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OIC Holds 10th Summit in Malaysia

The Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) held the 10th Islamic Summit Conference in Putrajaya, Malaysia, during 16-18 October. The Conference discussed issues concerning the Muslims in various parts of the world. The Islamic values and Muslim characters have become targets of antagonism. Muslims are confronted with smear campaigns, which include the threat of political isolation, economic sanction and military occupation. Therefore, it is need of the hour that Muslims find out ways and means to meet the challenges which they are facing in the contemporary world. The Muslim leaders from the 57-member OIC countries issued the Putrajaya Declaration at the end of the 10th Islamic Summit Conference - A report.



Palestine: A Road Map to Nowhere

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In the name of fighting the Palestinian 'terror', Israel is assorting Jews together, who are living in 90 countries. It is the threat of 'terror' that gets Israel huge loans, allows it to make many nuclear weapons, and gives a free hand over the Palestinians. Moreover, in its long-term agenda of stretching its borders from the Nile to the Euphrates, the loss of a few hundred Israeli souls is but a small price to pay. Had there been any sincerity of purpose on the part of the Quartet and Israel, they could have worked on the Saudi peace initiative in March last year, which was backed by the entire Arab League and the world as well, analyses Muhammad Nasir.

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Manifestations of Hindu Extremism

India allowed Israel in 1992 to

open its consulate in Bombay. In

the same year, the Hindu zealots

demolished the 16th century Ba-

bri Masjid. Now after 11 years,

and for the first time, an Israeli

prime minister was given a red

carpet welcome by the BJP-led

government in New Delhi.

Moreover, the state-run Archae-

ological Survey of India (ASI)

has come up with a report sup-

porting the claim of the Hindu

forces that there was a temple

under the Babri Masjid. Now the

BJP-led government is working

on the Hindu agenda. Be it the

issue of banning the beef eating

in the country or relationship

with Israel by welcoming the

'Butcher of Beirut' - all are the

manifestations of Hindu extrem-

ism in India - An analysis by

P.K. Niaz.

Muslims

In Mongolia, the situation of Muslims is pathetic. Out of two million, with Buddhists in majority, the Muslim population is 150,000. They, before the Communist occupation, lived in 14 villages, each with a mosque and an Islamic school. But after the Communist occupation. mosques were demolished or turned into barracks, the party offices and other public utilities, the Islamic scholars were put to death or behind bar, and the Qur'an as well as other religious books destroyed. During the 10year reign of the Cultural Revolution 1966-76, the Communist Red Guard attempted to eliminate the Uighur Arabic script that had been in use for 1,000 years. Dr. Nora Ahmed traces

the history of Mongol Muslims.

A History of Mongol

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