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src="images/stories/baacha khan.jpg" border="0" align="right" />  The history of my people is
full of victories and tales of heroism, but there are drawbacks too. Internal feuds and personal
jealousies have always snatched away the gains achieved through vast sacrifices. They were
dispossessed only because of their own inherent defects, never by any outside power for who
could oppose them on the battlefield.
class="MsoNormal" align="left">♦ O Pathans! Your house has fallen into ruin. Arise and
rebuild it and remember to what race you belong. 
 ◆ Our fault is that our province is the gateway of India.
We were born in the Frontier Province. This is why were doomed. 
                  The Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW)
came into this world and thought us; "that man is a Muslim who never hurts anyone by word or
deed, but who works for the benefit and happiness of God's creatures. Belief in God is to love
one's fellowmen"
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align="left"> tis my in most conviction that Islam is amal, yakeen, muhabat (work, faith and
love) and without these the name Muslim is sounding brass and tinkling cymbal. The Quran
makes it absolutely clear that faith in One God without a second, and good works are enough to
secure a man his salvation. 
class="MsoNormal" align="left"> I have one great dream, one great longing. Like flowers in
the desert, my people are born, bloom for a while with nobody to look after them, wither and
return to the dust they came from. I want to see them share each other's sorrow and happiness.
I want to see them work together as equal partners. I want to see them play their national role
and take their rightful place among the nation of the world, for the service of God and
humanity.
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Is not the Pathan amenable to love and reason? He will go with you to hell if you can win his
heart, but you cannot force him even to go to heaven. Such is the power of love over the
Pathan. 
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have but one standard of measure and that is the measure of one's surrender to God. 
                                  ◆ The Prophet faced
many handicaps, but he never gave up hope, and finally triumphed. He has left that lesson
behind, and if we face our difficulties in the same spirit, I do not see why we should ever fail.
The cause of freedom is always just and the fight against slavery is always noble. 
                              l consider it a crime to
be a slave. Therefore, until we establish in this country a true people's government under which
every community secures equal opportunities for expansion, you will find me struggling for
freedom, no matter who dominates the scene. 
  United we stand, divided we fall.
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