

# THE TERM 'ROHINGYA' - FALSE IDENTITY TO FOOL THE WORLD

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## Q - What is your nationality? What is your country? Are you Rohingya?

A - *"I am a Muslim and my country is Burma: so I am a Burmese Muslim. I have never heard the word Rohingya in Burma."*

- from interviews by Chris Lewa, the Arakan Project, January 2012

[The Arakan Project is a very pro-'Rohingya' Muslim, anti-Buddhist group founded by Chris Lewa. They try to push the Rohingya identity as being sacrosanct, but their own interviews prove their attempt to deceive the world. This interview excerpt, and many other similar ones, were in the back of a long report - Chris Lewa obviously did not like them.]

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**Someone twittered that I dehumanize Bengalis by calling them Bengalis.** I told him this: The biggest mosque of the 'Bengali' Muslims in the country of Myanmar is in the center of Yangon - the Muslims named it the **Bengali Sunni Jamae Mosque**. See photos.

Twice it is spelled in English (I don't know why each word is spelled (or misspelled) a different way).

If anyone says that using the term 'Bengali' is offensive, then they should go down to Bengali Sunni Jamae Mosque and tell the Bengalis to **stop dehumanizing themselves**. Yes, they are dehumanizing themselves - again and again. Do you know what they call each other? Bengalis, for nearly 100 years, Chittagonians, before that.

There is plenty of proof that the term '**Rohingya**' is an **invented term for for the sake of a religious/political movement**, and that this new word would help make it much easier to **deceive and manipulate world media and opinion**, countries and their leaders, and organizations such as the U.N. **Indignantly forcing** the media, world citizens, their governments, and organizations to use the term 'Rohingya' is **allowing a new false history** to emerge and follow the term.

The previous terms 'Bengali-Muslim' and 'Chittagong-Muslim' indicate - quite obviously - that they **came from outside Burma**, and that they **had roots in, Bengal** or specifically the Chittagong area of Bengal. The term Rohingya carries no similar meaning, making it much easier to spread the 'new history' which now says that the Rohingya actually have been inhabitants of this land for a long long time. To dominate the region, **they must become 'indigenous residents'** of the region and they need that to be unquestionably accepted by the international community - which unfortunately is largely ignorant of the real history, facts, and the future calamities that can and will happen again and again.

In August 1950, a Bengali Muslim leader, **Mr. Abdul Gafar**, wrote an article in the Guardian Newspaper with the title “Sudeten Muslims of Burma” in which he began using the unheard-of new name ‘Rohingya’ which he ‘invented’ by taking the old name of the real natives of Arakan - as pronounced in Bengali language!!

Unfortunately, however, Mr. Abdul Gafar and his followers could not use that name ‘Rohingya’ for their Muslim party inside both the Upper and Lower Houses of the Burmese Parliament, because the most senior member of their group, Mr. Sultan Mahmud, was **strongly opposed to that unknown term**, instead he preferred to use another new term - Arakan Muslims.

This new term, ‘Rohingya’ was not popular nor accepted for a long time - it took decades to be used on a large scale - the **UNHCR used it for the first time - in 1994!** (and, not surprisingly, was already one of the proponents of ‘Bengali Muslims/Rohingya’ and their ‘cause’.)

Mr. Abdul Gafar is also dubiously credited with 'inventing' the absurd, deceitful, manipulative new 'Rohingya History'.

Notably, the various Mujahid militant groups did not use ‘Rohingya’ for decades.

Aside from all of that info about the term ‘Rohingya’, the British, who were fastidious and scrupulous in their many reports and census records, never, ever, came across the term ‘Rohingya’ - nor did the Portuguese, Dutch, French, Chinese, Burmese, Ceylonese, Hindus, not even the Bengal Sultanate, or the Moguls.

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