

DARK DAYS DEADLY NIGHTS

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FEW INSTANCES

"Eyewitnesses said that on the evening of Friday, two teenage boys were picked up by the BSF, immediately, after a Freedom Fighter attack in the Narparistan, area of Srinagar. The two were shot in the head and chest from point blank range by the BSF and their dead bodies were thrown on a road, which were recovered by the local police early this morning, from Narparistan locality. The deceased were students of the 10th class." (33)

"Arrested persons were taken to an interrogation center. In the interrogation, Ghulam Ahmad was subjected to third-degree torture. During the course, he succumbed to torture methods administered to him." (41)

"A woman was raped by the army personnel in a small hamlet near Batote in Doda district. During the intervening night of December 24 and 25, two army personnel of recently deployed Rashtriya Rifles barged into the house of one Akhtar Hassain at Dharmond Chanpa Batote in district Doda and raped his wife Ms Jamiran." (51)

"Ghulam Ahmad Rather R/O Najdiwan Kangan, a teacher by his profession was killed in custody by the BSF personnel. According to the eyewitnesses Ghulam Ahmad was arrested by the BSF personnel on 28th Dec during a crackdown and was taken to the interrogation center where he was killed and the next day his dead body was handed over to the local police." (56)

"Abdul Rehman Bhat was arrested by the BSF personnel from Banday Bagh Ganderbal, 10 days back. He was taken away to the interrogation center where he was subjected to torture. Due to severe torture, Abdul Rehman died in custody. His dead body bearing severe torture marks was handed over to the local police by the BSF." (59)

DECEMBER 1994

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
174	127	157	810	309

^{*}Tables Depicting the killings, injuries, arrests by IOF in IOJK (December 1994)

ABOUT THE REPORT

Dark Days Deadly Nights is the collection of testimonies of the Kashmiri civilians who were brutally massacred by the Indian occupying forces. The study has also identified the perpetrators of war crimes and crimes against humanity with their units and ranks in the army and paramilitary force. Besides, the study is an eye opener for the world community and to the judicial institutions that there is an absolute impunity in IIOJK to 900,000 Occupying forces to perpetrate atrocity crimes.

LFK has been archiving various investigative reports that have donned invisibility. Our aim is to bring such work into the public domain. Dark Days Deadly Nights covering December - 1994 is an attempt to disseminate the defiant work carried out by Institute of Kashmir Studies - IKS, Srinagar.

LIST OF PERPETRATORS

IOF Units Involved	Details
125 Battalion BSF Srinagar unit	Two Boys were shot in the head and chest from point blank range by the BSF and their dead bodies were thrown on a road.
2 nd Lieutenant N. Vidya Sagar, 125th Battalion Jammu and Kashmir Light Infantry	On 14/15 December 1994 Khazir Mohammad Akhoon was arrested and his bullet ridden dead body was found on 15 December 1994. Khazir Mohammad Akhoon had been dragged out of his house.
Rashtriya Rifles Indian Army	Mrs. Jamiran Begum, wife of Akhtar Hussain from Dharmond Champa Batote, was raped by two personnel of Rashtriya Rifles in her house on the night of December 24th and 25th, 1994. An FIR under 116/94 dated 25.12.94 was registered at the relevant police station.
Dlbagh Singh (IPS)Jammu & Kashmir Police	He was posted as superintendent Police in Kashmir and carried Joint counter insurgency operations with BSF.
Commanding Officer R. K. Singh of 9 Para- Commandos, Army, Srigufwara Camp, Islamabad	Gul Mohammad Ione R/o Tangloo, Duroo in Islamabad district was killed in custody by Commanding Officer R. K. Singh of 9 Para- Commandos, Army, Srigufwara Camp, Islamabad,
Major A. K. Abbot, 4th Sikh Regiment, Army and Subedar Gurmail Singh, 4th Sikh Regiment, Army	In December 1994, Bilal Ahmad was shot dead by SI Bhagwan Das and cash/jewellery worth Rs.72,000 were taken from his house.

CRITICAL SUMMARY

The situation in Kashmir has been marked by a disturbing pattern of human rights violations and 'Atrocity crimes' over the past three decades. This includes extrajudicial executions, destruction of civilian properties, molestation, rape, arson, and heinous acts like burning individuals alive. The torture of youth in interrogation cells and mass massacres of civilians have continued relentlessly, with no signs of abating. India's failure to fulfill promises to Kashmiris and its disregard for UNSC Resolutions on Jammu & Kashmir have been key factors leading to the escalation of peaceful protests into armed resistance.

This report, based on testimonies from December 1994, highlights a concerning trend of impunity for Indian occupying forces in perpetrating atrocities against the Kashmiri civilian population. The month witnessed 33 extrajudicial and custodial executions, including 16 innocent civilians and one government employee. Daily occurrences suggest a reign of terror, characterized by an increase in custodial killings, arbitrary arrests, humiliation, and torture of government employees.

Journalists' offices and residences were raided, with their professional equipment and facsimile apparatus seized. Cordon and search operations, as well as crackdowns, became a daily routine, subjecting Kashmiris to humiliating identification parades.

The documented alarming trend necessitates immediate criminal accountability against the identified perpetrators and units from the Indian occupying forces in Kashmir. This accountability is imperative to uphold human rights and ensure justice in the region."

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
3	2	1	7	-

Doctor Mehraj-ud-Din was subjected to severe torture by the Border Security Forces (BSF). Several persons were beaten indiscriminately. Five youths were arrested from Polo Ground Srinagar during an identification parade.

Islamabad (South Kashmir): The BSF personnel conducted search operations at Bichroo village of Islamabad district. Four persons were arrested from the village during the search operations.

Baramulla: The BSF personnel conducted search operations at Janbazpora, Chattergan these areas during the search operations. Four persons were arrested from Baramulla town Kamal Kote and Ander Kote areas of district Baramulla. Five persons were arrested during search operations.

Kupwara: Three persons were arrested from Lolab Kupwara during search operations.

Budgam: Kenoora, Kulhama, and Rohama villages of district Budgam were cordoned off by the BSF and conducted house-to-house searches and identification parades. Two persons were arrested during the search operations.

Public protests:

A complete strike was observed today across the valley in response to the call given by Ikhwanul Muslimeen.

The organization had called the strike call to protest against the arrest of its vice chairman, Sajjad Ahmad Kenu. All shops, business establishments, and government and semi-government offices remained closed, and transport was also off the roads.

Sopore township also observed a strike, to mourn the killing of Shaheed Hakim Naveed Anjum, at Kote Balwal jail. At Zaldagar in Srinagar large number of people held protest demonstrations against the killing of a civilian, Manzoor Ahmad Sheikh. The protesters

were raising pro-freedom and anti-BSF slogans and were demanding the implementation of UN resolutions on Kashmir.

III-Treatment of the journalists:

Fayaz Bukhari, chief sub-editor of Greater Kashmir was arrested by the BSF personnel at SMHS hospital today. The forces cordoned off the hospital premises at around 1345 hours. The patients, attendants, and doctors were asked to parade before informer-borne gypsies in the hospital compound. Besides Mr Bukhari, five employees of the hospital were also arrested.

Mr Bukhari was taken to the interrogation center at Karan Nagar, where he was detained for several hours. He was subjected to humiliation and persistently questioned. It was after frantic queries and efforts by the GK management, that he was released at about 2030 hours.

His identity card was retained by the forces. Two of the staffers of GK, including the editor-in-chief, Fayaz Ahmad Kaloo, and Senior correspondent, Rashid Mehmood who were present in the hospital along with a group of journalists, were picked up from a ward and were forced by the BSF personnel to lead them to the canteen. The forces used both of them as a human shield and were then subjected to an identification parade, despite disclosing their identity.

III-Treatment of the Employees:

Three employees of the chest disease hospital were arrested by the BSF personnel at Zaldagar in downtown Srinagar. The three employees identified as Farooq Ahmad Haji, Bashir Ahmad Sheikh, and Ali Mohammad Sheikh were dragged out of the ambulance in which they were traveling and were severely beaten up, on the spot they were later taken to some interrogation/ torture center.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
3	1	4	32	27

Custodial death:

Riyaz Ahmad Zargar resident of Yaripore Kulgam was killed by the BSF after his arrest. The local people of Yaripora reported that Riyaz Ahmad was arrested by the BSF personnel at the on-sport interrogation center. Later on, bullets were pumped into his body in full public during a crackdown operation He was subjected to severe torture during the interrogation, in the on-spot interrogation center. Later on bullets were pumped into his body in full public view.

Details of the crackdown/search operation In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Forest Gali in the civil lines area was sealed by the BSF personnel today. The pedestrians, shopkeepers, and government employees were ordered to assemble at one place for the identification parade. During the identification parade before informers, ten persons, including Bashir Ahmad Wani S/o Mohammad Sultan R/o Chadoora Budgam, Manzoor Ahmad S/o Gani Dar R/o Nishat, Srinagar, Hilal Ahmad S/o Ghulam Mohammad Dar R/o Kathidarwazah, Mohammad Ashraf Khan R/o Pladium Gali, Bilal Rashid S/o MehrajuDin Ahanger R/o Safakadal, Parvez Wani S/o Jalal Din, Nazir Ahmad Shagan S/o Mohammad Shaban R/o Barapathar Batmaloo was arrested by the BSF personnel. Abdul Rehman Bhat commander in chief of Al-Mujahideen was arrested by the BSF from the Pondach area, while one Al-Jehad district chief was arrested in the Jamai Masjid area of downtown Srinagar.

Baramulla: Five persons were arrested by the BSF at Khanpora in Rafiabad Baramulla during a search operation. Four of the arrested persons were identified as Ajaz Ahmad Mir, Mohammad Yaqoob Mir, Zahoor Ahmad, and Mushtaq Ahmad. Model Town of Sopore was cordoned off by the BSF personnel today and house-to-house searches and identification parades were carried out. The Brother of an armed resistance fighter was arrested by the BSF from the area. Ghulam Hassan Mir was arrested by the BSF personnel from Deewan Bagh during a raid.

The Shawlipora area was sealed by the BSF personnel early this morning. People of the area were called out of their houses for the identification parades. One vegetable seller Lal Din was arrested during the crackdown. Two persons were arrested from Nowpora during a raid. One Mohammad Ashraf was arrested by the BSF personnel from Mohalla Batpora in Sopore during a raid. The BSF personnel stationed at Chatoosa in the High School building cordoned off Dozna, Pazoolpora, Katrooji, Hamam Markoot, and other adjoining villages in Rafiabad. During the search operations, villagers were subjected to torture. Riyaz Ahmad Mir, Mir Malik, Mohammad Younis, and Abdul Rashid, shopkeepers were severely tortured by the BSF personnel.

Pulwama: The BSF personnel conducted search operations in many areas of Tral town. People were subjected to identification parades, during which nine persons were arrested.

Budgam: One person was arrested by the BSF personnel from Budgam.

Public protests:

State Road Transport Corporation employees observed a strike today in protest against the "cold-blooded" murder of Manzoor Ahmad by the BSF at Zaldagar, yesterday when he was returning from duty.

The employees gathered this morning outside the corporation complex on the Moulana Azad Road. They raised slogans against the inhuman attitude of the BSF personnel. The slogan-shouting employees were stopped by the police which forced the protesting employees to board the buses. They wanted to foot the distance up to the downtown, residence of their slain colleague. The buses had black strips to symbolize mourning as well as concern. SRTC buses remained off the roads today even the Jammu-bound corporation vehicles were halted in protest against the killing of Manzoor Ahmad.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
5	4	3	38	9

Details of the crackdown/search operations.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Khanyar, Kow Mohalla, Mashali Mohalla, Nawpora, Kalipora, Akal Mir, and Sheergari Mohalla were cordoned off by the BSF personnel early this morning. People of these areas were called out of their houses and were subjected to identification parades before the masked informers. Eight civilians were arrested during the crackdown operation. House-to-house searches were also conducted by the BSF personnel.

Four persons were arrested from Soura Anchar during a search operation.

The BSF personnel laid siege to several localities from Batawara to Panthchouk on the outskirts of Srinagar city and conducted house-to-house searches and identification parades. Over half a dozen persons were arrested. One person was arrested by the BSF from the Lalchowk area of Srinagar.

Budgam: Sutharan, Khanpora, and other adjoining areas were sealed by the BSF personnel and conducted house-to-house searches and identification parades. Three youths were arrested from the Sutharan area during the search operation. Searches were also launched in a vast area of Chadoora in district Budgam by the BSF personnel where five youths were arrested.

Pulwama: Four persons were arrested by the BSF from Littar Pulwama during a search operation. The arrested persons were identified as Ghulam Nabi Mir, Bashir Ahmad Rather, Mushtaq Ahmad Mir, and Ghulam Naib.

Baramulla: The BSF personnel arrested one Nazir Ahmad Dar from a Muslim peer in Sopore during a raid. Dozens of civilians were beaten up by the BSF in the villages of Goshibugh and Osan Chandarhara during a search operation. Ghulam Mohammad Yatoo and Ghulam Ahmad Yatoo, father and son were also arrested by the BSF from the Goshibugh area.

Public protests

People of Khanyar held a protest demonstration against the arrest of innocent civilians by the BSF. The protesting people were raising slogans against the BSF personnel and were also demanding the immediate release of the arrested persons.

At Batwara people held protests against the arrest of six innocent civilians.

The paramedical staff of all hospitals observed a strike today in protest against the excesses committed by BSF men on patients and doctors in SMHS hospital during a search operation.

The paramedical staff and other employees did not attend to their duties except in the emergency unit of the hospitals. The two-day strike call was given by the medical employees' federation in protest against the BSF high handedness in the SMHS hospital during a search operation.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
11	5	2	36	5

Details of the crackdown/search operation:

The following areas of the Kashmir valley remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: BSF cordoned a vast area from the general post office to Abigazzar including the press enclave in the civilian area this forenoon. All the people moving on the roads, shopkeepers, and their customers besides the workers of various hotels were made to assemble at two different places and subjected to identification parades. Five persons were arrested and whisked away to some unknown destination. A large number of newsmen who had to reach their offices in the press enclave were not allowed to enter the besieged area till the operation was over. 26 persons were arrested from Tankipora during a search operation.

Kupwara: The army personnel sealed the village Nagasri in Kupwara district, and launched a search operation.

Pulwama: The Lalgam, Tral, and Awantipora areas of district Pulwama were cordoned off by the BSF and conducted search operations. Many civilians were tortured during the operation. Several youths were also arrested by the BSF.

Jammu province

Doda: BSF cordoned off the Doda town and launched a massive search operation in and around Doda. The operation was still going on in the area. Meanwhile, the operation launched by Rashtriya Rifles in the Tetani area of Thathri was in progress. The movement of the people has been restricted in the area of operation.

Public protests:

Women from Abiguzzar held protest demonstrations against the arrests. Protesters said that innocents were arrested by the BSF. At Lalgam, Tral, and Awantipora, a large number of people held protest demonstrations against the excesses committed by the BSF and the arrest of innocent.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
10	3	1	15	-

Custodial deaths:

Two Freedom Fighters were killed in custody by the army after their arrest in the village Garend in Budgam district. Eyewitnesses reported that the two youths identified as Farooq Ahmad Soibugh and Farooq Ahmad of Garend were arrested by the army personnel during a search operation in the village Garend.

They were taken inside a building housing a rice mill, where they were first subjected to physical torture, and later volley of bullets were showered on them by the army killing both on the spot.

One villager of Jamangar of Shopian was killed by the BSF after arresting him from the hotel where he was working.

Residents of Shopian reported that Ghulam Mohammad Khan son of Mohammad Abdullah Khan was working in one of the hotels of Rajouri. Residents further said that Ghulam Mohammad Khan came to Shopian recently. Soon after his return to Rajouri he was arrested by the BSF and was killed in custody police sources and witnesses said that then were visible torture marks on the body of Ghulam Mohammad Khan.

Details of the crackdown/search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Three persons were arrested by the BSF from Srinagar during a search operation Searches were also conducted in Barzulla during which several persons were arrested.

Indian forces raided the house of advocate Abdul Rashid Dar at Rajbagh. Household things were damaged during the raid. The BSF personnel conducted a search operation in the Pamposh colony today. One Imam of a local mosque was arrested during the crackdown. The local people reported that Imam is a resident of Calcutta and has no connection with Freedom Fighters.

Baramulla: Rashtriya rifles cordoned off village Aloosa in Bandipora and conducted house-to-house searches and identification parades parents of the militants were tortured during the search operation. The tortured persons include Mohammad Ramzan Malik, Ghulam Mohiddin Dar, Haji Ghulam Ahmad, Ghulam Nabi Dar and Ghulam Ahmad Dar. Mohammad Maqbool owner of a hotel was arrested by BSF from Baramulla. Raj Rifles of the regular army headed by Major Murad entered the village Lamar Uri at 8 pm last night. Several youths were arrested and tortured on the spot leaving them half dead. The tortured youths include Mohammad Ayoob Khan employee in the electric department, Bashir Ahmad Bhat, Mohammad Maqbool Bhat, Ramzan Check, and Mohammad Yousuf. In village Mahoorab 30-year-old Abdul Hamid Tantery was severely tortured by the three different regiments of army during three raids on his house. He was also kept in detention for many days. he has been lying in bed for the last one month. His legs, back, and arms are injured due to the torture.

Eight persons were arrested from Baramulla district. Four civilians were arrested from the Ajas area of district Baramulla.

Islamabad (South Kashmir): Two persons were arrested from Islamabad during a search operation.

Budgam: Two persons were arrested from Garend village of Budgam district by the army during a search operation.

Public protests:

Hundreds of people took to the streets at Garend village in Budgam district, to protest against the death in custody of two youths. The protesters were raising pro-freedom, pro-Islamic and anti-Indian slogans. The area witnessed a complete shutdown today in protest against the killing of the two. All shops business establishments and offices remained closed. Transport also remained off the roads.

Almost all ration depots and offices of the Food and Supplies department remained closed today. The employees were protesting against the torture in detention of one of their colleagues Mohammad Ismail Mir who was released by BSF late last evening.

Mohammad Ismail was arrested by the BSF from Tankipora yesterday along with other 25 persons. BSF released at least three persons late last night. They include the Food and Supplies department employee. All three bore visible torture marks on their bodies. In the Pamposh colony, Srinagar people held strong protest demonstrations against the arrest of a local Imam of a mosque. The protesters were raising slogans against the BSF and were demanding the immediate release of the arrested Imam.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
1	6	-	24	1

Details of the crackdown/ search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Habbak locality of Srinagar district was cordoned off by the BSF personnel early this morning. People were called out of their houses for the identification parade. Sixteen persons were arrested during the identification parades.

Baramulla: In village Gangal, 10 km from Uri one employee of Kamraz Rural Bank was arrested by the army personnel during a search operation. The arrested employee was identified as Mohammad Ayoob Khan R/o Gangal. One youth was arrested by the BSF from Sopore in Baramulla district.

Budgam: Wugangam and Drang villages of Budgam district remained under siege for the second consecutive day today. These areas were cordoned off by the BSF yesterday by the army and launched search operations.

Public protests:

In Gangal Baramulla people held strong protest demonstrations against the arrest of a civilian Mohammad Ayoob Khan. The protesters were demanding his immediate release.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
6	2	11	33	35

Details of the crackdown/ search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The BSF personnel Cordoned off Jamalata, Aali Kadal, Nawab Bazar, Fateh Kadal, Zaldagar, Gurgadi Mohalla, Rehbab Sahib, Ganz Khud Pather Masjid, Dalal Sahib and several other localities in downtown Srinagar on December 7, 1994. The cordon lasted for 13 hours. ironically, no search operations were conducted in the besieged localities. People in these areas were ordered to remain indoors. At least half a dozen localities of Ganderbal were cordoned off by the army today, the cordoned localities include Tengpora, Khanpeth, Dodarhama, Dhobi Mohalla and Malpora, and Manigam.

People of these areas were called out of their houses for the identification parades. Despite heavy rainfall people were subjected to an identification parade, during which at least two dozen persons were arrested, later on, one dozen persons were released in a half-dead condition. Released persons were immediately shifted to Soura Medical Institute for treatment. Severely injured persons include Bashir Ahmad Shah, Mohammad Amin, and Farooq Ahmad. Two persons were arrested by the BSF from Tankipora. At Chattabal BSF personnel raided a Darasgah, (Islamic School) 12 persons including a teacher Mehraju-din were arrested and were taken to the Karan Nagar Interrogation/Torture Centre.

Pulwama: The BSF personnel conducted cordon and search operations in Soof Shali Pulwama.

Budgam: The BSF personnel arrested one person Altaf Ahmad, from Khushipora in district Budgam.

Baramulla: The BSF personnel conducted a search operation at Sopore, Baramulla, and arrested one person BSF arrested three persons from Raza, Chanakhan in Sopore today. Two of the arrested persons have been identified as Abdul Ahad, 40, and Nisar Ahmad. Residents said that several houses were ransacked by the BSF in the locality.

Public protests:

The people of Chattabal held protest demonstrations against the arrest of 12 persons by the BSF. The protesters staged a demonstration outside the Karan Nagar interrogation center. They were demanding the immediate release of the arrested persons.

The employees of the Education Department held a strong protest demonstration against the arrest of one of their colleagues, Ghulam Mohammad Rather. They were demanding the immediate release of Ghulam Mohammad.

III-treatment of the Employees:

The BSF personnel conducted search operations in the premises of the education department located at Johnson Lane, Regal Chowk area of Srinagar city today. One clerk Ghulam Mohammad Rather of the department was arrested by the BSF and was taken to some unknown destination. The employees of the education department said that at the time of his arrest, Ghulam Mohammad was going to bring stationery from the stationary department.

The employees of the education department have demanded the immediate release of Ghulam Mohammad.

III-Treatment of the Journalists:

BSF personnel today raided 2 Partap Park in the press enclave, the residence of Mukhtar Ahmad Shah who works for Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC), The Independent London, The Arab News, The Independent of Bombay, Mid-Day, and Inquilabi Today.

A BSF party came to the residence of Mr. Shah at 9.30 am and arrested him he was taken to the Papa II Interrogation Centre. his facsimile apparatus was also taken away by the BSF. Mr. Shah said that he was beaten up and was asked by the BSF to reveal the organization, he is affiliated with. He further said that "I was also asked by the BSF about the Freedom Fighter prereleases and press conferences". He was released at 1830 hours after day-long questioning and humiliating interrogation and torture.

The BSF also arrested a reporter of the Daily Mirror of Kashmir and Akhbar-e-Now, Mohammad Shafi Mistri, from his residence at Jawahar Nagar in Srinagar today. He has been lodged at the Papa-II Interrogation.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
6	1	4	24	2

Details of the crackdown/search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Islamabad: BSF conducted search operations at Bijbehara town in district Islamabad. 10 persons were arrested during the search operation.

The RR unit sieged the Utrasoo, and Nagagund localities of district Islamabad. The entire population of the village was later asked to come out of their houses and beaten up at random by the army troops. Residents said that during the identification parade that followed several youths were picked up.

Baramulla: Four youths were picked by the BSF from Dhobipora and Jamia Qadeem localities of Sopore during the cordon and search operation.

Badgam: One youth was arrested by the BSF from Hamchipora, Chadoora in district Budgam during a search operation.

Pulwama: Tral town was cordoned off by the army on 6th December, and launched search operations. The people of Tral were subjected to identification parades, despite heavy rainfall. Due to a severe cold 95-year-old Hafeezullah got a paralyses attack. In the town, BSF continued search operations for the third consecutive day today.

Kupwara: The BSF personnel conducted search operations at the Pazipora, Mirhama, and Somnaz areas of district Kupwara. One person was arrested from Pazalpora. Missing person

An employee of Kamraz Rural Bank, Mohammad Ayub Khan of Gingh Uri is missing in custody. He was arrested by the Grenadier regiment of the army on Sunday last. Eyewitnesses said that at the time of his arrest, he was beaten on the spot and taken away in a critical condition by the army. When the relatives of the persons approached the army authorities, they denied his arrest.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
-	3	9	10	6

Details of the crackdown/search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: BSF conducted a search operation at Rawalpora locality of Srinagar. One person was arrested by the BSF personnel. BSF personnel cordoned off Batamaloo and conducted searches and identification parades. Many innocent youths were picked up by the BSF and whisked away to the nearby interrogation center of Karnagar. Two persons were arrested from Khani Kahi Moulla.

Pulwama: One person identified as Mohammad Yaqoob Wani was arrested by the BSF from Pulwama during a raid.

Islamabad: One person was arrested by the BSF personnel from Islamabad during search operations.

Baramulla: Two persons were arrested from Baramulla, during search operations conducted by the BSF Personnel.

Kupwara: Two aged persons were arrested by BSF personnel in a remote hamlet of Kupwara after a raid on their houses. They were in search of their sons who are believed to be Freedom Fighter. Meanwhile, BSF personnel were carrying out massive search operations in various areas of Kupwara.

Public protests

In Maisuma huge crowds came out on the streets to protest against the cold-blooded murder of a youth by the BSF. The protesters were raising pro-freedom, pro-Islamic, and anti-Indian slogans and were demanding the implementation of UN resolutions on Kashmir.

Shopkeepers pulled down their shutters as a mark of protest.

The arrest of two aged persons in the district of Kupwara triggered protests. A large number of people protested and demanded immediate release of the arrested persons.

Indiscriminate use of force:

Mohammad Ashraf Bhat resident of Maisuma was showered volleys of bullets in cold blood by the BSF personnel this afternoon at Batamaloo, where he was putting up a shop for repairing vehicles.

Eyewitnesses said, that "the BSF action came in retaliation to a Freedom Fighter attack, and after the encounter was over the BSF men barged into the mechanical shop of Mohammad Ashraf and murdered him extra-judicially."

The deceased Mohammad Ashraf was the only bread earner of his three sisters and a widowed mother. Official sources maintained complete silence over the killing of Mohammad Ashraf.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
5	8	2	23	27

Details of the crackdown/search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: BSF personnel conducted search operations at Batamaloo locality of Srinagar city people of the area were called out of their houses and were subjected to an identification parade in front of the informers. Five persons were arrested from the area of Bachpora, Illahi Bagh, and Firdous colony and were cordoned off by the BSF at 9 am today. Three persons were arrested during the search operation. At Khayam Chowk the BSF personnel conducted an identification parade. Six pedestrians were arrested during the identification parade. One person was arrested by the BSF personnel at Hawal.

Budgam: One person was arrested by the BSF during search operations at Beeru in district Budgam. One person was killed at Ganjipora in district Budgam during a search operation.

Baramulla: One youth was arrested by the BSF during a search operation at Dahlipora in district Baramulla.

Pulwama: Tral township remained under the crackdown for the 5th consecutive day today. Over 90 persons were subjected to third-degree torture.

Public protests

Around 10 am, a procession led by the JKLF President, Mr. Mohammad Yaseen Malik was taken out from the Maisuma locality. The protestors in the procession raised profreedom and anti-India slogans.

As the procession reached near the Exchange Road, the policemen lobed dozens of smoke shells and resorted to a cane charge along with the CRPF and BSF men who used gun butts. The processionists were dispersed but they regrouped themselves and marched towards Badshah Chowk where they were again tear gassed and cane charged.

The JKLF leader was hit by gun butts and he fell unconscious and started bleeding from his mouth. He was taken to a police hospital in the control room, along with three others injured by the policemen.

Mr. Yaseen was leading the procession to hand over a memorandum to the Secretary General of the United Nations, Dr Boutrus Boutrus Ghali, through the United Nations military observer office at Gupkar.

Hundreds of students, teachers, and ministerial staff of Kashmir University also tried to march toward the UNO office to protest against the rights violations. They were also charged and tear-smoked by the police and BSF.

On the occasion of Human Rights Day complete strike was observed in the valley today in protest against the violation of human rights by the Indian forces. All shops, business establishments, government and semi-government offices remained closed.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
2	2	2	9	7

On 11th December 1994, Bilal Ahmad was shot dead by SI Bhagwan Das and cash/jewellery worth Rs.72,000 were taken from his house.

Details of the crackdown/search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Two youths were arrested by the BSF from Gojwara. Two youths were arrested from Rajouri Kadal.

Baramulla: One person was arrested by the BSF personnel from Sopore during a search operation BSF personnel conducted search operations at Loweypora, Khayar, and Onagam in Bandipora.

Public protests

Hundreds of people took to the streets and held protest demonstrations against the excesses by the army at Tral town in district Pulwama today.

The protesters were raising slogans against the high-handedness of the army personnel.

The protesters reported that the crackdown on the township lasted for five consecutive days and was lifted only this morning. They further said that over 90 persons, a large number of them youth were subjected to third-degree torture. Heavy rollers were administered over their legs and electric shocks were given to them "Even aged persons were not spared and they were also brutally beaten up and tortured.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
6	2	5	18	23

Custodial deaths:

One civilian was killed by the BSF at Gund Kanal in Kupwara district, after his arrest. According to the local people, 65-year-old Sardar Mohammad Gojri R/o Gund Kanal was arrested by the BSF personnel and was taken away to the interrogation center. He was severely tortured during the interrogation resulting in his death. Today his dead body bearing severe torture marks was handed over to his family members by the local police.

Details of the crackdown/search operations:

The following areas of the valley remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The BSF personnel cordoned off village Manigam in Kangam tehsil, in district Srinagar.

Budgam: One person was arrested by the BSF from Budgam during search operations.

Islamabad: One person was picked up by the BSF personnel, during a search operation BSF personnel also arrested a teenage girl Shafeeqa Bano from Kulgam. She was taken interrogation/torture center.

Baramulla: Batapora, Dangerpora, Wakooro, Muqam, and Awoora localities of Sopore town were cordoned off by the BSF personnel and conducted search operations. Public protests

At Gund Kanal, people held strong protest demonstrations against the custodial killing of a 65-year-old civilian. Protesters were raising pro-freedom and anti-India slogans and were demanding the implementation of UN resolutions on Kashmir. People of the Kulgam area held protest demonstrations against the arrest of a teenage girl. They were demanding her immediate release. In Tral, Medical staff, today held a protest against the excesses met out to the concerned doctors and the driver. The hospital was ransacked by the Indian forces during a six-day search operation. The doctor on duty and ambulance driver were arrested and tortured severely.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
3	6	2	44	17

Details of the crackdown/search operations In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The BSF personnel cordoned off Bachpora, Onta Bhawan, Habbak, and Malbagh areas in the wee hours on Dec 13, 1994.

Two persons were arrested by the BSF from Malpora Kangan. The BSF personnel laid a siege around the house of Abdul Wahab Beigh at Rambagh at 2.30 a.m. Abdul Wahab'd son Bashir Ahmad Beigh and his friend Zahoor Ahmad, who was also staying in his house as a guest were dragged from their beds beaten, and taken away to an unknown destination. The house was ransacked during the operation and the whole family was tortured during the raid.

According to local people, Bashir Ahmad and Zahoor Ahmad are neither Freedom Fighters nor have they any connection with the Freedom Fighter groups. Bashir Ahmad is a mason and a mechanic BSF personnel who conducted a raid on a house at Habba Kadal, during which three persons were arrested. Two youths were arrested from Chinkral Mohalla during a raid.

Baramulla: the BSF personnel conducted search operations at Sadra Bagh Baramulla. Fifteen persons were arrested by the BSF during a search operation in Baramulla town. Several persons were severely beaten up by the BSF personnel. Meanwhile, the Kunzur area remained besieged for the second consecutive day today. Army men were conducting house-to-house searches and identification parades.

Budgam: The BSF personnel laid siege around the house of one Abdul Gani Naseem divisional president of the People's League at Fallchal Budgam. During the raid, Abdul Gani's 18-year-old son was severely tortured by the BSF. electric shocks were administered to the other family members.

Public protests:

At Malpora Kangan huge crowd took to the streets to protest and mourn the death of a youth Indian slogans. A complete protest strike was observed at Malapora and its adjoining areas killed in cold blood by the BSF personnel. Protesters were raising profreedom and anti-today, in protest against the killing.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
16	7	6	19	17

Custodial deaths:

I) At Malpora Kangan in district Srinagar one youth identified as Ghulam Mohammad Reshi was killed by the BSF soon after his arrest. The residents and eyewitnesses reported that Ghulam Mohammad was arrested by the BSF men when he was sleeping in his house. As soon as he was identified by an informer, he was shot dead on the spot by the BSF.

II) Hamdaniya colony Bemina was cordoned off by the BSF early this morning. People of the area were subjected to an identification parade during which eight youths were picked up.

One Khodím Hussain alias Abdul Qadoos R/o of Suthra Shahi was shot dead by the BSF personnel soon after his arrest in full public view, later on, his dead body was handed over to his family members by the local police.

III) Gul Mohammad Ione R/o Tangloo, Duroo in Islamabad district was killed in custody by Commanding Officer R. K. Singh of 9 Para-Commandos, Army, Srigufwara Camp, Islamabad, the eyewitnesses reported that Gul Mohammad was arrested by the BSF during search operations on December 10. He was taken away to the interrogation center where he was subjected to physical torture and later on was shot dead by the BSF personnel. His dead body bearing torture and bullet marks was handed over to the police by the BSF yesterday after being in their custody for two days.

Details of the crackdown/ search operation In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown

Srinagar: Saloorah Sayedpora, Sandhbal, and Sehbal villages of Ganderbal tehsil of Srinagar were cordoned off by the BSF personnel today and conducted search operations, which were going on in these areas. No one was allowed to enter or leave the besieged areas. Eight youths were arrested from Hamdania colony Bemina during a search operation. Two youths, were arrested by the police task force at Regal Chowk from an Auto, Four pedestrians were arrested by the BSF personnel from different areas

of the city. Meanwhile, Ontabawan and its adjoining areas remained besieged for the second consecutive day today.

Baramulla: Wagal Wagoorah village 14 km from Baramulla was cordoned off by the BSF this morning. One civilian Mohammad Ramzan Rather, who was washing his face on an over was shot dead by the BSF without any provocation. BSF personnel also conducted search operations at Sheeri and Redhamarni several persons including Abdul Raheem were rested during the crackdown operation. The BSF personnel conducted search operations at Salamabad Uri. Dozens of civilians were beaten up during the crackdown.

Kupwara: The BSF conducted a search operation in Keegam in district Kupwara one person was killed.

Public protests:

At Bemina large number of people came to the streets today to protest against the custodial billing of a youth. Hundreds of protesters were raising pro-Islamic, profreedom, and anti-Indian slogans.

Protesting crowds also came out on the streets at Tangloo, after a dead body of a youth was handed over to his family members. the protesters were raising pro-Islamic, profreedom, and Indian slogans they were also demanding implementation of U.N resolutions on Kashmir.

The adjoining areas of Illahi Bagh and other neighboring quarters observed a complete strike today in protest against the military action at Ontabawan. Shops schools and banks remained closed in the wake of the strike and traffic also remained suspended.

Kashmir-based journalists stage a demonstration in front of the office of Divisional Commissioner Kashmir against the "repressive measures" of the government on press persons in the valley.

Journalists from all ranks assembled at the press enclave Pratap Park but were denied permissionby heavy security Bandubust to proceed to the Divisional Commissioner's office in the form of a procession. This led to small groups marching towards the Tankipora office where the scribes squatted for about three hours.

In Jammu, hundreds of Muslims held demonstrations against the police's highhandedness in indiscriminately arresting a large number of people of the minority community, their harassment and torture, while in police confinement. The demonstration was organized by the Muslim Federation Jammu on whose call the Talab Khatikan area and other Muslim-dominated localities observed a complete strike today. All shops and business establishments belonging to the community members were closed.

In the morning a massive silent procession was taken out which paraded various streets. The demonstrations were carrying banners and placards protesting against the police atrocities and high handedness, indiscriminate arrests of innocent persons, and torturing of the arrested youth during interrogation.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
16	12	12	22	24

Custodial Deaths:

I. Mohammad Ramzan Dar, an activist of Hizbul Mujahideen was arrested by the BSF from Gouripora Sopore, a few days back during a search operation. He was taken away to some interrogation center. However, on 14th December his dead body bearing torture marks was recovered near Wadoorah locality.

II. On 10th December three civilians identified as Gulzar Ahmad, Ghulam Nabi Bhat, and Abdul Rehman were arrested by the forces from the Qazigund area. They were taken away to the interrogation center. However dead body of Gulzar Ahmad Rather was handed over to his relatives Yesterday evening. Meanwhile, Ghulam Nabi was released in injured condition and Abdul Rehman's whereabouts were still not known.

Details of the crackdown/search operation: In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: During the last night army personnel of 125 Battalion of BSF conducted a raid on the house of one Khazir Mohammad Akoon, and arrested him. Eyewitnesses said that they heard, the sound of three bullet shots just after some time of his arrest. At Bassant Bagh one Mohammad Yousuf owner of Bombay Auto Centre was arrested by the BSF from his shop. At Shah Mohalla, one shopkeeper Manzoor Ahmad Bhat S/O Abdul Khaliq Bhat was arrested by a BSF patrol party. Abdul Jabbar, a well-known contractor and a city reporter for a daily paper was arrested by the BSF from Malkhah locality of Srinagar. Eight youths were arrested from the Karanagar locality. Mushtaq Ahmad son of Ghulam Hassan Wani R/O Thamni in district Pulwama was arrested by a BSF patrol party at court road. He is working as an office boy for the Urdu daily Uqaab.

Islamabad: BSF conducted a search operation at Aroo Kulgam in Islamabad district. Several civilians including Mohammad Qasim Lone, and Ghulam Mohammad Dar were severely tortured by the BSF personnel during the search operation. One civilian identified as Mohammad Yasin Dar was arrested by the BSF from the area.

The BSF personnel also conducted a search operation at Bruchoo hamlet of Islamabad.

Baramulla: Five persons were arrested by the forces from district Baramulla. Dangerpora and Warabpora localities of Sopore town were sealed by the BSF personnel today. Three civilians identified as Mohammad Maqbool Lone and Abdul Jabbar Hajam, both employees of a block development office, and Abdul Majid Bhat were arrested from Wadoora, during a search operation.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
4	8	8	18	8

Custodial Deaths:

I) Khazir Mohammad Akhoon of Soiteng was killed by the army while in their custody. An eye witness said that Khazir Mohammad was arrested by the army personnel of 125 Battalion on the intervening night of 14th and 15th December during a raid on his house. They further said that they heard the sound of three bullets shot just after some time of his arrest. "They said," in the morning we all rushed to the interrogation center (temporarily created in a school building) and found pools of blood and pieces of brain tissues lying on the ground.

Since then, the residents of the area demonstrated several times and knocked on every corridor of power to know about his whereabouts.

Significantly today morning army personnel cordoned off the whole Soiteng area and were trying to throw one dead body into the river Jhelum. Some residents spotted them and informed other locals with the result people snatched the dead body from their possession, inhabitants said. He was identified as Khazir Mohammad. He is survived by 4 daughters and his widow. Police have registered a case against the accused army personnel.

- II) One youth identified as Ghulam Hassan Naikoo was killed in custody by the BSF personnel. He was arrested from Sheikpora, Pulwama some days back. He was taken away to the interrogation centre where he was subjected to acute inhumane torture. During the course, he succumbed to torture methods, administered upon him. His dead body was handed over to the concerned police station today.
- III) Syed Sajjad Hussian Shah son of Syed Ali Shah R/O Botta Kadal Srinagar was killed by the BSF personnel soon after his arrest. Eyewitnesses said that BSF dragged Sajiad from an autorickshaw near Karan Nagar and shot him dead without any Justification. Syed Sajjad was an employee of the State Agriculture Department. At the time of his killing, Sajjad was returning from his duty.

Details of the crackdown search operations. In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: A massive search operation was launched by the BSF personnel.

Budgam: The BSF personnel cordoned off Pakhar pora and its adjoining areas and started a search operation in the wee hours today. Two persons were arrested from Krimshour Budgam during a search operation.

Baramulla: Mushtaq Ahmad Khan. a person was arrested by the BSF at Khanpora Baramulla during a search operation. Three persons were arrested from Uri. One person was arrested from Dangerpora.

Pulwama: Two persons were arrested from Pulwama during a search operation. One of the arrested persons was identified as Mohammad Yousuf Khan. The BSF personnel also conducted search operations at Dadasar Tral searches were also going on in the Rajpora area. Several youths have been arrested so far.

Public Protests:

At Soiteng Lasjan large number of people took to the streets in protest against the custodial killing of a civilian Khazir Mohammad Akoon. The protesters were raising profreedom, pro-Islamic, and anti-Indian slogans and were demanding the implementation of UN resolutions on Kashmir.

A strike was observed in Doda township and its adjoining villages today.

All shops and other business establishments in Bhaderwah and Kishtwar remained partially closed whereas Doda town and Thathri observed a complete strike.

In Doda city, all the men and women took out a procession which after passing through the main bazaars culminated at the Idgah. The processionists were shouting pro-Islamic slogans.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
10	5	11	48	26

Custodial Deaths:

Ishfaq Ahmad Beig S/O Mohammad Shafi Beig R/O Kalashpora and Mukhtar Ahmad Shah S/O Ali Mohammad Shah R/O Andar Mashid Nayid Kadal were killed by the BSF after arresting them. Eyewitnesses said that on the evening of Friday, two teenage boys were picked up by the BSF, immediately, after a Freedom Fighter attack in the Narparistan, area of Srinagar. The two were shot in the head and chest from point blank range by the BSF and their dead bodies were thrown on a road, which were recovered by the local police early this morning, from Narparistan locality. The deceased were students of the 10th class.

Details of the crackdown/search operation. In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Baramulla: The Army cordoned off the Bandipora and started house-to-house searches and identification parades. The massive search operations were going on in the area. During searches in Markundal, Bijhama and Paner villages of Baramulla district BSF personnel killed one person. One person was arrested by the BSF men from the Paner area.

Kupwara: The BSF personnel conducted search operations at Zachaldar village of Kupwara.

Islamabad: One person was arrested by the BSF from Islamabad searches were also conducted at Areh, Bumrat, and Kachawhalan village of Kulgam. Ali Mohammad. Aijaz Ahmad was tortured while Mohammad Maqbool Lone, Abdul Hamid Bhat, and Abdul Jabar Bhat have been arrested.

Budgam: Three youths were arrested from the Pakherpora and Nagbal areas of Budgam district.

Public Protests:

At Narparistan locality of Srinagar large number of people took out to the streets to protest against the custodial killing of two youths. Protesters were raising pro-freedom, pro-Islamic and anti-Indian slogans.

The majority of downtown localities observed a complete strike today in protest against the death in custody of the two youths. Shops remained closed and transport was off the roads.

Employees of the Agricultural Department held a protest demonstration at Lal Mandi Agriculture complex on December 17 to condemn the unwarranted killing of an Agriculture Assistant Syed Sajad Shah by the BSF.

The protest demonstration was attended by agricultural ministerial staff, the Medical Employees Federation, the Employees Conference, the Sheep Husbandry Employees Union, the Horticulture Union, the Agro Industries Union, and the Municipality Union.

It may be recalled that Syed Sajjad was dragged out of an auto-rickshaw and was shot dead at point-blank range by the BSF.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
2	2	15	7	2

Custodial Deaths:

The BSF personnel conducted search operations at Kothar-Guddraman in Islamabad district. Four youths were arrested from the area. From those arrested youths one Fayaz Ahmad Dar was tortured to death by the BSF personnel. His dead body bearing severe torture marks was handed over to his family members by the local police.

Details of the Crackdown/search operation. In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown.

Srinagar: Two youths were arrested by the BSF from the Rambagh area during a search operation. Two more persons were arrested at Bemina locality. One person was arrested from Bagat Barzulla during a search operation. One shopkeeper was arrested from Lal Chowk.

Budgam: BSF personnel conducted search operations at the Aribal area in the Budgam district.

Pulwama: BSF conducted search operations at Kapran in Shopian tehsil. People were tortured during the search operation.

Islamabad: The Kulgam area was cordoned off by the BSF personnel. Many civilians including Shabir Ahmad Wani, Gulzar Ahmad, Javed Ahmad, Abdul Gani Shah, Master Abdul Hamid, and Ghulam Nabi were subjected to severe torture during the crackdown operation.

Public Protests:

Demonstrations were held at Karanagar locality in protest against the "inhuman treatment" meted out to three arrested youths by the BSF. The youth were arrested eight days back from the locality and were yesterday brought naked to the locality during a raid. On seeing the youth naked the residents held strong protest demonstrations against the BSF, who used lathis and gun butts to disperse them.

At Rambagh large number of people including women held strong protest demonstrations against the arrest of two youths. They were demanding the immediate release of the arrested youths.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
8	14	8	66	1

Details of the crackdown/search operation.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: A vast area of Srinagar was cordoned off by the BSF personnel today. The cordoned areas include Barbarshah, Babidemb Road, Chinkral Mohalla, Habba Kadal, Bani Mohalla and Fateh Kadal. People were subjected to an identification parade during which 25 persons were arrested.

Baramulla: Limbar, Ushkara, Vasakhy Chabdgee (Bandipora) Shilvath, and Hiller villages in district Baramulla were cordoned off by the BSF and conducted search operations. Eleven persons were arrested during the identification parade.

Kupwara: Two persons were arrested from Kupwara during a search operation.

Budgam: BSF cordoned off the Khag area in the Budgam district and house-to-house search.

Islamabad: Two persons were arrested from Islamabad during a search operation.

Jammu Province:

Doda: One youth was arrested by the police from village Poshal, 3 Km from Kishtwar township. Another person was arrested by the BSF during routine checking near Doda of the incoming and outgoing vehicles and people. The youth has been identified as Farooq Ahmad son of Ghulam Mohammad of village Sazaan.

Public Protests:

At Rajpora Pulwama, inhabitants of the area came out on the streets and held protest demonstrations against the killing of a girl. The minor girl was knocked down to death by a speedy army vehicle at Rajpora. They took out a procession and attempted to lodge an FIR against the army driver, but the BSF deployed there foiled their attempt. During the course, the peaceful protestors were beaten up by the BSF.

At Khag in Budgam, people held protest demonstrations against the killing of two persons. The protesters were raising pro-freedom and anti-BSF slogans.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
6	4	1	38	31

Custodial Deaths:

BSF conducted search operations at Shah Malipora Sumbal Safapora in district Baramulla. Several persons including one Mohammad Ashraf of Shah Malipora were arrested during the identification parade. Mohammad Ashraf was first subjected to severe physical torture and later on bullets were showered at him, and his dead body was handed over to the local police by the BSF personnel.

Details of the crackdown/search operation.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Rajbagh, Padshahi Bagh, Kursoo, and other areas from Soietang to Lasjan were cordoned off by the regular army early this morning. Residents of these localities were called out of their houses and were subjected to identification parades before informer-borne gypsies and different places. At least a dozen persons were arrested from these areas during the search operation. During the house-to-house search operation women were harassed and household things were damaged. One youth identified as Farooq Ahmad Dar was arrested by the BSF personnel from Ikhrajpora during a raid on a house. Two youths were arrested from Regal Chowk during an identification parade.

Islamabad: The BSF personnel cordoned off Hallan (Larnoo) village in the Islamabad district. Five persons were arrested from the area during the search operation.

Budgam: Two persons were arrested from Budgam during a search operation. BSF conducted searches at Haripora Haran and Soibugh areas in district Budgam.

Baramulla: Sadrakote (Naid Khai) Seer and Nelsar villages of the district were brought under crackdown by the BSF. One person was arrested from the area. BSF personnel also conducted search operations at Chami Dagam in Bandipora. Residents said that excesses were committed by the BSF personnel during the search operation. Many youths were subjected to severe torture during the crackdown operation.

Public Protests:

At Shah Malikpora Sumbal people held a strong protest demonstration when the dead body of Mohammad Ashraf was handed over to his family by the police. Protesters said that the deceased was killed in the custody of the BSF. Protesters raised pro-Islamic, pro-freedom and anti-BSF slogans.

At Chanipora Dager people held protest demonstrations against the excesses of the BSF. They were raising slogans against the BSF personnel.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
1	6	-	39	5

Custodial Deaths:

I) On December 20, the areas Haran, Warpora, Gulwanpora, Hakamola, and the outskirts of Soibug, were placed under crackdown. Five people including one Ghulam Ahmad were arrested during a search operation. Arrested persons were taken to an interrogation center. In the interrogation, Ghulam Ahmad was subjected to third-degree torture. During the course, he succumbed to torture methods administered to him.

II) Bashir Ahmad resident of Harwan was killed by the BSF in their custody. His dead body was recovered from Rainawari. Residents of Harwan said that the deceased was arrested by the BSF on December 20 from Rainawari and his dead body was handed over to the police Control Room the next day in the evening.

Details of the crackdown/search operations. In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown.

Srinagar: The BSF personnel cordoned off Kursoo Rajbagh and conducted a search operation. One person was arrested and several others were tortured. Sixteen persons were arrested from different parts of district Srinagar.

Budgam: BSF conducted search operations at the Panchas, Cherhar, and Ompura areas of district Budgam. Four persons were arrested during the operation. The people of the area reported that they were subjected to inhuman torture by the BSF men. In Soibugh one shopkeeper Riyaz Ahmad Najar was severely beaten. One 10th-class student was dragged out of the school and was given a severe beating.

Army personnel also conducted search operations at Haran, Warpora, Gulwanpora, and Hakamola. Four persons were arrested from these areas. Dharmana, Soibug was cordoned off and people were paraded before the informers. House-to-house searches were also conducted in the area.

Islamabad: Two youths were arrested from a village in Islamabad district.

Public Protests:

Soibug and its adjoining areas observed a strike against the killing of Ghulam Ahmad and atrocities committed by the army during a crackdown operation. Thousands of people held strong protest demonstrations against the custodial killing of Ghulam Ahmad. People raised pro-freedom and pro-Islamic slogans. At Rainawari people held strong protest demonstrations against the custodial killing of a youth Bashir Ahmad of Harwan.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
8	2	9	51	3

Details of the crackdown/search operation.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The BSF cordoned off Buchwara in the wee hours today. All men were asked to come out of their houses and were assembled at three different places for identification parades. Darund in Ganderbal was also brought under a crackdown by the BSF today.

Two youths were arrested by the BSF from a tea stall at the lane in the Regal Chowk area. Two youths were arrested from Shakti Sweets shops during a raid.

Baramulla: Muqam, Gantumulla, Taripora, Baliharan, and Ladoora villages of the district Baramulla were cordoned off by the BSF House for house searches and identification parades were made and five persons were arrested during the operation. The BSF raided a house and arrested a woman from Amargarh in Baramulla today. Four other persons were also arrested in the raid. The arrested woman was identified as Meema W/O Hamid Dar.

Kupwara: The BSF personnel also conducted crackdown and search operations at Badnambal and Tekipora in the Kupwara district. Two persons were arrested from these areas.

Islamabad: Four persons were arrested from different parts of Islamabad during a search operation.

Pulwama: Satura and its adjoining areas were cordoned off by the BSF personnel and launched search operations. Twenty-four persons were arrested from these areas during the search operations.

Public Protests:

Rainawari and Harwan areas observed a complete strike today against the custodial killing of one Bashir Ahmad. Protest demonstrations were held at many places against the killing Thousands of people came out on streets when his dead body was brought to his home at Harwan. They were shouting pro-freedom and anti-Indian slogans and were demanding the implementation of UN resolutions on Kashmir.

The people of Amargarh in Baramulla held a protest demonstration against the arrest of women.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
9	4	-	17	5

Custodial death:

A Freedom Fighter was killed in custody after his arrest at Channi Doji in Bandipora. Eyewitnesses said that BSF personnel raided the house of Abdul Gani Khan S/O Ghulam Qadir Khan. During the raid, Abdul Gani was arrested and later on was killed in custody. His body bearing severe torture marks was handed over to his family members by the local police. One of the brothers of Abdul Gani. His father and wife were also tortured during the raid.

Details of the crackdown/search operations. In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The BSF personnel cordoned off the Buchwara Dalgate area in Srinagar city. House-to-house searches were conducted and identification parades were held. People reported that they were made to sit in the open and were exposed to snowfall. One person was arrested during the operation. The BSF personnel raided some houses at Basantbagh and Budshah Chowk. Two persons were arrested during the raids. One civilian Abdul Samad Parey was arrested by the BSF at Bye-Pass Road in Srinagar. He was subjected to torture and was later released in a half-dead condition.

Islamabad: The BSF cordoned off the village Adijan Kulgam in Islamabad district. House-to-house searches were conducted and identification parades were held. Local people reported that several persons were subjected to inhuman torture during the operation. Four persons were injured during physical torture. They were identified as Abdul Ahad, Gulzar Ahmad Dar, Farooq Ahmad, and Ghulam Nabi Itoo. One person Mushtag was arrested during the operation.

Pulwama: The BSF personnel cordoned off the village of Hillar in Pulwama district. House-to-house searches were conducted and people were subjected to an identification parade. During the identification parades two persons were arrested.

Baramulla: The BSF cordoned off Rafiabad, Shuttoo, Khahmuwa, and adjoining villages in district Baramulla. People in these areas reported that despite heavy snowfall, they were subjected to identification parades. Several persons were arrested during the operation. Several youths were tortured by the BSF during the operation. BSF conducted search operations at Lagama and Doobgah in district Baramulla. However, no one was arrested in the area. launching commander of Al-Barq, Aamir Ahmad was arrested by the army from Boniyar Hangerpora in Uri tehsil of district Baramulla.

Budgam: The BSF conducted a raid on a house at Zalapora in district Budgam. One person identified as Ghulam Rasool Itoo was arrested during the raid. Local people in the area said that the arrested person was not involved in any militant activity. A vast area of Budgam including Mirgund Sabdan, Naslipora, and Hakarmolla was cordoned off by the BSF early this morning. People of these areas were subjected identification parade before the informer in the snowfall. Several people were arrested during the operation.

Kupwara: A large number of army men cordoned off Vilgam, Yamrad, Rajpora, Rajwar, and some other villages in district Kupwara and launched searches that were continuing in these areas.

Public Protests:

Employees of the Chest Disease Hospital held a protest demonstration against the arrest of five employees of the hospital. protesters were raising slogans against the BSF and were demanding their immediate release.

At Budshah Chowk women staged a demonstration outside the BSF camp in Akhada Building. They were protesting against the arrest of two youths.

III-treatment of the Employees:

Five employees of the chest disease hospital were arrested by the BSF personnel during an identification parade on 22nd December. The arrested employees were identified as Abdul Aziz, Manzoor Ahmad, Mohammad Yousuf, Mohammad Shaban, and Bashir Ahmad. The employees of the hospital have demanded the immediate release of their colleagues.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
7	3	13	14	12

Custodial Deaths:

The army cordoned off the Rajwara area in district Kupwara on December 22. They conducted search operations for the whole day and kept the area besieged for the night too. People reported that they were not allowed to even cook their food for the night. The next day morning people were dragged out of their houses and tortured. Seven Freedom Fighters and two civilians were arrested during the operation and taken to a building where they were tortured. Local people said that all nine were killed in that house. People further said that later army opened fire on the house and fired two mortar shells one of which is still lying alive in the house of Syed Mohammad Ashraf, the deceased was identified as 55-year-old contractor Abdul Rashid Khan, Wali Mohammad Mir S/O Ghulam Mohammad Mir R/O Rajpora, Abdul Rashid Dar R/O Pattan, Salam-u-Din, Alif-ud-Din Monga Gujjar and Manzoor Ahmad.

Details of the crackdown/search operations.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Islamabad: Arwani and Hasanpora villages of Islamabad district were cordoned off by the BSF and launched search operations. In Arwani one Freedom Fighter identified as Gul Mohammad, his father Abdullah Bhat, and another person identified as Fayaz Ahmad Bhat were arrested during the day-long search operations. Two persons were arrested from Bijbehara during a search operation. Search operations were also going in Sellar and Kullar villages of district Islamabad.

Baramulla: BSF personnel conducted search operations at Rangwar in Baramulla district.

House-to-house searches and identification parades were conducted. Two persons were arrested from the area. Four persons including one Mohammad Sultan Mir were arrested from Poshwani Pattan area. BSF personnel also conducted a search operation at Khanpora.

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Doda: The army personnel of Rashtriya Rifles launched a search operation in the Bhalisa and Gandoh areas of district Doda.

Ghulam Ali of village Kalihand was arrested from the bus which was on its way to Doda from village Shalui. He was taken to an unknown place.

Public Protests

In Handwara town and its adjoining areas, people took to the streets and protested against the custodial killing of nine persons. Protesters were raising pro-freedom and anti-Army slogans whole district observed a complete strike to protest against the killings. All shops, business establishments, and offices remained closed. Transport also remained off the roads.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
8	3	2	19	-

Details of the crackdown/search operation.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Baramulla: The BSF personnel cordoned off the Pattan area of district Baramulla and conducted a search operation. Two persons were arrested during the search operation. BSF also conducted search operations at Chachi Kote Baramulla. Local people reported that several persons were tortured during the search operation. At least 12 pedestrians were arrested by the BSF in Baramulla town.

Budgam: The BSF conducted search operations at Ratsuna and Beerwa in district Budgam during which three persons were killed. One person was killed by the BSF at Zaigipora during a search operation.

Public Protests.

In Handwara people observed a complete strike for the third consecutive day today in pro-offices both government and private remained closed. Transport was also off the roads. People test against the custodial killing of a person. All shops and business establishments also held protest demonstrations against the killing.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
12	1	8	21	2

Details of the crackdown/search operation.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The entire downtown area of Srinagar city was cordoned off by the BSF today. People of the area including old aged persons were subjected to identification parades many times before the informers. Several youths were arrested during the search operation.

Budgam: Army personnel cordoned off the Hyderpora area. The inhabitants were herded out in the chilling cold in Jamia Masjid compounds at Hyderpora and Nadirgund, where the people irrespective of their age were made to brave the cold and stand on muddy grounds. The people were made to parade before the gypsy-borne informers five to six times. During the identification parade about six boys were picked up from Peerbagh's locality and treated to an inhumane torture in a makeshift interrogation cell. All the boys on their release were found in a very bad position and one identified as Juja was bleeding from the nose. They were later hospitalized for orthopedic treatment.

At Hyderpora about twenty persons including some elderly persons were picked up for interrogation and taken to a nearby bakery unit. All arrested persons except three were later on released. The detained have been identified as Syed Ashiq, Zahoor Ahmad Lone, and Mohammad Yousuf. People in the area reported that arrested persons were ruthlessly beaten in the makeshift interrogation center in the nearby bakery.

Islamabad: Aarigam village in district Islamabad was cordoned off by the BSF and conducted a search operation. One person was arrested from the area.

Baramulla: Regular army personnel of the Dogra regiment cordoned off the Sapdan Galwanpora area in district Baramulla. Two students identified as Mushtaq Ahmad Wani and Mohammad Aarif Bhat were arrested during the identification parade and were subjected to third-degree torture in the interrogation. They were later released in a half-dead condition. Regular army personnel conducted search operations in Bochoowah Pattan, Hamrey, and Palhalan. Many persons mostly youths were beaten up during the

crackdown. People in the area reported that many houses were ransacked during the house-to-house search operations. Search operations were also conducted by the BSF at Indergam, Gantmulla in district Baramulla. Two persons were arrested during the operation two more persons were arrested from Halmatpora.

Kupwara: The BSF personnel arrested one person from Langate in district Kupwara.

Public Protests:

A large number of women staged a demonstration outside the BSF camp at Karan Nagar. They were protesting against the arrest of innocent civilians. They were demanding the immediate release of the arrested persons.

At Mahmood Pora Pattan people held protest demonstrations against the excesses of the army.

Anti-India protests rocked the Central Kashmir district of Budgam over the killing of two persons.

A partial strike was observed in Bhaderwah township of district Doda. The call was given by the local shopkeepers against the killing of six persons in the Gandoh area. All the shops and business establishments remained closed throughout the day.

RAPE as a Weapon of War:

A woman was raped by the army personnel in a small hamlet near Batote in Doda district. During the intervening night of December 24 and 25, two army personnel of recently deployed Rashtriya Rifles barged into the house of one Akhtar Hassain at Dharmond Chanpa Batote in district Doda and raped his wife Ms Jamiran. The victim Jamiran said that she was sleeping in the house along with a child and her husband was not there. "They barged into the house and dragged the child out of the room and, locked him in another room. Despite my cries and pleas, they fell on me like vultures". The lustful army personnel tore her clothes and raped her.

When the news broke out in the morning, a large number of people came out on the streets and held protest demonstrations asking authorities to arrest and punish the culprits. A case has been Registered with the local police station under FIR number 116/94 dated December 25, 1994.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
-	3	1	34	10

Details of the crackdown/search operation.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The BSF personnel today cordoned off the Saida-Kadal area in downtown Srinagar. People were made to sit for hours exposed to the rain and cold winds. House-to-house searches were conducted and identification parades were held. No one was arrested from the area. BSF personnel also conducted search operations at Habba Kadal. At least a dozen persons including four shopkeepers were arrested from the area. Six persons were arrested from Chattabal during different raids. Four shopkeepers were arrested from Regal Chowk.

Baramulla: The BSF personnel cordoned off Pattan and conducted search operations. People were made to sit in the rain in the chilly wind. Identification parades were held and at least two persons were arrested. Two persons were arrested during the search operations at Peer Peth and Trikan Jan in Baramulla district. Indian forces conducted search operations at Limber Uri for 48 hours. During the two-day-long crackdown, several persons were arrested and tortured in the make-shift interrogation centers. Later on, some people were released in a half-dead condition. Released persons include Mohammad Amin Khan, Mohammad Ayoob Khan, Gulzar Ahmad Khan, and Mohammad Hussain.

Budgam: The BSF personnel conducted search operations at Kandoora, Beerwa, and Ratsun in district Budgam. House-to-house searches were conducted and identification parades were held. One person was arrested during the operation.

Islamabad: Nowpora and Kharpora areas of Bijbehara were cordoned off by the BSF personnel at 6 a.m. today. People were called out of their houses and were subjected to an identification parade before the informers. Several persons were picked up during the search operation. Two persons were arrested at Doonipora Grid Station. During a crackdown at Bijbehara, the BSF personnel arrested three cops of the J&K police deployed at the Receiving station. All three cops were tortured and handed over to the Joint Interrogation Centre Islamabad this evening. They have been identified as Abdul

Rashid, Ghulam Mohammad Dar, and Abdul Wahid Khan. Two persons were arrested from Islamabad during a search operation.

Kupwara: At Kupwara the BSF personnel conducted a raid on the house of Abdul Khaliq. Two youths were arrested during the raid.

Public Protests:

At Limbar Uri large number of people held protest demonstrations against the arrest of innocent civilians and excesses of the BSF committed on the civilian population during the crackdown operation. They also staged a protest demonstration outside the office of the Deputy Commissioner.

A complete strike was observed in the Doda district to protest against the killing of ten Freedom Fighters. All shops and business establishments remained closed today as a mark of protest.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
1	1	-	18	1

Custodial Deaths:

Mohammad Aslam a Freedom Fighter of Hizbul Mujahideen was killed by the BSF into custody Moharamad Aslam was arrested by the BSF some time back and was taken away to the interrogation center. On the same day, he was taken to village Chirala in the Kishtwar area of district Doda where he was shot dead by the BSF personnel.

Details of the crackdown/search operations.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Manderbagh and Gaw Kadal areas were cordoned off by the BSF and conducted raids on at least 12 houses. Five persons including 13-year-old Ajaz Ahmad, his brother Mohammad Yaqoob, Ghulam Rasool, and Manzoor Ahmad were arrested.

Baramulla: BSF conducted search operations and Patten Kanihama. House-to-house searches and identification parades were held. Four persons were arrested during the operation.

Islamabad: The BSF personnel also conducted searches at Chandigam in the district Islamabad, five persons were arrested from the area.

Budgam: The Zardihara area of Badgam was sealed by the BSF and a search operation. During the crackdown father and two brothers of a Freedom Fighters were subjected to severe torture by the BSF men. Electric shocks were given to the Gulzar Ahmad Malla and Bashir Ahmad Malla.

Public Protest

At Karan Nagar a large number of people including women held protest demonstrations outside the BSF camp. The protesters were protesting against the arrest of nine innocent youths. They were demanding their immediate release. Protesters were raising slogans against the BSF. At Gaw Kadal and Mander Bagh, people held strong protest demonstrations against the arrest of five innocent youths.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
2	-	11	8	1

Custodial death:

Ghulam Ahmad Rather R/O Najdiwan Kangan, a teacher by his profession was killed in custody by the BSF personnel. According to the eyewitnesses Ghulam Ahmad was arrested by the BSF personnel on 28th Dec during a crackdown and was taken to the interrogation center where he was killed and the next day his dead body was handed over to the local police.

Details of the crackdown/search operations.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Many areas of downtown Srinagar were sealed by the BSF today for the fourth consecutive day. Besieged areas include Nawab Bazar, Dalal Mohalla, Pather Masjid, Tashwan, Siraj Bazar, etc. House-to-house searches and identification parades were conducted five persons were arrested from the Pather Masjid area.

Islamabad: Rangpora, Chatrigul, Pahroo, Rethpora, Mirpora, and other adjoining areas in Islamabad district remained besieged for the sixth consecutive day today. Every morning people are ordered to come out of their houses and are forced to sit on snow. House-to-house searches and identification parades are being conducted. Several youths have been arrested so far. Nobody is allowed to leave or enter the besieged areas.

Budgam: One person identified as Nazir Ahmad Dar was arrested by the BSF from the Lajoorah area of district Budgam. Another person Ali Mohammad Bhat was arrested from Mamthen Budgam. The BSF personnel conducted a raid at Nassar-u-Allah Pora and arrested one youth. Wathoora, Chadoora, Goripora, Bachroo, and their adjoining areas were sealed by the BSF and launched search operations. Several youths were arrested during the crackdown operation.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
-	2	1	47	-

Details of the crackdown/search operations.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: The army personnel laid siege to Kursoo Rajbagh today at 5 a.m. The residents were called out of their houses and were made to sit on snow. During the operation, two youths of Karnah Tangdar in Kupwara district were arrested and were taken away to some unknown place. The arrested youths identified as Sajad Ahmad Khowja S/O Khowja Mohammad Syed and Bashir Ahmad Khowja S/O Khowja Ghulam Mohid-u-Din were residing in Srinagar along with their families. At Nawab Bazar and Pather Masjid, four persons were arrested by the BSF while they were coming out of the Mosque after offering prayers.

Budgam: Soiebugh Dharmuna was cordoned off by the Jat regiment of the army today. Irrespective of age people were herded out of their respective houses and were made to sit on snow for six long hours. Six youths were severely tortured during the crackdown. Three youths identified as Ashiq Hussain, Mohammad Iqbal, and Mohammad Shafi were arrested from the area. 19 persons were arrested from the Bachroo area of Budgam district.

Islamabad: Kokernag and Achbal areas of Islamabad district were cordoned off by the BSF and started house-to-house searches and identification parades. Six youths were arrested during the search operation.

Baramulla: Three youths identified as Mohammad Shafi Gasee, Nisar Ahmad, and Mohammad Shafi Lawa were arrested by the BSF personnel from the General Bus Stand at Sopore. The BSF personnel conducted a raid at Mahrajpora Sopore and arrested one youth. The arrested youth was identified as Javed Ahmad Gasee.

Public Protest:

At Kangan, thousands of people came out on the streets in protest against the custodial killing of a teacher Ghulam Mohammad Rather. The protesters were raising profreedom, pro-Islamic and anti-Indian slogans.

III-Treatment of the Employees:

Farooq Ahmad Gujree, who is working as a peon in the Pattan branch of J&K Bank was arrested on 27-12-94 at Pattan. The employees of the Bank have demanded immediate and safe release of the detained employee.

Freedom Fighters	Civilians	Indian Occupying Forces	Arrests	Injured
3	6	5	11	3

Custodial death:

Abdul Rehman Bhat was arrested by the BSF personnel from Banday Bagh Ganderbal, 10 days back. He was taken away to the interrogation center where he was subjected to torture. Due to severe torture, Abdul Rehman died in custody. His dead body bearing severe torture marks was handed over to the local police by the BSF on December 31, 1994.

Details of the crackdown/search operations.
In the valley, the following areas remained under the crackdown:

Srinagar: Two persons were arrested by the BSF from Basant Bagh during a search operation.

Baramulla: The BSF personnel conducted search operations at Ushkara, Badamibagh, and Wangam in the Baramulla district. House-to-house searches were conducted and identification parades were held. Four persons were arrested during the operation, BSF also conducted search operations at Muslim Peer, Kraliteng, and Nachri Gund in Sopore.

Budgam: The BSF cordoned off Gundpora and Sotipora villages in district Budgam. House-to-house searches were conducted and people were subjected to identification parades. People reported that they were beaten up and made to sit on snow in the chilling temperature for hours together. One person was arrested during the operation.

Islamabad: At Ban Kulgam the BSF personnel raided the houses of Ghulam Mohammad. During the raid family members were beaten up and household things were damaged. Later on, Ghulam Mohammad was arrested and taken away to some unknown destination. Two civilians were arrested from Toorkhan Kulgam and were taken to a nearby camp where they were severely beaten up. Later on, they were released in a half-dead condition. Both of them were admitted to the hospital for treatment. Their condition was stated to be critical.

Pulwama: Hajipora and Talidoorah areas of Shopian were cordoned off by the BSF and started search operations. During the crackdown, Manzoor Ahmad Bhat and Ghulam Mohammad Shah were arrested and tortured during the interrogation. They were later released in a half-dead condition. The BSF men also conducted search operations at Manihal Shopian. People reported that they were made to sit on snow throughout the whole day. The BSF personnel cordoned off Chitragam village in the district of Pulwama for search operations.

Jammu Province

Doda: A joint operation was launched by CRPF and Police this morning in Masjid Mohalla in the Bhaderwah town.

One Bilal Ahmad an Agriculture Assistant was killed in the forces firing. Public Protests

At Ganderbal large number of people held protest demonstrations against the custodial killing of a civilian. The protesters were raising pro-freedom, pro-Islamic and anti-Indian slogans.

In Bhaderwah people strongly protested against the killing of four persons by the Indian forces. Authorities imposed a curfew in the Bhaderwah town following the protests and demonstrations.

