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## Imran joins MMA's anti-govt agitation in Pakistan

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PESHAWAR: While the top leadership of the Muttahida Majlis-e-Amal (MMA) has said it would resort to Gherao of Islamabad on December-19 'if President Musharraf failed to announce shedding his uniform by that time', the Chief of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaaf Imran Khan fully backed the religious alliance and called upon the masses 'to extend all-out support to the MMA against America and in ridding the country of the present ruling set-up.'

The MMA leaders including its Chief Qazi Hussain Ahmad and leader of the opposition in the National Assembly Maulana Fazl-ur-Rehman were addressing a big public rally at Batkhela (Malakand Agency) on Tuesday in con-nection with the election campaign of Bakhtiar Maani, the alliance candidate for the NA 36 by-elections.

The PTI chief and legendary cricketer Imran Khan also joined the religio-political leaders of the country in the rally and fully supported their contention.

### Open War

Imran Khan asked the leadership of the religious alliance to strive for bringing together all the political forces of the country sans the ruling PML, against the US aggressions and brutalities. While reiterating its stance about the President uniform, the MMA leadership said it was "an open war" against the US and imperial forces as well as their supporters and would make an important announcement against President Pervez Musharraf in Rawalpindi rally on December 19.

The MMA and PTI leadership was unanimous that; 'President Musharraf was only pursuing the US policies and serving her interests in the region and has caused irreparable blow to people of Pakistan as well as the Islam.'

Imran said; 'Gen Musharraf's slogan of the moderate and enlightened Islam was only meant to appease US. He lamented that today the Muslims all over the globe were being subjected to worst kind of US brutalities but no one was raising voice over that and certain Muslim rulers were only trying to please Washington.

Qazi said the grand Malakand rally has proved that the people would ensure the victory of MMA candidate here.

### Fazl Censures PPP, ANP

Leader of the Opposition Maulna Fazl-ur-Rehman blasted PPP

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and Awami National Party (ANP) for conspiring against the religious alliance and said had PPP supported MMA, Gen Musharraf would not have been in power any longer.

He also charged both the parties of extending full support to Musharraf in the referendum.●

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