# 3. Actors of persecution or serious harm

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For general guidance on the country guidance approach to this section, see ‘EUAA, Actors of persecution or serious harm in Country Guidance: explained, February 2026’.

In Pakistan, a wide range of different actors can be considered as actors of persecution or serious harm. Applicants might be at risk of persecution or serious harm by more than one actor. The following sections highlight the main actors of persecution and serious harm as well as their areas of activity in a non-exhaustive manner.

The contents of this chapter include:


- 3.1. Areas of control and influence
- 3.2. State actors
- 3.3. Non-state actors


For further information on human rights violations committed by different State and non-state actors and their relevance as potential exclusion grounds, see 8. Exclusion.

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