortured to death in the Karachi Central Jail. He was accused of involvement in the attack on the Chinese Consulate in 2018.

Security forces picked up Hafiz, son of Bashir Ahmad, from his home in Absar, Kech district. His whereabouts are still unknown,

June 11, 2022

The mutilated dead body of Yasin Bugti was found in the eastern bypass area of Quetta. The security forces picked him up on January 19, 2016, from Nashonas colony, Quetta. He was registered in the list of missing persons presented in the national assembly of Pakistan.

A local death squad picked up two brothers, Irshad and Sharafat, from their home in the Issai village of Panjgur. They are still missing.

Security forces arrested Dr Mukhtiar Abdul Hai, a resident of the Kalat district. His whereabouts are still unknown to his family.

June 12, 2022

Saqib Zehri, a Khuzdar Engineering University postgraduate student, became the victim of enforced disappearance.

Unidentified members of a death squad abducted Azum, son of Nabi Bakhsh, Nader, son of Rahim Bakhsh and Muslim, son of Hamid, and Amin, son of Ahmad, from the Sibdan area of Kec district.

June 14, 2022

Security forces handed over Ahmad's son Amin's tortured and mutilated body. The death squad members abducted him on June 12, 2022, from the village of Sidbdan, district Kech.

June 21, 2022

The mutilated and tortured dead body of Hassan, son of Hashim, has been discovered near Absar village of Kech district. He was missing for some days.

June 23, 2022

Security forces accompanied by members of the local death squad abducted Khalil, son of Jalil and Jeehand, son of Khalil, from Gwadar. The bullet-ridden dead body of Junaid, son of Allah Bakhsh, was recovered on June 25, 2022. The whereabouts of Khalil, a Turbat University student, are still unknown.

June 25, 2022

The relatives of the Baloch missing persons are examining the reports of unidentified dead bodies found in various areas of Lahore. According to reports in Pakistani media, 55 bodies appear to be from outside Punjab. Therefore, there is fear that these bodies might be of the Baloch missing persons. If the reports are confirmed, this will be the second-largest number of mutilated bodies of the Baloch missing persons after discovering mass graves in the Khuzdar district in 2012.

July 2022

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| Number of victims of enforced disappearances: | 21 |
| Number of extrajudicially killed: | 8 |
| Number of unconfirmed mutilated bodies: | 3 |

July 1, 2022

Security forces and members of the local death squad picked up Shergul, son of Abdul Mutalib, a resident of Kirdagap, district Mastung from his home in Mastung

July 2, 2022

Security forces arrested Faisal, son of Hasil, from Hub town. He is a resident of Lal Muhammad Got, district Lasbela.

July 9, 2022

Security forces, accompanied by members of the local death squad, arrested five teenagers named Idris, son of Haji Akbar; Bilal, son of Sahib Khan; Jalil, son of Sahib Khan; and Zubair Ahmad, son of Munir Ahmed, Khalid, son of Munir Ahmed. Their whereabouts are still unknown.

July 16, 2022

Security forces dumped seven bullet-ridden bodies in Ziarat valley. Their family members identified them as missing persons.

- The body of Muhammad Khan Chilgari Marri was identified (he has been in the custody of the security forces since February 2022).
- The body of Juma Khan Marri was identified (arrested in March 2022).
- The body of Salim Karim Bakhsh, a resident of Balgatar, was identified (picked up by the security forces on April 17, 2022).
- The body of Shehzad Khuda Bakhsh, a resident of Kalat, was identified (picked up by the security forces on June 04, 2022).
- The body of Dr Mukhtiar Abdul Hai, a resident of Kalat, was identified (kidnapped by the death squad on June 11, 2022).
- The body of Shah Bakhsh Marri was identified (he was in the custody of security forces since 2013).
- The body of Shams Satakzai was identified (he has been in the custody of security forces since 2021).

July 16, 2022

A local death squad accompanied by the security forces kidnapped Nadel, son of Dilmurad, Qadir Jan, son of Ali Bakhsh and Hasil, son of Muhammad, from Shapuk village of Kech district. Their relatives are not informed about their whereabouts.

July 18, 2022

Security forces abducted Mohd Aslam, son of Haji Mohd Ibrahim Mengal of Kharan district, from the main Bazar.

The local death squad members abducted Asadullah Mengal, son of Ali Hasan Mengal, a Sunniabad, Khuzdar district resident.

July 19, 2022

Hired shooters from the Pakistani intelligence agency (ISI) killed Jalamb Khan, son of Khan Muhammad Langani Mari, in the Nemroz district of Afghanistan. He was living there as a refugee.

July 20, 2022

Ghulam Jilani Hussainzai, a resident of Kharan Shahr, went missing after he was picked up from the Jama Masjid area of Kharan Town. His abductors were identified as members of security forces in civilian dresses.

Security forces took away Noorullah Sarpara, the teenage son of Saud Aqib Sarpara, from his home in the Sariab area of Quetta city. Suad Aqib is already in the custody of the security forces.

July 21, 2022

Security forces picked up Bahot, son of Sawali and Rafiq, son of Jamal, from the Durreski (Teertej) area of District Awaran.

July 24, 2022

Security forces abducted Akbar, son of Nawab Khan and Jaiseef, son of Nawab Khan, from Dera Murad Jamali. Their whereabouts are not known.

July 29, 2022

Security forces picked up Rahim Bakhsh, son of Sanjar Khan and Bahawal Khan, son of Juma Khan Muhammad Hasani, from their home in the Mastung Ab Road (Mastung district)

July 31, 2022

Security forces, accompanied by a local death squad, arrested Nofal Bugti and his Muhammad Rafiq Buti from ward number 14, Dera Murad Jamali town. Their whereabouts are still unknown.

August 2022

Number of missing persons: **34**

Number of extra-judicially killed: **5**

The Baloch Human Rights Council (BHRC) verified 34 cases of Enforced Disappearances and 5 cases of extrajudicial killings from Balochistan.

August 02, 2022: Pakistani security forces personnel abducted Irfan Shahwani from his family home in Kharan. His whereabouts are unknown.

August 08, 2022: On August 8, Maqbool, the son of Mistri Muhammad, a resident of Quetta's Keli Ismail, was arrested by Pakistani security forces from Joint Road Quetta. His family has not been informed about his whereabouts.

August 08, 2022: Khuda Bakhsh Baloch, an artist and resident of Gwadar, went missing after being arrested by Pakistani forces from the Sirgwat Kalari (Lyari) in Karachi.

August 08, 2022: On August 8, Ali Bakhsh, son of Umid Ali, a resident of Gishkaor, Awaran, forcibly disappeared by the security forces in Karachi. He has had hepatitis for the last many years. After being kept in solitary confinement and tortured, he was released on October 06, 2022.

August 09, 2022: Haleem Baloch, a young football player, was abducted by Pakistani security forces accompanied by the personnel of the local death squad from Gwadar.

August 10, 2022: The Counter Terrorism Department raided Malik Ahmadan Shahwani's home in the Kariz Sur area of Mastung on August 10. His sons Noman, Nadeem, and Shahid Hussain were taken away, and their whereabouts are unknown.

August 11, 2022: On August 11, 2022, Nisar Yousuf, a teenager, went missing when he was taken away by the death squad personnel from the football ground in Jusak, Turbat.

August 12, 2022: Azum, son of Nabi Bakhsh, remains missing after he was taken away by the security forces from Dasht, Kech district.

August 12, 2022: Security forces, with the help of the local death squad, abducted four shepherds from the Padro Zain area of Dera Bugti. The victims were named Ali Dad, son of Waso Bugti; Ali Jan, son of Waso Bugti; Ghamshad, son of Lila Bugti; and Bejli, son of Shah Nawaz.

August 13, 2022: Abdul Ghafoor, the son of Allah Dad and a resident of Karikal Gichk was summoned to an army camp in Gichk, Panjgur. Upon arrival at the base, he has not been seen or heard from since.

August 15, 2022: Islam, son of Huzoor Bakhsh, Azum, son of Jameel Ahmed, and Yaseen, son of Raheem Bakhsh, were taken away from their homes in the Shekari Goth of Awaran Jhao by the security forces. They are still missing.

August 15, 2022: Mohsin Baloch, son of Abdul Samad of Pullabad, district Kech was taken away by the security forces and is still missing.

August 20, 2022: Bilal Ahmed, son of Ahmed Sukna from Gwadar, is still missing when he was taken away by the security forces.

August 20, 2022: Habib S/O Muhammad Azeem from the Qadirabad area of Nushki went missing when he was taken away by the security forces.

August 20, 2022: Sameer, son of Hamza, a teenager from Gwadar, became the victim of enforced disappearances when security forces forcibly abducted him from Sor Banden.

August 25, 2022: Advocate Attaullah Baloch, Advocate Najeeb Ullah, son of Muhammad Gul Shahwani, Saifullah Shahwani, Mujeeb-Ur-Rehman and Brahamdagh Baloch were abducted by the security forces when they raided the house of Professor Saleh Shad in Mastung.

August 26, 2022: Pakistani security forces abducted Saqib, son of Muhammad Ishaq, a resident of Gwadar, from Karachi.

August 26, 2022: Wahab Kurd, the son of Moula Bakhsh Kurd, was abducted from Mach Railway Station by the Frontier Corps. His whereabouts are still not known.

August 26, 2022: Lala Faheem Baloch, the manager of Ilm o Adab Publishers, was arrested and kept incommunicado by the security forces for three months.

August 27, 2022: Ali, the son of Sohrab, was abducted from his home in the Nondara Bedrang area of Awaran Jhao by Pakistani forces.

August 28, 2022: Kamal, the son of Asif, was arrested by Pakistani authorities during a raid on a home in Dazen, Tump, of district Kech. His whereabouts are still not known.

August 31, 2022: Shafiq, the son of Hayat, was abducted by security forces during a raid on his home in the Khuzdar district of Balochistan.

Cases of Extrajudicial Killings during August 2022

August 02, 2022, Aamir and Imran, Sons of Haji Sanaullah Shahwani of Kharan, were shot dead by the security forces during a raid on their home.

August 04, 2022: Hafiz Nisar Ahmed Badini, a poet and representative of the Syed Hashmi Reference Library in Nushki, Balochistan, was shot and killed by members of death squads near the Sajjad Hotel on Ainuddin Road in Nushki.

August 25, 2022: Salah Ud Deen and Salman, sons of Muhammad Gul Shahwani, were shot and killed by Pakistani security forces during a raid on the home of Professor Saleh Muhammad Shad in Mastung.

September 2022:

Number of missing persons: 13

BHRC verified 13 cases of enforced disappearances during September 2022

September 06, 2022: Saeen Bakhsh, son of Hasil Khan, a resident of Syah Dumb Tehsil Gichk District Panjgur, was abducted by Pakistani security forces from Gichk, Panjgure. His whereabouts are not known.

September 07, 2022: Mumtaz, son of Muhammad Murad, was taken into custody by CTD in the Farooq Chowk district of Khuzdar City. He is missing.

September 09, 2022: Ahsan Ullah, son of Abdul Rasool, a resident of District Kalat, was abducted by CTD personnel in the Kili Sarawan TTC colony, Kharan.

September 17, 2022: Shezad Ahmed, son of Tariq Ali, was abducted by Pakistani security forces from his home in Tehsil Tump, District Turbat.

September 17, 2022: Azum, son of Dinar, a resident of Teertaje Awaran District, became the victim of enforced disappearances when he was detained by FC personnel from a check post in the Nondara Jahoo area of District Awaran.

September 18, 2022: During a raid, Pakistani security forces detained Jalil Ahmed, son of Miskan and Syed, son of Abbas, from Dasht Gwand Siren, Kech.

September 22, 2022: Salman, son of Zahoor Ahmed, a resident of the Mastung district, went missing when Pakistani forces arrested him during a raid on his home.

September 23, 2022: Abdul Nabi, son of Ghulam Nabi Muhammad Hassani, a resident of Gwash, District Kharan, was abducted from a shop in Kharan by security forces.

September 13, 2022: Sher Gull Baloch was taken away by Pakistani forces in Mastung, Balochistan. He is missing.

September 29, 2022: Siraj Ahmed, son of Bahram Khan, a resident of Zehri Khuzdar, was whisked away by security forces near the Awami Hotel, Khuzdar. He is missing.

September 27, 2022: Barkat Ali, son of M. Arif Bangulzai, was abducted by security forces from the Sabzal Road Quetta.

September 28, 2022: The security forces abducted Farid Ahmed, son of Mir Abdul Razzaq Badeni, in Quetta.

October 2022:

Number of missing persons: 35

Number of extra-judicially killed: 15

In October 2022, the Pakistani security forces picked up 35 persons from various parts of Balochistan and Sindh. However, their whereabouts are not known. Moreover, 15 bodies of the victims of enforced disappearances were found in different places.

October 06, 2022: Salal Ahmed, son of Abdul Baqi Badini and Shkuullah, son of Abdul Baqi Badeni, were abducted on October 6, 2022, by the security forces.

October 08, 2022: Umaid Ali, son of Wali Khan Rind, was taken away by Pakistani forces from the Wahdat Colony area of Quetta.

October 08, 2022: Sarfraz Ahmed, son of Ayoub, went missing when security forces arrested him during a raid on his home in Turbat.

October 08, 2022: During a raid on his house in Turbat, Pakistani forces abducted Yousef, son of Pathan.

October 10, 2022: Saif Ullah, son of Azeem, a resident of the Kharan District, was abducted by Pakistani forces at a checkpoint in Ahmedwal, Nushki District.

October 10, 2022: Yahyah Zahid, son of Abdul Hameed Musyani, a resident of Zehri Bulbul, was abducted by Pakistani forces from a football field in the Zehri Nurgamam area of District Khuzdar.

October 14, 2022: Sattar Rahim, son of Rahim Bakhsh, a student from Turbat, was abducted by the security forces from his home. He is still missing

October 14, 2022: Four teenagers named Qamber, son of Umaid Ali; Anas, son of Mula Barkat; Aziz Ahmed, son of Maula Bakhsh; and Asad, son of Maula Bakhsh of district Kech, were picked by Pakistani security forces.

October 16, 2022: Matha Khan, son of Malu Khan Marri, and Hafeez, son of Rozi Khan, went missing when the security forces arrested them in Kot Mandai, District Sibi.

October 18, 2022: Chakar, son of Qayum, a resident of Joosak Turbat; Zuhair Ahmed, son of Aziz Ahmed, a resident of Buleda, Kech; and Siraj Ahmed, son of Imam, a resident of Buleda, Kech, went missing after the security forces arrested them in a raid in the Lyari Cheil Chowk area of Karachi.

October 24, 2022: Fasial, son of Ramzan Muhammad Shahi, a student, went missing when he was abducted by Pakistani forces on the night of October 24, 2022, from Sabzal Road in Quetta.

October 24, 2022: Jabir, son of Pazir Yalanzai; Najeeb Ullah, son of Muhammad Hussain Yalanzai; and Shafqat, son of Abdul Rahim Yalanzai, became the victims of enforced disappearances when security forces arrested them in Kharan.

October 24, 2022: Gaffar, son of Murad Domki, a resident of Dera Murad Jamali, was abducted in Sindh Nowshera Feroz by the security forces.

October 24, 2022: Zirak Domki, son of Bacha Khan Dombki, went missing when he was arrested in Shikarpur, Sindh.

October 24, 2022: Pervez, son of Faiz Muhammad Badeni, a resident of Kharan, went missing after the Frontier Corps arrested him in Kharan.

October 24, 2022: Security forces arrested Mir Ali Shah, Muhammad Iqbal, Nasarullah, and Muhammad from Hub. Their whereabouts are still unknown.

October 25, 2022: Umar, son of Ghulam Qadir, a torture victim of earlier arrest, was summoned by the Pakistan Army to the Randak army camp in Mashkai, Awaran. He is still missing.

October 26, 2022: Saud Naz, son of Rahim Bakhsh, went missing when the security forces picked him up.

October 26, 2022: Ajab, son of Muhammad Musa, went missing after Pakistani forces arrested him from Kharan.

October 27, 2022: Shakir, son of Miah Dad, a resident of Mashkey in district Awaran, was arrested by the police while travelling from Mashkey to Khuzdar. Since then, his whereabouts have been unknown.

October 29, 2022: Dr Rashid, son of Muhammad, was abducted from his medical store in Turbat by Pakistani security forces.

October 31, 2022: Two shepherds, Khaliq Dad and Abdul Hakeem were arrested and forcibly disappeared by Pakistani security forces in Kalat.

Extra-judicially killed in custody in October 2022:

October 02, 2022: Four victims of enforced disappearances were killed by CTD were identified as Jisuf, son of Nawab; Saddam Domki, son of Peer Bakhsh Domki; Ghulam Domki, son of Sher Ali; and Murad, son of Dahni Bakhsh Bugti. They were taken away by the security forces on separate occasions.

October 10, 2022: CTD killed Ubaidulah, son of Sultan Muhammad Satakzai, in a fake encounter in Mastung district's Kabu area. He was abducted by the security forces in 2018.

October 10, 2022: Habiburrehman, son of Abdul Samad Langove, was murdered in a staged encounter in Kabu Matung by the CTD. He was arrested from Quetta seven years ago and has been missing since.

October 10, 2022: Mushtaq, son of Abdul Rasheed; Ali Ahmed, son of Taj Muhammad; Dawod, son of Sher Muhammad; and Niaz Ahmad, son of Abdul Bari, were extra-judicially killed in a staged encounter by the CTD in Kabu, Mastung. They were the victims of enforced disappearances.

October 18, 2022:

Salal Ahmed, son of Abdul Baqi Badini and Shkuullah, son of Abdul Baqi Badeni, were executed by the security forces in a fake encounter (they were abducted on October 6, 2022, by the security forces).

Security forces executed Waseem Tabish, son of Muhammad Sharif (abducted on June 9, 2021, by the security forces); Farid Ahmed, son of Abdul Razzaq Badini (he was kidnapped on September 28, 2022, by the security forces) in fake encounters.

November 2022:

Number of missing persons: 23

BHRC verified 23 cases of enforced disappearances in Balochistan during November 2022

November 2, 2022: Pakistani security forces abducted three persons in Shahrak and Turbat. They were identified as Mughal, son of Muhammad, a resident of Shahrak, Kech; Umid Ali, son of Char Shambay, a resident of Balgatar, Panjgur; and Rustam, son of Nizar, a resident of Balgatar, Panjgur.

November 02, 2022: Majid Ameer, a student, and a resident of Mashkey, Awaran, became the victim of enforced disappearance when the Pakistan army picked him up in Mashkey, Awaran.

November 04, 2022: Ayaz, son of Mubarak, was arrested and whisked away by Pakistani forces in the Lohri area of Gichk Tehsil in Punjgur.

November 04, 2022: Abdullah, son of Habibullah, was kidnapped in Mashkel, Washuk, by Pakistani security forces.

November 04, 2022: The CTD arrested Noroz, son of Haji Khan and Zaheer Ahmed, son of Rahim Bakhsh, in Mastung. They have been missing since.

November 04, 2022: Kaleemullah, son of Ali Gull Mengal, went missing when Pakistani forces in the SheikhHaji area of Kalat picked him up.

November 08, 2022: Dost Muhammad and Muhammad Ismail were arrested and disappeared by the CTD at Lassi Farm on Sakuran Road in Hub.

November 08, 2022: Jan Muhammad and Abdul Wajid went missing after they were arrested during a CTD raid in Quetta.

November 08, 2022: Waliullah Lehri went missing from Kalat after the CTD arrested him.

November 10, 2022: Mangal Khan Marri and Gulzar Khan Marri were arrested by the CTD at Aftab Chowk, Hub. Since then, they have been missing.

November 10, 2022: Wariyam and Muhammad Rahim, sons of Naseer Ahmed Domki, along with their 10-year-old nephew, Sabir, were arrested from Jacobabad, Sindh. Their whereabouts are not known. Meta Khan, the father of Sabir, has already been subjected to enforced disappearance.

November 22, 2022: Waheed Sakhi, son of Saki Dad, went missing after Pakistani forces detained him from the Essa Nagri area of Quetta.

November 27, 2022: Security forces abducted Saleem Baloch, son of Washdil, from the Bazdad area of district Awaran.

November 27, 2022: Arslan, son of Menwar Shah, was abducted by CTD from Sariab, Quetta, after wounding him by a gunshot. Since then, he has been missing.

November 27, 2022: Ghulam Farooq, son of Muhammad Waris, a resident of Zehri, Khuzdar, went missing after Pakistani security forces abducted him from Khuzdar city.

November 30, 2022: Abdul Rasheed, son of Mir Ahmed, was abducted in Mangochar, Kalat, by Pakistani forces.

December 2022:

Number of missing persons: 36

Number of extra-judicially killed: 1

BHRC verified 36 cases of forcibly disappeared persons and one extrajudicial killing during December 2022 in Balochistan

December 02, 2022: Sumair, son of Nisar, a teenage student, was picked up by security forces in Singo Lane, Lyari, Karachi. He has been missing since then.

December 03, 2022: The security forces picked up Habib, son of Guhram, a resident of Kolwah from Turbat, Kech. During a raid on a home in Tasp, Panjgur, the Frontier Corps picked up Qasim, son of Khalil Ahmed. The whereabouts of both are unknown.

December 07, 2022: Pakistani security forces picked up Noor Khan, son of Lallah, a student, from Quetta. He has been missing since.

December 09, 2022: The secret service personnel and the members of the local death squad arrested Chakar, son of Rasool Bakhsh and Sohail Ahmed, son of Abdulla, from Dazen, Tump. Their whereabouts are still unknown.

December 14, 2022: Ghulam Muhammad, son of Nizar Ahmed, was forcibly disappeared by Pakistani security forces during a military raid in Gomazi, district Kech.

Ghulam Muhammad, son of Nizar Ahmed, was taken away by the security forces. He has been missing since then.

December 15, 2022: Rehan, son of Muhim Jan, went missing when security forces in Khuzdar picked him up.

December 17, 2022: The security forces kidnapped Bozou Khan, son of Muhammad Hassan, from Hazar Ganji, Quetta.

December 21, 2022: Diljan, son of Moosa, became the victim of enforced disappearance when Frontier Corps arrested him in a raid on his house in Dazin, district Kech.

December 25, 2022: Naimatullah, son of Abdul Ghaffar and Abdullah, son of Abdul Hafeez, were arrested by the Pakistani security forces in Dazin, Tump. Their whereabouts are still unknown. The security forces picked up Shabbir Ahmed, son of Jumma Khan, in Lanjar village, Mashkey, Awaran. He has been missing since then.

The security forces abducted three youngsters named Syed Jan, Shezad Ahmed and Jahanzeb Baloch from Apsar, Turbat. Their families have not been informed about their whereabouts.

December 27, 2022: Ijaz, son of Miyya Dad, was abducted by Pakistani security forces from Turbat and is still missing.

December 28, 2022: The security forces abducted four young men from Gokdan, Turbat. The security forces abducted Mirza, son of Barkat; Bilal Ahmed, son of Haji Abdul Aziz; Abdul Razzaq, son of Muheem Jan and Muhammad Hanif, son of Ghulam Jan, from Gokdan, district Kech.

December 29, 2022: Nadil Hussain, son of Mubarak Ali from Buleda, was abducted by the Pakistani security forces. His whereabouts are still not known.

December 30, 2022: Faiz Ullah became the victim of enforced disappearance when Pakistani security forces picked him up from Nushki.

December 31, 2022: Siraj Noor, son of Noora and Arif, son of Gajiyan, from Gresha, Khuzdar district, went missing after Pakistani security forces picked them up.

Sabzal, son of Wajdad, a resident of Balgater, district Panjgur was abducted by Pakistani forces from Kalag, district Kech. He is still missing.

The security forces abducted Shahzad, son of Peer Bakhsh, from Koh Murad, Absar, Kech district. His whereabouts are not known.

Baba, son of Shafi Muhammad and Sher Ali, son of Karm Khan, went missing when members of the local death squad abducted them from Gurkai, district Awaran.

Extra-judicially Killed Persons in December 2022:

December 29, 2022: The bullet-riddled dead body of Imran Babo was found in the Bazdad area of Kolwah, Awaran. The security forces picked him up on December 23 2022, from Bazdad, district Awaran.

Harassment of victim's families

The most disgusting aspect of the phenomena of enforced disappearances and extrajudicial killings is the harassment of family members who endeavour to know the whereabouts of their loved ones. The family members and legal personnel who dared to knock at the Pakistan courts' door are told in unambiguous terms the dire consequences of their activities. For example, female family members who staged a sit-in in front of the Karachi Press Club demanding information about their missing family members were brutally baton-charged and humiliatingly arrested by the police in Karachi on May 24, 2022. These included Amna Baloch, the Chairwoman of the Baloch Yakjehti Committee Karachi, Sammi Baloch, the Deputy General Secretary of the Voice for Baloch Missing Persons (VBMP), and Zareena Baloch. The arrestees also included activist Nida Kirmani, a professor at LUMS, Dostain Baloch and the elderly mother of missing Rashid Hussain Baloch.

Relatives of missing people who set up a sit-in camp in front of the Governor's House in Quetta were repeatedly threatened with dismantling their camp. Moreover, their family members who work in government services or private businesses are harassed in various ways.

CPEC: the corridor of death and destruction

Balochistan is one of the wealthiest landmasses in the region, but the Baloch people are one of the poorest in the world. Their poverty is because of the ruthless exploitation of the natural resources of Baloch land by Pakistan for the last 75 years. China has encroached on Balochistan for the previous two decades as a new colonial power. China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is a new collaborative project aiming at the economic exploitation of Baloch resources. Extraction and depletion of natural resources in the guise of developing Balochistan are the main objectives of CPEC. The Chinese firms have already depleted a vast area in the Chagai district of gold and uranium deposits. It is an open secret that the CPEC is not only a transit route for Chinese goods but also an easy way to exploit the vast natural resources of Balochistan. Considering the track record of the ruthless exploitation of natural resources in African countries by the Chinese, there is no doubt that within a few years, Balochistan will be exhausted of its precious resources, plunging any future generations of the Baloch into further economic misery.

One of the impacts of CPEC is the settlement of thousands of people from outside Balochistan, resulting in a demographic change that will convert the Baloch into a minority in their land, ending nearly 800 years of the Baloch domination of the region. In addition, 90 per cent of Gwadar district land has already been acquired by the armed forces or by Punjabi businessmen. In the name of national security, the military establishment has acquired lands not only in Gwadar district but also thousands of acres of land on both sides of the CPEC road and rail links routes.

CPEC has become a corridor of death and destruction for the Baloch. Pakistani security forces have dismantled or burned hundreds of villages and settlements to secure the proposed CPEC rail and road links from Gwadar to China. As a result, thousands of the Baloch are internally displaced, living in miserable conditions in various parts of the country.

Pakistan is waging war in Balochistan without witnesses. Balochistan has been an undeclared no-go area for international media and human rights organizations. Even the diplomats of donor countries, on whose donations Pakistan has sustained itself, cannot go to the interior of Balochistan. As a result, there has been a total blackout of what is happening in Balochistan.

Pakistan uses force with Jihadist zeal to counter the Baloch resistance against subjugation. According to the United Nations General Assembly resolutions, many actions of Pakistani security forces and its auxiliary organizations come into war crimes or crimes against humanity.

In the face of heinous crimes being committed by the Pakistani security forces in Balochistan, it is imperative that:

1. The UN should establish a fact-finding mission to investigate the extrajudicial killings and mass disappearances of the Baloch political and social activists.

2. The UN should bring the perpetrators of the heinous crimes against humanity in Balochistan to justice by initiating cases against them in the international court of justice in The Hague.



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