# Iran Attacks Militant Bases In Pakistan Who Are The Jaish al-Adl Terrorist Group?

# Why In The News?

- Pakistan On Thursday Struck Targets In Iran, A Day After Warning Tehran Of "Consequences" Over Its Attack On The Jaish Al Adl Group's Headquarters.
- Pakistan Has Reportedly Attacked The Posts Of Two Baloch Separatist Groups
   The Balochistan Liberation Front And The Balochistan Liberation Army Near The
   City Of Saravan In Iran's Sistan And Baluchistan Province.
- Iran Attacked The Jaish Al Adl Group's Headquarters In Pakistan's Southwestern Balochistan Province With "Missile And Drone" On Tuesday, Calling It "Another Decisive Step Taken By Iran In Response To The Aggression Against The Security Of Our Country".



## What Is Jaish Al Adl

- Jaish Al Adl Is A **Sunni Salafi Organisation** That Operates Mainly In South-Eastern Iran Bordering Pakistan. Jaish Al Adl, Meaning "**Army Of Justice**", Was Formed In 2012. It Hit Headlines In 2013 After It Claimed Responsibility For An Attack That Killed 14 Iranian Guards.
- The Terrorist Group Had Then Said That The Attack Was An Answer To The "Violent Crimes" Of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Crops In Syria And "The

- Oppression And Crimes The Regime Has Committed Against The Oppressed Sunnis Of Iran".
- The Group Claims To Be Fighting For The Independence Of Sistan And Baluchistan Province And More Rights For Baluch People In Iran. It Is Currently Led By Salahuddin Farooqui.
- According To Reports, Jaish Al Adl Was Founded By Members Of Jundallah. A Sunni Terrorist Group, Jundallah Had Faced A Massive Setback In 2010 After Iran Captured And Executed Its Leader Abdolmalek Rigi.



### **How Iran Looks At The Issue?**

 Tehran's Attack In Pakistan Territory Came Shortly After Its Missile Strikes In Iraq And Syria Against What It Called "Anti-Iranian Terrorist Groups". Jaish Al Adal Is Known To Back Some Of These Groups That Include The Sunni Opposition In Syria's Civil War And Kurdish Rebels In Iraq.

# **How Pakistan Responded**

Pakistan Has Termed Attacks As "Completely Unacceptable" And Said It Was
Unprovoked. It Expelled The Iran Ambassador And Recalled Its Envoy From
Tehran. Incidentally, The Attack Comes At A Time When Pakistan Is Gearing Up
For National Polls And A Caretaker Government Is In Place.