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No Muslim is born *Jihadi* or has any genetic predisposition to turn into a Jihadi.

Up to the last century, the concept of *jihad* in Islam was generally all about struggling against one's own soul, ego, arrogance, false pride, false assumptions, jealousy, greed and an ongoing conscious effort towards self-improvement and self-purifications from harmful mundane worldly things.

The other *jihad* for taking arms was only for the self-defense, when there was the question of 'survival' as a Muslim at the time when there was no Muslim country in existence in the world. This kind of situation ceased to exist over thousand years ago, within decades after Islam was established as a religion.

To promote *jihad* for the purpose of establishing "Islamic State" is a diabolical politically motivated cultish barbaric doctrine that has no place in the original religion of Islam.

*Jihadi* ideology has become today an indispensable tool to create an army of indoctrinated barbaric fighting force that plays the role of "proxy army" willing to fight for any rogue nation against other rival political forces within the country or on foreign lands against rival nations that are unwilling to yield, regardless of the religion or the political doctrine of the rogue nation(s).

Terrorism, based on *Jihadi* ideology, has become a trillion dollar business for dozens of nations, justifying mass genocide, mass displacement of large populations of civilians and turning well developed nations into becoming "failed states".

### **Pre-Jihadi mentality:**

Having a pre-Jihadi state of mind is not a mental illness. It is a 'learned mindset' with a significant religious overlay that gradually surfaces and evolves when the young Muslims are exposed to an ongoing organized theological indoctrination, which routinely takes place in madrasas and other religious institutions in every Muslim country.

Such a theological drilling, with distorted religious concepts labeled as "Islamic" imparts a pre-Jihadi mindset, which in turn primes the apparently harmless naïve Muslim youth to become a potential target to be lured by the recruiters of terrorist organizations and turn them into a walking, talking time bombs.

### **Predisposing Factors:**

Marginalization of the role of critical thinking and intellectual autonomy in the Muslim community and its cultural acceptance is the principal cause of Muslim adults being significantly unmindful of the existence of pre-jihadi mindset in their youth.

Unlike other mass murderers, who most likely have horrific childhood, the full-fledged Jihadis more likely come from a stable family background with no unusual childhood experiences.

Even if there is a history of childhood trauma in a Jihadi, there have been no studies that would clearly establish a cogent causative relationship between the history of the childhood traumas and the evolving religious beliefs.

However, there are enough experiential indications to establish a concordance between the prevalence of the contents of the sectarian religious pre-Jihadi mindset of the Muslim children and youth with what

is repetitiously emphasized in religious teachings at home, *madrassas*, and schools in any Muslim society.

This theological orientation of young Muslims takes place over years through religious material they are exposed to. Children and youth receive religious orientation through the use of religious tapes and videos, and sermons and *Khutbas* given by local clergy.

Except for a tiny minority, most of the Muslim scholars very craftily indoctrinate Muslim youth and adults by mistranslating and misinterpreting Quranic verses in the context of non-Quranic literature comprising of hundreds of thousands of oral narrations that were compiled (most of them fabricated, contradictory and often vulgar and misogynistic) by dozens of writers, 250 years after the death of Prophet Mohammad (pbuh), insinuating as if coming directly from the Quran.

The same Muslim scholars regularly marginalize the importance of the Quran by elevating the status of man-written ahadith and other non-Quranic non-divine “Islamic literature” to be as sacred and essential as the Quran itself, and assert that Quran is incomplete and incomprehensible without the knowledge of ahadith and the rulings of past Muslim rulers.

The sad part is that this type of indoctrination, in violation of all Quranic principles, takes place 24/7 throughout the Muslim world, with the majority of Muslim families being completely unaware of the tactics the Muslim clergy use in misguiding and misinforming them and their young children. This happens due to the fact that the majority of the trusting Muslims depend on the Muslim clergy to tell them what Islam is all about since they have been brainwashed to believe that the only way to gain knowledge about Quran is through the interpretation of their religious leaders.

Along with the misinformation, the clergy also puts a pressure on the Muslims to accept the opinions of scholars without questioning. It is a kind of a cultish approach that prohibits critical thinking and gradually eliminates intellectual autonomy, a crucial natural (*fitra*) component of human nature, without which it is impossible to be a real human being and develop righteousness (*taqwa*).

### **Features and beliefs in religious teachings that are obsessively and zealously adhered in a pre-Jihadi Mindset:**

1. An illusionary belief that establishing “Islamic State” would solve most of the problems of Muslims.
2. They tend to give an excessive attention and significant religious value to external “Islamic garb”, like man maintaining a beard, women being asked to move around covered with *hijab* or *burqa*, and so on. For them displaying an “Islamic garb” is equal to displaying righteousness or *Taqwa*.
3. Their religious indoctrination gives an exaggerated importance to ahadith literature, almost to the extent that ahadith are perceived to be almost as crucial and divine as the Quran itself. They believe that it is impossible to understand Quran without the help of ahadith.

4. They also believe that even the understanding of ahadith must be acquired only through the interpretation of the Muslim scholars.
5. They feel very apprehensive of using critical thinking in the matters of religion. It is almost a taboo. They depend almost 100% on the opinion of Muslim scholars or what ahadith permits them to do, even if it is conflicting with the Quran.
6. They view the Quranic verse the Al-Baqarah 2:256 (*There is no compulsion in the Deen of Islam*) has either been abrogated by God, or must be selectively applied, depending on which hadith they are referring to.
7. They are resistant to the idea of interpreting the Quranic verses in the full context of the Quran alone.
8. Anything that is perceived bad that happens to Muslims is blamed either on "God's will" or on the "conspiracies of non-believers". Problem solving, and recognizing and resolving conflicts are not part of one's religious paradigm.

### **Mental Status of pre-Jihadi youth and adults:**

#### **Thinking Process:**

- Denial is the most common mental mechanism these pre-Jihadis display when confronted with their irrational religious feelings and shortcomings.
- They show polarized thinking and divide the world into "believers" and "non-believers" and claim that only they are qualified to define who is a believer and who is not.
- They are too quick to pass judgment on others, especially those who disagree with them and tend to over-generalize and label those with different opinions or beliefs.
- They lack out-of-the-box thinking and intellectual autonomy, and are increasingly prone to "think locally and act globally", instead of "thinking globally and acting locally".

#### **Thought Contents:**

- Their religious beliefs system is based on false assumptions and thinking errors that they never dare to verify.
- They believe all 'infidels' are enemies of Islam and will go to hell.
- They selectively experience no guilt, remorse and have no empathy for those who become victims of the Political Jihad.
- They demonstrate a tunnel vision seeing everything in their dogmatic delusions.
- They tend to condone violence against non-Muslims. They often say with a smirk: "They deserved it".
- They narrow down the definition of Shariah to mere crime and punishments.
- They are very distrustful of anyone who does not use ahadith literature as a reference for forming a religious opinion. Giving Quran as a sole reference is against their basic doctrine.

#### **Prognosis**

- Not all individuals with pre-jihadi mindset become Jihadis.

- But all Jihadis begin with pre-Jihadi mindset, which means that they are only predisposed to later radicalization by the psychopathic rogues of various terrorist organizations.
- Most of the pre-Jihadis who get recruited[i] in the United States receive their indoctrination on the Internet. The material they are exposed on the Internet readily resonates and reinforces their pre-jihadi religious orientation.
- The good news is that only an extremely tiny minority comes in contact with terrorist organizations and ends up becoming a full fledged Jihadi terrorists.
- The bad news is that majority of the Muslim youth and adults are exposed to pre-jihadi and non-Quranic sectarian religious orientation in the form of sermons, *Khutbas*, Islamic lectures, speeches and Islamic courses on tapes and videos.

### **Impact of pre-jihadi religious ideation on both Muslim & Non-Muslim communities:**

Even if only 0.001% of Muslim population (1.6 billion) of the world becomes indoctrinated to become extremists, we are still talking about 1.6 million Jihadi human robots, who are willing to die by acting as human weapon of mass destruction for the benefit of powerful greedy predatory elite of the world that includes both Muslims and non-Muslims.

That is why the Muslim World cannot afford to remain indifferent to the diabolical wickedness that noxiously hides in the non-Quranic Muslim sources and literature.

### **Prevention**

It is crucial for Muslim community to recognize the clinical significance of the existence of pre-Jihadi mindset in Muslim youth and adults. If one does not see a problem as a problem, there cannot be any incentive to solve it.

Any information, opinion or fatwa from Muslim scholars that is in conflict with Quranic principles, must be rejected.

Any hadith that is quoted, regardless of its claimed authenticity, if it is in conflict with Quranic principles, must be rejected.

In order for Muslims to know what is in conflict with Quranic principles, they must seriously consider educating themselves and acquiring knowledge about the principles in the Quran. This would also require every Muslim to re-activate their critical thinking and use it to enlighten themselves with Quranic principles. Without their knowledge it would be impossible to understand and assess which Quranic principle is being applied, when any specific Sunnah of Prophet (pbuh) is promoted by the Muslim clergy.

The Muslim community must be discouraging dogmatic and rote education that focuses only on memorization of Quran without understanding its real message, and pushing students to assimilate everything about “Islamic literature” loaded with beliefs and information that violate basic Quranic principles and have no relevance to the realities of 21st Century.

The Muslim community must require Islamic educational institutions to have staff with faculty members and scholars who not only have good insight into the true message in Quran, but also simultaneously have academic degrees in natural, formal and social sciences.

In addition, the Muslim community must also require Islamic educational institutions to restructure their curriculum material and to exclude all obnoxious religious materials from the "Islamic" literature, including those ahadith that are in conflict with Quranic principles and have no relevance to the context of 21st Century.

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