

India-Pakistan conflict timeline

■ **1947-49:** Newly independent India and Pakistan go to war after Islamabad-backed tribal fighters invade Kashmir.

Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir accedes state to India in exchange for military help

■ **Aug-Sep 1965:** Second brief Indo-Pakistani war over Kashmir

■ **Dec 1971:** India and Pakistan fight 13-day war, triggered by Islamabad's

crackdown against Bengali independence in then East Pakistan (Bangladesh). India's Prime Minister **Indira Gandhi** (left)



supports Bengalis and orders naval attacks on Karachi. Pakistani forces surrender on Dec 16



■ **1972, Simla Agreement:** India's Gandhi and Pakistan's President **Zulfikar Ali Bhutto** (above) agree to **Line of Control** (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir

■ **1984-2003, Siachen conflict:** Series of battles between Indian and Pakistan forces over disputed **Siachen Glacier**. Ceasefire signed in 2003

■ **1999, Kargil conflict:** Pakistan-backed militants cross LoC, seizing Indian military posts in Kargil mountains. Indian troops push intruders back in 10-week conflict



■ **May 2002:** One million troops deployed along border after separatist attack on army base in Indian Kashmir kills 34

■ **Sep 2016:** India launches air strikes on targets in Pakistani Kashmir after militant attack on Indian army base leaves 19 soldiers dead

■ **Feb 14, 2019:** Suicide bomber kills more than 40 troops in Indian Kashmir. New Delhi vows retaliation, blaming Pakistan-based militant group **Jaish-e-Mohammad** (JeM)

■ **Feb 26:** Indian warplanes cross LoC to bomb suspected JeM training camp at Balakot

■ **Feb 27:** Pakistan claims to have shot down two Indian jets. India says it shot down one Pakistani jet

