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**TALIBAN: It's foundation and Allies**

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**ABSTRACT:** This research refers to the foundation of Taliban and with the support of Saudi and Pakistan they took over Kabul in the year 1996. The clash between Gulbadin Hikmatyar and Burhanuddin alliance benefited the Taliban and Pakistan found another proxy by taking over Kabul instead of HIG ( Hezb-e-Islami Gulbadin). Ahmad shah Massoud held Kabul for many years but at the hand he left kabul. Kandahar, the home of Taliban and all of Taliban law and orders were manufactured there instead of the city of interest. Before the formation of Taliban and after the withdrawal of USSR, Afghanistan was gripped under the civil wars that not only allowed Pakistan to change its proxy but also Afghanistan was connected with the major militants functioning there.

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**AFGHANISTAN : THE PLAYGROUND OF EMPIRES AND POWERS:**

Afghanistan " *LAND OF AFGHANS*", a country that is situated in the Central Asia portion of the globe that is considered and remembered by its geographical value and aspects that connects Central Asia with South Asia by touching its boundary with Balochistan and Kyber-Pashtunkhwa. Afghanistan isn't a country or region that comes under invasions in the 20th or 21st century rather then with such a huge history this country is surrounded with the continuous invasions of Powers. The word AFGHAN was historically given to the Pashtuns ( Major ethnic group in Afghanistan with the huge population in Pakistan as well.) by the Persians but then Britishers tries to misunderstood the pashtuns and makes distances between Afghans and Pashtuns while Afghan isn't a term that is only supposed to be a national identity or nationality rather than it is the term for ethnicity. Persians give that term to Pashtuns because most oftenly Pashtuns are considered as the descendents of Prophet Sulieman ( Solomon ) and his son was named " Afghan". This region was not only ruled by Pashtuns rather than this region was controlled by Aryans, Acahemenids ( Persians ), Greeks , Turks , Mongols and Arabs as well centuries to centuries and not so long Russians and Americans came as well. What makes Afghanistan mountains uncontrollable? The basic and the most valid answers are geography due to which powers compete with one another. But what kind of location? Afghanistan was conquered by invaders to move to the Indian subcontinent easily because that area makes a great connection with the Indian Subcontinent. Alexander The great first defeated the Achaemenid empire and their rule in Afghanistan then in the year he conquered India in the year 326 BC by defeating Porous ruler of India and then makes him as his regent as written in Abdul Hai Habibi research,

Ghaznavids , Ghorids ,Mongols ( Fails to take control over India stopped by Alaudiin Khilji ) , Afsharids , Durranis all applies on the same context.

After all that ancient and old powers, new powers generated after the completion of World War II, were the US and USSR. The USSR was established in the year 1922 due to which it became the first country that ruled upon Communism and Marxist-Leninist ideologies. That followed the clash between capitalism and Communism and the Cold war while the Soviets in Afghanistan was the major option for the United States to stop the Soviet Union and crushed them in the going cold war and what keeps the vision that works with high extant as well. United States, Saudi Arabia and other America's European allies provides the aid of about 10b\$ in which four to five billion was given by US and the rest of them by KSA or EC to Mujahideen and the aid was distributed with the help of ISI, while on the other hand USSR spent about 45b\$ against Mujahideen and to its ally means the Pro-Soviet government of Afghanistan. What makes a common element? The Afghans were the common element, the government that the USSR supported were Afghans while the Mujahideen that US supported were Afghans too. That similarity moreover leads towards the Civil wars as visioned by Dr. Najib ( Former Afghan Leader). For both of the sides an Afghan was used, they were used just like a "tissue paper" some of them on religion and some of them on ethnicity and communism vs capitalism by the imperialists.

## BACKGROUND

Taliban, an organization that was started by the status of madrassa run by Mullah Muhammad Omer, an ethnic pashtun of Hotak tribe of Khilji clan that was a part of Mujahideen Confederacy during Soviet Afghan ( 1979-1989 Part of Cold war ) to combat with Soviet Union troops that was landed on Bagram Airbase on December 1979. However Mullah Mohammed Omer was the master-mind and the founder of the Taliban organization but he was not alone any more including him the other fellow such as Hibatullah Akhuzada ( current supreme leader of Taliban and the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan), Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar ( vice prime minister of the Islamic Emirate ) while the " Baradar" was given to him by Mullah Muhammad Omer similar to the word " Brother" and in pashto " Wrór", including Mullah Zaeef ( Former diplomat and Afghanistan's Ambassador in Pakistan from (2000-01) them were the Co-founders of Taliban organization alongside with their "Amir ul Momineen" .

When the Geneva accord that was signed in Geneva, switzerland on 1988 led to the withdrawal of Soviet troops and in the year 1989 the USSR under the leadership of the General secretary of the communist party of Soviet Union and the first and last president of USSR ( UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS) then at that tenure Syed Muhammad Najibullah Ahmadzai commonly known as Dr.Najib who was General Secretary of PDPA ( people democratic party of Afghanistan) and was the president of Afghanistan from year 1987-1992. After Soviet's withdrawal Mujahideen that were Heroes for the other participant of the Cold war as *United states of America* ( 1947-1991) they were struggling to de-throned Dr.Najib that was supported by Soviet Union and his government of PDPA was widely considered as the Pro-soviet government, that government that was an ally of USSR, due to which PDPA and the Afghan government was in support of Soviet against the rebellious mujahideen such of them were Haqqani Network, HIG ( Hezbi Islami Gulbadin) led by the first prime minister of the Islamic state of Afghanistan named Gulbadin Hikmatyar, Osama bin laden , Aymen Zawahiri, and other prominent Tajik ethnical Guerrilla commander named " Ahmad Shah Massoud" , who was the defense minister of the Islamic State of Afghanistan ( 1996-2001). The following Mujahideen led towards the rebellion against the president Dr.Najib.

Aftermath of the Soviet Afghan led towards the start of the first Afghan civil war that was started from the year 1989 by the battle of Jalalabad which followed the functioning of the civil war. During that Civil war the Mujahideen overthrow the president in the year 1992 which further leads the formation of the Islamic State of Afghanistan ( 1992-1996) through peshawar accord in which the autonomy or power was distributed among the giants Mujahideen), within the help of Pakistan and ISI ( Inter -service Intelligence) Mujahideen got victorious in the civil war. After the formation of Islamic state of Afghanistan again a civil war continuous that is called as ( Second Afghan civil war) that starts in between the Gulbadin Hikmatyar organization and his arch rival Northern Alliance of Burhanuddin Rabbani, the president of Afghanistan during that time while the other co-founder of Northern Alliance named Ahmad Shah Massoud was chosen and given the ministry for defense but he decline still he was the most prominent member of Burhanuddin's alliance called " Northern Alliance".

## MULLAH MOHAMMED OMER

Mullah Mohammad Omer, founding father of Taliban student movement and then turns it into a militant organisation that was considered as the Radical Islamist organization and Global terrorism organization deals in Afghanistan. However Mullah Omer was a native of Kandahar and was studying Islamic religious study that was interrupted due to the cameo of Soviets and the beginning of Soviet Afghan war in between the Mujahideen and the Government of Afghanistan and USSR. He also took part in the Jihad against the Soviets. At a young age his father dies due to which the family responsibility just comes on his arm. He sent his family to the Uruzgan( Province of Afghanistan nearer to Kandahar) due to ongoing war. During the First Afghan Civil war against Dr.Najib he moves out and tries to de-throne the rule and

regime of him within the Hezb-e-Islami of Yunus Khalis called " Hezb-e Islami Khalis" ( 1989-1992). One of his eyes was de-functioned due to the rocket explosion near to his eye due to which one of his left side eyes was completely blind at all. Mullah Omer further formed a separate Islamic religious movement and organization that found links with Pakistan and other Islamic countries.

## PAKISTAN AND GULBADIN'S PROXY

Before making any kind links with Mullah Omer and his organization, Pakistan was closely associated with Gulbadin Hikmatyar and his militant organization named " Hezb-e Islami Gulbadin" in short "HIG" that was a faction of Hezb-e-Islami but then in 1979 it splitted in between Yunus Khalis and Gulbadin's factions at all. When Mujahideen took the power of Afghanistan in 1992 then at that moment Burhanuddin Rabbani and Ahmad Shah Massoud took Kabul, both of them were non Pashtuns and hailed from the Tajik ethnicity of Afghan national identity. Burhanuddin Rabbani was declared as the President of the Islamic state of Afghanistan after succeeding sibghatullah mojaddedi. By 1772 till 1992 Kabul were in hand of the pashtuns but suddenly Kabul falls into the hand to Tajiks and Northern Alliance that included Rabbani and Massoud including uzbek militant General Rashid Dostum who was military general during Dr.Najib's tenure but then in 1992 he revolted against the President of State while stands at that columns where the non-pashtuns militants stands to far.

After Pashtun's ruling on Kabul for three-hundred years Kabul fell into the hands of Tajiks and for that purpose Gulbadin was continuously backed by Pakistan to take coordination on Kabul but continuously he failed. Now Pakistan was searching for another Pashtun organization that would provide the security regarding Pashtuns rule on Kabul and thus the rising Taliban was the best of the better option to take its proxy all over Afghanistan including the city of interest " Kabul".

## BIRTH OF TALIBAN:

Mullah Omer moves to the maiwand district of Taliban for job where he opens a madrassa ( An islamic school ) and was educating the students. Once two young girls were raped by the militants of Kandahar in their camps then at that moment Mullah Omer with thirty students of his madrassa that had about 16 rifles attacked on the camp and frees the student. Following on a kind of another moment also came in Kandahar that made Mullah Omer as Hero in the eyes of locals.

"The most credible story, told repeatedly, is that in the spring of 1994 Singer neighbours came to tell him that a commander had abducted two teenage girls, their heads had been shaved and they had been taken to a military camp and repeatedly raped. Omar enlisted some 30 Talibs who had only 16 rifles between them and attacked the base, freeing the girls and hanging the commander from the barrel of a tank. They captured quantities of arms and ammunition. 'We were fighting against Muslims who had gone wrong. How could we remain quiet when we could see crimes being committed against women and the poor?' Omar said later.

A few months later two commanders confronted each other in Kandahar, in a dispute over a young boy whom both men wanted to sodomise.

In the fight that followed civilians were killed. Omar's group freed the boy and public appeals started coming in for the Taliban to help out in other local disputes. Omar had emerged as a Robin Hood figure, helping the poor against the rapacious commanders"

"Taliban: Islam, Oil and a new great game in Central Asia by Ahmad Rashid"

That moment boosts the confidence of the *RADICAL ISLAMISTS* that later became a huge surrogate of Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. Mullah Rabani, one of the co-founder of Taliban, met with the president Rabbani that the president told him that we will provide help to you but for that you have to move against Gulbadin Hikmatyar and its organization.

### RISE OF TALIBAN:

As it is a well known point that Taliban later became a major friend of ISI (Inter-Service-Intelligence). When Benazir Bhutto became the prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the second tenure in the year 1993 then at that moment she decided to start the trade route on land with Central Asia for that moment first the Northern route of Peshawar to Jalalabad and then to Kabul due to the ongoing war in Kabul, for that purpose the southern way was put forwarded of Chaman, Spin Boldak (Kandahar) to Herat and then to Turkmenistan that decision of the trade route was moreover supported by the Smugglers as well. Naseerullah Babar was the interior minister of Pakistan and all of the activities were done under his ministry for interior provisions. Before the meeting a huge blow came at that moment when Taliban attacked the transport mafia camp of Gulbadin Hikmatyar with the support of Pakistan and ISI. Now Nasserullah Babar sent thirty trucks of Medicines to Afghanistan that was stopped the commanders of Kandahar, then talks were done between Colonel Imam (Prominent ISI officer in Afghanistan) and the Commanders of Kandahar and according to the commanders view they were imagining that there are arms in the trucks. The Militants asked for the goods and also stated that they have to stop supporting the uprising organization or movement. The headlines were made in Pakistan as Pakistan's trade trucks were hijacked in Afghanistan by Kandahar warlords or commanders. At the moment an idea just circulates within the vision of Pakistan then why not we should call the Taliban? Here comes the support of Taliban with Pakistan whom the state calls the Taliban for help and then they didn't only free the trucks but also obtains control over the region of Kandahar (The birthplace of Taliban), that Taliban further took control over Zabul and Oruzgan without any use of weapon and the other eastern provinces including Kabul in the year 1996 by competing with opponents alliance. The popular Haqqani network joins Taliban in the year 1995 under the leadership of Jalaluddin Haqqani (Haqqani disliked the declaration and announcements of Taliban in Kandahar rather than Kabul), father of current interior minister Siraj Haqqani commonly known as *Khalifa*.

### OSAMA-OMER DUO

Osama Bin Laden, the first Amir and founder of Al-Qaeda militant organization, had founded its organization in Peshawar. Once Osama Bin Laden stated that "Saudi had chosen me as their representative in Afghanistan while he was living in Peshawar that was nearer to Pak-Afghan border. He founded Al-Qaeda in the year 1988 in Peshawar and became one of the closest allies of Taliban later where he opened Military training camps in Afghanistan. In 1996, he was invited to join "Taliban while in the same year Osama Bin Laden declared war on the Saudi Royal Family and America. Following the year 1998, he attacked on the U.S embassies in Zimbabwe and Tanzania due to which Taliban shows in response towards Afghanistan and attacked on the military training camps in which the training was provided to mostly Afghans and Pakistanis for Kashmir Jihad. In which Mullah Omer responded that "Osama is our guest". In Khost training camps of Al-Qaeda, the training regarding Kashmir was given to the mujahideen that was supported by Pakistan as well on the basis of geo-political conflict. When Osama declared war on the U.S in 1996 and in 2001 the 9/11 incident occurred in the International Centre "New-York", Al-Qaeda was an ally of Taliban and was enrolling within the territory of Afghanistan. After several weeks of 9/11, U.S invaded Afghanistan by the help of Pakistan and ISI, war in Afghanistan was started and the regime of Taliban was dethroned, crackdown was started against the mastermind of New-York planes attack.

"If you want your territorial sovereignty is respected then should respect other territorial sovereignty and do not give your soil to foreigners for attack"

YOUSAF RAZA GAILANI

### ROLE OF MADRASSAS

Madrassa plays an essential role in the foundation of the student movement and in its participation so far. The start was taken from the Madrassa and till the end Madrassa were the common supporters of Taliban.

However, Omer's didn't study in Pakistan but most of Taliban's members got their education from JUI madrasas. JUI madrasas that were running on "*Chandas*" and providing education alongside with the military training. Before Pakistan's connection with Jamiat-ulema-e Islam, the state was quite connected with the Jamaat-e Islami while they were ignoring the body of JUI. In 1993, when Benazir Bhutto and Maulana Fazl Rehman became allies with one another then at that moment Rehman's made engagement with ISI so far.

Jamia-Haqqani plays an essential role in that figure, Sami Ul Haq Haqqani a prominent member of Darr-ul-ulum stated once that "I told the ISI, let the student take over Afghanistan" beside of that He also put forwarded that provides the opinion of making a student movement because the ISI body will just divide you by making a part". In fact in the year 1997 Mullah Omer called Sami Haqqani for help then Haqqani closed the madrassa where the students would move to

join the Taliban. The recruitment of those students in the madrasa was the most important factory of militants and radicals that was trained and further transported for the purpose of Jihad.

### **LAWS DURING THE FIRST REGIME OF TALIBAN:**

- > Womens should not go outside, if they go then they must not wear fashionable clothes.
- > The women education was banned and the women's rights regarding wisdom were completely exploited.
- > Communication between male and female doctors is strictly banned, and if they do then it will done under Hijab.
- > Female patients should go to female doctors in case a male doctor is needed, female patients should be accompanied by her close relatives.
- > The driver should not pick a female who had worn an " Iranian Burqa".
- > Beard shaving was banned, if someone had shaved his beard then he would be moved to custody till that time when the beard hadn't grown.
- > Music and dances in weddings were banned and incase of violation the head of the family will be punished
- > Kite shops were abolished
- > Religious staff should pray on mosques on time
- > Female doctors should wear simple clothes not any kind of fancy clothes should be worn at all.

### **TALIBAN , JIHAD, EXTREMISM AND SOCIETY:**

Jihad means Holy Islamic war, that widely considered as the most sacred act after " Hajj". Islam only contains five pillars such as " Tauheed, Salah, Fast, Zakat, Hajj" while the rank of Jihad comes after all this five pillars. Jihad is mentioned in the Quran 41 times in several places and verses. There are several kind of Jihad such as " Jihad with ( Nafs ), Jihad with wealth, Jihad with weapon ( Violence ), Jihad with words. Islam does not mean towards the offensive Jihad all the time unlike the interpretation of Radical Islamization based movements and scholars. The society is being used on the name of Islamic extreme activities while the real face of Islam is just far away from the fake theories, concepts and thoughts. The radicals and as well as the textbooks taught in Pakistan had manipulated the mindsets of youths by promoting or glorifying wars and violence. Its best example is such that when Taliban established shariat in Kandahar then Pakistanis from Balochistan and North-Western side went to kandahar to join Taliban, that taliban that promotes violent and offensiveness. This point shows that how much the people of rural areas are just mis-used in the name of the religion just be doing the extreme-interpretation that would taught the students to idolise Osama's, Omar's , Abubakar Al Baghdadi's , Abu musab Al Zarqawi, Aymen Al Zawahiri's and many others. This all comes due to the lack of wisdom and literacy.

As of 2022, the literacy rate in Afghanistan was 37.3% including 22.6 for womens and 52.1 for mens ( Unesco). Moreover on the other side the literacy rate on the Balochistan side and Pashtunkhwa side is terrible as well. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa literacy rate is 56.1% ( 2020) that makes the province as the third literate province of the country. While the literacy rate in Balochistan is 54.5% that makes Balochistan as the most illiterate province of the country.

### **ISLAM AND VIOLENCE, PEACE**

'Fight in the cause of God those who fight you, but do not commit violence, for God loves not violents'

KORAN- 2/190

"Whoever kills a human being ( that isn't culprit but innocent) it shall be as he has killed all the mankind"

KORAN -5/32

" And do not go wickedly on earth, causing and corruption"

KORAN - 2/60

"The best jihad is to spoke a word of truth against an oppressive ruler "

Sunan Ibn-e Majah

### **TALIBAN AND ISLAM :**

The Taliban policies were completely fulfilled within the extreme interpretation of Sunnah and Quran while their organisation was named on the motto of Islam but the reality is just bitter. The children with weapons spread terrorism all over Afghanistan and spread the *FALSE ISLAM* all over the Afghans territory. Here are some reports about explosions and children /students requirement not only Taliban but in ISIS as well.

"In more than 20 years of armed conflict, the Taliban have reportedly used children as fighters, to plant and detonate IEDs, and as suicide bombers. There were reportedly thousands of children in their ranks, often trained in madrassas and recruited through force and threats, deception, promises of money or other incentives. Children were recruited to Taliban ranks during their time as an insurgency and according to some sources, child recruitment has continued after the takeover. An Afghan analyst estimated that thousands of children may remain in Taliban ranks. However, the Taliban have formed a commission to remove child soldiers from their ranks, and today they usually avoid recruiting boys that are too young by rejecting those without a beard. The source added that the idea of childhood ending at 18 is seen as a Western construct, and that in a country where the large majority of the people do not know their date of birth or their age, becoming an adult at 18 'makes very little sense', and oftentimes the age is estimated."

(report of european union agency for asylum)

"In Kunduz province, the Taliban have increasingly used madrassas, or Islamic religious schools, to provide military training to children between the ages of 13 and 17, many of whom have been deployed in combat."

(Report of Human Rights watch)

"About 300,000 more girls are missing out on school since UNESCO last carried out a count in April 2023, it said on Thursday and warned that "the future of an entire generation is now in jeopardy ".

(report of Al-Jazeera)

"On May 8, the Taliban attacked USAID-funded, U.S.-based aid organization Counterpart International in Kabul, killing four civilians and a policeman, and wounding 24 others. All attackers were killed after a six-hour battle with Afghan security forces.

"On July 1, a Taliban attack against the Afghan National Army Logistic and Armory Directorate involved a VBIED and five gunmen attacking the compound. The attack killed 40 civilians and wounded more than 100, including men, women, and children, in an adjacent school"

"On September 5, the Taliban detonated a suicide car bomb in Kabul killing 12 people, including an American paratrooper and a Romanian soldier. The explosion also injured more than 40"

"On December 11, the Taliban conducted an attack on a hospital adjoining Bagram Airfield killing two and wounding 80 others, mostly civilians. No Coalition fatalities were reported."

"The United States partners with Afghanistan in a bilateral CT effort through Operation Freedom's Sentinel. The U.S. military, along with 38 other Coalition nations, also supports the ANDSF through the NATO Resolute Support "Train, Advise, and Assist" mission. In 2019, the Taliban and the affiliated HQN increased terrorist attacks targeting Afghan civilians, government officials, and members of the international community. Additionally, ISIS-K continued to attack civilians and especially targeted religious minorities. The enemy-initiated attack trend in 2019 defied its usual seasonal pattern; while in most years, such attacks decrease in cold-weather months, they remained consistently high following the summer fighting season. ISIS-K, elements of al-Qaeda, including affiliate AQIS, and terrorist groups targeting Pakistan, such as TTP, continued to use the Afghanistan-Pakistan border region as a safe haven. Afghanistan is also the only member of the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS from South and Central Asia"

(report of U.S department of State in 2019)

"During its 20-year insurgency, the Taliban employed suicide bombers as a lethal tool to kill foreign and Afghan government troops and terrorize the civilian population"

(report of radio free europe)

We will ask them (Arabs) to leave our country. Bin Bin

Laden does more harm than good,' Masud said in 1997 after he had been ousted from Kabul by the Taliban."

" LET THE STUDENTS TOOK OVER AFGHANISTAN TOLD BY SAMI UL HAQ HAQQANI TO ISI"

Ahmad Rashid book ( Taliban , oil, Islam and a great new game in central Asia)

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