

PERSECUTION OF AHMADI MUSLIMS 2023-2025



Love for all hatred for none

Comprehensive Report



Introduction

Ahmadi Muslims are a religious minority facing severe persecution in Pakistan. Despite their peaceful beliefs and contributions to society, they are subjected to state-backed discrimination, legal persecution, violent attacks, and social exclusion.

This report highlights the historical and ongoing persecution of Ahmadis, with a focus on recent cases (2023–2025), and provides evidence supporting the need for expedited asylum processing by the Netherlands IND.



Who are the Ahmadis, and why do they face persecution?

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was founded in 1889 in India and is considered a sect of Islam. However, in 1974, Pakistan officially declared Ahmadis non-Muslims, and in 1984, Ordinance XX criminalized their religious practices, making it illegal for Ahmadis to:

- Identify as Muslims.
- Call their places of worship, Mosques.
- Recite Islamic prayers (Azan, Quranic verses).
- Use Islamic phrases such as 'Assalamu Alaikum' (Peace be upon you).

Ahmadis are frequently arrested, harassed, and killed for simply practicing the same faith as other Muslims do practice. Even they did not spare a woman. ([link](#)) This persecution has forced thousands of Ahmadis to flee Pakistan, seeking safety in countries like the Netherlands.

Legal Discrimination in Pakistan

Pakistan has institutionalized religious discrimination against Ahmadis, depriving them of basic human rights. Key laws include:

1. Second Amendment to Pakistan's Constitution (1974)

- Declares Ahmadis non-Muslims.
- Excludes them from voting as Muslims in elections.

2. Ordinance XX (1984)

- Criminalizes Ahmadi religious practices.
- Ahmadis face up to 3 years in prison for identifying as Muslims.

1. Pakistan Penal Code Section 295 (Blasphemy Laws)

- Ahmadis can face the death penalty for "posing as Muslims".
- Frequent false blasphemy accusations lead to mob violence and imprisonment.

2. State-Backed Mosque Demolitions

- Police and mobs regularly destroy Ahmadi mosques and erase Islamic inscriptions from gravestones

These discriminatory laws encourage violent persecution and social exclusion, forcing Ahmadis to flee Pakistan for survival.

Types of Persecution Faced by Ahmadis

1. Murders & Assassinations

- Ahmadis are frequently killed in targeted assassinations.
- Extremists justify their killings using blasphemy laws and religious fatwas.

2. Mob Violence & Mosque Attacks

- Ahmadi homes, businesses, and places of worship are burned and destroyed.
- Police often support or ignore violent mobs.

3. Grave Desecrations

- Ahmadi gravestones are frequently vandalized, and bodies are exhumed.
- The police participate in or refuse to stop such acts.

4. Arbitrary Arrests & Blasphemy Cases

- Ahmadis are sent to jail for reciting the Quran or having religious literature.
- Courts impose long prison sentences or the death penalty on Ahmadis under blasphemy laws.

5. Social & Economic Discrimination

- Ahmadis are barred from government jobs, universities, and positions of power.
- Businesses owned by Ahmadis face economic boycotts.
- Anti-Ahmadiyya video targeting little children is going viral. ([link](#))

This combination of legal, social, and physical persecution makes Pakistan unsafe for Ahmadis.



Mob Violence



Assassination



Mosque Attacks



Discrimination



Grave Desecrations



Cartoon Videos

Why Ahmadis Must Leave Pakistan

Ahmadis cannot live safely in Pakistan due to:

- Threats to life: Frequent murders and attacks.
- Armed Extremist Groups (TLP) Hunt Ahmadis. [\(link\)](#)
- State persecution: Pakistan's blasphemy laws criminalize Ahmadi religious practice.
- Lack of police protection: Authorities do not prosecute attackers.
- Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP) extremists openly threaten Ahmadis. [\(link\)](#)
- Social exclusion: Ahmadis face job discrimination, education bans, and boycotts.
- Legal impossibility of living freely: Ahmadis cannot even publicly identify as Muslims.
- Mass rally of clerics in Pakistan openly call for the murder of all Ahmadis. [\(link\)](#)

Extremists vow to destroy Ahmadi Muslim mosques and graves

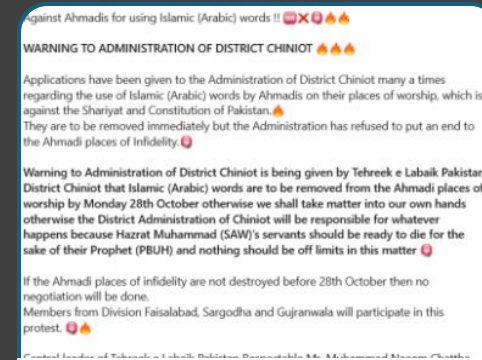
- While every aspect of Ahmadi life is under threat, the safety and stability of the society at large is at risk in Pakistan.
- Extremist clerics in Pakistan are tarnishing the name of the country internationally by brandishing extreme blasphemy laws to persecute the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. [\(link\)](#)
- Hate filled clerics call for violence and murder of Ahmadi Muslims [\(link\)](#)



Screenshots & flyers



Hate preach



Spread on social media

Bar Association Orders Police to Restrict Ahmadi Muslims' Religious Practices

Dated: 05-06-2024

In the midst of a rash of lethal violence against Ahmadi Muslims in Pakistan, the Lahore High Court Bar Association directed regional police officials to take legal action against Ahmadi Muslims, gathering, observing and praying during Muslim Eid celebrations. ([Link](#))

Bar Association Orders to Regional Police

Region Name

Region Name



Gujrat



Multan



Dera Ghazi Khan



Sahiwal



Bahawalpur



Faisalabad



Sargodha



Rawalpindi



Sheikhupura



Gujranwala

Recent Persecution and Attacks (2023–2025)

2023

- Sheikhupura, Pakistan: Ahmadi graves desecrated, bodies prevented from burial.
- Bahawalpur, Pakistan: Tahir Iqbal, an Ahmadi leader, shot dead.
- Lahore, Pakistan: Ahmadis banned from offering Eid prayers, leading to murders.

2024

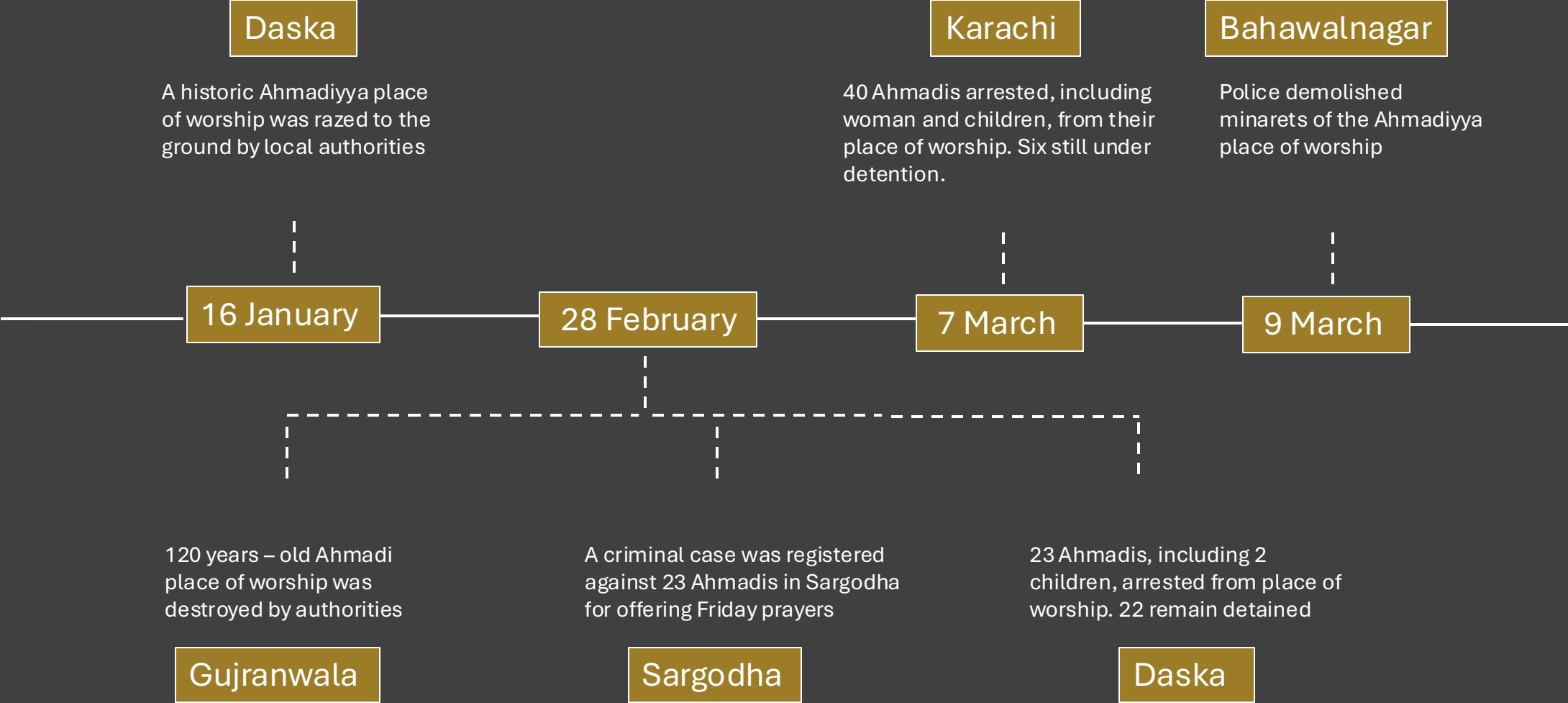
- Kotli, Azad Jammu & Kashmir: Ahmadi mosque and cemetery attacked.
- Bahawalpur, Pakistan: 17 Ahmadi tombstones destroyed.
- Lala Musa, Pakistan: Dr. Zaka Ur Rehman, an Ahmadi dentist, assassinated.
- Bangladesh: Amidst political chaos, Ahmadi Muslims are violently attacked. ([link](#))
- SARGODHA: Mob attack Christians over alleged desecration of Quran. ([link](#))
- Vandalism of Ahmadi Mosque Takes Place Under Government Supervision ([link](#))

2025

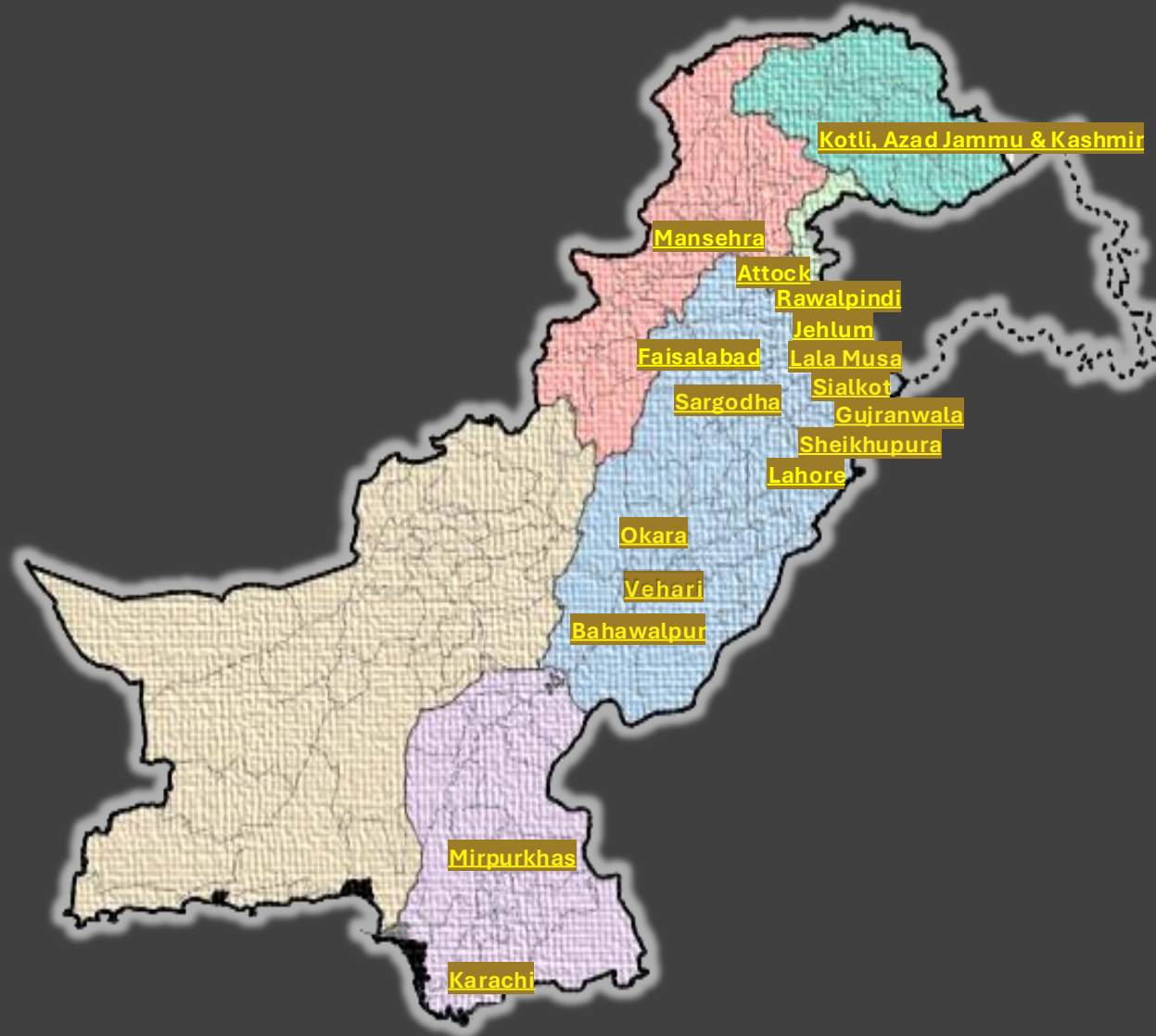
- Daska, Pakistan: A historic Ahmadi mosque demolished.
- Sheikhupura, Pakistan: 40 Ahmadi graves desecrated, hate slogans painted.
- Bangladesh: 16-year-old Ahmadi teen dies from injuries after an extremist attack. ([link](#))
- Punjab: Rising religious persecution in various cities of Punjab raises concerns of widespread violence. ([link](#))
- Punjab: Worst systematic crackdown on Ahmadiyya Muslims in various cities of Punjab, Pakistan. ([link](#))
- Dangerous trend of Anti-Ahmadi pogroms on streets of Pakistan. ([link](#))
- Recent incidents happened in various cities of Pakistan. ([link](#))

These cases show ongoing, systematic violence against Ahmadis in Pakistan and beyond.

Most Recent Attacks (2025)



Recent Persecution and Attacks (2023–2025)



International Condemnations & Human Rights Reports

Several international organizations have condemned Pakistan's treatment of Ahmadis:

- United Nations: UN Human Rights Groups urged an “immediate end to discrimination and violence against Ahmadis” in Pakistan. ([link](#))
- Amnesty International: Describes Ahmadis as "one of the most persecuted religious groups in the world".
- Human Rights Watch (HRW): Warns of "ongoing violence against Ahmadis with government complicity".
- United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF): Urges Pakistan to repeal anti-Ahmadi laws.

These reports provide strong evidence that Ahmadis face persecution in Pakistan and deserve urgent international protection.

Conclusion

- Ahmadi in Pakistan face state-backed persecution, social violence, and economic discrimination.
- Legal restrictions, targeted killings, and police complicity make it impossible for Ahmadi to live freely.
- Recent cases (2023–2025) show that violence against Ahmadi is ongoing.
- Ahmadiyya Muslims threatened with expulsion from Pakistan. ([link](#))
- Ahmadi fleeing Pakistan deserve international protection, and their asylum claims should be prioritized based on clear evidence of persecution.
- The Mulla celebrates Thanksgiving Day as a victory over ‘Qadianis’—and even more so, over the Supreme Court and key state institutions of Pakistan. ([link](#))

- Identify as Muslims
- Refer to their places of worship as mosques
- Perform Islamic rituals or use Islamic terminology

The exact ordinance in **1984** that criminalized Ahmadi religious practices in Pakistan is **Ordinance XX**, which was introduced by **General Zia-ul-Haq**. It specifically amended Sections **298-B and 298-C of the Pakistan Penal Code**, making it illegal for Ahmadis to:

Violating this ordinance carries a punishment of up to three years in prison and a fine.

Thank You

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Sialkot

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Case 1 ([link to case details](#))

Case 2 ([link to case details](#))

Case 3 ([link to case details](#))

Case 4 ([link to case details](#))

Case 5 ([link to case details](#))

Case 6 ([link to case details](#))



Total case

6

Attack Types

1. Historic Mosque Demolished
2. Graves Desecration
3. Arrests 22 Ahmadi Muslims
4. Demolish Minarets
5. Graves Desecration
6. Police demolish the Mihrab

Kotli, Azad Jammu and Kashmir

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Case 3 ([link to case details](#))

Case 4 ([link to case details](#))



Total case

4

Attack Types

1. Desecration of tombstones
2. Violent Attack on Ahmadi Mosque
3. Desecration of tombstones
4. Grave Desecrations

Vehari

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Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Vehari Police Deface Ahmadi Gravestones

Lahore

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Case 1 ([link to case details](#))

Case 2 ([link to case details](#))

Case 3 ([link to case details](#))



Total case

3

Attack Types

- Violent Assault on Mosque
- Minarets Destroyed
- Separated from Voter Lists

Lala Musa

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Ahmadi Dentist
Brutally Shot
Dead

Sheikhupura

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))

Case 2 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

3

Attack Types

1. Graves
Desecrated
Worshippers
Under Attack
2. wall chalking of
private
residences
3. Interferes with
Ahmadi Burial
and Desecrates
Graveyard

Bahawalpur

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Ahmadi graves desecrated

Debalpur Okara

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Minarets
Demolished
Kalima
Desecrated

Rawalpindi

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Brutally
Murdered

Gujranwala

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))

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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Ahmadi Woman
Arrested

Faisalabad

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

2

Attack Types

1. Mosque
Desecration
2. Medical
Association
Begins Hate

Masehra

Pakistani cleric Molvi Habib-ur-Rehman (Deobandi) of Dhudial, Mansehra has openly called for the murder of Ahmadi citizens, at a conference held at Takiya Stop, Mansehra on 20 August 2024. ([link to case details](#))

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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Openly Called for the Murder of Ahmadi Citizens

MirpurKhas

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Ahmadi Targeted To Death

Karachi

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

2

Attack Types

1. Assault on Ahmadi Mosque
2. Damage of Mosque

Attock

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))



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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Desecration of the Tombstones

Jehlum

Case 1 ([link to case details](#))

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Total case

1

Attack Types

1. Cause Fear and Anxiety