



KHALISTAN EXTREMISM MONITOR

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Spotlight

In November, Punjab Police intensified efforts to address the interconnected challenges of transnational organized crime, terrorism, and drug trafficking, effectively dismantling multiple criminal networks across the state. According to data compiled by the *Khalistan Extremism Monitor* (KEM), security forces apprehended 70 individuals affiliated with Khalistani terrorist organizations or criminal gangs, in addition to 86 arrests related to drug offenses. Furthermore, law enforcement agencies seized 36 drones suspected to have been utilized for cross-border smuggling of arms and narcotics along Punjab's border with Pakistan.

In a major operation on November 14, 2024, the Punjab Police successfully dismantled two criminal gangs, including networks of a UK-based extortion syndicate, arresting 10 individuals. The police also seized two .32-bore pistols with six live rounds, three magazines, and one .315-bore pistol with two live rounds. Investigations revealed that the extortion syndicate operated across multiple international locations, including the UK, Greece, and Manila, with key members orchestrating shootings and extortion activities within Punjab.

The month in review

Amid the ongoing diplomatic crisis between India and Canada, November saw a surge in Khalistan-related violence in the Western world, particularly in Canada, accompanied by an escalation in criminal gang-related activities in Punjab.

On November 3, 2024, Khalistani extremists forcibly entered the Hindu Sabha Mandir (Temple) in Brampton, Canada, and attacked attendees, including women and children. According to a video shared by the Hindu Canadian Foundation, the incident followed a protest by Khalistani extremists that escalated into a clash with a pro-India group displaying Indian flags. The footage shows Khalistani extremists attacking members of the opposing group, many of whom sought refuge inside the temple, leading to an assault on the temple itself.

The incident received widespread condemnation from Canadian leaders, including Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, opposition leader Pierre Poilievre, and Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown, who emphasized the importance of safeguarding religious freedom and ensuring the safety of all Canadians, while notably refraining from using the term "Khalistan." Soon after the incident, Peel Regional Police initiated an investigation into the violence.



Anmol Bishnoi



Arshdeep Singh aka Arsh Dala



Sangrur Police crackdown on drug trafficking





The next day, on November 4, 2024, thousands of members of the Hindu community gathered on Gore Road in Brampton, Canada, to protest against the attack by Khalistani extremists on the devotees at the Hindu Sabha Mandir. Protesters, carrying Indian and saffron flags, chanted slogans against Khalistani extremism and criticized the Justin Trudeau government. The protest turned violent when opposing groups wielded weapons and blocked traffic, prompting Peel Police to declare it an “unlawful assembly” and order dispersal, warning of arrests.

In the aftermath of the November 3, 2024, attack by Khalistani extremists on the Hindu Sabha Mandir in Brampton, the pro-Khalistani Sikhs For Justice (SFJ) issued a direct threat to the Indian government, calling for an end to the visits of Indian diplomats to religious institutions in Canada. SFJ further warned of a “face-off with pro-Khalistan Sikhs” if their demand was not met.

India strongly condemned the violence at the Hindu Sabha Mandir, urging Canada to protect places of worship, prosecute those responsible, and reaffirming that such incidents would not disrupt consular services. Indian consular officials were visiting the Temple to provide consular services to the elderly and handicapped, who were unable to visit the consular offices for various services. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi also condemned the attack on the Temple, and the attempt to intimidate Indian diplomats.

Though Peel Police initially suspended Sergeant Harinder Sohi, a Peel Regional Police officer in Canada, on November 4, 2024, for participating with pro-Khalistani groups involved in the Temple attack, following a complaint from pro-India groups, the Police later cleared Sergeant Sohi of any wrongdoing, stating that he acted within the lawful execution of his duties during the protest.

On November 7, 2024, the Indian High Commission in Canada issued a statement announcing the cancellation of several consular camps, citing inadequate security measures provided by Canadian authorities.

In a significant development, the Halton Regional Police Service (HRPS) disclosed, on November 10, 2024, the arrest of Khalistani terrorist and gangster Arshdeep Singh *aka* Arsh Dala, in connection with a shootout that occurred on October 28, 2024, in Halton, Ontario, Canada. Official Canadian records indicate that Arsh Dala was apprehended in Guelph, Ontario, following a shooting incident in which he was injured. Subsequent investigations revealed that the shot was fired by Dala’s own associate, despite initial claims by Dala and his associate, Gurjant Singh, that the attack had been orchestrated by hitmen affiliated with the rival Lawrence Bishnoi gang. Authorities also confiscated a significant cache of firearms and ammunition, including a rifle, shotgun, pistol, and two high-capacity magazines containing 15 and 35 rounds, respectively.

Dala, the acting chief of the Khalistani Tiger Force (KTF) and a close associate of Khalistani terrorist Hardeep Singh Nijjar, was designated a terrorist by India’s Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) on January 9, 2023, following investigations into his involvement in crimes such as murder, extortion, targeted killings, and terrorism in India. He is on India’s most-wanted list, and currently faces 67 criminal cases across India. Dala is also accused of orchestrating widespread organized criminal activities to instil fear and fund terrorist activities in Punjab, while recruiting young people from Punjab and Haryana via social media, to expand his criminal-terrorist network.

Despite New Delhi’s active efforts to secure the extradition of Arsh Dala, reports indicate that he was granted bail by a Canadian court after posting a CAD 30,000 surety bond. The next hearing in his case is scheduled for February 24, 2025. Indian sources have stated that, despite the bail order, New Delhi will continue to pursue the matter with Canadian authorities.





A recently circulated video shows Khalistan sympathizers at a 'Nagar Kirtan' in Canada referring to Canadians as "invaders" and urging them to "go back to England and Europe," while proclaiming, "This is Canada, our own country." Indian intelligence sources have labelled the incident as part of a growing trend in Canada, where Khalistani extremist groups are reportedly gaining influence and allegedly intimidating both the Hindu and local Canadian communities.

On November 22, 2024, Canadian National Security Advisor Nathalie Drouin officially denied any evidence implicating Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, or National Security Advisor Ajit Doval, in the killing of Khalistani terrorist Hardeep Singh Nijjar. This statement directly counters earlier media reports, which India had dismissed as baseless smear campaigns that undermine bilateral relations.

Meanwhile, Anmol Bishnoi, the younger brother of jailed gangster Lawrence Bishnoi, was detained by the Police in California, United States, on November 18, 2024. Anmol is wanted in India for multiple offenses, including the Salman Khan residence firing incident, the murder of NCP leader Baba Siddhique, and his (Anmol's) connections with pro-Khalistani groups. Sources indicate that Anmol is likely to be first handed over to Canadian authorities in connection with the murder of Khalistani terrorist Hardeep Singh Nijjar, even as India has requested his extradition.

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Another example of Canadian strategy to 'attack India': MEA on India being listed among cyberthreat 'state adversaries'

In New Delhi, on November 2, Indian Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal denounced Canada's inclusion of India in its list of "cyber threat adversaries" as baseless and part of an ongoing strategy to malign India. Jaiswal criticized the National Cyber Threat Assessment 2025-2026 report by Canada's Centre for Cyber Security (CCS), which accused Indian state-sponsored actors of espionage against Canada, without evidence. Citing similar past allegations, Jaiswal emphasized India's rejection of such "absurd categorisations," noting that this comes amid escalating diplomatic tensions between the two nations.

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Dal Khalsa plans 2-day event to mark 1984 anti-Sikh riots

On November 2, Dal Khalsa announced a two-day event to mark 40 years since the 1984 anti-Sikh riots, featuring a seminar at Fatehgarh Sahib in the Fatehgarh Sahib district, and a Sikh congregation at Mullanpur Dhaka in Ludhiana district, in Punjab. The group's leaders expressed ongoing grievances over the lack of justice, alleging extrajudicial actions against Sikhs with backing from the Indian leadership, and conveyed gratitude to Canada for acknowledging these claims. Dal Khalsa leaders criticized both India's legal system and the United Nations (UN) for failing to hold those responsible accountable for crimes against humanity.

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Petrol bomb thrown at the residence of Harkirat Singh Khurana

KZF claims responsibility for attack on Sena leader's house in Ludhiana

On November 3, a day after a petrol bomb was thrown at the residence of Harkirat Singh Khurana, president of the Shiv Sena Hind Sikh Sangat wing, the Khalistan Zindabad Force (KZF) reportedly claimed responsibility for the attack via email to several journalists. However, the Ludhiana Police expressed scepticism regarding the claim, stating that they would only take action once the authenticity of the email had been verified.

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Khalistani protest turns violent in Canada, devotees attacked near Hindu Temple; PM Trudeau condemns

On November 3, Khalistani extremists forcibly entered and attacked attendees, including women and children, at the Hindu Sabha Mandir (Temple) in Brampton in Canada. The incident was condemned by Canadian Prime Minister (PM) Justin Trudeau, opposition leader Pierre Poilievre, and Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown, who stressed the importance of religious freedom and safety for all Canadians.

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Khalistani protest in Canada



Hindus hold massive protest after Khalistani attack on temple

Brampton 'out of control': Hindus hold massive protest after Khalistani attack on temple

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Don't Send Indian Diplomats to Canada Temples: Sikhs For Justice

The Khalistani outfit Sikhs For Justice (SFJ) issued a direct threat to the Indian government, demanding a stop to Indian diplomats' visits to religious institutions in Canada. SFJ warned of a "face-off with pro-Khalistan Sikhs" if their demand is ignored. This follows the November 3 attack by Khalistani extremists on the Hindu Sabha Mandir in Brampton, Canada.

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Gurpatwant Singh Pannun



Justin Trudeau

Khalistani separatists don't represent Sikh community in Canada: Justin Trudeau

In Ottawa on November 4, for the first time, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, acknowledged the presence of Khalistanis in Canada, clarifying that they did not represent the Sikh community as a whole. He reiterated support for a "One India" policy, condemned violence and division, and called for unity despite differing opinions.

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'Khalistani Terrorist Threatened Us': Australian Outlet Facing Canada Ban

Australia Today founder and editor-in-chief Jitarth Jai Bhardwaj, in an interview with ANI, condemned the Canadian government's decision to block the outlet's social media, calling it a "murder of press freedom." This action followed *Australia Today's* broadcast of a press conference featuring External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, during which he criticised Canada for providing political space to anti-India elements. Bhardwaj emphasized that his outlet, known for covering issues affecting the Indian diaspora, has faced threats from Khalistani extremists, but remains committed to reporting on the rights and challenges of Hindu Canadians amidst ongoing concerns about community safety and temple attacks.

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Jitarth Jai Bhardwaj





Tariq Kiani

'Sikhs Were Protesting Peacefully': After Pannun, ISI 'Stooge' Tariq Kiani Defends Canada Violence

Tariq Kiani, an agent of Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), in a video message, defended the recent violence by Khalistani extremists at the Hindu Sabha temple in Canada, blaming Hindus for instigating the clashes. Intelligence sources revealed that Kiani's attacks on Indian leaders are directed by ISI, and both he and his associate, Rahat Rao, are under Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) scrutiny in connection with the killing of Khalistani terrorist Hardeep Singh Nijjar.

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Khalistani terrorist Arsh Dalla, close aide of Nijjar, arrested in Canada: Sources

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Arsh Dalla

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'Will shake foundations of Ayodhya...': Gurpatwant Singh Pannun threatens to attack Ram Mandir, other temples

Khalistani terrorist and chief of the banned Khalistani outfit Sikhs For Justice (SFJ), Gurpatwant Singh Pannun, on November 11, via a video message, threatened attacks on Hindu temples on November 16 and 17, while also vowing to "shake the foundations of Ayodhya" and warning Indians residing in Canada to stay away from Hindu temples. In the video, Pannun stated, "We will shake the foundations of Ayodhya, birthplace of the violent Hindutva ideology."

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Gurpatwant Singh Pannun threatens to attack Ram Mandir





'Go Back To England, Europe': Khalistanis Ask Canadians To Leave Canada

A recently viral video shows Khalistan sympathisers at a 'Nagar Kirtan' in Canada declaring Canadians as "invaders" and demanding they "go back to England and Europe." In the video, the procession asserts, "This is Canada, our own country." Indian intelligence sources have labelled the incident as the new normal in Canada, highlighting that Khalistani extremist groups are gaining increasing influence and allegedly intimidating both the Hindu and local Canadian communities.

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Khalistanis Ask Canadians To Leave Canada



New Zealand Man Shouting At Khalistan Supporters

'How Dare You': New Zealand Man Shouts At Khalistan Supporters Who Waved Separatist Flags

On November 17, a viral video captured a New Zealand man confronting pro-Khalistan supporters in Auckland, urging them to "go back to your country" and criticizing their display of the Khalistan flag. The incident took place during a contentious Khalistan referendum, which was marked by heavy police presence and videos showing participants wielding swords.

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Anmol Bishnoi, wanted by NIA and Mumbai Police, detained in US

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Anmol Bishnoi



Hardeep Singh Nijjar

Canada says no proof to link PM Modi with Khalistani separatist Nijjar plot

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Pappu Yadav receives death threat from Lawrence Bishnoi gang

On November 30, Rajesh Ranjan *aka* Pappu Yadav, an Independent Member of Parliament (MP) from Purnea, Bihar, received a death threat via WhatsApp, allegedly from the Lawrence Bishnoi gang. The message warned that he would be killed within 24 hours. The threat is believed to be linked to Yadav's outspoken stance against organized crime, particularly his strong criticism of the Lawrence Bishnoi gang.

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Pappu Yadav



Atul Fulzale

BSF asks police to take 136 drug smugglers into preventive custody

At the 60th Raising Day press conference in Attari, Punjab, on November 30, Inspector-General (IG) of the Border Security Force (BSF) (Punjab Frontier), Atul Fulzale, revealed that the BSF had shared a list of 136 drug peddlers involved in cross-border smuggling via drones with the Punjab Police, urging action under the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (PIT-NDPS) Act. Fulzale noted a sharp rise in drone interceptions, with 270 rogue drones captured this year compared to 107 last year, alongside the seizure of 254 kilograms of heroin.

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Khalistani Terrorist Arsh Dalla Granted Bail In Canada Amid India's Push For His Extradition

According to sources, Khalistani terrorist Arshdeep Singh Gill *aka* Arsh Dalla, was recently granted bail in Canada after posting a CAD 30,000 surety bond. Dalla, a prominent member of the Khalistan Tiger Force (KTF), faces multiple charges in Canada, including illegal possession of weapons. India has intensified efforts for his extradition, but Canadian authorities have reportedly not cooperated with Indian officials seeking to question him.

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Khalistani Terrorist Arsh Dalla





HATE SPEECH TRACKER

Date	Incidents
04 Nov 2024	"Don't Send Indian Diplomats to Canada Temples," Threatens Sikhs For Justice
11 Nov 2024	Gurpatwant Singh Pannun Threatens to Attack Ram Mandir in Ayodhya and Other Temples
16 Nov 2024	Gurpatwant Singh Pannun Threatens to Close Airports of Punjab and Chandigarh on November 17
18 Nov 2024	Independent MP Pappu Yadav Receives Life-Threatening Call from Pakistan
21 Nov 2024	Sikhs For Justice Threatens Fresh Protests Against Hindus in Canada
26 Nov 2024	Khalistani Terrorist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun Threatens to Disrupt Air India Operations
28 Nov 2024	Gurpatwant Singh Pannun Issues Threats Ahead of Bhubaneswar DGP/IGP Meet, PM Modi's Visit
29 Nov 2024	Pannun Threatens to Attack Bhubaneswar Airport, Urges Passengers to Avoid Flying on 'D-Day'
30 Nov 2024	Independent MP Pappu Yadav Receives Death Threat from Lawrence Bishnoi Gang

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COMPOSITE SEIZURES IN PUNJAB

Date	No. of Incidents	No. of Arrests	Items
15 Nov 2024	2	6	8 kg of heroin, 6 kg of opium, 13.1 kg of chemicals used to enhance the quality of contraband, and four pistols along with 17 cartridges; 450 grams of heroin and a .32 bore revolver along with four live rounds
17 Nov 2024	1	2	3.5 kg of heroin AND 1.5 kg of methaqualone, along with two pistols, including an Austria-made 9 mm Glock
19 Nov 2024	2	9	3.5 kg of heroin, a 9mm pistol, and a .32-bore pistol; 450 grams heroin, a .32 bore revolver and four live rounds.
Total	5	17	Heroin – 15.9 Kilograms, Opium – 6 Kilograms, Quality enhancement chemicals – 13.1 Kilograms, Methaqualone – 1.5 Kilograms, Pistols – 8, Revolvers – 2, Cartridges/Bullets – 25





ARMS & AMMUNITION SEIZURES IN PUNJAB

Date	No. of Incidents	No. of Arrests	Items
02 Nov 2024	2	2	One .32 bore country-made pistol; one .32 bore country-made pistol
04 Nov 2024	1	1	One .32 bore pistol
05 Nov 2024	2	3	One country-made pistol and live cartridges; Two pistols and five live cartridges
08 Nov 2024	1	2	9MM Glock pistol, two foreign-made .30 bore pistols, one .32 bore pistol, five magazines, and 14 live cartridges
09 Nov 2024	1	1	Two country-made pistols and eight live cartridges
11 Nov 2024	2	8	One .32 bore pistol, 10 live cartridges; Nine .32 bore pistols and seven magazines
12 Nov 2024	1	1	A 9 mm Glock pistol
14 Nov 2024	1	10	Two .32-bore pistols with six live rounds, three magazines, and one .315-bore pistol with two live rounds
19 Nov 2024	1	1	Two 9mm Glock pistols
20 Nov 2024	1	2	A .32-bore revolver
21 Nov 2024	1	6	Seven .32 bore pistols and three 9MM Glock pistols
22 Nov 2024	2	3	Seven firearms and multiple cartridges; one knife
23 Nov 2024	1	2	A US-made .32 bore pistol and an empty magazine
25 Nov 2024	2	5	Two .30 calibre pistols along with 18 live cartridges; A US-made .32-bore pistol
26 Nov 2024	1	2	Two .32 calibre pistols and seven cartridges
28 Nov 2024	2	2	One pistol and some live cartridges; 10 mortar shells
29 Nov 2024	1	2	Eight pistols, four Austrian Glock pistols, two Turkiye 9mm pistols and two X-Shot Zigana pistols, along with 10 rounds of ammunition
Total	23	53	Pistos – 53, Revolver – 1, Cartridges/Bullets – 102, Mortar Shells – 10, Knife – 1, Other Weapons – 7





DRUG SEIZURES IN PUNJAB

Date	No. of Incidents	No. of Arrests	Items
01 Nov 2024	2	0	527 grams of heroin; 570 grams of heroin
03 Nov 2024	3	4	60 grams of heroin; 426 grams heroin; 20 kg of poppy husk
04 Nov 2024	3	2	550 grams of heroin; 540 grams of heroin; 1 kg of heroin
05 Nov 2024	1	2	30 grams of heroin
06 Nov 2024	1	3	1 kg of heroin and 1 kg of 'ICE (methamphetamine)
09 Nov 2024	3	3	470 grams of heroin; 500 grams of heroin; 300 grams of heroin
10 Nov 2024	2	3	2 kg of heroin; 510 grams of heroin
11 Nov 2024	1	0	550 grams of heroin
12 Nov 2024	3	3	1 kg of charas; 550 grams of heroin; 563 grams heroin
13 Nov 2024	2	0	4.45 kg of heroin; 2.050 kg of heroin
16 Nov 2024	7	7	2.5 kg of opium; 110 narcotic pills; 100 pink-coloured narcotic pills; 50 grams of heroin; 10 grams of heroin; 532 grams of heroin; 570 grams of heroin
17 Nov 2024	1	5	12 grams of heroin and 300 Etizolam tablets
19 Nov 2024	2	3	470 grams of heroin; 19 grams of heroin
20 Nov 2024	9	15	2.5 kg of heroin; 480 grams of heroin; 3.2 kg of heroin; 3 kg of heroin; 2 kg of heroin; 1.498 kg of heroin; 165 grams of heroin; 160 grams heroin; 105 grams of heroin
22 Nov 2024	2	2	185 narcotic pills; 164 narcotic pills
23 Nov 2024	1	0	570 grams of heroin
25 Nov 2024	1	2	1.20 kg of heroin, 10 kg of 'bhukki chura post' (poppy pod powder)





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27 Nov 2024	4	3	20 grams of heroin; 1.90 grams of cannabis and 26 intoxicating pills; 624 grams heroin; 1 kg of heroin
28 Nov 2024	3	4	560 grams of heroin; 10 grams of heroin; 3 kg of opium
29 Nov 2024	2	0	560 grams heroin; 572 grams heroin
30 Nov 2024	5	8	95 grams of brown sugar; 470 grams of heroin; 8 grams of heroin, 105 narcotic pills; 12 grams of heroin and 300 narcotic pills; 3 grams of heroin
Total	58	69	Heroin – 37.031 kilograms, Poppy husk – 20 kilograms, Opium – 5.5 kilograms, Charas – 1 kilogram, Methamphetamine – 1 kilogram, Brown Sugar – 95 grams, Cannabis – 1.90 grams, Intoxicant Tablets/Capsules – 1,290, Intoxicant Powder – 10 kilograms

