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The tragic story of Anjeera is one of relentless oppression, historical injustice, and **state-backed brutality**. The suffering of its people, compounded by the abduction of **Asma Baloch**, is a heart-wrenching testament to the collective punishment inflicted upon them for decades.

A Legacy of Persecution

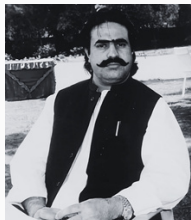
Anjeera, historically home to the Kahni sub-clan of the Zehri tribe within the Baloch nation, was granted to them by **Mir Naseer Khan Noori** in recognition of their participation in the Battle of Panipat alongside Ahmed Shah Abdali. For centuries, the people of Anjeera cultivated their lands and raised livestock, living in relative peace. However, their lives took a dark turn when Sardar Pasund Khan Zehri **obtained tax collection rights from the Khan of Kalat** for a modest sum, marking the beginning of a long and systematic campaign of dispossession.



Under **Sardar Doda Khan Zehri, father of Nawab Sanaullah Zehri**, the forced occupation of native lands began. The locals resisted and sought justice through legal channels, leading to an agreement in which they would pay 1/6 of their agricultural income to the sardar. This fragile peace lasted for over a decade until Doda Khan's death. His elder son, **Sardar Rasool Bux Zehri**, briefly succeeded him but was soon **assassinated in Quetta** by his own brother, the current Nawab Sanaullah Zehri.



Sardar Doda Khan Zehri



Nawab Sana Ullah Zehri

Once in power, Sanaullah Zehri **escalated the land seizures**, using violence and state-backed repression to claim more territory. In 1997, a confrontation between Zehri's forces and the locals resulted in injuries to two Anjeera residents and the arrest of seven others at his behest. Using his growing influence in government, he branded the natives as anti-state elements, paving the way for their forced displacement.

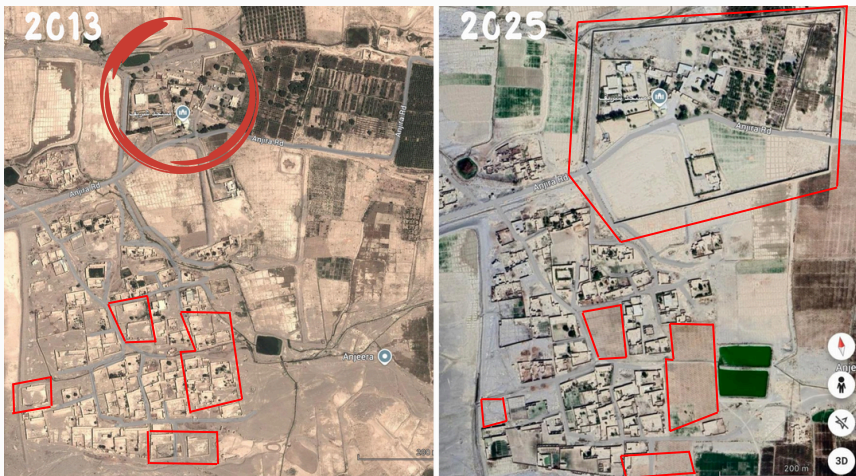
The Forced Migration of 2014



By mid-2014, **Nawab Sanaullah Zehri** ordered the **complete eviction of Anjeera's native inhabitants**, accusing them of supporting the Baloch liberation movement. In reality, the motive was the longstanding land dispute between the villagers and the Nawab, who sought total control over the region's agricultural wealth. The villagers were given an ultimatum: either submit to servitude as farmers on their own lands under Zehri's authority, receiving only a 1/12 of the income, or leave Anjeera entirely.

Under coercion and the threat of violence, the **entire population of Anjeera was forced to migrate**. Families that had lived there for generations were uprooted overnight, seeking refuge in Khuzdar, Quetta, Sindh, and Hub Chowki. Their homes were bulldozed on the direct orders of Nawab Sanaullah Zehri—an act corroborated **through satellite imagery showing the drastic transformation of Anjeera before and after 2014**.

Today, Anjeera no longer belongs to its original inhabitants. The once-thriving village has been repurposed for agricultural use by **Nawab Zehri, who has provided refuge to criminals and state-backed death squads**. Reports indicate that fugitives from Punjab and Sindh, involved in serious crimes, have found sanctuary in Anjeera under the Nawab's patronage.



Credit: Google maps



ONCE FILLED WITH JOY, THE HOMES OF ANJEERA'S NATIVES NOW STAND EMPTY AND IN RUINS.

Asma's Captivity and Forced Confession

On the second day of her abduction, Zahoor Jamalzai **forcibly recorded a video of Asma**, in which she was made to say that she had willingly gone with him and that he had not abducted her. In the same video, **Zahoor sat beside Asma**, claiming she had called him and left of her own free will. He also issued threats against those protesting for her safe release.



Screenshot of Asma's forcibly recorded video, with Zahoor visible beside her.



Public Pressure Forces Release, But Threats Continue

On the third day, **intense public pressure** forced Zahoor Jamalzai to release Asma, yet **local authorities** played no role in securing her freedom. Zahoor and his brother Rahim Bux left Asma near a police party, who then brought her back to Khuzdar. Before releasing her, Zahoor **threatened Asma**, warning her that once she was presented in court, she must tell the judge that she wanted to marry him and that she had not been abducted—or **else he would kill her father and brothers**.

Asma returned to her family **deeply traumatised and terrified**. During her three days in captivity, she neither **ate nor drank anything and was unable to sleep**. When she finally reunited with her loved ones, she was **physically weak** and could not speak to the media for more than five minutes.

Despite these crimes, Zahoor Jamalzai and Rahim Bux continue to **roam freely in Anjeera** under the protection of **Nawab Sanullah Zehri** and his brother **Mir Naimat Ullah Zehri**. Asma's family is demanding the immediate arrest of the perpetrators.



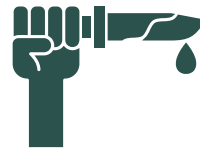
Asma Baloch speaks to the media following her release.

A History of Bloodshed: The Targeted Killings of Anjeera's People



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The people of Anjeera have paid a heavy price for their resistance. The following individuals have been murdered at the hands of state-backed death squads.



- **Zakria Zehri** (BSO Azad member) – abducted in Quetta (2010), found dead in Surab (2011).
- **Yaseen Zehri** (BNM member) – assassinated in Anjeera (2011).
- **Ibrahim Zehri** – murdered (2011).
- **Fareed Khan Zehri** – killed in Lakorian (2012).
- **Abdul Ghaffar Zehri** – shot dead in his shop in Khuzdar (2013).
- **Amanullah Zehri** – abducted in Hub (2013), still missing.
- **Nisar Zehri & Sarfaraz Ahmed** (teenagers) – murdered in Surab's market (2013).
- **Abdul Salam** (Fiancé of Asma) shot dead in Anjeera (2013).
- **Mohammad Yaqoob Zehri** (80) & **Rauf Zehri** (18) – shot dead in Anjeera (2014).
- **Maqbool Zehri, Saddam Zehri & Sahib Khan Zehri** – killed in Gidhar, Surab (2016).



Death Squad leader Rahim Bux Jamalzai, deputy to Nawab Sana Ullah Zehri.

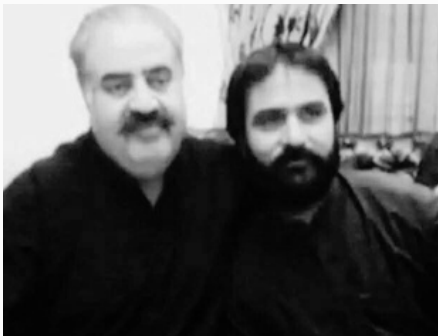


Death Squad leader Rahim Bux Jamalzai with PAKistan Peoples Party leader Nawab Sana Ullah Zehri.

The Protectors of Death Squads



Mir Naimat Ullah Zehri with Rahim Bux Jamalzai



Nawab Sana Ullah Zehri with Rahim Bux Jamalzai

Notorious killers like **Rahim Bux and Zahoor Jamalzai**, responsible for numerous assassinations in Khuzdar and beyond, continue to operate under the protection of **Nawab Sanaullah Zehri**, a senior leader of the **Pakistan People's Party** and a member of the Balochistan Assembly. His younger brother, **Mir Naimatullah Zehri**, a **former senator**, also shields these criminals.

These death squads function as enforcers of **political and tribal dominance**, silencing dissent through fear and brutality. Their victims include **political activists, students, and ordinary citizens** who dare to speak against their reign of terror. Despite **overwhelming evidence** of their involvement in **abductions and extrajudicial killings**, they move freely, enjoying **political patronage and state protection**. The complicity of law enforcement agencies and the judiciary ensures that no meaningful action is taken against them. Instead of facing justice, these criminals are **rewarded with power and resources**, further emboldening their ruthless grip over **Khuzdar** and the surrounding regions.

A Call for International Action Against the Perpetrators of State-Backed Crimes in Balochistan

The plight of the people of Anjeera is a glaring example of how state-backed violence, land dispossession, and **systematic persecution** continue unabated in Balochistan. For decades, Nawab Sanaullah Zehri and his brother **Mir Naimatullah Zehri** have operated with impunity, using their influence within the Pakistan People's Party (PPP) to shield death squads, crush dissent, and orchestrate the targeted killings of Baloch activists. The **abduction of Asma Baloch**, the **forced displacement of Anjeera's residents**, and the brutal **murders of numerous** innocent people are not isolated incidents; they are part of a calculated campaign of terror designed to suppress the Baloch people's struggle for their fundamental rights.



The current **Balochistan government** is led by the **PPP**, with **Nawab Zehri** holding significant power. The PPP also governs Sindh and is a coalition partner in Pakistan's federal government. More concerning, the current President of Pakistan, **Asif Ali Zardari**, is the co-chairman of the PPP. This political dominance allows them to operate unchecked, ensuring that the perpetrators of these atrocities never face justice.

The **international community** cannot **remain silent** in the face of these ongoing **human rights violations**. The people of Balochistan deserve justice, and it is imperative that global powers take decisive action to hold those responsible accountable.



Appeal to the International Community

We urge human rights organisations, Western governments, and international bodies to take the following measures:

01

Pressurise the Pakistan People's Party (PPP) to put an end to the atrocities in Balochistan, including the forced displacement, abductions, and killings carried out under the protection of **Nawab Sanauallah Zehri** and his brother **Mir Naimatullah Zehri**.

02

Impose targeted sanctions on Nawab Sanauallah Zehri, Mir Naimatullah Zehri, and other members of state-backed death squads operating in Balochistan. These sanctions should include travel bans, freezing of overseas assets, and restrictions on financial transactions.

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Ban them from entering Western countries and revoke any foreign visas, residency, or citizenship they may hold, preventing them from using foreign soil as a safe haven while committing crimes in Balochistan.

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Hold the Pakistani government accountable by demanding transparency regarding enforced disappearances, extrajudicial killings, and the use of death squads in Balochistan. The world must not remain complicit in these crimes.

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Investigate and expose the financial assets of Nawab Sanauallah Zehri, Mir Naimatullah Zehri, and other PPP leaders abroad, ensuring they cannot launder money earned through land grabs, extortion, and human rights abuses.

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Raise the case of Asma Baloch at international forums, including the United Nations, European Union, and human rights organisations such as Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch, demanding accountability for those responsible for her abduction and the decades-long persecution of her people.

The Pakistan People's Party, which currently controls **Balochistan, Sindh, and is a key player in Pakistan's federal government**, must be forced to answer for its role in enabling and protecting death squads. The world **must not turn a blind eye** to the systematic repression in Balochistan.

Justice for Anjeera's people and Asma Baloch is not just a local issue—it is a test of the international community's commitment to human rights, justice, and the rule of law. Western governments and human rights organisations must act before more innocent lives are lost.



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About us:

Paank is the human rights department of the Baloch National Movement (BNM), which aims to raise awareness and promote human rights in Balochistan. BNM is a political organization dedicated to the rights and freedoms of the Baloch people in Balochistan.

Paank focuses on the protection and promotion of human rights in Balochistan by conducting investigations, documenting human rights abuses, and advocating for change. Its monthly report on the human rights situation in Balochistan provides up-to-date information on the state of human rights in the region and highlights areas where improvement is needed. These reports serve as a valuable resource for those concerned with human rights in Balochistan and provide a platform for BNM to voice its concerns and advocate for change.

One of the key areas of focus for Paank is the issue of enforced disappearances in Balochistan. This is a serious concern in the region and has been widely reported by human rights organizations. Paank works to document cases of enforced disappearances and bring attention to this issue in the hopes of bringing an end to this human rights violation. The website will regularly update information on enforced disappearances, including the number of cases, the names of those who have disappeared, and the efforts being made to secure their release.

Paank is also active in organizing events and activities that promote human rights in Balochistan. These events range from peaceful protests to public awareness campaigns and educational seminars. Paank's events provide a platform for the Baloch people to voice their concerns and demand change. The website will share updates on Paank's events and activities, allowing supporters to stay informed and get involved.

Paank is a vital part of BNM's efforts to promote human rights in Balochistan. Its monthly reports and updates on enforced disappearances provide valuable information and insight into the human rights situation in the region. Its events and activities help to raise awareness and promote change. The website provides a platform for Paank to share its work and engage with supporters, making it an essential resource for anyone concerned with human rights in Balochistan.

Baloch National Movement (BNM) is an organization struggling for the independence of Balochistan from Pakistan. The human rights department of BNM, known as Paank, focuses on raising awareness about the human rights situation in Balochistan. Paank's mission is to advocate on all forums to bring global attention to the atrocities committed in Balochistan and to work towards a better future for the Baloch people.

Paank's team is dedicated to creating a brighter future for the Baloch people. Through their tireless efforts, Paank works to bring justice to the victims of human rights violations in Balochistan and to hold those responsible accountable for their actions.

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