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A Rally on

## Kashmir Solidarity Day

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Organized by

**MUSLIM** Institute

From China Chowk to Press Club, Blue Area, Islamabad.



On 5 February, research think-tank MUSLIM Institute organized a rally in connection with Kashmir Solidarity Day to express solidarity with Kashmiri brethren and to draw attention of the international community towards their plight.





Addressing the participants of the rally, President Azad Kashmir Peoples Party Sardar Khalid Ibrahim Khan, said that the Kashmiris have been rendering all kinds of sacrifices for the last 65 years to get freedom from Indian occupation. Their sacrifices would not go waste and one day bear fruits. He asserted that Indian atrocities cannot dampen spirit and struggle of freedom of Kashmiris. He lauded Pakistani nation for its continued support for the people of Kashmir. He urged the international community in general and the government of Pakistan in particular to play vibrant and effective role for resolution of Kashmir issue.

Columnist and Former Ambassador Asif Ezdi, expressing his views, stated that the government of Pakistan should understand sensitivity of the Kashmir issue and realize that without its resolution all initiatives of improving ties with India would not be durable. He maintained that all such efforts to bypass Kashmir issue have badly failed in the past. He regretted that India is constructing dams on water of Pakistan's share while

we are keen on boosting trade with it. Hence we should pursue the settlement of Kashmir issue not only with India but also at international level.

Jammu & Kashmir Liberation Front's spokesperson Dr. Rafiq Dar also addressed the rally participants and stated that the Indian forces are inflicting worst kind of brutalities to suppress the voice of Kashmiris and Indian has enforced numerous dark laws in Indian Held Kashmir to consolidate its occupation. These inhuman laws are blatant contravention of international charters on human rights. The Kashmiris should be given right of self-determination.

All the speakers lauded MUSLIM Institute for raising case of the Kashmiris. The rally originated from China Chowk and culminated at Press Club. The participants were carrying placards condemning Indian occupation of Kashmir, human rights abuses by Indian forces in IHK and also demanding of UNO / international community to ensure right of self-determination for Kashmiris as per UN resolutions.







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