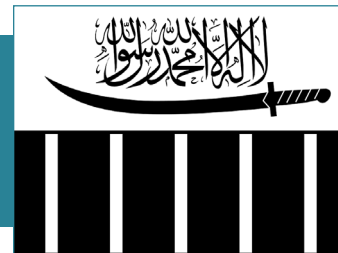


# Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LT)



## OVERVIEW

AS OF JULY 2026

Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LT), often translated as the Army of the Righteous, is a Pakistan-based Sunni terrorist group that seeks to establish an Islamic emirate in South Asia. Since its formation in the early 1990s, LT has focused on attacking military and civilian targets in India-administered Jammu and Kashmir, supporting Pakistan's claims to Kashmir. In 2006 and 2008, the group conducted large-scale attacks in Mumbai, India, that together killed nearly 400 people.

LT members practice Ahl-e Hadith, a form of Salafism that forbids violence against other Islamic sects; therefore, the group advocates attacks against non-Muslims. LT and its humanitarian front organizations have been banned in Pakistan since 2019, and the group has faced pressure from the Pakistani Government to give up arms. The group is funded primarily by donors in Pakistan, charitable organizations in the Middle East, and fundraising by LT's own charitable arms—Jamaat-ud-Dawa and the Falah-e Insaniyat Foundation.

### Operating Area

Based in Pakistan, where LT raises funds and recruits; conducts operations primarily in India-administered Kashmir

### Members

Several thousand

### Tactics And Targets

LT fighters typically attack Indian military, government, and civilian targets using small arms, landmines, or IEDs. The group maintains training camps, and its humanitarian front groups oversee schools and medical clinics, in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Kashmir.

### Terrorist Group Designation

The US State Department designated LT as a foreign terrorist organization in December 2001. The US Treasury Department designated several LT leaders, including Hafiz Saeed, Zaki-ur Rehman Lakhvi, and Sajid Mir, as specially designated global terrorists in 2008.

## KEY LEADERS



**Hafiz Saeed**

Founder and amir



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**Zaki-ur Rehman Lakhvi**

Supreme commander of Kashmir; operational commander



**Sajid Mir**

Commander of external operations

### NOTABLE ATTACKS

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**20 October 2024**

**Ganderbal, Jammu and Kashmir, India**

LT members open fire on a construction site, killing seven civilians.

**18 September 2016**

**Uri Base, Jammu and Kashmir, India**

Four LT members storm an Indian military base and kill 17 Indian soldiers.

**26 November 2008**

**Mumbai, Maharashtra State, India**

Ten LT members conduct coordinated small-arms and IED attacks against a railway station, a restaurant, two hotels, a hospital, and a Jewish center, killing more than 160 people, including six Americans, and injuring more than 300 people.

**11 July 2006**

**Mumbai, Maharashtra State, India**

LT conducts a series of bombings on commuter trains, killing more than 200 people and injuring more than 700.

**20 March 2000**

**Jammu and Kashmir, India**

LT fighters kill 35 people hours before President Clinton arrives in India.

