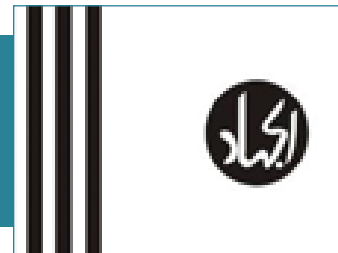


Jaish-e-Mohammad (JEM)



OVERVIEW

AS OF JULY 2026

Jaish-e-Mohammad (JEM), meaning Army of Mohammad, is a Pakistan-based Sunni terrorist group that seeks to establish Pakistani sovereignty over Kashmir and drive India from the region. JEM was formed in 2000 by terrorists who split from the Pakistan-based group Harakat ul-Mujahidin (HUM). JEM conducts attacks in India and India-administered Kashmir. After the group's attack in 2019 in Pulwama, India increased tensions between India and Pakistan, the Pakistani Government has pressured JEM to reduce its operations and integrate into Pakistani society. Nonetheless, the group has continued to carry out occasional attacks. JEM also fought with the Taliban against US and coalition forces in Afghanistan from 2001 until the Taliban returned to power in 2021.

Operating Area

Afghanistan, Indian Kashmir, and Pakistan (headquartered in Punjab Province)

Members

About 500

Tactics And Targets

JEM uses suicide bombers, car bombs, small arms, light and heavy machineguns, IEDs, and rocket-propelled grenades in attacks. It primarily targets Indian security personnel, bases, camps, convoys, and government buildings.

Terrorist Group Designation

The US State Department designated JEM as a foreign terrorist organization in December 2001.

KEY LEADERS



Masood Azhar

Founder, amir



Abdul Rauf Asghar

Deputy amir, brother of Masood Azhar



Jaish-e-Mohammad (JEM) *(continued)*

NOTABLE ATTACKS

15 July 2024

Doda District, Jammu, India

Terrorists attack Indian Army personnel, killing four Indian soldiers. The Kashmir Tigers, a proxy organization for JEM, claim the attack.

8 July 2024

Kathua District, Jammu, India

Terrorists using small arms and grenades ambush an Indian Army convoy, killing five soldiers and wounding five more. The Kashmir Tigers claim the attack.

14 February 2019

Pulwama, Kashmir, India

A suicide bomber drives a car bomb into an Indian paramilitary convoy, killing at least 40 people in one of the deadliest attacks ever in Kashmir. The attack brings India and Pakistan to the brink of war.

2 January 2016

Pathankot Air Force Station, Punjab State, India

Six terrorists armed with AK-47s and grenades attack an Indian Air Force installation, killing seven people and wounding 20 during a 12-hour gunfight with security personnel.

1 October 2001

Srinagar, Kashmir, India

JEM conducts its first attack in India-administered Kashmir, detonating a car bomb outside the state assembly building and engaging in a shootout with Indian security forces, killing 31 people and injuring six.

