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Islamabad, June 27 (ANI): Cricketer-turned-politician, Imran Khan may have vehemently opposed the military offensive against the Taliban and other extremists in



Pakistan’s North West Frontier Province (NWFP) terming the offensive as ‘suicidal’, but Khan apparently is unsure about what he really wants to achieve by showing a soft corner towards the extremists, an editorial in a

leading Pakistan daily said.

Khan is of the view that the operation against the militants would not be successful, and said that it would only add to the country’s woes by creating more anarchy in the region, over which the government has already lost its control.

Khan had also criticized those who had raised fears about Pakistan’s Talibanisation, saying the term ‘Talibanisation’ has wrongly been projected.

He believes that the Taliban is not a part of some ideology, but it had only emerged as a reaction against the US invasion of Afghanistan, it said.

The Daily Times editorial highlighted that Khan certainly forgot that the Taliban did not emerge out  
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of any reaction, but in fact it was the "non-state actors" used by Pakistan to help the Kabul regime of Mullah Umar survive in the face of internal opposition.

All the Taliban chieftains, who are currently creating havoc in Pakistan are veterans of the Kabul conflict, and later turned against the US in 2001 after the world super-power decided to invade into their territory to seek revenge of the 9/11 incident, it went on to add.

Pakistan is suffering today because its strategies on Afghanistan have failed miserably in the past, the editorial said.

"Talibanisation is an ideological extension which rejects the Constitution of Pakistan and seeks to implement a tougher version, something which the people of Pakistan have rejected," it added.

Rubbishing his claims of being in the know of things with regards to realities behind politics in Pakistan, it concluded by saying : "Imran Khan cannot run with the Taliban and disco in London at the same time." (ANI)

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