

33 million people got affected by these floods, which were caused due to severe climatic conditions and heavy rainfalls. As per the data of August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, over 1,100 people had passed away due to flooding.

After these devastating floods a sharp rise was reported in the waterborne diseases in the affected areas. People didn't have safe water to drink and they were forced to drink stagnant and contaminated water. Since July 2022, more than 660,120 people were reported acute, watery diarrhoea, typhoid, dengue fever, malaria, skin infections, and snake bites. Without timely medical support, these diseases have becoming fatal very quickly.

All these problems are arising due to drastic climatic conditions. And they in turn happen due to blind consumer capitalism. The weather conditions have become severe in which summer is getting hotter and hotter while winter is becoming colder. There is an increase in the span of summer season as well. Winters are shrinking on yearly basis.

The Bahria Town system is being established in every city. Luxurious life is being provided to people who can "afford" it. This is growth cities are growing, country is becoming modern, but the side effects that come with all this growth are worth noticing.

Recently, for the establishment of Bahria Town near Multan, hundreds of orange orchards got demolished. We have priorly discussed that Pakistan is an agricultural country. There have been drastic effects on orange export after this project. Moreover, we are witnessing a huge gap being created between the poor and the rich, the elite due to this "growth" which is actually the basis of an overall collateral damage.

Most recent example from our surroundings is the CDA's construction project near Quaid-i-Azam University, in the Capital Territory of Islamabad. Even after radical resistance from the students and the teachers, the project is still going on. When such situations arise, even the environmentalists are bought by the capitalists and the government becomes a part of this play. Firstly it was said that there will be no environmental damage due to this project. When most of it was done, thousands of trees rooted out, digging done, and the foundations laid, Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency (Pak-EPA) declared this project to be harmful for environment. Where were they before? When even the laymen could see the damage being done but the