



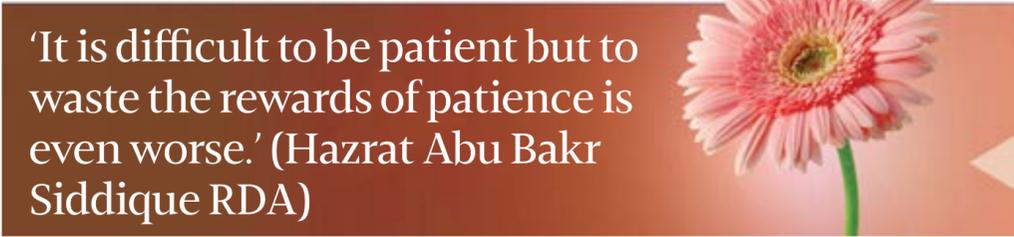
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Be kind to unkind people they need it the most.



'It is difficult to be patient but to waste the rewards of patience is even worse.' (Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique RDA)

## NEWS & VIEWS

### OIC calls for end to hate campaigns against Islam

Ever since the competition was announced, Pakistan raised the issue at the diplomatic level with the United Nations, OIC, and European Union and sensitised world leaders.

The foreign ministers of Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) member countries adopted a strongly worded statement – sponsored by Pakistan and Turkey – denouncing the increasing attacks on Islam, its revered personalities and symbols, and called for an immediate end to such campaigns.



deliberately targeting Muslims and the Islamic religious symbols.

The joint statement rejected provocative acts like the holding of the caricature contest to ridicule Islam, "which was clearly aimed at inciting violence".

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Pakistan also requested the convening of an emergency session of the OIC Executive Committee to take stock of the Page 2

to the most revered personality of Islam. In the statement, which was approved by the ministerial meeting, serious concern was expressed on the intensification of hate campaigns which were

Speaking at the meeting, Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi expressed deep concern over the misrepresentation of Islam as well as at the activities that have hurt the feelings of Muslims all over the world, especially the disrespect shown

### Anti-Islamophobia kit launched in European Parliament

In the wake of growing racism across Europe, a project to counter Islamophobia was launched in the European Parliament on Wednesday.

Experts and academics from across Europe gathered at the parliament for the launch of the two-year Counter-Islamophobia Kit (CIK) project funded by the European Commission's Directorate of Justice.



They called on member states and policymakers to play a more active role in the fight against Islamophobia and strengthen legal procedures on the issue.

The project reviews dominant anti-Muslim narratives and compares counter-narratives in eight EU member states of France, Germany, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Portugal, Greece, and the U.K.

It outlines 10 counter-

narratives that must be prioritized in Europe:

- Challenging and contextualizing constructions of Muslim 'threat'
- Building inclusive nations: challenging exclusive and discriminatory national projects
- Cultural compatibility and conviviality: challenging the narrative separation of cultural and ethnic groups
- Elaborating plurality: challenging narratives of

Muslim singularity

- Challenging narratives of sexism
- Building inclusive futures
- Deracializing the state: challenging institutional narratives
- Emphasizing humanity and Muslim normalization: challenging narratives of division
- Creating Muslim space(s)
- Challenging distorted representation: verity and voice

### UK: Muslim charity supports hospital to tackle suicidal patients

The project, which is led by hospital chaplain David Anderson, aims to improve support for patients within the hospital who may be suffering from a mental health issue.



Al-Khair Foundation, a well-known international charity that helps local, national and international projects, including loneliness and mental health, have donated £500 to local hospital charity ELHT&Me as part of a

mental health initiative for patients at East Lancashire Hospitals Trust (ELHT).

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health issue.

The Chaplain wanted to ensure access to the Samaritans helpline that provides a 24/7 listening service by trained staff for people who are in crisis. Research shows that this service has a positive impact on people feeling suicidal.

"This project will give free access to all our patients at Royal Blackburn Teaching Hospital via the bedside phones to Page 2

## BAIT-US-SALAM UPDATES

### Jamia Baitussalam Talagang: Education Minister and other Dignitaries and Diplomats impressed by the academic standard of Jamia Baitussalam, Talagang



Recently Jamia Baitussalam Talagang is making news for all the right reasons. At various occasions, politicians, diplomats and other dignitaries have visited Jamia Baitussalam Talagang and have been left highly impressed by the standard of

academics both Islamic and contemporary, being followed and implemented there.

A visit by the Provincial Education and Tourism, Mr. Raja Yasir H. Sarfaraz recently made news headlines especially

after his tweet about the institute on his Twitter account which eventually went viral.

He was hosted by Hazrat Maulana Abdul Sattar (DBA) and given a detailed tour of the institute where he also interacted with the students. He later tweeted saying he was very impressed by the students who had very clear expressions and thought process. He also said that these are the kind of institutes that are a vision of the current prime

### Baitussalam Health Unit: Medical camp successfully concluded at Gawadar Development Authority



Alhamdulillah by the grace of Allah (SWT) and duaa of Hazrat Molana Abdus Sattar Sahab (DBA) and the entire team of BBHU another medical camp, held at the Gawadar Development Authority (GDA) Page 2



Raising Children into today's World

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BAITUSSALAM BASIC HEALTH UNIT

Alhamdulillah Bait us Salam basic health unit conducted an eye camp in gawadar, GDA hospital. Under supervision of Pak Army, on 28 & 29 September 2018.

Our team Catered approx 980 ophthalmic patients and performed 25 cataract surgeries. Success ratio was 100 percent

Request for prayers.

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Facts, Events & Beliefs

The Juicy pomegranate

The pomegranate (Punica granatum) is a fruit-bearing deciduous shrub or small tree in the family Lythraceae. Pomegranate is native to a region from Iran through Afghanistan and Pakistan to northern India. It is widely cultivated throughout the Middle East and Caucasus region, north and tropical Africa, South Asia, Central Asia, the drier parts of Southeast Asia, and parts of the Mediterranean Basin.

It is also cultivated in parts of Arizona and California.

Some interesting facts about this delicious fruit are:

- It has multiple spiny branches and is extremely long-lived, with some specimens in France surviving for 200 years.
- The fruit is between an orange and a grapefruit in size, 7 to 12 centimeters Page 2

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