

| The Amīr/National President Jamā'at Ahmadīyya, | |
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| Dear Brother, | |
| | السلام عليكم ورحمة اللدو بركانة |

Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by *Ḥaḍrat Khalīfa-tul-Masīh* V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 05th November 2021 at Mubarak Mosque Islāmabad, Tilford, UK.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: One of the characteristics of the believers that have been described by Allāh is that they spend out their pure wealth in order to win His pleasure. Allāh says in the Qur'ān that the believers are those who spend in the way of Allāh. On various occasions, He also mentions financial sacrifices in terms of Zakāt and Ṣadaqa. Allāh also details the objectives for which these contributions are to be used. Members of the Jamā'at around the world have set great examples of making financial sacrifices to further the Promised Messiah's (Peace be upon him) mission of spreading Oneness of Allāh and raising the banner of the Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) across the globe. Looking at these examples, we become more and more convinced that the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) is the messenger of God through whom the beautiful teaching of Islām was to be spread throughout the world in the latter days. If the opponents of Aḥmadiyyat would look at just this sign of the truth of Aḥmadiyyat without any prejudice, it would be enough to purify their hearts. However, these so-called ulema are more hard-hearted than rocks.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Aḥmadiyyat is not a Jamā'at of billionaires. The majority of our members belong to the poor or middle-class. Despite this, they have a tremendous zeal for making financial sacrifices, and Allāh blesses whatever task the Jamā'at undertakes with its limited resources. As the Jamā'at grows, there are bound to be some naive and untrained people, and even some of the old members, who ask why they should pay Chanda and for what purpose? At times they start saying such things at home in front of their children who then start to raise the same questions. It is the foremost duty of office-bearers to remove people's doubts through their own example and conduct and to assure members that their contributions are used for a great cause. Explain to them how important financial sacrifice is in the sight of Allāh and how they will win His pleasure in return. Their sacrifices are used for the propagation of Islām. We also have the costs of running a TV channel, as well as educating missionaries and spreading our message through them. Mosques are being built, books are being published, and financial sacrifices are being used to educate poor children and to feed the hungry.

I did not say this because many people are asking these questions, God forbid. I only mention it because with the growth of the Jamā'at there are bound to be some mischief-makers who try to create suspicions in the minds of less-educated members. God be praised that most members of the Jamā'at are mature enough to understand the

requirements of the Jamā'at. It is also the command of God Almighty that we should spend in His cause.

Allāh does not let these sacrifices go in vain. He promises that He will provide for those who make financial sacrifices through such means as they cannot even imagine. Allāh fulfils His promises and there are countless examples of members of the Jamā'at who gave Chanda for the pleasure of Allāh when they were destitute but Allāh soon opened up avenues for their sustenance. Nor are these old stories; these are experiences that people write to me about even today. Allāh strengthens the faith of the believers. He does not only bestow His grace on those who make these sacrifices but also strengthens the faith of those who are close to them through their example. I will present a few such examples today.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) cited faith-inspiring instances of financial sacrifices made by men and women, young and old, poor and rich, from countries such as Guinea-Bissau, Canada, South Africa, Australia, Kazakhstan, the UK, India, Burkina Faso, Sierra Leone, Gabon, Jordan, Belize, Zanzibar, Morocco, Argentina, Liberia, Mali and Benin. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that this is the great revolution taking place among Aḥmadīs. May Allāh grant every one of us the ability to make sacrifices for the propagation of Islām and enable us to spend out of our pure earnings. May these sacrifices be acceptable to Allāh and may He be pleased with us.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that during the 87th year of the Taḥrīk-i-Jadīd, the Aḥmadiyya Jamā'at made financial sacrifices worth £15.3 million. This is £842,000 more than the previous year. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) then announced the start of the 88th year of Taḥrīk-i-Jadīd.

Speaking about the contributions made during the year, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that Germany was significantly ahead of the rest of the world in terms of financial sacrifices. Referring to Pakistan, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that Pakistan's economic situation is worsening but Aḥmadīs are still striving to make greater sacrifices. We need to pray for them. In addition to the economic situation, there are a lot of other constraints faced by the Jamā'at. May Allāh remove their worries and allow them to freely conduct all their gatherings, Jalsas and other activities. Because of the constraints, we cannot even mention their financial sacrifices openly.

This year, Germany topped the list of Jamā'ats around the world, followed by the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada, a Jamā'at in the Middle East, India, Australia, Indonesia, Ghana, and another Jamā'at in the Middle East.

Among African countries, Ghana has the leading position in terms of total contributions, followed by Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Tanzania, Sierra Leone, The Gambia, Benin, Uganda, Kenya and Liberia. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: I have already said regarding Sierra Leone that there is room for a lot of improvement but the required effort is not being made.

Nigeria ranks first among African countries in terms of increase in membership, followed by the Gambia, Senegal, Ghana, Tanzania, Guinea Conakry, Malawi, Uganda, Guinea-Bissau, Congo-Kinshasa, Burkina Faso and Congo Brazzaville.

Germany, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Bangladesh and Mauritius have also seen a significant increase in membership.

Germany's top ten Jamā'ats are Rödermark, Neuss, Mehdi Abad, Cologne, Rodgau, Nieda, Flörsheim, Pinneberg, Frankenthal and Osnabrück.

Germany's top ten local Amarāts are Hamburg, Frankfurt, Gross-Gerau, Dietzenbach, Wiesbaden, Mörfelden, Riedstadt, Mannheim, Damrstadt and Rüsselsheim.

In terms of contributions, Lahore ranks first in Pakistan, followed by Rabwah and Karachi. Among the districts, Islāmabad is followed by Gujranwala, Sialkot, Umerkot, Multan, Toba Tek Singh, Mirpur Khas, Attock, Mirpur Azad Kashmir, and Dera Ghazi Khan.

Amarat Defense Lahore ranks first among the Amarāts in terms of contributions, followed by Gulshan Abad Karachi, Azizabad Karachi, Township Lahore, Model Town Lahore, Mughal Pura Lahore, Delhi Gate Lahore, Clifton Karachi, Bahawalnagar City, and Hafizabad city.

The first five regions of the UK are Masjid Baitul Futūh Region, Masjid Fazal Region, Islāmabad Region, Midlands Region, and Baitul Ihsan Region.

In terms of total contributions, the UK's top ten Jamā'ats are Farnham, Islāmabad, South Cheam, Masjid Fazal, Worcester Park, Birmingham South, Walsall, Aldershot, Gillingham, and Guildford.

In terms of total contributions among Jamā'ats in the United States, Maryland is followed by Los Angeles, Detroit, Silicon Valley, Chicago, Seattle, Central Virginia, Oshkosh, Atlanta, Georgia, South Virginia, Houston, York and Boston.

In terms of total contributions among Jamā'ats in Canada, Vaughan is followed by Peace Village and Calgary (which stand equal), Vancouver, Toronto West, and Toronto.

The top Jamā'at in India is Qādiān, followed by Coimbatore, Hyderabad, Karulai, Pathapiriyam, Kolkata, Bangalore, Kairang, Calicut and Melapalayam.

In terms of sacrifices, Kerala is the top state in India, followed by Tamil Nadu, Jammu and Kashmir, Karnataka, Telangana, Odisha, Punjab, Bengal, Delhi, and Lakshadweep.

Australia's top ten Jamā'ats include Melbourne, Long Warren, Castle Hill, Marsden Park, Melbourne, Berwick, Adelaide South, Penrith, Perth, ACT Canberra, Parramatta, and Adelaide West.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) prayed that Allāh may shower abundant blessings upon all those who have made these sacrifices. $Am\bar{\imath}n$.

Jazākumullāh Wassalām,

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