The Amīr/National President Jamā'at Aḥmadīyya,

Dear Brother,

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Summary of the Friday Sermon delivered by *Hadrat Khalīfatul-Masīh* V (May Allāh be his Helper) on 4th November 2022 at Mubārak Mosque Islāmabād, Tilford, UK

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Today is the first Friday of November and, as is the norm, I will announce the new year of Tahrīk-i-Jadīd and recount the blessings of Allāh experienced during the past year.

Every endeavour requires money. The Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) says that all Prophets appealed for money to further their cause. The Holy Qur'ān also makes the same appeal. It clearly says that those who make sacrifices will be rewarded by Allāh in this world and in the hereafter. In verse 262 of *Sūrah Al-Baqarah*, Allāh says that when believers spend in the way of Allāh with true sincerity, He does not hold back their rewards; rather, He blesses them abundantly in this world and in the Hereafter.

In this age, Allāh sent the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) for the propagation of the Islām. It is the responsibility of his followers to fulfil their obligations and spread the message of Islām and establish the Oneness of Allāh. If we do this with sincerity, we will receive blessings from Allāh. The Holy Prophet (May Allāh's blessings be upon him) says that the reward for what one spends in the way of Allāh increases manifold when it is accompanied by prayer, fasting, and the remembrance of Allāh. In this hadīth, Allāh portrays a true believer as one who does not only make financial sacrifices but also performs other acts of worship. Allāh then blesses these believers in astonishing ways. We should not be content with spending in the way of Allāh but should strive to fulfil our other religious and devotional obligations as well.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) cited the complete trust of Hadrat *Rābi'ah Baṣrī* who gave away her two *rotis* (bread) in charity but Allāh then rewarded her with twenty *rotis* (bread) with which she was able to feed her guests.

Allāh has sent the Promised Messiah (Peace be upon him) to complete the objectives of the faith in this age. Thus, the work of spreading the faith is being done through the Jamā'at. The Jamā'at spends several million pounds every year to publish literature as well as to build mosques and mission houses. Contributions from developed countries are used in Africa, India, and many other countries. It is by the grace of Allāh that, despite unfavourable economic conditions, members of the Jamā'at are meeting these expenses. Allāh shows the signs of His love and miraculously blesses those who make sacrifices, whether they live in rich or poor countries.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) cited faith-inspiring experiences of Ahmadī men and women, old and young, hailing from different classes and countries, such as Liberia, Australia, Tanzania, the Gambia, Niger and Guinea-Conakry.

During the 88th year of Tahrīk-i-Jadīd, the worldwide Jamā'at made financial contributions of 16.4 million pounds sterling. Despite the rapidly deteriorating economic conditions of the world, these contributions exceeded the previous year by 1.1 million pounds. This year, too, Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya Germany has stood first. Pakistan has also made a lot of contribution despite the very adverse economic conditions. They are behind due to the devaluation of the rupee but have advanced in contribution. Germany is ahead but has declined in terms of its own currency. If the United Kingdom and the United States keep advancing as they are, they can surpass Germany. Likewise, contributions by Jamā'ats in Canada, Australia, India, and Ghana have also increased significantly.

Other notable Jamā'ats are the Netherlands, France, Sweden, Georgia, Norway, Belgium, Burma, Malaysia, New Zealand, Bangladesh, Kiribati, Kazakhstan, Tatarstan, Philippines, and a Jamā'at in the Middle East.

Among African countries, the leading Jamā'ats in terms of total contribution are Ghana, followed by Mauritius, Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Tanzania, the Gambia, Liberia, Uganda, Sierra Leone, and Benin.

In terms of per capita contributions, USA, UK, and Australia stand foremost.

The total number of participants is 1,594,000.

In terms of increase in the number of contributors among African countries, Nigeria stands first, followed by Guinea Bissau, Congo Brazzaville, Guinea Conakry, Tanzania, Congo Kinshasa, Gambia, Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Niger, Senegal, and Burkina Faso.

By the grace of Allāh, the accounts of the participants of *Daftar Awwal* continue to be active.

Germany's top ten Jamā'ats are Rödermark, Rodgau, Mehdiabad, Nidda, Köln, Flörsheim, Neuss, Pinneberg, Osnabrück, and Fredberg.

The first ten local *Amārāt* of Germany are Hamburg, Frankfurt, Gross-Gerau, Wiesbaden, Dietzenbach, Riedstadt, Mörfelden, Flörsheim, Darmstadt, and Mannheim.

In Pakistan, in terms of collection, Lahore stands first, followed by Rabwah and Karachi, respectively. Among the districts, Sialkot stands first, followed by Islamabad, Gujranwala, Gujrat, Umarkot, Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Sargodha, Quetta, and Lodhran.

In terms of collection, the foremost local Amārāt in Pakistan are Township Lahore, Darul-Dhikr Lahore, Model Town Lahore, Mughalpura Lahore, 'Allāma Iqbāl Town Lahore, Baitul-Fadl Faisalabad, 'Azizabād Karachi, Delhi Gate Lahore, Karīm Nagar Faisalabad, and Ṣadr Karachi, respectively.

The first five regions of the UK are *Baitul-Futūḥ*, *Islāmabād*, *Masjid Faḍl*, Midlands, and *Baitul-Iḥsān*.

The top ten Jamā'ats in the UK in terms of the overall collection are Farnham, South Cheam, Islāmabād, Worcester Park, Walsall, Gillingham, *Masjid Faḍl*, Ewell, Aldershot South, and Putney.

The foremost Jamā'ats in the United States in terms of the overall collection are Maryland, Los Angeles, North Virginia, Detroit, Silicon Valley, Chicago, Seattle, Oshkosh, South Virginia, Atlanta, Georgia, North Jersey, and York.

The foremost local *Amārāt* in Canada in terms of overall collection are Vaughan, Peace Village, Calgary, Vancouver, and Toronto.

The foremost Jamā'ats in India are Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, *Qādiān*, Hyderabad, Karulai, Pathapiriyam, Calicut, Bangalore, Melapalayam, Calcutta, and Kairang. The foremost states are Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Jammu and Kashmir, Telangana, Odisha, Punjab, Bengal, Delhi, and Maharashtra.

The top ten Jamā'ats in Australia are Castle Hill, Melbourne Long Warren, Melbourne Berwick, Marsden Park, Penrith, Perth, Parramatta, Adelaide West, ACT Canberra, and Brisbane Logan East.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) prayed that Allāh may bless the lives and wealth of all those who made these sacrifices.

At the end of the sermon, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) announced the launch of a new website on the history of the Jamā'at Ahmadiyya UK. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) prayed May Allāh make this website useful for us as well as others. *Amīn*.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

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