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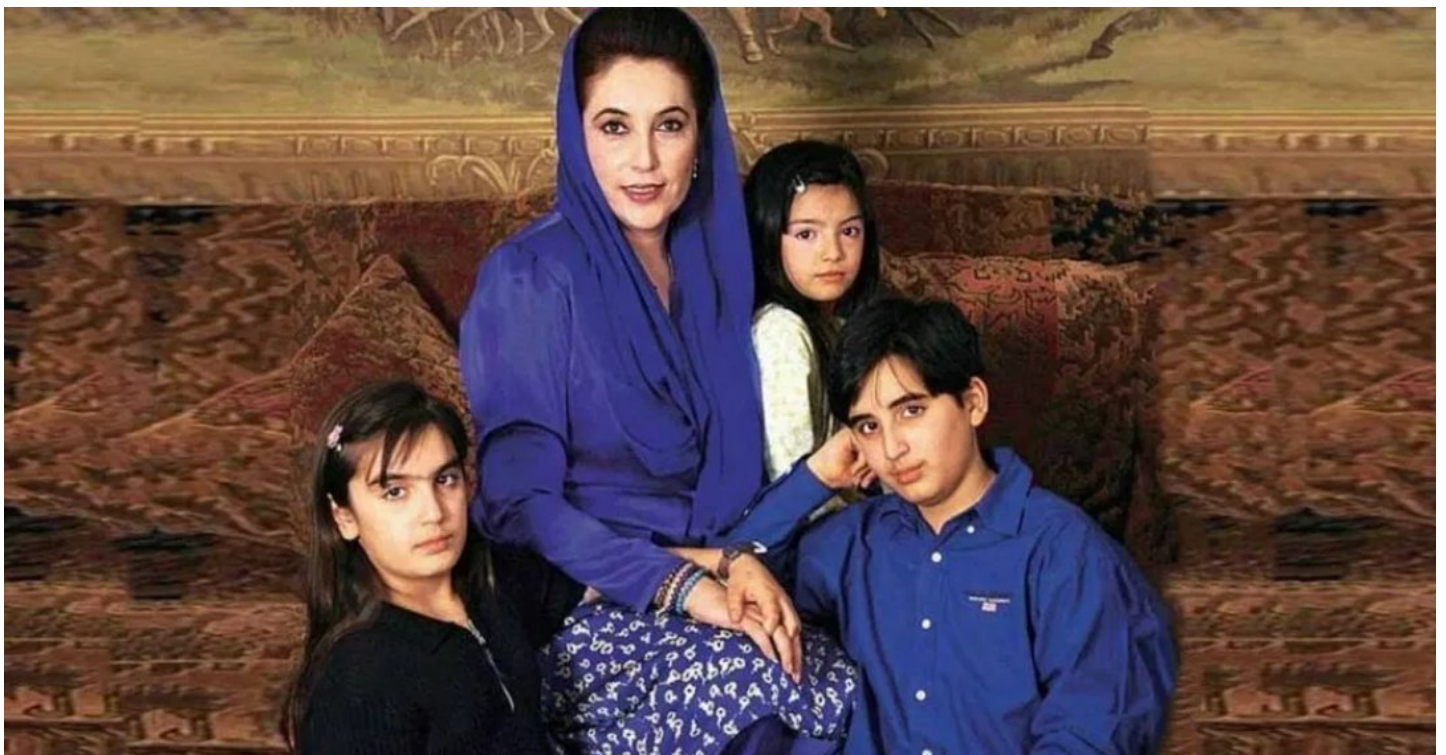
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#BenazirBhutto became the youngest and first female prime minister of the Muslim world in 1988. She was an embodiment of women empowerment. Her three children, Bilawal, Bakhtawar and Aseefa were born while she faced myriads of political challenges but showed relentless...

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..courage. Bilawal was born on Sept 21, 1988 at a time when Benazir was running an election campaign and her critics thought that a pregnant woman stands no chance. In just one year, she led a nationwide election campaign, wrote a bestselling book, had her first child...

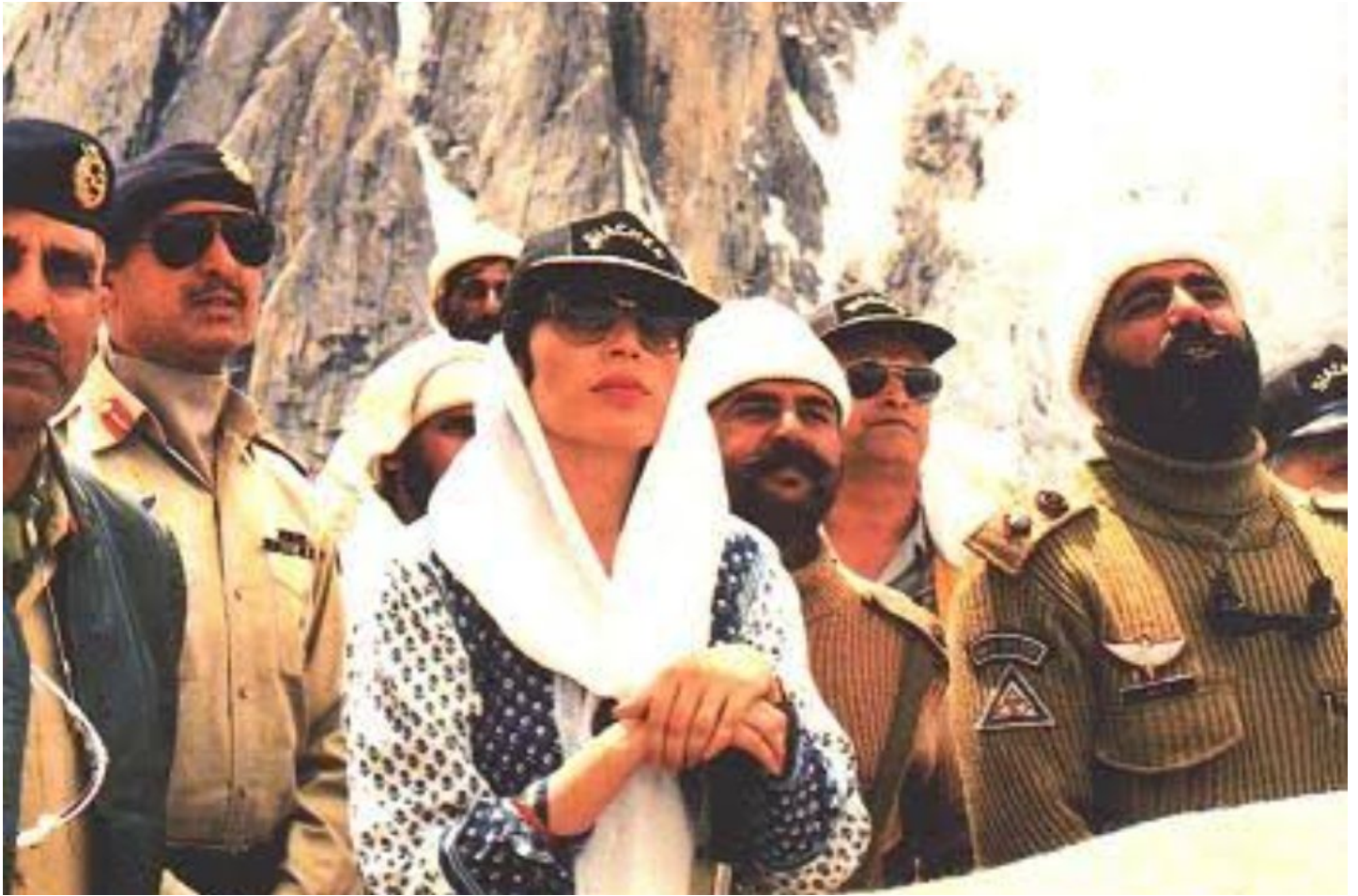
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and became the first female prime minister of the Muslim world. All in one year!

While her second pregnancy was a secret when she was Prime Minister, she went to meet the soldiers at Siachin Glaciers

which is the highest battle ground despite of the fact that the..

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..lack of oxygen could affect her unborn child. She took the risk and her visit was a morale booster for the troops. Once the opposition learnt that she was pregnant, all hell broke loose. They argued that the govt rules did not provide any maternity leave to the pregnant...

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..Prime Minister and that the government machinery would collapse during the delivery as she'll be incapacitated. But Benazir remained firm. The opposition in their brazen campaign called for strikes while the brave lady decided to have a Caesarean delivery on the eve of...

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..the call for strike action. She named her child Bakhtawar. Like her name, she brought good fortune and the opposition's movement collapsed. #BenazirBhutto became the first head of state to give birth while in office.

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When Benazir was pregnant with her third child, the opposition parties had made an alliance known as the Pakistan Democratic Alliance (PDA) against the Nawaz Shareef govt which had proven to be incompetent. The opposition called for

protest in Rawalpindi on
Nov 18, 1992.

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During the protest, Benazir's vehicle was tear-gassed from all sides. Her driver ran away and she was arrested. She writes in her autobiography, "after this tear-gassing incident, I began suffering from gall-bladder pain. I took homeopathic medicine but the pain continued.

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It was often excruciating. If I had an operation to fix it, I risked losing my child. I didn't want to take the risk. As the pain got worse and worse, I flew to London. The doctors advised that I should have a Caesarean as soon as possible followed by keyhole surgery to...

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remove the gall bladder. On February 3, 1993, my little daughter Aseefa was born at the Portland hospital. I cuddled my adorable little baby"

On this day in 2007, Benazir Bhutto was martyred. She was a phenomenally phenomenal woman. May God bless her soul.