

Top brass vows not to allow 'hard-earned successes' against terror to be undone

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Against the backdrop of surge in terrorism in Balochistan and Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, top military commanders on Tuesday said the Pakistan Army will not allow the "hard-earned successes" against terrorism to be reversed. The statement came from the military's media wing after Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Syed Asim Munir presided over the Corps Commanders Conference at the GHQ in Rawalpindi. The top military brass reviewed the security situation of the country with particular focus on the recent incidents of terrorism in Balochistan and Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa. "In assessing the inimical forces, malicious actors, subversive proxies, and the facilitators of Pakistan's external and internal adversaries, particularly those active in Balochistan and K-P, the forum deliberated on a range of measures to neutralise these threats," read the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) statement. "The forum reaffirmed that the Pakistan Army, with the unwavering support of the people, will not allow the hard-earned successes against terrorism to be reversed," it added.Balochistan was rocked by coordinated terrorist attacks in 10 different distracts in Balochistan on August 26, killing scores and wounding many others. The deadliest terrorist attacks claimed by the outlawed Balochistan Liberation Army (BLA). Pakistan security forces conducted intelligence based operations to neutralise those who were behind the dastardly terrorist attacks. The ISPR statement said participants of the Corps Commanders Conference offered Fateha and paid profound tribute to the ultimate sacrifices made by the Shuhada of the armed forces, law enforcement agencies, and citizens who have laid down their lives in Balochistan and Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa in pursuit of peace and stability of Pakistan. The forum was briefed on the prevailing geo-strategic environment, national security challenges, and strategic and operational responses to emerging threats. "The forum emphasised that the army is a disciplined institution, upholding the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and loyalty to the state and institution," the statement said. It said the institution's well-established and rigorous system of accountability ensures that these values are preserved with unwavering commitment, allowing no room for exceptions or partiality. "This strict adherence to accountability fortifies the army's integrity, ensuring that no individual is above the law or exempt from scrutiny." Recognising the urgency and significance of a robust and effective legal

system, the army chief emphasised that the Pakistan Army would continue to extend comprehensive support to the government, administrative apparatus, and law enforcement agencies in taking swift and lawful action against terrorists, anarchists, and criminal mafias. The forum also expressed satisfaction over ongoing efforts against illegal spectrum operating in collusion with terrorist networks. The critical need to safeguard national cyber space through stringent cybersecurity measures was also underscored. In a show of solidarity with the people of Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK), who continue to suffer gross human rights violations, the forum honoured the martyrs of the freedom movement. The blatant continued violence and genocide of Palestinians by Israel were also condemned in the strongest terms. The forum expressed confidence in the operational preparedness and readiness of the Pakistan Army and vowed to continue to uphold the standards in pursuit of professional excellence.