

## **Scenario 137**

### **DR IMRAN FAROOQ's KILLING** **LONDON 2010-16**

**On 26<sup>th</sup> August 2016**; once again rumours, media analysis and news columns sparked that noose was being tightened against the MQM's supremo Altaf Hussain in London as key suspect Mohsin Ali's fingerprints and DNA had matched those on the weapon used in the murder of former MQM leader Imran Farooq - interior ministry of Pakistan itself had sourced the news that day.

.....see **Dr Imran Farooq's**  
**BACK GROUND SCRIPTS:**

Dr Imran Farooq joined the All Pakistan *Mohajir* Students Organization [APMSO] being a student of Sindh Medical College, and had soon become a close aide to Azeem Ahmed Tariq and Altaf Hussain. He went on to become first and the only Convener of the MQM in 1984, when the party was founded.

Upright and true to the cause of the party, Dr Imran Farooq was a hardcore Mohajir nationalist and was never afraid of taking the hard line. When Altaf Hussain was arrested for the second time **on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 1986** – after his famous Hyderabad public rally – it was Dr Imran Farooq who threatened the government to respond violently.

**On 14<sup>th</sup> December 1986**, as soon as Dr Imran Farooq gave an ultimatum for Altaf Hussain's release, ***120 people died in political violence***. He had orchestrated the riots and **approved the use of violence for political gains**. He believed the thousands of unemployed lower middle class Mohajirs suffering from ethnic discrimination had nothing to lose.

There were posters seen on the city's walls during Karachi Operation of 1992 declaring Dr Imran Farooq a wanted criminal; Rs:700,000 reward was mentioned therein as 'head-money'. He was known as a rigid idealist amongst MQM hierarchy. During that 1992 operation of PML[N] government, Dr Imran Farooq ran the party in the absence of Altaf Hussain but from an undisclosed location.

[But Brig (r) Janjua – who was part of the 1992 military operation – disagreed and corrected that "*.....he was instrumental in running 'MQM's kill teams during the 1990s' and was even behind assassination of some of their own leaders.*" ]

Dr Imran Farooq was charged with terrorism [*which he denied upon arrival in London*]. The charges against Farooq were challenged by his mother in 1992 in the Sindh High Court [SHC]. The SHC's verdict declared the bounty to be illegal and unconstitutional; the consequent appeal by the provincial Government of Sindh was dismissed by the Supreme Court.

**On 8<sup>th</sup> September 1999**, Dr Imran Farooq escaped from Karachi to London and claimed political asylum in the UK; which was immediately granted. As given in earlier paragraph that when Farooq left Pakistan, he had a bounty on his head which point helped him in gaining quick approval firstly for asylum and later the British citizenship.

In London, he started his settled life as a British citizen and had to forget every thing about MQM's past. However, Farooq continued to lead the MQM with Altaf Hussain and other senior members of the party from exile.

Dr Farooq maintained close relations with Altaf Hussain – the later used to call Farooq his '**staunch, loyal, and senior companion.**' In 2004, when Farooq got married in London, Hussain attended the festivities. Farooq married a former member of the Sindh Assembly, Shumaila Nazar and had two children.

But till then, the MQM had become a '**business corporation**' having other financial and political advisers. The party's take off stage had started with Gen Musharraf's backing. Dr Imran could not find space in the new MQM.

### **JINNAHPUR PLAN [?]:**

It was Dr Imran Farooq who once said the following and had chosen the name of '**Jinnahpur**' for his dreams:

*"I have been an advocate of disintegration of Pakistan and also formation of an independent state for Urdu speaking nation living in province of Sindh. We are under the political siege of Punjabi and Sindhi leaders who have been depriving the Urdu speaking people of their right to exist freely under a proper identity.*

*Today, Urdu speaking nation in Pakistan is treated as second class citizens of Pakistan. People from Karachi are considered as INDIAN*

*AGENTS and are, therefore, labelled as "terrorists and separatists".*

*This was for this reason that MQM (MOHAJIR QAUMI MOVEMENT) was formed in early 80s by ALTAF HUSSAIN, AZEEM TARIQ, DR. IMRAN FAROOQ and others for a free state for Urdu speaking to be called **JINNAHPUR**."*

Dr Imran Farooq was among those MQM leaders who wanted to remain committed to the formation of **Jinnahpur**.

Despite the fact that MQM had proper advisory council which used to discuss MQM's policies but the decision power always rested with Altaf Hussain. This is why, a firm policy of MQM had been propagated among all the party workers which says "JO QUAID KA GHADDAR HAY, MAUT KA HAQDAR HAY"[whosoever betrays - deserves to be killed].

When MQM was formed, its main motto was achievement of an independent state for Urdu speaking people, that is, conversion of Karachi into an independent state called JINNAHPUR, however, **Altaf Hussain backed out from this motto** because he had gained enough strength while being part of mainstream politics in Pakistan during Gen Musharraf regime 1999-2007.

Dr Imran Farooq never wanted MQM to become yet another conventional political party doing power politics. Dr Imran Farooq had wanted **Jinnahpur** as per the original manifesto of MQM but Altaf Hussain was having different plans in later years.

Dr Imran Farooq openly opposed this new policy of Altaf Hussain and was, therefore, removed from MQM's main advisory council; he became a potential threat for Altaf Hussain's MQM; thus paid the price.

**On 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2009**; former Director General of the Intelligence Bureau [DIB] Brig (rtd) Imtiaz Ahmed told at ARY TV channel, in Dr Danish's live programme, that the unearthing of an alleged map of Jinnahpur, the alleged proposed homeland for the Urdu-speaking population of urban Sindh in 1992, was a drama.

The confessional statements by a former DIB created doubts all around. The then Karachi Corps Commander Lt Gen Naseer Akhtar had also forwarded his views in the light of decade old memories surrounding the accusations against the MQM regarding Jinnahpur. The MQM said that the statements by these two pivotal characters involved in the operation

against the MQM, proved that PM Nawaz Sharif's Karachi Operation of 1990 was absolutely wrong and the party was innocent.

The DIB Brig Imtiaz said that the then president, the prime minister and the army chief were aware of all the decisions taken in connection with the operation against the MQM but Nawaz Sharif, who was the ruling party's chief then, did not accept any responsibility nor they tried to clarify their position in this regard.

**'Nawaz Sharif being the then Prime Minister stands responsible for the Act of 1990-92 Operation against the Citizens of Pakistan....in which some 15000 civilians were put to death'**. The intelligentsia had termed it as massacre; a Crime against Humanity, and a trial was also demanded against him in International Courts.

*'The background is that an Operation in Karachi was carried out in 1992 and thousands perished as an alleged conspiracy against the Muttahida Quami Movement (MQM), when Lt Gen Naseer Akhtar was Corps Commander Karachi and Lt Gen Asif Janjua was the Chief of Army Staff.*

*In reply to a question from Dr Danish: that whether any permission of operation from the then Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif was sought? Brig (R) Imtiaz said that the prime minister was in the knowledge of it which is on record and never had he raised any objection about it.*

*The fact remains that when this operation began, MQM raised their voice against the operation & the international community showed concern over it. PM Nawaz Sharif and Gen Asif Janjua, the then Chief of Army staff, had discussed the issue and the PM had instructed to continue the operation - it is also on record.*

*Dr. Danish then questioned about the political innocence of PM Nawaz Sharif, as he is famous for showing his deliberate ignorance including the Kargil war, as why he did not ask this operation to be stopped which was started and continued during his tenure?*

*Dr. Danish then took Lt Gen (R) Naseer Akhtar on phone line and questioned him that if he did seek permission from the then Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to conduct the operation to kill 15000 workers of MQM to which **he confirmed that the permission was sought and granted through a proper chain of command and procedures.***

*PM Nawaz Sharif remained present in the Pano Aqil Cantonment during all the conferences where the 1992 Operation was discussed*

*at length along with Chief of Army Staff and President Ghulam Ishaq Khan – and gave explicit permission to conduct this so called genocide.*

*Then Gen Naseer was asked about the alleged Jinnahpur map discovered from Karachi, to which he said that this was very disappointing to say that there were never any of such maps discovered, and this rhetoric of Map was also withdrawn just after two days.*

*Lt Gen Naseer Akhtar declined twice on the phone that even while being Corps Commander of Karachi, he was completely unaware of any such thing called as Jinnahpur map.*

*Lt Gen (R) Naseer Akhtar was known as responsible figure and mastermind of the 1992 Karachi operation.'*

(Ref: Tele-report **ARY Digital** dated **23<sup>rd</sup> August 2009**)

Brig (R) Imtiaz also added that he had investigated this whole issue for seven days and at the end concluded that this Jinnahpur map was a complete drama and conspiracy against MQM and there were absolutely no maps discovered from the offices of MQM. How it became possible that those maps were also published? Who passed it to the press resulting in the headlines of all the newspapers on the next day; including the headline of the JANG newspaper published in London?

In the same TV programme, Brig ® Imtiaz Ahmed, the former DIB had also disclosed that:

*'Ghulam Mustafa Khar was once staying in London as self-exile. He was staying in the apartment of Seth Abid, where he was approached by one Mr Joshi, a senior officer of Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) of India, to create a joint plan that when there will be Corps Commander conference going on in Rawalpindi Pakistan, they will explode the building with explosives killing all the senior military leadership of Pakistan.*

*According to Brig (R) Imtiaz, Mustafa Khar was the central role player of the plan and RAW was cooperating with him.*

*G Mustafa Khar had also met Indra Ghandi, the then Prime Minister of India, – who had formally approved the operation.*

*On the other hand Seth Abid, Mr Khar's host in London when got suspicious, met Gen Ziaul Haq and informed him that Mustafa Khar have some dirty plans against the country. Seth Abid was then planted as the Pakistani agent and used to communicate with Mustafa Khar on the instance of the ISI and Pak-Army.*

*Answering to a question if this is a true-tale, Brig (R) Imtiaz also revealed that all the conversations of the plan between Seth Abid and Mustafa Khar are still on record and are safe at Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) even at this time. Then he tells how the plan was busted with the help of ISI agents to save Pakistan'.*

Never mind, this is the true face of Pakistani politics and politicians; still those faces are around in the power corridors sometimes themselves and sometimes in the features of their kinships. Hina Rabbani Khar has been amongst the most trusted ministers of the ruling regimes of Gen Musharraf and the PPP both.

**On 22nd December 2011**; in his first full-length televised interview, Afaq Ahmed, Chief of the MQM-H, alleged that there was a "100 percent" plan by rival MQM Chairman Altaf Hussain to create Jinnahpur state, which ultimately led to the 1992 operation. Afaq's explosive statements were made on an exclusive two-part episode of the *Express News* show '**To the Point**' program with host Shahzaib Khanzada displayed **on 23rd December 2011** evening again.

Afaq Ahmed was released on bail that week after eight years in jail.

The MQM-H Chief broke away from the Altaf-led MQM during the 1992 operation to form his own faction, the *MQM-Haqiqi*. He explained that he split with the MQM because Altaf Hussain was "involved in anti-state activities", for which he could now provide witnesses. "**Altaf took money from the foreign agencies and I am witness to this,**" Afaq claimed.

When asked about Jinnahpur Plan, Afaq claimed that Altaf Hussain had lied that there was no plan to create such a state. "**It was a 100 per cent confirmed plan, and I am a witness to it,**" he said. When asked to provide proof, Afaq said that if Hussain denied it in court then he would produce the evidence, including bank account numbers in which Hussain allegedly stashed away money received from the [foreign] intelligence agencies like RAW.

To grill Afaq on this point, the host Khanzada put forward the aforementioned televised statement of Brig Imtiaz aka *Billa*, who was in charge of the troops participating in the 1992 operation. Afaq countered this by claiming that the agencies had never worked independently and had always taken orders from the government. Afaq further alleged that the Brig Imtiaz's retraction was based on dictation from Altaf Hussain. Afaq went on to allege that the operation was also directed against certain members of the MQM as orchestrated by Altaf Hussain.

Afaq criticized the policies of the MQM, claiming that Altaf Hussain ruled by fear and held Karachi hostage to gain votes and power. **"If you de-weaponise the MQM, they would lose their seats,"** he claimed.

The Express TV's host then showed a reel of "Urdu-speaking people" talking about Altaf Hussain and how the MQM chief had urged them to live peacefully without regard for ethnic differences. Afaq called the interviews biased, saying that they were taken in areas where the MQM dominated.

The MQM-H chief said that past elections, in which Hussain had received a favourable response, the results were the outcome of fear and government backing. **"The word Muttahida was devised by Altaf Hussain to mislead the people."** He predicted that while it was stronger now compared to two decades ago, the MQM would have to face difficulties in the future.

Afaq questioned the host and then explained that:

*'.....why, when MQM came to power in 2002, they had not taken up the cases of hundreds of party workers, 15000 as claimed by the MQM, who went missing in the 1990s. Altaf had called for one son from each family, and later had them killed.*

*When their family members asked what happened to their loved ones, why did they not answer? They were in power under Gen Musharraf, why did they not resolve the missing persons' cases?'*

Aamir Khan, a long-standing stalwart of the MQM-H and Afaq's fellow inmate, had after his release in 2011, decided to return to the MQM with several members. Afaq described this defection as a weakness on his part. *'He [Khan] had grown weak after such a long imprisonment. If he can leave me, he can leave the MQM [again] too,'* Afaq added.

**Coming back:-**

### **OPINIONS AFTER THE MURDER:**

**On 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010;** Scotland Yard launched a murder inquiry when MQM's senior member, Dr Imran Farooq, was found dead outside his London home. Dr Imran was a co-founder of the MQM but was killed in broad daylight; wounds of stabbing and ruthless beating were visible taking him to death.

Farooq was found in the north of the UK capital [Thursday] with multiple stab wounds and head injuries. The street where it happened remained closed off till next day evening as the police was carrying out their checks.

Neighbours reported hearing a disturbance and Imran Farooq's body was found with head injuries and several stab wounds to his body and also his head. On receiving calls from some fellow citizen, the British Police hunted the attackers and got the CCTV footage from the vicinities around where Dr Imran lived. He had come to Britain claiming he faced persecution in Pakistan. Scotland Yard said:

*"Police were called to Green Lane, Edgware shortly before 1730hrs on Thursday 16 September following reports of a serious assault.*

*On arrival, officers found an Asian man, aged 50, with stab wounds and head injuries. Paramedics treated the man, but he was pronounced dead at the scene at approximately 1837hrs.*

*Next of kin have been informed. We await formal identification. A post-mortem examination will be scheduled in due course. The homicide and serious crime command are investigating."*

Dr Imran was attacked on his way home from his job at a chemist's shop. He was found near his home after neighbours witnessed what they believed was a fight. Paramedics were called but he was pronounced dead at the scene.

**[On 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010;** one Karachi's government official named Khalid Shamim called London. **"What is the status?"** the other one was asked. **"The cake has been cut,"** was the response.

Investigators say the Karachi Water Board's official, Khalid Shamim, had called one of Dr Imran Farooq's assassins 12 minutes after his murder. Another tele-voice joined them: **"We stabbed him and hit him with bricks until he died"**]

Dr Imran Farooq had been living in exile in London since 1992. According to reports on the MQM website since 1999, and Dr Imran's documentary claims, he was implicated on a range of charges including criminal and terrorist activities but insisted the allegations were politically motivated. Dr Imran claimed in November 1992 that:

*"He was wanted "dead or alive"- "[This gave] licence and impunity to every individual in Pakistan to assassinate me.*



*He spent more than seven years in hiding in Karachi, southern Pakistan. It was impossible for me to remain in Pakistan due to the continued threat on my life and liberty."*

UK's daily '**the Guardian**' of **17<sup>th</sup> September 2010** wrote:

*"MQM is the fourth largest political party in Pakistan and the dominant party in Karachi.*

*The party prided itself on its well-oiled machine and its secular, liberal outlook. But British police sources have said it was also linked to extortion, gun smuggling and South African crime networks."*

Next day, reaction to Imran Farooq's killing was seen all over the city.

***Karachi was tense after Dr's killing:*** .....gas stations, schools and markets in Karachi were all closed and public transport was not running as news of the killing of Imran Farooq appeared; the whole Karachi was in "*sombre mood*". The city was in shock and fear, there was very little traffic on the streets and the city seemed deserted.

There were scattered pockets of violence in several parts of the city; shops were burnt and vehicles set alight ... "*It is very much waiting and bracing itself for if there will be a backlash.*"

As expected, the killing triggered more ethnic and political violence in Karachi; revenge attacks and random acts of arson often followed high-profile murders in the metropolis. Had that murder happened in Karachi it would have triggered a severe reaction; there was a tense calm prevailing over the city.

There were serious differences within the MQM, a party with a history of infighting; often locked in a conflict over control over the city – especially in areas when Mohajir community was making the major vote bank. MNA Khush Bakht Shujat told the media:

*"At the moment the whole party is very sad and deeply touched. It is the biggest incident in the history of MQM.*

*It is too early to say anything [about the possible killers]. We cannot say that this is a political murder because it is still under investigation."*

The MQM was with Pakistan's ruling coalition PPP then and had a strong anti-Taliban stance. Prematurely, the government immediately blamed the Taliban and the banned *Sipah-e-Sahaba Pakistan* [SSP] for the killing of Imran Farooq; no one knew why. MQM's Farooq Satter held:

*"We are confident that the culprit will be arrested and will be given exemplary punishment but we cannot speculate on the motives behind the killing; results of British investigations are awaited."*

Dr Imran Farooq, inactive in politics for about two years, claimed asylum in Britain 11 years ago after more than seven years on the run from Pakistani police who accused him of involvement in murder and other serious crimes; he had denied the charges.

Dr Imran Farooq was one of several senior members of the MQM who had taken refuge in London; the party's senior leader, Altaf Hussain, was also living there in self-exile since 1992.

Up to 100 people were killed and hundreds wounded in several days of clashes in Karachi a month earlier [August 2010] after MQM member Raza Haider, who was a Shia Muslim, was gunned down along with his body-guard while attending a funeral. Otherwise, the city had seen hundreds of targeted killings that year.

Referring to the '**Al-Jazeera**' dated **17<sup>th</sup> September 2010**: '*MQM party workers were involved in bloody factional clashes and battles with the security forces in Karachi since the 1990s.*'

**On 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2010**; just after a week of Dr Imran Farooq's murder, an American internet site [*alaihah.wordpress.com*] had analysed and opined that:

*"The New Scotland Yard UK must also involve officials of MQM stationed at MQM's headquarters in London in the investigation of his [Dr Imran Farooq] murder.*

*In particular, Saleem Shahzad must be thoroughly interrogated about the said murder for the sole reason that Saleem Shahzad is known for his specialization in such type of murders. **Saleem Shahzad** has a track record of several murders in Pakistan."*

**Vikram Dodd**, wrote in '**the guardian**' on **26th September 2010** with caption: ***Imran Farooq murder linked to rows within MQM party***

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The Scotland Yard investigation into the murder of Dr Imran Farooq told that rows within his own party might have led to his assassination. The murder was being investigated by Scotland Yard's counter - terrorism branch because of the political dimension to the killing. Farooq, once prominent in MQM, had taken a back seat. The source said of the motive:

*"It lies within the MQM. Dr Farooq was probably going to join [Gen] Musharraf. He is vowing to leave his own London exile and return home to launch a fresh bid for power.*

*His [Gen Musharraf's] new party, the All Pakistan Muslim League, will launch its programme in London later this week."*

When asked by the British media about his reaction to Dr Farooq's murder, Gen Musharraf said: *"It is terrible that such an assassination could happen in a place like London."* Altaf Hussain, also living in exile in London, said:

*"Now the enemies of the movement are after my life, but I want to tell them I am not afraid of anyone, whether it's a superpower like the United States or its Nato allies or their Pakistani agents ...*

*I fear the Almighty Allah and will never bow down before the conspirators even if they get my British citizenship rescinded."*

MQM party officials in the party's stronghold of Karachi declared a 10-day period of mourning. Previous political killings had triggered riots and deadly clashes between rival factions.

In response to this article a letter from Pakistan's MQM was also got published in **'the Guardian' on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2010** which is placed below *verbatim*:

*"We refer to the article titled **"Pakistan: Imran Farooq murder linked to rows within MQM party"** published on your website since 26 September and a shorter version of the article published in your newspaper on 27 September titled "Politician's murder linked to party rows". We write to register our profound dismay that the Guardian chose to publish such baseless allegations against our party, the Muttahida Quami Movement (MQM).*

*The allegation that the murder of Dr Imran Farooq was somehow linked to "rows within the MQM" is entirely false. It is of note that it is attributed only to "sources" without giving any indication of who*

*those sources might be or whether they have any political axe to grind. There were no internal divisions in the MQM which might have led to his murder.*

*Dr Imran Farooq was the founder member of the MQM and remained the party convener of its central co-ordination committee until his last breath. He was a highly respected member of the party and remained on good terms with senior officials of the MQM.*

*At a time when we are still grieving about his tragic murder and when a police investigation is under way, these allegations have caused significant hurt and distress to millions of MQM workers and supporters.*

***Dr Farooq Sattar***  
*MQM deputy convener and four others"*

**Editorial in Daily 'Dawn' dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015** said:

*"The absurdity of the notion is only heightened, perhaps, by the fact that it comes from Pakistan — the justice system of which is characterised by inefficiency and sluggishness — and concerns a high-profile murder case that is potentially politically explosive.*

*....while his political association with Pakistan may have been significant, this country's legal system has little to do with a crime not committed within its own borders - the crime is already under investigation with the London Metropolitan Police."*

### **INVESTIGATION LEADS APPEARED:**

The fact remained that three men were under custody of intelligence agencies in Pakistan; being suspected of having been involved in the murder of Dr Farooq, and were also interviewed by London Met police investigators during the summer 2015 upon being given access by the local authorities. The British authorities had not made any request for the extradition of those three suspects.

As per Scotland Yard investigations, two of the nominated suspects — Syed Mohsin Ali and Kashif Khan Kamran — had acquired British visa on the basis of their admission to the London Academy of Management Sciences in

East London. Mohsin went to the UK in February 2010, and lived in a number of places in London. Kashif reached there in early September 2010. The phone records of both showed that they usually moved together and were allegedly in contact with one Iftikhar Hussain, a close relative of MQM chief Altaf Hussain.

They left the UK on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010, hours after the murder, for Sri Lanka before travelling to Karachi on 19<sup>th</sup> September but Mohsin Ali was arrested along with another accused, Khalid Shamim, only in July 2015, by the Frontier Corps in Balochistan. The Metropolitan police had reasons to believe that Mohsin and Kashif stabbed Dr Farooq to death before fleeing the country.

Referring to a 3-page note of the **London Police record** available for **December 2014:**

*"On 6th December 2012 officers from the Counter Terrorism Command investigating the murder of Dr Imran Farooq executed a search warrant under Schedule 1 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) at a business address in Edgware.*

*No arrests were made; however, a quantity of money was recovered from the property and seized under the Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA).*

*On 18th June 2013, officers executed a search warrant at two addresses in Edgware under section 8 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act and recovered a further significant sum of money.*

*An investigation continues into the circumstances in which the money came to be at the properties.*

*There have been no arrests in connection with this investigation.*

*On Monday, 24th June 2013 MPS Counter Terrorism Command detectives investigating the murder of Dr Imran Farooq arrested a man on suspicion of conspiracy to murder.*

*Officers arrested the 52-year-old man [B] at Heathrow Airport at approx 1010hrs after landing at the airport on a flight from Canada.*

*He has been taken to a west London police station. On Tuesday 25th June he was bailed to return on a date in September pending further inquiries."*

It was Iftikhar Hussain who was arrested on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2013, as British police report said; a primary suspect in that murder case. The detainee was a relative of MQM's Chief Altaf Hussain. The arrest was made in response to forensic evidence gathered by the police. The Scotland Yard had sorted out the Call Detail Record [CDR] along with text messages from the SIM obtained from Hussain.

Scotland Yard's information obtained from the SIM of Iftikhar Hussain brought previously unknown facts and connections into the limelight. According to the Yard, the killing could be politically motivated with the secondary objective of money-laundering. However, the police refrained from disclosing the information as the investigation was still in progress.

### **INVESTIGATIONS STILL ON:**

**On 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015;** the London Metro Police made out the following '**progress report**' to be placed on Dr Imran's file:

*"On the fifth anniversary of the murder of Dr Imran Farooq officers continue to investigate his death. Dr Farooq was on his way home from work when he was attacked outside his home in Green Lane, Edgware, London, shortly before 17:30hrs on Thursday, 16 September 2010.*

*The 50-year-old died as a result of multiple stab wounds and blunt trauma to the head. A five-and-a-half inch bladed kitchen knife and a house brick used in the attack were recovered at the scene.*

*Detectives from the Met Police Counter Terrorism Command (SO15) are investigating Dr Farooq's murder and remain committed to finding those responsible. **To date they have spoken to 4,555 people, reviewed 7,697 documents, followed up 2,423 lines of inquiry and seized 4,325 exhibits.***

*It is thought Dr Farooq's murder would have required careful planning and help from other people, some of whom may have provided assistance or information unwittingly.*

*Officers have been in regular contact with the Pakistani authorities ..... [and] have named two men as wanted in connection with the murder:*

- *Moshin Ali Syed, 30 (15.05.85) a Pakistani national who was in the UK between February 2010 and 16 September 2010;*
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- *Muhammad Kashif Khan Kamran, 36 (6.07.79) a Pakistani national who was in the UK between early September 2010 and 16 September 2010.*

*Three men previously arrested in connection with this investigation have all been released without charge:*

- *A 39-year-old man arrested on 9 December 2010, at an address in Camden on suspicion of murder, and also on suspicion of robbery in October 2009. He was subsequently released without charge in March 2012.*
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- *A 54-year-old man arrested on 24 June, 2013, at Heathrow airport on suspicion of conspiracy to murder. He was subsequently released without charge in October 2014.*
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- *A 31-year-old arrested on 27 August, 2014 at an address in Waltham Forest in connection with the murder. He was subsequently released without charge in May 2015."*

The report ends.

**On 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015;** the Federal Investigation Agency [FIA] registered [yet another] case against MQM Chief Altaf Hussain and other party leaders in the murder of Dr Imran Farooq. The case, filed by FIA's Counter-Terrorism Wing [CTW] in Islamabad:

*".....was registered for conspiracy, assistance, abetment and ultimately assassination / murder of Dr Imran Farooq of the MQM in London on 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2010 - under sections 302, 34, 109, 120B of the Pakistan Penal Code [PPC] and section 7 of the Anti-Terrorism Act.*

*The government of Pakistan through FIA's CTW is the complainant in the cited case."*

Others nominated in the case included Mohammad Anwar, Iftikhar Hussain, Moazzam Ali Khan, Kashif Khan Kamran, Syed Mohsin Ali and Khalid Shamim. MQM leader Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui, reacting to the development, questioned the 'timing' of the case, adding that it was an attempt to malign the MQM.

One Moazzam Ali Khan was arrested by law-enforcement agencies in Karachi this year [2016]. He was accused of arranging tickets, visa and finances for the UK visit of Mohsin and Kashif. The whereabouts of Kashif are not known and there are rumours that he is not alive.

Khalid Shamim was picked up as accused of being a part of the murder plot and investigations suggested that he had met Mohsin and Kashif and arranged their meeting with Moazzam. During its visit to Islamabad in July 2015, the Scotland Yard team quizzed accused Moazzam Ali Khan, Khalid Shamim and Mohsin Ali.

Iftikhar Hussain, 53-year-old nephew of MQM chief, was originally arrested on suspicion of conspiracy to murder in October 2014, then released on police bail, according to a BBC report on file. MQM claimed the arrest was based on wrong information. MQM's Senator Barrister Nasim described Iftikhar Hussain as **"not a person who is really with himself mentally"** and added that Iftikhar Hussain had suffered unjustifiably at the hands of the Pakistani authorities.

Khalid Shamim, Mohsin Ali Syed and Moazzam Ali were among the key suspects and after their arrest they were held in Rawalpindi's Adiyala Jail. **On 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016**, Khalid Shamim and Mohsin Ali Syed had confessed their guilt before the duty magistrate, but Moazzam avoided saying anything.

However, in April 2016, Moazzam named ex-MQM worker Hammad Siddiqui as the 'big fish' involved. Siddiqui had been in touch with him and had introduced the two boys to him. **"Hammad took oaths from all of us not to reveal anything about the plot,"** Moazzam told the Rangers. Hammad Siddiqui was not named as a suspect in the case, and that brought reservations and raised doubts.

Mohsin told the Anti-Terrorism Court that:

*"We bought knives from the one-pound shop. We hid the knives close to Dr Imran Farooq's house. One day, after a signal from a senior MQM member based in London, Kashif stabbed him and hit him with bricks until he died."*



The MQM Secretariat was aware of reports in the media that individuals held in detention by Pakistani authorities had confessed to the murder of Dr Imran Farooq. Khalid Shamim was tasked to kill the two assassins, Mohsin and Kashif. He was arrested from an ATM a day after they were to show up at the airport.

Khalid Shamim was alleged to be in contact with Sarfraz Hussain, another nephew of Altaf Hussain. Sarfraz was arrested for conspiracy to murder, and was out on bail.

Scotland Yard informed government of Pakistan about a key development; the British officials had taken fingerprint samples when they first sent a team to interrogate the suspects in Pakistan. They had also recovered a knife and other evidence as well from the crime scene. Mohsin Ali, in his statement to the Federal Investigation Agency [FIA], had said that:

***'...he had attacked only to tackle Imran Farooq. However, his accomplice, Kamran, had attacked Farooq with a knife.'***

Mohsin also told that Kamran was in Afghanistan but sources claimed that the suspect died during detention by the law enforcement agencies. MQM's Dr Imran Farooq murder case is under investigation with the British Police since six years.

Referring to '**the Friday Times**' dated **22<sup>nd</sup> January 2016**: The senior military officers, however, kept the opinion that:

*"The case has been grossly mishandled on our end. The previous administration [of the PPP regime & Gen Kayani] thought to use the two arrested men for leverage, until they found out that any testimony from them would not be valid."*

**PSP's INTERESTING LETTER:**

Dr Imran Farooq was assassinated on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010. First report of the London Police was made public in December 2014 but Mustafa Kamal, an ex-MQM officer bearer had **on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2014** told through the following letter that '**Those who differ, they know their end like that of Dr. Imran Farooq in London**'.

Following is the letter **verbatim** from Altaf Hussain's once trusted worker **Mustafa Kamal** – who after about 30 months announced his own party named **Pak Sarzameen Party [PSP]**.

The letter is placed here with no comments from the book writer because the said case is still under investigation.

***"Kamal Exposes Altaf Hussain***

***By: Ex-Nazim Karachi***

***Date: Monday, 6 January 2014, 12:15 am***

***ALTAH HUSSAIN IS A GREAT ROGUE LEADER AND BIG BLACK-MAILER:***

*Altaf Hussain is running a big Mafia network from London with a secret terrorist gang to murder those who oppose him. Recently Mustafa Kamal, ex Nazim Karachi developed differences with Altaf for not supporting Pervaiz Musharaf to prevent harassment and arrest by Nawaz Sharif, PM. Actually Altaf had come to a secret understanding with Nawaz Sharif against some good bribe payment not to support Pervaiz Musharaf.*

*Accordingly when Pervaiz Musharaf landed at Karachi Airport hoping to get standing ovation from MQM people, he got a rude shock of sudden change by Altaf. Altaf sells MQM to the highest bidder. He presently owns six houses in UK along with millions of pounds in cash seized by the Scotland Yard as illegal money laundering. Pervaiz Musharaff was arrested and lot of bogus cases were started as usual and Altaf never raised his voice in his favour. Because Altaf is an ungrateful person.*

*Altaf Hussain is a great nuisance for Pakistan as he is safely sitting in London and controlling the hijacked Mohajirs. **Those who differ, they know their end like that of Dr. Imran Farooq in London.** The late Azim Ahmed Tariq, the first President of MQM was murdered by Altaf for opposing his mean tactics. Several others were murdered one by one but Altaf always create a drama of weeping over their deaths to fool the Mohajirs.*

*Altaf is a little HITLER and follows his policies. None of the present political leaders, Ulemas, intelligentsia and also the media / press and TV channels are brave enough to challenge him. The media / press / private TV channels are fully bribed to speak in favour of Altaf except with few exceptions like Mubashir Luqman.*

*It is learnt that ISI is holding the killers of Dr. Imran Farooq and have bargained with Altaf to always praise the army otherwise they will be handed over to Scotland Yard.*

*Anis Qaim Khani, another MQM leader has also ran away to escape death.*

*The Big question is when dual nationality holders can not be members of Provincial Assemblies and National Assembly, then how Altaf Hussain, a British citizen is allowed to control a big MAFIA party from London. So far the courts are afraid to take any decision in this regard though representations were made.*

*Iftikhar Choudhry [Chief Justice] was also requested to give a final notice to Altaf to either come back and run his MQM from Pakistan after cancelling his foreign citizenship other wise his Pakistani citizenship be cancelled and also his telephone network etc. be blocked. But he was also afraid to take action.*

*Now Altaf has raised a new stunt of a new province just for the sake of bargaining as he is money hungry. The foolish Mohajirs attend his meetings in large numbers thinking that Altaf is their only Spokesman / Saviour forgetting that Altaf is a good SELLER of Mohajir interests to the highest bidder particularly Punjab.*

*Altaf had raised his BIG Voice against the 2% quota for Karachites etc., and then he promised to re-open Indian Visa Office in Karachi and also the railway route through Khokrapar and Munabao for the convenience of the Mohajirs. But since Punjab interest was involved, Altaf sold our interest against huge bribe / Bhatta.*

*Every Mohajir now has to travel to Rawalpindi and stay in a hotel for three / four days and then go to India Visa office in Islamabad by taxi and after obtaining the Visa he has to go to Lahore and again stay at a hotel for two / three days to catch a train to India which involve lot of expenditure and then he has to bribe for Exit stamp and then also bribe the custom person at Lahore Station before allowed to board a train, Samjhota Express to India. When the Mohajirs come back, they have to again bribe the same people.*

*Now the only solution is get this Great Roque Leader removed from MQM by cancelling his Pakistani citizenship and blocking his telephone nuisance network and eliminating his secret terrorist gang.*

*The present Dy. IG Mr. Hayat is bold enough to arrest several MQM terrorists but the courts under pressure allowed bails to them.*

*Mr. Rehman Malik ex Home Minister publicly admitted that he set 81 MQM arrested persons free who were actually terrorists / Bhatta gang. We need a bold person like late Gen Nasirullah Babar who will be long remembered by all the Mohajirs for removing us from the gun-point slavery of Altaf.*

*But nobody is bold now to do such a big work. Nawaz Sharif and the Sindh High Court and Supreme Court are all afraid to touch Altaf. Please read the articles by Mr. Karamat Ghori, ex diplomat and Malik Salim Akber on Altaf's nuisance above.*

*To make the matter legal, Altaf Hussain be given a chance to cancel his foreign citizenship and come back to Karachi to run MQM as per rules and as done by Governor of Punjab also or else MQM should be asked to elect a new local based leader with no foreign citizenship. If Altaf creates nuisance, then his Pakistani citizenship be cancelled in the interest of Pakistan.*

*The majority of Mohajirs will be more happy if this devil is removed from our mind set. If necessary the NA may pass a rule that all Pakistan based political parties must be run or headed by only Pakistani citizens with no dual nationality and those leaders who stay abroad deliberately and indulge in all sort of nuisance like that of Altaf, their Pakistani citizenship be cancelled.*

*The British government be requested to stop the nuisance of Altaf Hussain who is creating law and order problem with rebellion in Karachi etc. His illegal properties and bribe cash be brought back for the welfare work here.*

*We Mohajirs want peace with progress with development in Karachi, Hyderabad, Sukkur, Nawab Shah etc. Due to continued unrest and strikes in Karachi, no foreign enterprise is coming to invest here. They are investing in Punjab.*

*Just think honestly when Altaf dies a natural death, then who will protect Mohajir's interests and who will protect us from discrimination from others and who will protect us from being avenged. It is far better to adjust ourselves now with other communities and regional people instead of following blindly Altaf's negative policy of*

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*hatred and secession to promote his greatness and domination over the Mohajrs.*

*Altaf is a big rogue and enemy of the Mohajirs and want to spoil our sincere love for Pakistan into hatred and corner us from all Sindhis, Baluchis, Punjabis and Pathans. We don't want repetition of internal warfare seen in the Ayub Khan's rule.*

*Be bold. Remove all banners and Photos of Altaf Hussain as he is not our Demy God. The Mohajirs gave their blood for the establishment of Pakistan but Altaf has ran away from Pakistan as he is a BUZDIL / Coward leader unfit to lead us.*

*Allah Hafiz. Thanks.*

*Please circulate. Don't be afraid.*

*Mohajir Pakistanis settled in the West."*