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# Understanding Global Racisms: Beyond Euro-Americancentricity\*

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# Racisms

- **Colour Racism**
- **Anti-Semitism**
- **‘Paki-bashing’, Anti-Asian, Anti-Arab**
- **‘Ethnic Cleansing’ of Bosnian Muslims**
  - **Not genetics but cultural/community**
  - = **Cultural Racism (not a proxy)**

# Racialisation

- **3 key features**

i) **Descent (not biological determinism)**

ii) **‘Other’; ‘All’ or ‘Most...’**

iii) **A negative evaluation of the group**

**= discourses, images, practices, institutions,  
including stereotyping or smearing  
individuals**

**+ Power to make it stick (+Capitalism)**

# Racism without 'Black'

- **Racial dualism of 'Black-White'**
  - **but:**
    - **Cultural racism against Arabs**
    - **Islamophobia**
    - **Eastern European racisms (two-way)**

# **Racism without 'Black-White'**

**Eg. Arab antisemitism**

**Eg. Islamophobia in India**

**Eg. Ughyurs in China**

**Eg. Sinophobia in Malaysia (cf. Indonesia)**

**Eg. Christians in Pakistan**

**Eg. Dalits in India, UK and USA (cf. MLK)**

**Eg. Racial stratification in the Gulf**

**Eg. Anti-Palestinian racism**

# **No Hierarchy of Racisms?**

- **No essential or inherent hierarchy of racisms**
- **But prioritisation based on scale of the problem, the number of people affected, the urgency of the problem etc**
  - E.g., Exclusive Black Scholarships
- **To not prioritise may be naïve or itself a sign of racism**



# **Decolonisation: second step aka 'Beyond EuroAmericancentricity'**

- **First step: seeing how the South has been dominated, shaped and misrecognised by the North**
- **Second step: seeing the South without the prism of the North, including internal South-South relations, antagonisms, empires and racisms (as well as positive contributions).**