

Pakistani Academic Muhammad Maaz Arif interviews Amir Ismail, a Palestinian Live streamer and Activist in Gaza

Speakers:

Amir Ismail

(Live streamer and Activist)

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Summary:

Amir Ismail, an 18-year-old Gaza activist, focuses on the humanitarian situation, continued bombardment, malnutrition, and global inactivity on Gaza. Amir outlines the situation on the ground, condemns governments and media for their silence or misrepresentation, and emphasizes the value of citizen journalism and global engagement. Both speakers highlight solidarity, resistance, the moral obligation to speak up, and the confidence that persistent public pressure and truth-telling will eventually help end the siege and brutality.

Text/Transcript:

Amir Ismail¹, an 18-year-old live streamer and activist reporting from Gaza. The host displays tremendous appreciation for Amir's **bravery and dedication** to his community, portraying the Palestinian struggle as a historical, moral, and religious cause linked to justice, resistance, and the prophets' land inheritance. Both speakers highlight their unwavering sympathy with Palestine and resolve to remain silent in the face of coercion or repression².

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The discussion sharply condemns global governments, notably **Muslim-majority countries**, for failing to escalate or engage decisively. The speakers contend that nationalism, political appeasement, and fear of powerful friends have stifled collective action. They also explore how social media platforms limit pro-Palestinian voices, particularly smaller creators, while emphasizing that truth-telling cannot be silenced eternally².

The interview ends with a message of **perseverance and optimism**. Amir talks about his efforts to document events, help orphans, and educate the world despite personal pain and risk. Both speakers underline the importance of every action, whether speaking, sharing, teaching, or protesting, and they think that sustained global pressure will finally lift the siege and restore justice and peace to Gaza².

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