

## Khilafah: The Panacea to Global Food Crises

On Wednesday, 5 May 2021 an international alliance of the United Nations, the European Union, governmental and non-governmental agencies working to address food crises released *The 2021 Global Report on Food Crises (GRFC 2021)*. The report states that 55 countries/territories with an estimated total of 155 million people were affected with food insecurity. In addition, the report acknowledged an increase of 20 million people from the previous year (2019 with 135 million people). (*The Eastern Africa*)

This latest 2021 edition of the report captures the highest numbers in its five-year existence. The report mentions **conflict/insecurity** (99.1 million people in 23 countries), **economic shocks** (40.5 million people in 17 countries) and weather extremes (15.7 million people in 15 countries) as the primary drivers of severe food insecurity in 2020. To be specific, 66% of the 155 million people found in Crisis or worse were in 10 countries/territories: Democratic Republic of the Congo (21.8M), Yemen (13.5M), Afghanistan (13.2M), Syrian Arab Republic (12.4M), Sudan (9.6M), northern Nigeria (9.2M), Ethiopia (8.6M), South Sudan (6.5M), Zimbabwe (4.3M) and Haiti (4.1M)! **Furthermore, 75.2 million children under the age of 5 years in the 55 food-crisis countries/territories were stunted!**

The above figures confirm the grim reality facing humanity as it lurches under the failed secular capitalist leadership. Unsurprisingly the founding members of the so called *The Global Network Against Food Crises* are the ones instigating conflicts and economic catastrophes across the world with their insatiable thirst in plundering the world's resources at the expense of the suffering majority. On the pack they are led by the most corrupt and cruel nation in the world, America and its allies. The secular capitalist order presided over by the American regime is micro-managing global affairs using brutal colonial plots and policies that choke and shackle mankind to perilous livelihood.

Just to mention a few examples, domestically America has spectacularly failed to quell the deadly racial divide that has led to the black community to suffer irreparable socio-economic damage. Abroad, via its agent rulers is currently engaged in protracted wars against European / British agent rulers in Yemen, Libya and Somalia for regional superiority. In Syria, Afghanistan and Iraq it is engaged in propping up regimes in 'miserable democratic trials' that have lost legitimacy from the people. In the process of their fallacious wars people are massacred and especially Muslims on the pretext of fighting 'Terrorism and Extremism.'

Consequently, there is a global frenzy for an alternative to the secular capitalist order that continues to wreak havoc in all spheres of life. Food crises are just the tip of the problem in relation to the immeasurable destructions the venomous hegemony has repaid humanity in its adoption of the ideology! The only tested and viable alternative is the Khilafah (Caliphate). Khilafah is an Islamic system of governance that exist to invite humanity to the *good of Islam* as a complete way of life. A system that ensures humanity remain as slaves to their Creator, Allah (swt) via their submission to the execution and implementation of the divine Islamic systems on them. The systems are designed to relieve their lives.

A Muslim man engrossed by the fear of Allah (swt) as a Khalifah (Caliph) will strive to come up with policies that will usher peace, tranquility and prosperity. As it was in the second Khilafah of Umar (ra) when he ensured that men, women and children were not only secured against hunger but even fearing the injury of a donkey due to unattended roads under his leadership! The Khilafah will strive to provide its citizens with the basic needs as Islam

