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AFIC calls for an end to the Indian occupation of Jammu and Kashmir

27 October is known as a black day for the subcontinent as it marked the beginning of large-scale military occupation of Kashmir.

For decades, the Indian military continued to increase the oppressive nature of their occupation and empowering sectarian violence and pogroms against the indigenous Muslims of Kashmir.

In 2019, India vastly increased its military occupation leading to (by credible estimates) a million Indian troops occupying the small nation of Jammu and Kashmir and escalating mass arrests, comprehensive lockdowns and communication blackouts.

“The Indian government is an extremist racist government that has used religion to divide Indian society. It has diverted attention from its recent economic stagnation by shifting the blame on minority Muslims and escalating the occupation and wholesale looting of Kashmir. The international community cannot treat the Modi regime as a friend, the Modi regime is only interested in one thing and that is keeping RSS\BJP secessionists in power. The international community must reconsider its “strategic partnerships”.” Said AFIC President Dr Rateb Jneid

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