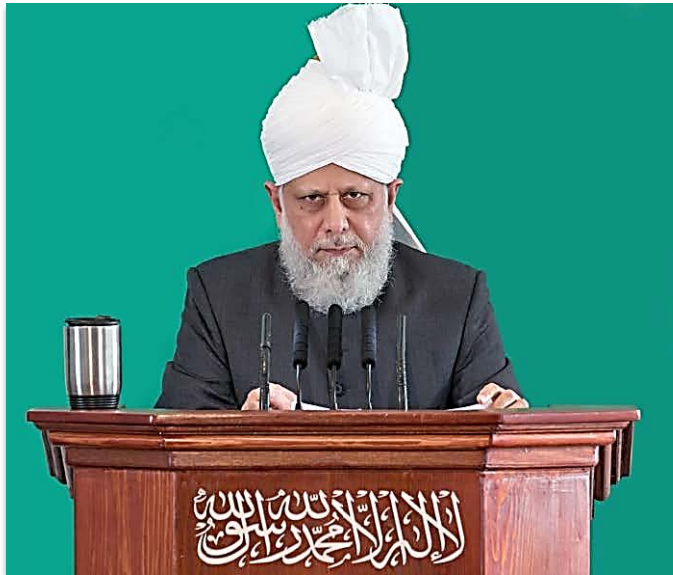
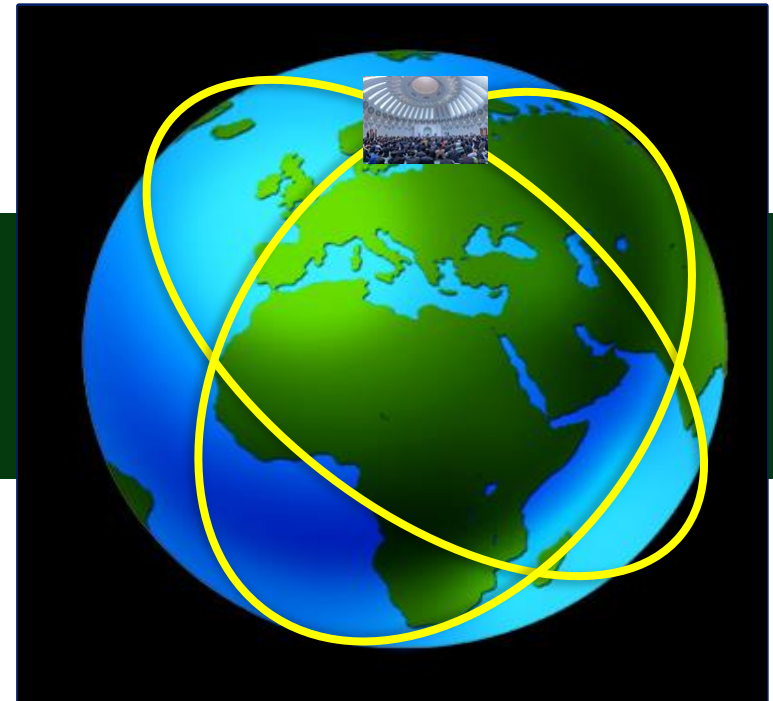


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Hazrat Umar (ra) initiated many systems, including:

The system of Qadha

The system of policing

The system of Ifta'

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His Holiness (aba) said that Hazrat Umar (ra) initiated the system of Qadha (arbitration). Judiciaries were established in every region, where Qadhis (judges) would be appointed. Hazrat Umar (ra) advised that justice should always be given precedence.

Hazrat Umar (ra) also initiated a system of policing. This was to ensure the safety of all citizens, and to ensure that the laws and rules were being followed. Hazrat Umar (ra) also established jails, which had not been in place before.

Hazrat Umar (ra) also initiated the system of Ifta' (edicts). People with knowledge of the Shari'ah (Islamic law) would be appointed to make decisions and issue edicts.

Hazrat Umar (ra) also initiated a treasury. Prior to the era of Hazrat Umar (ra), any wealth that was received would be distributed right away. During the era of Hazrat Umar (ra), a large amount was received from Bahrain, and upon consultation, it was decided that a treasury be established in order to safely keep such large amounts of wealth.

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His Holiness (aba) said that once, Hazrat Uthman (ra) saw a man walking outside in extreme heat.

When the man drew closer, he realised that it was the Leader of the Believers Hazrat Umar (ra).

Hazrat Uthman (ra) asked him why he was outside in such heat? Hazrat Umar (ra) replied that a camel from the treasury had gotten away, and so he was out searching for it.

Initiatives Undertaken for the Betterment of the People

He established various rivers and streams in order to provide water for all people.

His Holiness (aba) said that Hazrat Umar (ra) also established various buildings, such as mosques, judiciaries, barracks, various offices, guest houses, hotels etc. He also established security posts around Madinah in order to ensure safety.

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His Holiness (aba) said that Hazrat Umar (ra) formally established and organised army.

He split the army into two parts; those who would go to war and those who were volunteers. Hazrat Umar (ra) would ensure that the moral training of soldiers was tended to.

Hazrat Umar (ra) instructed that no soldier would go to a conquered area to conduct business as this would decrease their skills as soldiers.

His Holiness (aba) said that Hazrat Umar (ra) ensured that each soldier was skilled in swimming, archery, and that they could run barefoot.

He instructed that soldiers should not ride horses with their feet in the stirrups of the saddle, so that they could easily jump off into battle.

Soldiers would be granted leave every four months in order to visit their families.

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His Holiness (aba) said that during the era of Hazrat Umar (ra), even those who were not Muslim or who were not Arab would be commissioned at high posts.

There are accounts that there were people of different backgrounds appointed to high ranks in the army.

His Holiness (aba) said that these days, the Pakistani government does not allow Ahmadis to be part of the army, whereas if we look at history, Ahmadi officers have presented the greatest sacrifices for the sake of Pakistan.

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His Holiness (aba) said that Hazrat Umar (ra) would ensure market price control and would see to it that the price of goods would not become too low, as that could undercut other vendors.



Hazrat Umar (ra) paid great attention to education, Schools were established in all provinces, where educated people were appointed as teachers, and a salary was also appointed for these teachers.



His Holiness (aba) said that Islamic coins were also established during the era of Hazrat Umar (ra). These would have things such as Alhamdulillah (all praise belongs to Allah) and Muhammad Rasoolullah (Muhammad (sa) the Messenger of Allah) engraved on them.

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The formal Hijri calendar was established during the era of Hazrat Umar (ra). The companions began recording dates from the time of the migration of the Holy Prophet (sa).

Later, Hazrat Umar (ra) felt the need for dates to be recorded. Someone advised Hazrat Umar (ra) that he saw people in Yemen recording the date according to year and month.

Hazrat Umar (ra) said that this style should be adopted.

It was decided to start the calendar from the time of migration.

His Holiness (aba) said that he would lead the funeral prayers (in absentia) of the following deceased members:

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Sarpito Hadi Sahib

Chauhdary Bashir Ahmad Bhatti Sahib

Hameedullah Khadim Malhi Sahib

Muhammad Ali Khan Sahib

Sahibzada Mahdi Latif Sahib

Faizan Ahmad Samir Sahib

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