

# Blessings of **virtuous actions**

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sunnah-inspiring ijtima

(For Islamic Sisters)

## Muballighah must read the Bayan at least 3 times before delivering speech

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ  
 أَمَا بَعْدُ فَأَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

### Blessings of virtuous actions

الصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ  
 وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ  
 وَعَلَى إِلَيْكَ وَأَصْحَابِكَ يَا حَبِيبَ اللَّهِ  
 وَعَلَى إِلَيْكَ وَأَصْحَابِكَ يَا نُورَ اللَّهِ

*Please note that this speech was originally written for Islamic brothers, we have done necessary changes for Islamic sisters. It may be possible that some words could have been remained unchanged! If so, Muballighah should change the wordings accordingly at the time of delivering this speech. (Majlis-e-Tarajim)*

### Excellence of reciting Durood

The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَكُلَّ بَقْعَةٍ مَلَكًا أَعْطَاهُ اسْمَاءَ الْخَلَائِقِ فَلَا يَصِلُ عَلَى أَحَدٍ  
 إِلَى يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ إِلَّا أَبْلَغَنِي بِاسْمِهِ وَإِسْمِ أَبِيهِ هَذَا فُلَانُ بْنُ فُلَانٍ قَدْ صَلَّى عَلَيْكَ

‘No doubt, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ has appointed an angel upon my grave who has been granted the ability to hear the voice of every creature. So, whomsoever recites Durood Shareef upon me until the Day of Judgement, the angel presents to me that person’s name along with his father’s name (and says): ‘So and so has recited this Durood Shareef upon you.’ (Majma’-uz-Zawaid, Kitab-ul-Ad’iya, vol. 10, pp. 251, Hadees 17291)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic sisters! Before listening to the Bayan, let's first of all make good intentions for attaining the Divine pleasure and earning rewards. The Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said, 'نِيَّةُ الْمُؤْمِنِ خَيْرٌ مِّنْ عَمَلِهِ' *The intention of a Muslim is better than his deed.* (Al-Mu'jam-ul-Kabeer, vol. 6, pp. 185, Hadees 5942)

## Madani pearl

The more righteous intentions one makes the greater reward she will attain.

**Note:** *The intentions mentioned below can be modified as per situation*

## Intentions of listening to Bayan

1. Lowering my eyes, I will listen to the Bayan attentively.
2. Instead of resting against a wall etc., I will sit in reverential posture like that in Tashahhud as long as possible with the intention of paying respect to religious discourse.
3. I will make room for other Islamic sisters by folding my hands and limbs and by moving slightly.
4. If someone pushes me, I will remain patient and calm and avoid staring, snapping, and arguing with them.
5. When I hear تَتَوَبُّوْا إِلَى اللَّهِ، اذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ، صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ etc., I will reply in low voice with the intention of gaining reward and encouraging others to also recite.
6. After Ijtima, I will take the lead to say Salam and shake hands and make individual effort.
7. During the speech, I will avoid the unnecessary use of mobile phone.

8. Neither will I record the speech, nor any kind of voice as it is not permitted.
9. Whatever I listen I will act upon it and later on convey it to others. In this way, I will be privileged to propagate the call towards righteousness.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic sisters! No doubt, there are many virtuous actions, for example ❖ learning knowledge of Deen, ❖ being steadfast in offering Salah and keeping fasts, ❖ reciting Salat upon the Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, ❖ pondering and reflecting daily, i.e. taking account of own actions, ❖ treating others with goodness, ❖ adopting piety and abstinence, ❖ giving charity and alms, ❖ showing obedience towards parents, ❖ treating Mahram relatives with kindness, ❖ respecting elders and showing kindness towards the young ones, ❖ studying and teaching in Madrasa-tul-Madinah Balighaat, ❖ participating in the weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima', ❖ giving and participating in Madani Dars, ❖ inviting towards righteousness and prohibiting from evil, ❖ doing individual effort, ❖ creating a Madani environment at home, ❖ refraining from all sins such as lying, ❖ backbiting, ❖ tale-telling, ❖ jealousy, ❖ bad assumption. In short, there are many virtuous actions.

Remember! This world is a place for action. Whatever actions we do here, we will get the reward or punishment for it in the hereafter. If the actions are virtuous, the reward will be good and if the actions are bad, the result will also be bad. In today's Bayan, we will listen to the blessings of virtuous actions and some points will be delivered regarding the importance of action. There is no doubt that actions will be recompensed in the hereafter, but the blessings of virtuous actions appear in this world as well; some parables and

points will be delivered regarding this as well. If only we are honoured to listen to the complete Bayan with good intentions and full concentration!

أَمِينٌ بِجَاهِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

## Four supplications in exchange for four dirhams

Sayyiduna Mansoor Bin ‘Ammar رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ was once delivering a speech, [during which] a deserving person asked for four dirhams. Sayyiduna Mansoor رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ announced: Whoever gives this person four dirhams, I will make four supplications for him. At that moment, a slave was passing by. He stopped when he heard the blessed voice of the Wali, full of grace. He had four dirhams with him, which he presented to the beggar. Sayyiduna Mansoor رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ asked him: Which four supplications do you want to be made? He replied: (1) I want freedom from slavery. (2) I want rewarded for these four dirhams. (3) [I want] my master and me to be blessed with repentance. (4) I want my master, you, myself and all the attendees to be forgiven. Sayyiduna Mansoor رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ raised his hands and made these Du’as. The slave reached his master late. His master inquired about the reason for his delay. The slave narrated the entire incident. His master asked: What was the first supplication? The slave replied: I requested to be free from slavery. Hearing this, the master spontaneously said: Go, you are free from slavery. He [master] then asked: What was the second supplication? He [slave] replied: I requested reward for the four dirhams I gave away. The master said: I give you four thousand dirhams in return of the four dirhams. He [master] then asked: What was the third supplication? The slave replied: I requested for my master and me to be blessed with the ability to repent from sins. Hearing this, the master instantly sought forgiveness and began to say: ‘I

seek forgiveness for all my sins in the merciful court of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**.’ He [master] then asked: What was the fourth supplication? The slave replied: I requested for my master, Sayyiduna Mansoor **رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ**, myself and all the attendees to be forgiven. Hearing this, the master said: The three things that were under my control, I have done. The fourth one regarding everyone’s forgiveness is out of my control. The day passed. When night came, the master had a dream in which he heard somebody saying: Whatever was in your control, you did it and I am **أَرْحَمُ الرَّاحِمِينَ**. I have forgiven you, your slave, Mansoor and all the attendees. (*Raud-ur-Riyaheen*, pp. 222)

**صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ      صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ**

Dear Islamic sisters! Three things can be understood from the above mentioned parable:

1. We came to know from this parable that one should not leave any opportunity of getting the Du’as of the pious people of Allah. When these pious people of Allah ask for anything in the court of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, He does not reject it.
2. The second thing we find out is that there are definitely blessings in virtuous actions, regardless of whether a person knows it or not. However, sometimes these blessings are visible and sometimes they are not. That’s why we should not leave any virtuous action, no matter how small it is. There are benefits of virtuous actions in this world, but we may not be aware of it every time. With the mercy of Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**, we will definitely gain benefits of virtuous actions in the hereafter and indeed we will observe it.

3. The third thing we also find out is that there are numerous blessings of giving charity; calamities are removed by giving charity, troubles disappear by giving charity, problems are finished by giving charity, one can get rid of illnesses by giving charity. Therefore, one must spend in the way of Allah ﷺ wholeheartedly. Remember! Giving charity does not mean that until we become rich, have a high bank balance, we do not give charity. Rather, according to our ability, even if we give a small thing in the way of Allah ﷺ to please Him, we will attain the benefit of this in this world and it will also be a means of salvation in the hereafter.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

### Hereafter is based upon good actions

Dear Islamic sisters! There is no doubt that when death approaches, family members will be left behind in this world. Only the dead person is lowered in the narrow and dark grave. Yes! Only virtuous actions will benefit in the grave. It is a common scenario nowadays for every individual to worry about himself that what will happen to him? Perhaps, no one is worried about what will happen to the dead person? Unfortunately, sometimes it happens that the body of the dead person is still at home and the inheritors of the deceased fight over distribution of inheritance as to who will get the property and the wealth. If only we could learn a lesson from the deceased person and occupy ourselves in preparing for our own death. Hence, there is time today, ponder over the time to come (i.e. death).

One must gather good deeds which will help in the grave and hereafter in the form of virtuous actions. Remember that only virtuous actions will be beneficial after death. High and lofty bungalows, grand mansions, elevated houses, immense wealth and money, bank balance, large plots, lush fields

and beautiful gardens; none of these will accompany you in the grave. Rather, all of these will be left behind in this world.

## Words of good counsel

Sayyiduna Muhammad Bin Husain رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ has stated: I saw that Sayyiduna Muawiyah Aswad رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ was continuously crying in the middle of the night and these words enriched with pearls of wisdom were coming out from his blessed tongue:

- Beware! Whoever makes this world his objective and spends all his time in gaining it, on the Day of Judgement, she will have to face much sorrow and distress.
- Whoever remembers the matters that will happen in the hereafter and always remembers the difficulties and worries that will occur on the Day of Judgement; then he has an aversion to this world.
- If you wish to attain comfort and peace and to gain great blessings, then sleep less at night and make it a habit of worshipping at night.
- When someone gives you advice, invites you towards righteousness and forbids you from evil, then accept his invitation.
- Do not be sad over the sustenance of the people left behind, as you have not been made responsible for their sustenance.
- Get yourself ready for that great day when you will face Allah عَزَّ وَجَلَّ, you will be present in His court, you will be asked questions; get busy in always preparing yourself for that difficult day.
- Perform virtuous actions in abundance and fill your treasure of the hereafter by performing virtuous actions as soon as possible.

- Abstain from being engaged in useless activities and prepare for death before you die, otherwise you will regret a lot afterwards.
- When your soul is leaving your body and reaches your throat, all the things that you liked and desired will remain in this world and at that time, you will feel utmost regret. Therefore, prepare yourself for the hereafter before that time arrives. (*Uyoon-ul-Hikayaat*, pp. 151)

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## The reward for virtuous actions is Paradise

Dear Islamic sisters! Truly, fortunate is that person who prepares for the everlasting hereafter in the form of performing virtuous actions in this mortal world. If the mercy of Allah ﷺ is with us, then our graves will be better by the blessing of virtuous actions, our hereafter will be successful and *إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ*, we will enter Paradise following the Holy Prophet ﷺ joyfully.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic sisters! The Holy Quran has mentioned many times that those who perform virtuous actions will enter Paradise.

Allah ﷻ states in Part 30, Surah-tul-Bayyinah, Ayah number 7 and 8:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ أُولَٰئِكَ هُمْ خَيْرُ الْبَرِيَّةِ ﴿٧﴾ جَزَاءُهُمْ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ جَنَّاتُ  
عَدْنٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ وَرَضُوا عَنْهُ ذَٰلِكَ  
لِمَنْ خَشِيَ رَبَّهُ ﴿٨﴾

*Indeed those who believed and did good deeds; it is they who are the best of creation. Their reward, with their Lord is, gardens for dwelling, beneath which streams flow, in which they will abide forever and ever. Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him; this (reward) is for the one who fears his Lord.*

*[Kanz-ul-Iman (translation of Quran)](Part. 30, Surah Al-Bayyinah, Ayah 7-8)*

Similarly, Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ states in Part 11, Surah Yunus, Ayah number 9:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ يَهْدِيهِمْ رَبُّهُمْ بِإِيمَانِهِمْ

تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهِمُ الْأَنْهَارُ فِي جَنَّاتِ النَّعِيمِ ﴿٩﴾

*Indeed those who accepted faith and did good deeds; their Lord will guide them due to their faith; rivers will be flowing beneath them, in the Gardens of bounty.*

*[Kanz-ul-Iman (translation of Quran)](Part. 11, Surah Yunus, Ayah 9)*

Dear Islamic sisters! Ponder! What greater blessings of virtuous actions can there be that by means of them, a person can also attain the splendid and everlasting blessing known as Paradise.

Verily, the intelligent is only she who prioritises the everlasting blessings of Paradise over the finite blessings of this world and tries her best to attain those blessings that will last forever. No doubt, it is very difficult to refrain from the love of this world and the desires of money and wealth and to do actions in order to attain Paradise. But, if we keep in mind the comfort, happiness and ease that we can gain in the hereafter, performing virtuous deeds will become easy for us. Understand this from the following example, if a 100-rupee note is placed before someone and next to it, a bundle of 100,000 rupees is also placed, and then a person is given a choice to select

one of them. Surely, she will select the 100,000 rupees. Just like this, the example of this world and whatever is in it is that of a 100-rupee note. Whereas, the benefits and blessings we will receive in the hereafter are priceless because one cannot compare the blessings of this mortal world with the everlasting blessings of Paradise. Let's listen to some of the splendours of Paradise:

## Splendours of Paradise

- If anything from paradise which is equivalent to a fingernail were to become apparent in this world, then the skies and earth would be decorated by it. *(Tirmizi, vol. 4, pp. 241, Hadees 2547)*
- The walls of paradise are made of silver and gold bricks and clay of musk. *(Majma'-uz-Zawaid, vol. 10, pp. 732, Hadees 18642)*
- There are 4 rivers in paradise: one is of water, second is of milk, third is of honey and fourth is of wine. Then streams are running from each of these rivers, going into every house. One bank of each stream is made of pearl and the other bank is made of ruby. The seabed is made of pure musk. *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 315, Hadees 35, 5734)*
- There will be a wide variety of delicious food in paradise. Whatever one wishes for, it will appear in front of him instantly. *(Tafseer Ibn-e-Kaseer, vol. 7, pp. 162)*
- If anyone sees a bird and wishes to eat its meat, then it will be presented to them, cooked/roasted, at that very instant. *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 292, Hadees 73)*
- If there is desire for water etc, then the vessels will automatically appear in the hand. The vessels will contain an exact amount of water, milk, wine or honey as it will neither be one drop less or one drop more than their appetite. After drinking, (those vessels) will automatically go back to where they came from. *(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 4, pp. 290, Hadees 66)*

O the Islamic sisters! Who are seeking paradise! Paradise and its great blessings can also become our destiny, provided that we perform virtuous actions and numerous virtuous deeds. Some virtuous actions seem small, but such blessings appear due to them which amaze the intellect. Let's listen to a narration regarding this:

### Removing a thorn from the pathway led to forgiveness

When the Wali of Allah, Sayyiduna Mansoor's رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ time of death came close, he began to cry and became restless, just like a mother becomes restless when her child passes away. People asked: Hadrat! Why are you crying? Whereas you lived a very pure and pious life. Moreover, you spent 80 years in worshipping Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. He رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ replied: I am shedding tears at the misfortune of my sins, due to which I am far from the mercy of Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ. Saying this, he began to cry again. After a while, he said to his son: My son! Turn my face towards Qiblah. When you see droplets on my forehead and tears begin to flow from my eyes, then help me and recite Kalimah Shareef; perhaps I will gain some comfort. Then, after I die, when you are about to bury me and place soil on my grave, do not hasten to leave from there. Rather, stand near the head side of my grave and recite [لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ مُحَمَّدٌ] as this could make it easier for me to answer the questions asked by Munkar and Nakeer [The two angels that come in grave to ask three questions.]. After this, raise your hands and pray like this: O Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ! This is your bondsman. Whatever sins he has committed, he has done so. If You punish him, then he is worthy of it and if You forgive him, then this is due to Your magnificence. Then, return whilst bidding farewell to me. When he رَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ عَلَيْهِ passed away, his son acted upon his bequests. In the second night, the son saw his father in his dream and asked: Father! How are you? He answered: My son! The situation was so difficult and hard that you cannot

even imagine it. When I stood in the court of Allah ﷺ for accountability, He Almighty said: My bondsman! Tell me! What have you brought for Me? I replied: O Allah ﷺ! I have bought 60 Hajj. I received the answer: None of these are accepted. Hearing this, I began to tremble with fear. Allah ﷺ asked again: Tell me! What else have you brought for me? I replied: 1000 dirhams in charity and alms. I received the answer: I have not accepted even one dirham. I said: O Merciful Lord! Then I am destroyed and there is only destruction and ruin for me. The Merciful Lord then said: Do you remember once you left your home going somewhere and saw a thorn in the path and you removed it so that others would not get hurt? I have accepted that one action of yours and due to this, I have forgiven you. (*Hikayaat-us-Saliheen*, pp. 51)

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## Virtuous actions do not go to waste

Dear Islamic sisters! From the above mentioned parable, we learn that sometimes a virtuous action that may look small can be a means of attaining salvation. That's why one should not think of any action as being small and ignore it, because any virtuous action performed to please Allah ﷺ never goes to waste.

## Blessings of virtuous actions

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ ﷺ due to the blessing of performing virtuous actions with sincerity, one can be saved from big problems:

- Due to the blessing of virtuous actions, one is able to gain the pleasure of Allah ﷺ.

- Due to the blessing of virtuous actions, one is able to attain the blessings of paradise.
- Due to the blessing of virtuous actions, one gains salvation from the punishment of the grave and Judgement Day.
- Virtuous actions are a means of attaining forgiveness of sins.
- Virtuous actions are a means of the descending of the mercy of Allah ﷺ.
- In return for virtuous actions, one can gain a good return in this life and the hereafter.
- Virtuous actions will transform into good and beautiful appearances in the grave and will be a means of comfort and ease.
- Due to virtuous actions, a person is regarded as good person in the eyes of others.
- Due to performing virtuous actions, one's lifespan increases.
- Virtuous actions are a cause of gaining peace, well-being and salvation in this life and the Hereafter.
- And virtuous actions are also a means of performing more virtuous actions.

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## This world is Dar-ul-'Amal

Dear Islamic sisters! There is no doubt in the fact that this world is a place of performing actions and the hereafter is a place of getting your return. Whatever good or bad seed we plant in this world, we will harvest it accordingly in the Hereafter. In Urdu, receiving a good or bad return is referred to as '*Jaysi Karni Waysi Bharni*', '*Jaysa Karoge Waysa Bharoge*',

'Jaysa Baw ge Waysa Kaato ge' and 'Mukafaat-e-'Amal', whereas in Arabic 'كَمَا تَبِيءُ تُدَانُ' is said.

## What you sow, you will reap

Our Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has said: 'أَلْبُؤُ لَا يَبْلَى وَلَا تَمُوتُ لَا يُنْسَى وَالذَّيَّانُ لَا يَمُوتُ فَكُنْ كَمَا شِئْتَ كَمَا' 'كَبِيءٌ تَدَانُ' i.e. a good virtue never gets old and a sin is never forgotten. The one who judges people's action i.e. [Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ] will never die. Therefore, be whatever you want to be. As you sow so shall you reap.' (*Musannaf Abdur Razzaq, vol. 10, pp. 189, Hadees 20430*)

'Allamah 'Abdur-Rauf Manaawi رَحِمَهُ اللهُ عَلَيْهِ has stated: i.e. whatever action you do, you will be compensated for it accordingly. However you act with someone, that same thing will happen to you. (*At-Tayseer, vol. 2, pp. 222*)

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## Treat others well

Dear Islamic sisters! We must not hurt anyone, steal anything from anyone, take possession of something belonging to someone without Shar'i permission, deceive anyone, falsely accuse anyone, avoid paying the debt of someone, destroy someone's family life, spread evil assumptions about someone, hurt someone's feelings, backbite against anyone, make fun of someone so that her respect and honour is shamed, plot against someone so they do not succeed and humiliate anyone by spreading their bad actions because nowadays, however we treat someone, that could happen to us tomorrow. Rather, if we safeguard someone's honour, keep everything in our custody safe and return it on time, speak the truth to everyone, respect everyone, think good about everyone, be well-wishers of everyone, then it is

very possible that everyone will treat us like this as well. Remember! Just like bad actions open the doors of evil, similarly virtuous actions open the doors of goodness and ultimately, we definitely will receive the reward for virtuous actions.

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### Tip for performing virtuous actions everyday

Dear Islamic sisters! There is no guarantee of life. Treat every breath as precious and get busy in bettering your Hereafter through virtuous actions. We have no idea when our breath could stop. Allah forbid, if we do not have the opportunity to repent, our Hereafter will be destroyed. Therefore, we must make our afterlife better by having a daily target as to how many virtuous actions we will carry out so that we make it a habit of performing virtuous actions. An easy way of doing this is to act upon the Madani In'amaat with good intentions and fill it in daily by pondering and reflecting.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ Madani In'amaat are a great way of earning good deeds through which one has many opportunities of performing virtuous actions from morning until she sleeps at night. Reciting or listening to 3 verses of the Holy Quran with translation and commentary of Tafseer-e-Quran after Fajr Salah, offering Nawafil of Ishraq and Chaasht, offering the five daily Salahs, to recite Ayat-ul-Kursi, Surah Ikhlās and Tasbeeh-e-Fatimah at least once after each Salah and before sleeping, reciting or listening to Surah Al-Mulk at night, giving or listening to Madani Dars (from Faizan-e-Sunnat, etc.), studying or teaching in Madrasa-tul-Madinah Balighaat (for Islamic sisters), attending the weekly Sunnah-inspiring Ijtima' and Madani Muzakarah, participating in the area visit and acting upon the other Madani In'amaat, allowing us to gather the immense treasure of reward.

Remember! Satan will never ever wish for us to act upon the Madani In'amaat and succeed in performing many good deeds throughout the day.

He will try his utmost best to stop us from doing this. He will affect us with many whispers, such as 'I am very busy', 'I don't have this much time', 'I will do it tomorrow', etc. and try to mislead us. If we ignore these satanic whispers and ponder over the Madani In'amaat for a while, we will perhaps be surprised to realise that those Madani In'amaat that we thought were difficult to act upon are actually very easy to act upon.

Dear Islamic sisters! You will now probably have a good understanding that where Satan would have made us feel as if acting upon the Madani In'amaat is difficult; in reality it is very easy to act upon it. In the current era, how important is it that a Muslim acts upon the Madani In'amaat booklet? We will only be able to comprehend this when we read the Madani In'amaat booklet with full attention. Where this Madani In'amaat booklet provides the mind set to act upon Fard, Wajib, Sunnah and Mustahab actions, it also provides points about ethics, saving oneself from sins and easy ways of performing virtuous actions. Therefore, if we want to relieve ourselves from the disease of sins and become passionate about performing good deeds, then we must start acting upon the Madani In'amaat booklet from today onwards. **إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ** we will see the numerous blessings of this with our own eyes.

If only we would obtain the Madani In'amaat booklet every month to attain some blessings of it. We should allocate a time daily to gain the blessings of pondering and reflecting, and then submit the Madani In'amaat booklet every month with consistency.

*Madani In'amaat kay 'aamil peh her dam her gharri*

*Ya Ilahi! khub barsa rahmataun ki Tu jharri*

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## Du'a of Attar for those who act upon the Madani In'amaat

Dear Islamic sisters! Why did Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ** start this Madani In'amaat? In response to this, he states: I started this 'Madani In'amaat' to increase Madani works, to gain moral training and to adopt piety. (*Jannat kay Talabgaron kay liye Madani Guldasta, pp. 25*) When I am informed that a certain Islamic sister is acting upon the Virtuous Madani In'amaat, my heart is immensely delighted and becomes a garden of Madinah or when I hear that a certain person has applied the Madani Guard on their tongue and eyes, or one of the two, then I experience a strange condition of pleasure and joy. How does Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ** bestow his Du'as upon the person who acts upon the Madani In'amaat? Let's also listen to it: May Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** keep you smiling like the evergreen flowers of Madinah. May your happiness never end. May you be happy during your lifetime, at the time of death, at the pangs of death and during the terrifying moments of the Day of Judgement. May Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ** forgive you and all of your family, and may you be granted the neighbourhood of the Holy Prophet **صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** in Jannat-ul-Firdaus. (*Jannat kay Talabgaron kay liye Madani Guldasta, pp. 33*)

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## Sunnahs and manners of saying Salaam

Let's listen to some Sunnahs and manners of saying Salaam mentioned in the booklet '101 Madani Pearls', written by Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat 'Allamah Maulana Muhammad Ilyas 'Attar Qadiri **دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ**:

- It is Sunnah to say Salaam when meeting a [Mahram] Muslim.
- No matter how many times you meet a [Mahram] Muslim during the day, whether you enter and leave the same room numerous times, saying Salaam to the [Mahram] Muslims present there is a rewardable act.

- To be the first to say Salaam is Sunnah.
- The first to say Salaam is close to Allah **عَدَّوَجَلَّ**.
- The first to give Salaam is free from arrogance. The Holy Prophet **صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ** stated: The first to give Salaam is free from arrogance. (*Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 6, pp. 433*)
- 90 mercies descend upon the person who is first to give Salaam and 10 mercies descend upon the person who replies. (*Kimiya-e-Sa'adat, vol. 1, pp. 394*)
- By saying **'السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ'**, you get 10 good deeds. If you add **'وَرَحْمَةُ اللهِ'**, you get 20 good deeds and if you further add **'بِرَكَاتِهِ'**, you get 30 good deeds.
- Likewise, if you reply by saying **'السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ'**, you get 30 good deeds.
- It is Wajib to reply instantly and with such a voice that the person giving Salaam can hear it.
- Learn the correct words of giving and replying to Salaam. First, I shall recite it and then you repeat it: **'السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ'**. Now, I shall firstly recite the reply and then you repeat it: **'وَعَلَيْكُمْ السَّلَامُ'**

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