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## Torchbearers



ISLAMABAD: Civil society activists light candles and lay bouquets at the assassination site of Punjab Governor Salmaan Taseer, who was assassinated on Tuesday, to pay homage to his services for a peaceful, liberal and tolerant society. SHABIR HUSSAIN

## Civil society pays homage to Taseer

**ISLAMABAD:** Civil society organizations, PPP workers and people from different walks of life on Wednesday paid tribute to late governor Punjab Salmaan Taseer and laid floral wreath, bouquets and lit candles on the assassination spot.

Human Rights activist Farzana Bari, former federal minister Javed Jabbar, PPP activists and people from different walks of society were among the participants. On the occasion, Farzana Bari strongly condemned the assassination of Taseer and urged government to continue his mission. While criticis-

ing the government, she said that some extremist factors in PPP, like Minister for Law and Justice Babar Awan was core reason behind such tragic incident. Former federal minister Javed Jabbar also condemned, and said 'we want Quaid-i-Azam Pakistan. He further said that we should not compromise over principle on the behest of some handful people. The participants strongly condemned the incident and demanded of the government that culprits should be punished. They also chanted slogans against the extremism. Later, they showered rose petals on the spot. **STAFF REPORT**