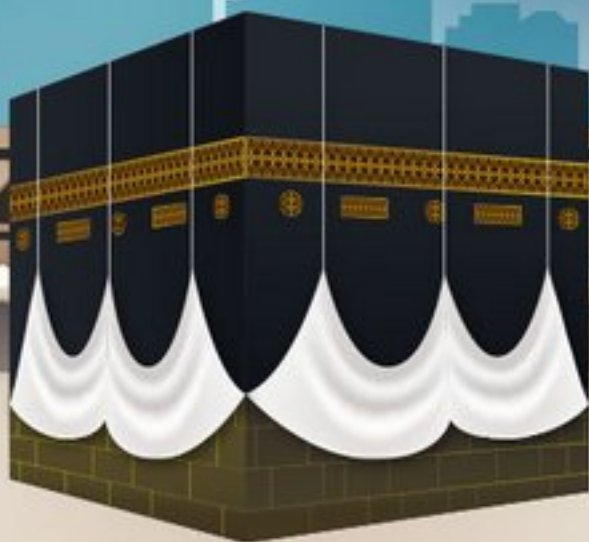


The Exalted First
10 Days of the month of
HAJJ



Thought-provoking speech of weekly
sunnah-inspiring ijtima

(For Islamic Brothers)

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

The Exalted First 10 Days of the month of Hajj

أَلصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى أَلِكْ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا حَبِيبَ اللَّهِ
 أَلصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ يَا نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ وَعَلَى أَلِكْ وَأَصْحَبِكَ يَا نُورَ اللَّهِ

نَوَيْتُ سُنَّتَ الْإِعْتِكَافِ

Translation: I have made the intention of Sunnah I'tikaf.

Dear Islamic brothers! Whenever you enter a Masjid, upon remembering, make the intention of I'tikaf because as long as you stay in the Masjid you will keep getting the reward of I'tikaf. Remember! There is no Shar'i permission to eat and drink, sleep or do Sahari and Iftari even to drink Zamzam water and the water on which *Dam* has been made in a Masjid. However, if the intention of I'tikaf is made, all these acts will become permissible. One should not make intention to observe I'tikaf only to eat, drink or sleep, but rather he should do it for pleasing Allah Almighty.

It is stated in *Fatawa Shaami*: If someone wants to eat, drink, or sleep in a Masjid, he should make intention to observe I'tikaf, then do Zikr of Allah Almighty for some time, after which he can do whatever he wishes (i.e. now if he wants to eat, drink or sleep, he can do so.).

Excellence of Salat upon the Holy Prophet ﷺ

The Holy Prophet ﷺ said:

رَبُّنَا وَمَجَالِسُكُمْ بِالصَّلَاةِ عَلَى فَإِنَّ صَلَاتَكُمْ عَلَيَّ نُورٌ لَكُمْ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

Adorn your gatherings by reciting Salat upon me, as your reciting of Salat upon me will be Noor for you on the Day of Judgement.

(Jami' Sagheer, pp. 280, Hadees 4580)

Dear Islamic brothers, whenever we are blessed to participate in a gathering of Zikr and Na't and the pure name of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ is mentioned, we should recite Salawat in order to attain blessings, so that our recited Salawat becomes Noor for us on the day of Judgement and a means of forgiveness.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! Before listening to the speech let's, first of all, make good intentions to please Allah Almighty and earn reward. 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)

An important point

For righteous and permissible work the more we make good intentions, the more we attain reward.

Intentions of listening to Bayan

1. In order to gain knowledge of Deen, lowering my eyes, I will listen to the Bayan attentively.
2. I will sit in the Attahiyyaat position as long as possible with the intention of showing respect for religious knowledge.
3. When I hear صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ, اذْكُرُوا اللهَ, تُؤْتُوا إِلَى اللهِ, etc., I will reply loudly with the intention of gaining reward.
4. After the Ijtima', I will approach people to say Salaam, shake hands and make individual efforts upon them.

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

Dear Islamic Brothers! The topic of today's bayan is 'The Exalted First 10 Days of the month of Hajj', in which we will listen to the virtues of the month of Zul-Hijjah, the virtues of Ritual animal sacrifice, and the health benefits of meat alongside the harms of over eating it. We will also hear about worship in the first 10 Days of Zul-Hijjah, and the virtues of Zikr and Nafil fasts. May we gain the blessing of listening to the complete bayan with good intentions.

اٰوِيْنَ بِجَاہِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَوْمِيْنَ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْبِ

What has encouraged you to fast?

Sayyidatuna Aaishah Siddiqah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا states: There was a youngster who would listen to the prophetic Ahadees. When he saw the new moon of Zul-Hijjah, he kept a fast. When the Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ heard of this, he صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ called him and asked: 'What has encouraged you to fast in these days?'

He replied: 'O Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ! May my parents be sacrificed upon you, these are the days of Hajj and Ritual animal sacrifice, perhaps Allah Almighty will include me within the Du'as [of the pilgrims].'

The Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ replied: 'The reward for each day of your fasting will be equivalent to the reward of freeing 100 slaves, sacrificing 100 camels, and giving 100 horses in the way of Allah Almighty. For the 8th day of Zul-Hijjah you will receive for the fast of that day the reward of freeing 2000 slaves, sacrificing 2000 camels, and giving 2000 horses as conveyance in the way of Allah Almighty. For the 9th day of Zul-Hijjah you will receive for the fast of that day the reward of freeing 1000 slaves, sacrificing 1000 camels, and giving 1000 horses in the way of Allah Almighty as conveyance.' (*Al-La'Ali Al-Masnoo'ah lis-Suyooti, vol. 2, pp. 91*) (However, 'it is Makruh for Hajjis (those performing Hajj) at 'Arafah to keep a fast on [the day of] 'Arafah (i.e. 9th Zul-Hijjah'). (*Bahar-e-Shari'at, part 5, vol. 1, pp. 1010*)

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوْا عَلَى الْحَبِيْبِ

What should you do in the first 10 days of Zul-Hijjah?

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ You have heard the extent to which the first 10 days of Zul-Hijjah are full of blessings and mercies, in which the mercy of Allah Almighty descends in abundance upon the bondsmen. Whichever fortunate individual is successful in keeping fasts from the 1st of Zul-Hijjah to the 9th of Zul-Hijjah for the sake of Allah Almighty, Allah Almighty gives him the reward equivalent to freeing thousands of slaves, sacrificing (performing Ritual animal sacrifice of) thousands of camels, and giving thousands of horses in the way of Allah Almighty.

O Devotees of the Prophet! Just think! If this is the reward attained for keeping a single fast within these blessed days, then what would be the reward for the fortunate Muslim who spends these days performing different types of worship like fasting in the day and worshipping in the night, and who can imagine the various bounties Allah Almighty will bestow him with?! Therefore, do not by any means spend these 10 days in negligence. We should busy ourselves in worship and we should fast on every day except for the 10th of Zul-Hijjah, as it is Makruh Tahreemi and a sin to fast on the 10th of Zul-Hijjah. *(Bahar-e-Shari'at, vol. 1, pp. 967, summarised; Durr-e-Mukhtar, vol. 3, pp. 391, summarised)*

O Devotees of the Prophet! There are countless religious and worldly benefits of keeping Nafil fasts and the reward for them is so immense that one feels like devoting oneself to fasting continuously. For example, protection of one's Iman, salvation from the Hell-fire, attaining of Paradise, saving money and time which is spent on eating within the daytime by fasting, keeping the stomach healthy, and protection from numerous amounts of illnesses. The greatest benefit is that Allah Almighty becomes pleased with the fasting person, thus we should attempt to keep some fasts every month, especially on Mondays, Thursdays and on Ayyam-ul-Bid' (meaning the 13th, 14th and 15th date of every Islamic month) as it is also a Sunnah to do so.

Umm'-ul-Mu'mineen Sayyidatuna Aishah Siddiqah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا states: The Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ would fast on Mondays and Thursdays. *(Tirmizi, vol. 2, pp. 186, Hadees 745, summarised)*

Sayyiduna Ibn Abbas رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمَا narrates: The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ would always fast during 'Ayyam-ul-Bid' whether he was in the state of travelling or not. (Nasa'ee, pp. 386, Hadees 2342)

The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ stated: If you want to fast three days in a month, fast on the 13th, 14th and 15th. (Tirmizi, vol. 2, pp. 193, Hadees 761)

Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, Allamah Maulana Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qadiri دَامَتْ بَرَكَاتُهُمُ الْعَالِيَةِ, whilst developing an enthusiasm to perform voluntary worship in the Madani In'amaat, encourages us to keep a fast every Monday, thus Madani In'aam number 58 states: *Did you observe Fast on Monday (or any other day if you could not on Monday) this week?*

أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ many devotees of the Prophet observe fast on Mondays. Therefore, we should also make it a habit to fast on Mondays and be included amongst those attaining its benefits.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Madani In'aam Number 22

Dear Islamic brothers! In these 10 days of Zul-Hijjah, recite the Holy Quran in abundance, keep your tongues moist in Zikr and Durood, perform Nafil worship abundantly, stay awake in the nights worshipping Allah Almighty, refrain from sinning and save others from sins, and spend wholeheartedly in the way of Allah Almighty. Partake in the Madani work of Dawat-e-Islami yourself and invite others to do the same through individual efforts. We gain the pleasure of partaking in individual efforts and other Madani work as well with the blessing of the Madani In'amaat. Thus, Madani In'aam number 22 states: *Did you encourage at least 2 Islamic brothers to do the Madani works of Dawat-e-Islami today through individual effort?*

May Allah Almighty give us the enthusiasm to do the Madani work of Dawat-e-Islami and encourage others to also do the same!

أُولَئِكَ بِجَاذِ النَّبِيِّ الْأَمِينِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic Brothers! Zul-Hijjah is the 12th month of the Islamic year and is included amongst the sacred months, meaning the months of reverence which are four (4): (1)Zul-Qa'dah (2) Zul-Hijjah (3) Muharram-ul-Haraam and (4) Rajab-al-Murajjab. The greatest of these is Zul-Hijjah, and the virtues of its first 10 days and nights in particular are abundant.

The Holy Quran has taken an oath by the first 10 days of this month. In verse 1-2 of Surah Al-Fajr in Part 30 Allah Almighty states:

وَالْفَجْرِ ۝
وَلَيَالٍ عَشْرٍ ۝

By that dawn. And by the ten nights.

[Kanz-ul-Iman (translation of Quran)] (Part 30, Surah Al-Fajr, Verse 1-2)

Sayyiduna Abdullah Bin Abbas رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمَا states: The ten (10) nights intended here are the first 10 nights of Zul-Hijjah as this is the time when the actions of Hajj are carried out. *(Khaazin, Al-Fajr, Taht-al-Ayah, vol. 4, pp. 401)*

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ In various places in the blessed Ahadees the virtues of these ten (10) days and nights have also been mentioned. Let's hear 5 blessed sayings of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ for encouragement:

1. No day is more Beloved to Allah Almighty than the 10 days of Zul-Hijjah, and no good deed performed on any other day is more beloved to Allah Almighty than the good deed performed in these days, therefore recite تهليل (i.e. لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ), تكبير (i.e. اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ) and تحميد (i.e. الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ) in abundance within these days. *(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 2, pp. 365, Hadees 5447)*
2. No day is greater in the court of Allah Almighty than the ten days of Zul-Hijjah. *(Ibn-e-Habbaan, vol. 6, pp. 62, Hadees 3842)*
3. Worship of Allah is more liked during the (first) ten days of Zul-Hijjah than any other day. The fast of each one of these days (excluding 10th Zul-Hijjah) is equivalent to a year's fasts and the standing for Salah during any one of these nights (including 10th Zul-Hijjah) is equivalent to standing for Salah on Layla-tul-Qadr. *(Tirmizi, vol. 2, pp. 192, Hadees 758)*

4. There is no other day greater and more favoured to Allah Almighty than these 10 days of Hajj, thus within these days recite **أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ، لَكَ إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ** and **اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ** in abundance. It is stated in one narration that recite **لَكَ إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ** and do Zikr of Allah in abundance in these days, fasting for one of these days is equivalent to fasting for one year and actions in these days are multiplied by 700. *(Shu'ab-ul-Iman, vol. 3, pp. 356, Raqm 3758)*
5. The good deed done in the ten days of Hajj is more beloved to Allah Almighty than the good deed done on other days. The Sahabah **رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ** asked, 'O Messenger of Allah **صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ**, Not even fighting in the way of Allah Almighty?' He replied: 'Not even fighting in the way of Allah Almighty, except for a man who leaves with his life and wealth but doesn't return with either of these.' *(Bukhari, vol. 1, pp. 333, Hadees 969)*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic Brothers! Try to increase your good deeds as much as you can within these 10 days of Zul-Hijjah. Protecting your tongue from uttering useless talk, keep it moist in the Zikr of Allah as there are numerous benefits of doing the Zikr of Allah Almighty. Let us listen to some of them:

- These words are beloved to Allah Almighty: **أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ، لَكَ إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ** *(Tirmizi, Bab 60, vol. 5, pp. 286, Raqm 3473)*
- By reciting any of these **اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ، لَكَ إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، أَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ** a tree gets planted in Paradise. *(Ibn-e-Majah, vol. 4, pp. 252, Raqm 3807)*
- 20 good deeds are written for reciting **سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ** and 20 sins are removed. *(Mustadrak, vol. 2, pp. 192, Raqm 1929)*
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- 30 good deeds are written for reciting **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِيْنَ** and 30 sins are removed. *(Ibid)*
- **لَا اِلٰهَ اِلَّا اللّٰهُ** is the key to Paradise. *(Musnad Ahmad, vol. 8, pp. 257, Raqm 22163)*
- Reciting **سُبْحَانَ اللّٰهِ** fills half the *Meezan* (scale of deeds).
- Reciting **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ** fills the whole *Meezan* (scale of deeds).
- **لَا اِلٰهَ اِلَّا اللّٰهُ** is the greatest form of Zikr. *(Ibn-e-Majah, vol. 4, pp. 248, Raqm 3800)*
- **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ** is the greatest Du'a. *(Ibid)*

صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْبِ صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلٰى مُحَمَّدٍ

O Devotees of the Prophet! We have just heard the virtues of doing the Zikr of Allah Almighty. From the Ahadees mentioned prior to that, we come to know that the first ten (10) days of Zul-Hijjah are very dignified. The deed carried out on these days is very much favoured by Allah Almighty, these days are highly virtuous, the fast of each of these days, apart from the prohibited day, is equivalent to fasting for a year, and standing for worship in any of these nights is equivalent to standing for worship on Layla-tul-Qadr. The actions carried out within these days are very sanctified and rewarding and more beloved to Allah Almighty than fighting in His way. A good deed carried out on one of these days is multiplied by 700. In summary, the first ten (10) days of Zul-Hijjah are filled with many virtues, blessings and specialities.

These days arrive every year after eleven (11) months in the sacred month of Zul-Hijjah and leave after distributing their blessings. How regretful it is that some people spend these days, like all the other days, in negligence. Rather they are, **مَعَاذَ اللّٰهِ** deprived from their Farz Salahs and performing many good deeds. May Allah Almighty have mercy on the helpless condition of the Muslims, wake them from the sleep of negligence and make them value these ten (10) days of Zul-Hijjah, granting them the *Taufeeq* to spend these days performing the maximum amount of good deeds.

اٰمِيْنَ بِجَاوِزِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَوْمِيْنَ صَلَّى اللّٰهُ عَلَيْهِ وَاٰلِهٖ وَسَلَّمَ

Dear Islamic Brothers! Zul-Hijjah is imparting its blessings. As soon as it arrives, it awakens the memories of the Sunnah of Sayyiduna Ibrahim عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام. Every year millions of Muslims in this blessed month are seen willing to fulfil the command of Allah Almighty, the Sunnah of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and Sayyiduna Ibrahim عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام. Therefore the Muslim who has the ability to perform Ritual animal sacrifice, should, with the intention of gaining the pleasure of Allah Almighty and fulfilling the Sunnah of Sayyiduna Ibrahim عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام, perform the obligation of Ritual animal sacrifice from Halal wealth, as this is a very great blessing.

Allah Almighty states in Verse number 2 of Surah Kawsar, Part 30:

فَصَلِّ لِرَبِّكَ وَأَنْحَرْ

So you offer Salah for your Lord, and sacrifice.

[Kanz-ul-Iman (translation of Quran)] (Part 30, Surah Al-Kawsar, Verse 2

The famous Mufassir of the Holy Quran, Imam Fakhruddin Razi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ writes under this Verse: The Hanafi scholars have taken this verse as a proof that Ritual animal sacrifice is Wajib. *(Tafseer Kabeer, vol. 11, pp. 318)*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic brothers! The noble Ahadees are filled with mention of the excellences of Ritual animal sacrifice. Let us listen to four (4) sayings of the Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ regarding the excellences of Ritual animal sacrifice:

1. He who performs Ritual animal sacrifice of an animal attains the reward of one good deed in exchange for each hair of the sacrificed animal. *(Tirmizi, vol. 3, pp. 126, Hadees 1498)*
2. He who wholeheartedly performs Ritual animal sacrifice of an animal for the sake of reward, his Ritual animal sacrifice will serve as a barrier between him and hellfire. *(Mu'jam Kabeer, vol. 3, pp. 84, Hadees 2736)*

3. The Beloved Prophet صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ told his beloved daughter, Khatoon-e-Jannat: O Fatimah! Stay near your sacrificial animal because your sins will be forgiven as soon as the first drop of its blood falls. *(Sunan Kubra Lil-Bayhaqi, vol. 9, pp. 476, Hadees 19161)*
4. Man does not perform a good action on the day of Ritual animal sacrifice more beloved to Allah then spilling blood. On the Day of judgement, it will appear with its horns, hair and hooves, and indeed the blood of the Ritual animal sacrifice is accepted by Allah Almighty before it even falls upon the earth, so perform the Ritual animal sacrifice wholeheartedly. *(Tirmizi, vol. 3, pp. 162, Hadees 1498)*

‘Allamah Shaykh ‘Abdul Haq Muhaddis Dihlvi رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ has said: ‘The Ritual animal sacrifice (sacrificial animal) will be placed on [the side of] the scale of good deeds of the one carrying out the Ritual animal sacrifice, due to which the weight of the scale of good deeds will be heavier. *(Ashi`a-tul-Lam`aat, vol. 1, pp. 654)*

Sayyiduna ‘Allamah ‘Ali Qaari رَحْمَةُ اللهِ عَلَيْهِ said: ‘Then the sacrificed animal will serve as his ride by which this person [who performed the sacrifice] will pass over the Bridge of Sirat easily and every limb of the sacrificed animal will become Fidyah [an expiation] (for freedom from the hellfire) for every part of its owner’s body.’ *(Mirqat-ul-Mafatih, vol. 3, pp. 574, Taht-al-Hadees 1470; Mirat-ul-Manajih, vol. 2, pp. 375)*

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

O Devotees of the Prophet! We learn from the aforementioned Ahadees that on Eid day, Allah Almighty grants those fortunate people fulfilling the obligation of Ritual animal sacrifice one good deed in exchange for each hair of their [sacrificed) animal. The ones offering Ritual animal sacrifice gain salvation from the fire of Hell. Their sins are forgiven even before the first drop of blood of the animal is spilt on the earth. On the Day of Judgement, the Ritual animal sacrifice will be placed on [the side of] the scale of good deeds, which will become heavier and the one performing Ritual animal sacrifice will mount his animal and cross the Bridge of Sirat with ease. Therefore, Ritual animal sacrifice is Wajib for every adult Muslim, Muqem

(resident), male and female who is owner of the Nisab (financial threshold amount). An owner of the financial threshold amount is the one who possesses 52.5 Tolas of silver or an equivalent amount in money or business stock or possessions excluding the basic essentials. Further, he must not owe such an amount of debt to Allah Almighty or to the people which if he were to pay, he would no longer remains the owner of the financial threshold amount.

Therefore he should fulfil the obligation of Ritual animal sacrifice wholeheartedly, alongside learning about the matters relating to Ritual animal sacrifice, as whosoever is legally obligated to perform Ritual animal sacrifice, then learning regarding the matters of Ritual animal sacrifice is also necessary for him.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ the Madani movement of the Devotees of the Prophet guides us in many areas, likewise it provides the 'Online Ritual animal sacrifice Course' for those performing Ritual animal sacrifice. This is only a seven (7) day course, consisting of a daily class of half an hour (30 minutes). It is especially recommended to those devotees of the Prophet who will gain the pleasure of performing Ritual animal sacrifice this year, to definitely try to complete this course, so that they can perform their Ritual animal sacrifice in the correct method according to Shari'ah.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Dear Islamic Brothers! We were listening to the virtues of the month of Zul-Hijjah and Ritual animal sacrifice. Generally, on the occasion of Eid-ul-Adha, due to the abundance of meat, there is almost no trend of cooking lentils and vegetables, and more preference is given to cooking meat. As a result of this, we become deprived of the benefits of meat which we were due to attain, because of its over-consumption. Whilst falling prey to excessive meat consumption, we are left with no choice but to visit the doctors. Therefore, adopt moderation in regards to consuming meat, and in order to minimise the harmful effects of meat, ensure to cook vegetables alongside it. Let us listen to some health benefits of meat and the harms of overeating it.

Health benefits of Meat

Herbal doctors have said:

- Eating meat supplements 70 strengths (of the body).
- It increases the strength of the eyesight
- Meat beautifies the complexion of the body
- It prevents obesity
- It improves character and traits
- The meat of the neck is the finest, delicious, quickly digestible and light.
- The meat of the foreleg is the lightest, very delicious, quickly digestible and free from illnesses.
- For eating on a general basis, it is better to eat meat cooked with curry (*shorba*).
- The best meat is that of a male goat, the meat of its foreleg and shoulder blade are two places where the meat fibres do not fatten, such meat boils quickly and is delicate.
- The meat fibres in the back fatten less than those in the thigh, the elements which produce blood are found within it.
- Meat provides growth for the body whilst giving it strength.
- The benefits of meat differ according to the animal.
- The meat of a Doe (female goat) produces fresh blood and is beneficial for those with a hot temperament.

Harms of the over consumption of meat

Let us also listen to the harms of excessively eating meat:

- Remember! Eating meat more than two or three times a week is harmful for the human body.

- Eating the meat of a large animal in excess is asking for trouble as the gums and teeth are damaged by eating it.
- Eating too much meat increases uric acid within the kidneys and the kidneys cannot release it with ease.
- The over-consumption of meat is also harmful for the liver.
- The possibility of cancer is increased by eating a large amount of meat.

Thus wellbeing lies in a person recognizing the value of his health. Do not accustom yourself with pleasurable and tasty delights, those fried in oil or ghee and fatty foods. Keep in mind the destructions caused by overeating meat whilst keeping your *Nafs* in control. Be cautious when eating meat, especially be extra cautious when eating at invites or with friends so that you refrain from the harms of over eating meat. May Allah Almighty grant us the *taufeeq* of adopting moderation in every permissible action, including eating.

اٰوِيْنَ بِجَاہِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَوْميْنَ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلُّوْا عَلٰى الْحَبِيْب صَلَّى اللهُ عَلٰى مُحَمَّد

Majlis-e-Tawqeeq

O Devotees of the Prophet! The Madani movement of the Devotees of the Prophet, Dawat-e-Islami, has more than 108 departments, one of which is 'Majlis-e-Tawqeeq'. Tawqeeq refers to that branch of knowledge through the help of which the timings for the five Salahs, sunrise, sunset, Nisf-un-Nihaar, etc. and the correct direction of Qiblah are determined. Majlis-e-Tawqeeq has published calendars with the knowledge of Tawqeeq for prayer timings, sunrise, sunset and the correct direction of the Qiblah. **اَلْحَمْدُ لِلّٰهِ** Majlis-e-Tawqeeq has not only prepared 'Prayer Timings' for numerous cities according to the principles and rules of Ilm-e-Tawqeeq, but has gone one step further with the help of the 'IT Majlis' by presenting a software under the name of 'Prayer Timings', which is very beneficial in giving accurate prayer timings on a computer, mobile etc. Via the computer desktop application, the

correct Salah timings and direction of Qiblah for approximately 2,700,000 locations can be known easily across the world, whereas in the mobile application, the correct Salah timings and direction of Qiblah for 10,000 locations can be known easily. If you have any question about prayer times or would like to give a suggestion, contact the Arakeen and responsible Islamic brothers of the Majlis in the Global Madani Markaz via this email: prayer@dawateislami.net.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Etiquettes of the Masjid

Dear Islamic Brothers! Bringing the Bayan to an end, let us gain the blessings of listening to the manners of the Masjid mentioned on pages, 56, 57 and 58 of Maktaba-tul-Madinah's book 'Madani Markaz ki Abad Kari Kaysay Ho':

- You cannot take anything home to use from the Masjid or Fina-e-Masjid.
- A water cooler cannot be placed in 'Ayn-e-Masjid.
- Washing, drying and hanging any sort of clothes in the Masjid is prohibited for everyone.
- Any sort of demolition in the Masjid or Fina-e-Masjid, without the permission of Shari'ah, is not permitted.
- Eating, drinking and sleeping in the Masjid without an intention of I'tikaf is not allowed.
- Those things which sever the row (Inqita-e-Saf) (e.g. shoe racks, speakers, desks, etc.) cannot be placed within the row, in the same way they cannot be placed at the end of the Saf either as this will disrupt the completion of the Saf.
- A Masjid store area cannot be made in Ayn-Masjid.

Announcement

The remaining etiquettes of the Masjid will be mentioned in the Tarbiyyati Halqahs [learning circles]. Therefore, do attend the Tarbiyyati Halqahs in order to learn them.

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

The 6 Duroods and 2 Du'as that are recited in the Sunnah-inspiring weekly Ijtima' (congregation) of Dawat-e-Islami:



1. The Durood for the night preceding Friday

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ النَّبِيِّ الْأُمِّيِّ الْحَبِيبِ
الْعَالِي الْقَدْرِ الْعَظِيمِ الْجَاهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَسَلِّمْ

The saints of Islam have quoted that whoever recites this Durood at least once on the night preceding Friday [the night between Thursday and Friday] on a regular basis will be blessed with the vision of the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ at the time of death, as well as at the time of his burial into the grave, to the extent that he will see the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ lowering him into the grave with his own merciful hands. (*Afdalus-Salawat 'ala Sayyid-is-Sadat, pp. 151*)

2. All sins forgiven

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَسَلِّمْ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Anas رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ that the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated, 'Whoever recites this Durood upon me whilst standing, then prior to his sitting back; and if he recites it whilst sitting, then before he stands back, his sins will be forgiven.' (*Ibid, pp. 65*)

3. 70 Portals of mercy

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Whoever recites this Durood, 70 portals of mercy are opened for him.

(*Al-Qaul-ul-Badi'*, pp. 277)

4. The reward of 600,000 Duroods

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ عَدَدَ
مَا فِي عِلْمِ اللَّهِ صَلَاةً دَائِمَةً بَدَوَامِ مُلْكِ اللَّهِ

Shaykh Ahmad Saawi رَحِمَهُ اللهُ الرَّحْمَانُ reports from some saints of Islam that the one reciting this Durood once receives the reward of reciting Durood 600,000 times. (*Afdal-us-Salawat 'ala Sayyid-is-Sadat*, pp. 149)

5. Nearness to the Distinguished Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا تُحِبُّ وَتَرْضَى لَهُ

One day somebody came [to the blessed court of the Beloved and Blessed Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ], and the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ made him sit in between himself and Sayyiduna Abu Bakr Siddeeq رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ. The respected companions رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ were surprised as to who that honoured person was. When he had left, the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ تَعَالَى عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, 'When he recites Durood upon me, he does so in these words.' (*Al-Qaul-ul-Badi'*, pp. 125)

6. Durood-e-Shafa'at

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَانزِلْهُ الْبَقْعَدَ الْمُقَرَّبَ عِنْدَكَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

The Greatest Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated: The one who recites this Durood upon me, my intercession will become Wajib for him.

(Attargheeb Wattarheeb, vol. 2, pp. 329, Hadees 31)

1. Good deeds for 1000 days

جَزَى اللهُ عَنَّا مُحَمَّدًا مَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ

It is narrated by Sayyiduna Ibn 'Abbas رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمَا that the Noble Rasool صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ has stated, 'For the reciter of above supplication, seventy angels write good deeds (in his account) for 1000 days.'

(Majma'-uz-Zawaid, pp. 254, vol. 10, Hadees 17305)

2. An easy way to spend every night in worship

The following narration has been mentioned on page 187 of *Gharaib-ul-Quran*, 'If anyone recites the following Du'a three times at night it is as if he has found Layla-tul-Qadr.' We should recite it every night. Here is the Du'a:

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللهُ الْحَلِيمُ الْكَرِيمُ
سُبْحَانَ اللهِ رَبِّ السَّمَوَاتِ السَّبْعِ وَرَبِّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ

Translation: There is none worthy of worship except Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ Who is 'حَلِيمٌ' and 'كَرِيمٌ'. Allah عَزَّوَجَلَّ is 'سُبْحَانَ', Rab of the seven skies and Rab of the magnificent 'Arsh.

Jadwal for the Halqahs [learning sessions] of the weekly Ijtima' (overseas), 16 July 2020

1. Learning Sunnah and etiquettes : **5 minutes**
2. Memorising Du'a: **5 minutes**
3. Fikr-e-Madinah: **5 minutes**
4. Total duration: **15 minutes**

Remaining etiquettes of the Masjid

- It is impermissible and Haraam to eat raw onions, raw garlic, smoke cigarettes etc. and other foul smelling things in the Masjid or Fina-e-Masjid or to enter the Masjid or Fina-e-Masjid after eating such things as long as the foul smell is present in the mouth.
- It is impermissible and Haraam to construct the toilets in such proximity to the Masjid that the stench reaches the Masjid.
- Wiring cannot be done in the Masjid or Fina e Masjid where it is not necessary.
- The equipment of the Madrassa (such a Madrassa which is not run by the Masjid), like desks, files, forms, etc. cannot be stored in the Masjid.
- Stalls of Ta'wizaat, Dar-us-Sunnah, Madani In'amaat cannot continuously be placed in the Masjid or Fina-e-Masjid.
- Organisational boards (e.g. for Qafilah, Madani In'amaat, Ta'wizat, etc.) cannot continuously be placed in the Masjid or Fina-e-Masjid.
- Organisational equipment for the area cannot be stored in the Masjid or the Fina-e-Masjid.
- Speakers used for the purposes of the Ijtima' which do not belong to the Masjid will have to be taken away immediately upon the end of the Ijtima'

- Breaking foul smelling wind in the Masjid is Haraam for the Mu'takif and for the non-Mu'takif and it is Makruh for the non-Mu'takif to break wind which is not foul smelling.
- It is Wajib to keep the Masjid and Fina-e-Masjid free from bad smells
- It is Haraam to sit in the Masjid to talk about Mubah (permissible) worldly matters without Shari' necessity.
- If the Masjid building is strong and sturdy, it is not permissible to demolish and rebuild it as new.
- It is not permissible to spend the income of the Masjid on the Madrassa.
- It is not permissible to take the mats of the Masjid to the Eid-Gah for Salah.
- It is not allowed to bring to the Masjid immature children and insane people, and to quarrel or raise one's voice in the Masjid.
- It is not allowed to ask help for oneself in the Masjid.
- Without permission from Shari'ah, it is impermissible to use the equipment of one Masjid for another.
- To congregate for [viewing] Madani Channel or a VCD Ijtima in the Masjid or Fina-e-Masjid is not allowed.
- Besides the equipment of the Masjid, nothing else (like organisational equipment, equipment for the Jami'ah, Madrassa, decorations for Milad, etc.) can be stored in the Fina-e-Masjid.
- Sacks of *Ushr* may not be kept in the Masjid.
- Only copies of the Holy Quran which belong to the Masjid may be stored in its Quran cabinets. Other equipment (like files of Madrassa, organisational performance forms, pamphlets, etc.) cannot be stored inside or on top of these cabinets.

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

Du'a to be recited during Wudu

According to the schedule of the weekly Ijtima' of Dawat-e-Islami, the Du'a to be recited during Wudu will be memorised.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي ذَنْبِي وَوَسِّعْ لِي فِي دَارِي وَبَارِكْ لِي فِي رِزْقِي

(Sunan Kubra lil-Nasa`ee, vol. 6, pp. 24, Raqm 9908)

Translation: O Allah Almighty! Forgive me and give me blessing and abundance in my home and grant me blessings in my sustenance.

Dear Islamic Brothers! It is very virtuous to recite this Du'a whilst performing Wudu.

Sayyiduna Abu Musa Ash'ari رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ says: I presented myself in the court of the Messenger of Allah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ and he صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ was performing Wudu. I heard him reciting this Du'a: اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي ذَنْبِي وَوَسِّعْ لِي فِي دَارِي وَبَارِكْ لِي فِي رِزْقِي.

Sayyiduna Abu Musa Ash'ari رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ says: I asked: O Prophet of Allah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ! I have heard you reciting Du'a in such a way. He صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ replied: Has anything been left out? (Sunan Kubra lil-Nasa`ee, vol. 6, pp. 24, Raqm 9908)

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ We learn that this Du'a is so virtuous that if it is recited during Wudu, it is as if a bondsman asks the creator for all that is good in this world and the Hereafter. (Derived from Khazeena-e-Rahmat, pp. 84)

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

Method of collective Fikr-e-Madinah (72 Madani In'amaat)

Saying of the Beloved Rasool صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ: Pondering (over the Hereafter) for a moment is better than the worship of 60 years.

(Al-Jami'-us-Sagheer, pp. 365, Hadees 5897)

Let's make "good intentions" before filling in the Madani In'amaat booklet:

1. To please Allah ﷺ, I will carry out today's Fikr-e-Madinah (i.e. self-accountability) myself through the Madani In'amaat booklet and persuade others as well.
2. I will praise (i.e. thank) Allah ﷺ for the Madani In'amaat which I practised.
3. I will be regretful about the Madani In'amaat which I did not practise and try to act on them in the future.
4. Allah ﷺ forbid, if I have not acted on any such Madani In'aam which saves a person from sins, I will make a firm intention of not committing sin in the future, along with making repentance and Istighfar.
5. I will not reveal my good deeds without need (for example, I act on such and such or these many Madani In'amaat).
6. I will act afterwards or tomorrow on the Madani In'amaat which can be practised afterwards (for example, one did not recite Durood upon the Holy Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ 313 times today).
7. I will try to achieve the actual aim of filling in the Madani In'amaat booklet (for example, Divine fear, piety, correcting manners, progress in the Madani activities, etc.).
8. I will fill in the Madani In'amaat booklet (i.e. carry out Fikr-e-Madinah) tomorrow as well.
9. I will not consider it a usual formality but fill in the Madani In'amaat booklet while pondering.

Mark the boxes given below with a “correct (i.e. inverted tick)” sign for the Madani In'amaat you have practised today and mark them with a “(0) sign” in case you have not practised them.

Attention: Carry out Fikr-e-Madinah while keeping an eye on your own Madani In'amaat booklet only.

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيبِ

Method of collective Fikr-e-Madinah (72 Madani In'amaat)

Daily 50 Madani In'amaat

1. Made good intentions?
2. Offered all 5 daily Salahs with Jama'at and Takbeer-e-Aula?
3. Recited Ayat-ul-Kursi, Tasbih-e-Fatimah and Surah Al-Ikhlās after every Salah?
4. Replied to Azan and Iqamat?
5. Recited Durood upon the Holy Nabi ﷺ 313 times?
6. Paid Salam to Muslims?
7. Conversated using the words "Aap" and "Jee"?
8. Said 'إِنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ' upon intending for permissible things?
9. Replied to the Hamd of the one saying Salam or who sneezed?
10. Used terminologies of Dawat-e-Islami?
11. Applied Qufi-e-Madinah of stomach while eating less than hunger?
12. Delivered or listened to two Madani Dars?
13. Studied or taught in Madrasa-tul-Madinah Baalighan?
14. Read or listened to a reformatory book for 12 minutes and 4 consecutive pages of *Faizan-e-Sunnat*?
15. Performed Fikr-e-Madinah?
16. Offered Salat-ut-Taubah?
17. Slept on mat? Kept Sunnah box by the pillow?
18. Offered Sunnahs before Fard and Nawafil after the Faraaid?
19. Offered Tahajjud, Ishraq, Chashtand Awwabeen?

20. Offered Tahiyya-tul-Wudu and Tahiyya-tul-Masjid?
21. Recited or listened to three Verses from Kanz-ul-Iman with translation and commentary?
22. Performed individual efforts on two (Islamic) brothers?
23. Spent two hours in Madani activities?
24. Obeyed your Nigran?
25. Refrained from using things asking from others?
26. In case one committed a mistake, did you reform him?
27. Performed veil within veil? Moreover, faced towards the Qiblah?
28. Controlled your anger?
29. Refrained from useless questions?
30. Observed Shar'i veil from your non-Mahram relatives / neighbours?
31. Refrained from films, dramas, songs and music etc.?
32. Made efforts to establish Madani environment at home?
33. Refrained from slandering and abusing?
34. Refrained from intervening into other's conversation?
35. Called out Sada-e-Madinah?
36. Kept your gaze lowered while applying Qufl-e-Madinah of eyes?
37. Made the efforts to refrain from peeping into others' houses?
38. Refrained from lying, backbiting, tale-telling, jealousy, arrogance and breaking promises?
39. Stayed in the state of Wudu for most part of the day?
40. Refrained from staring at the face of the addressee?

41. Paid back the loan on time?
42. Concealed Muslims' faults?
43. Kept unified relations?
44. Made efforts to create humility and self-mortification during Salah and Du'a?
45. Refrained from uttering such words of humility which your heart does not approve to?
46. While applying Qufi-e-Madinah of tongue, did you converse through gestures and by writing 4 times?
47. Watched or listened to the video/audio of one Bayan or Madani Muzakarah, or watched Madani Channel for 1 hour 12 minutes?
48. Refrained from joking, taunting, hurting feelings and laughing aloud?
49. Used minimum words for necessary conversation?
50. Wore Madani attire the whole day?

Qufi-e-Madinah performance

- Conversing through writing – 12 times
- Conversing through gestures – 12 times
- Conversing without staring – 12 times
- Usage of Qufi-e-Madinah glasses – 12 minutes

Weekly 8 Madani In'amaat

1. Attended the weekly Ijtima' from beginning to end?
2. Performed individual efforts on at least 4 brothers after the Ijtima'?
3. Inquired after an ill person?
4. Took part in Madani Daurah?

5. Made efforts to bring those back who were associated to the Madani environment but do not come anymore?
6. Attended the Masjid Ijtima' (weekly Madani Muzakarah)?
7. Sent a letter?
8. Kept Sawm on Monday?

Du'a of Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat

Ya Allah **عَزَّوَجَلَّ**! The one who sincerely acts upon Madani In'amaat, fills in the booklet by performing Fikr-e-Madinah daily and submits it to his relevant responsible Islamic brother on the 1st of every Madani [Islamic] month, do not give him death until he recites the Kalimah.

اٰمِيْنَ بِجَاہِ النَّبِيِّ الْاَمِيْنِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ

صَلُّوا عَلَى الْحَبِيْبِ