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Hadīth Lesson: On Zakāt al-Fitr

As-Salamu 'Alaykum wa RaḥmatuLlāhi wa Barakātuh.

A'ūdhu BiLlāhi Minash-shayṭāni r-rajīm. BismiLlāhi r-Raḥmāni r-Raḥīm.

Wa ṣ-Salātu wa s-Salāmu 'alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-Anwalīna wa l-Akḥbirīn.

Madad yā RasūlAllāh, Madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥabi RasūliLlāh, Madad yā Mashāyikhinā,

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Nāẓim al-Ḥaqqāni. Madad.

1- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

زكاة الفطر طهارة للصائم من اللغو والرفث، طعمة للمساكين، فمن أداها قبل
الصلاة؛ فهي زكاة مقبولة، ومن أداها بعد الصلاة؛ فهي صدقة من الصدقات

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Zakat-ul-fitr is enjoined on the one who fasts (i.e. fasted during the month of Ramadan) to purify him from any indecent act or speech and for the purpose of providing food for the needy.”** So, during Ramadan, people fast. During their fast, they should refrain from bad words and bad deeds; if they do so, the Fitrah Zakat (charity given at the end of Ramadan) is for purifying them. It also a means for providing food for the poor. **“It is accepted as Zakah for the person who pays it before the Eid prayer.”** So, that Fitrah zakat is given as fitra until the Eid prayer. **“And it is Sadaqah (i.e. voluntary charity) for the person who pays it after the Eid prayer.”** Of course, that sadaqah has more reward and is more acceptable than the other. If one didn't pay it, he would both commit sin and be deprived of its reward. Therefore, most people give it before the Eid prayer, and it's accepted.

2- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu 'alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

زكاة الفطر على كل حرّ وعبد ذكرٍ وأنثى صغيرٍ أو كبيرٍ فقيرٍ أو غنيٍّ صاعٌ من تمرٍ أو
نصف صاعٍ من قمحٍ

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Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Fitr Zakāt is payable by slave and freeman, male and female, old and young, rich and poor, one sa’ of dried dates or half a sa’ of wheat.”** Of course, people can give as much as they want, even more. The poor can give according to their means. The rich can give even more of this. That’s not a problem.

3- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

شهر رمضان معلق بين السماء والأرض، ولا يُرفع إلى الله إلا بزكاة الفطر

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Undoubtedly, the fast of Ramadan remains suspended between heaven and earth, but they ascend to Allāh ﷻ only through Zakāt al-Fitrah.”** So, if you don’t give Zakāt al-Fitr, it won’t be considered acceptable. It is absolutely necessary for a person to give Zakāt al-Fitr.

4- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

صدقة الفطر صاع تمر أو صاع شعير عن كل رأس أو صاع عن كل اثنين صغيراً أو
كبيراً حرّاً أو عبداً ذكراً أو أنثى، فقيراً أو غنيّاً. أمّا غنيكم فيزكيه الله تعالى وأمّا فقيركم
فیردّ علیہ أكثر ما أعطاه

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“A sa’ of wheat is to be taken from every two, young or old, freeman or slave, male or female.”** Sa’ refers to a measure or scale. It’s a measure; nobody makes it anymore, but now the Directorate of Religious Affairs or the muftis tell people how much to give. The rich can give more than that, and the poor can give less. **“Those of you who are rich will be purified by Allāh ﷻ.”** So, by giving that thing, the rich are cleansed of their sins. **“And those of you who are poor will have more than they gave returned by Him to them.”** So that the poor person doesn’t say, “I am poor and cannot give,” let him give, and with Allāh’s ﷻ permission, Allāh ﷻ will give him back much more than he gave.

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- 5- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

صدقة الفطر على كل إنسان مدان من دقيق أو قمح، ومن الشعير صاع، ومن الحلو
زبيب أو تمر صاع صاع

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“The sadaqa relating to the breaking of the fast is incumbent on every person, consisting of two mudds of wheat or flour,”** Now, of course, you can’t give it like that. People here don’t do it that way, but according to what we’ve heard, in some Arab countries, in Makkah and Madinah, people come and bring [the goods]. They give the poor flour and wheat. What do they do with it? They take it and sell it for a tenth of the price. That’s not necessary. They can directly give the poor money according to its value. It’s possible. It doesn’t necessarily have to be foods. **“Or a sa’ of barley, or sa’ and sa’ of raisins or dried dates.”** This isn’t given once for the whole family. The Zakat al-Fitr must be given individually for each family member.

- 6- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*
The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

صدقة الفطر صاع من تمر أو صاع من شعير أو مدان من حنطة عن كل صغير
وكبير، حرو عبد

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“The Zakat al-Fitr is given to everyone, young and old, free and slave.”** That is, as we said, everyone, whether child or infant, woman or man, adult or elderly or young, free or slave, must give it. **“One sa’ of dates or barley,”** sa’ means about one kilogram, probably. **“And two mudd of wheat.”** But in the past, there was no such thing as kilograms. It was calculated according to these measurements. Nowadays, one gives the corresponding equivalent value, and Allāh ﷻ accepts it. It should be done before the Eid prayer.

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7- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

صدقة الفطر على كل صغير وكبير، ذكر وأنثى، يهودي أو نصراني، حرًّا أو
مملوك، نصف صاع من برٍّ أو صاع من تمرٍّ أو صاع من شعير

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“The Zakat al-Fitr is obligatory for everyone, young and old, male and female, Jew and Christian, free and slave, whether it be half a sa’ of wheat or one sa’ of dates or barley.”** That means, if a Muslim has a Jewish or Christian slave, it is obligatory for him to give Fitr on their behalf as well. They must pay it on their behalf.

8- *Qala RasuluLlah salla Llāhu ‘alayhi wa-sallam*

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ (peace be upon him ﷺ) says:

الفطرة على كل مسلم

Our Holy Prophet ﷺ is saying, **“Zakat al-Fitr is obligatory for every Muslim.”** This means that the Muslim must pay for both himself and those under his care.

Sadaqa RasuluLlah fi ma qal, aw kama qal.

The Messenger of Allāh ﷺ says the truth in what he ﷺ said or as he ﷺ said.



Ihda’ – Dedication:

Ziyadatan ila sharafi’ ‘n-Nabi, sallaLlahu `alayhi wa sallam wa Alihi wa Asahabihi l-kiram, wa ila arwahi jamee’i al Anbiya’i wa l-Mursalin wa Khudama’i sharai’ihim wa ila arwahi al ‘Aimmati al arba’a, wa ila arwahi Mashayyikhina fi t-Tariqati n-Naqshbandiyyati l-Aliyyah, khassatan Imamu t-Tariqah wa Ghawthu l-Khaliqah Khwaja Bahauddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, wa sai’ri Sadatina wa s-Siddiqiyun, wa man nahnu fi hadratihim wa jiwarihim. To the souls of all the ones who’d passed away. For the souls of all

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believers from men and women, Muslims from men and women. For goodness to come and evil to be warded off. Li-Llahi Ta'ala, Al-Fatiha.

[(*Translation*) To the honor of the Prophet, Prayers and Peace be upon Him, and his family, and his companions, and the souls of all the prophets as well as of His messengers and of those who served their Sharia, and to the souls of the four Imams. And to the souls of our Mashayikh of the Most Distinguished Naqshbandi Tariqa, in particular to the soul of the Imam of the Tariqa Ghawth al-Khaliqa (the Help of Creation), Khwaja Bahauddin Muhammad al-Uwaisiyi l-Bukhari, Sayyidina Abdul Khaliq al Ghujduwani, Mawlana Shaykh Sharafuddin al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Abdullah al Faiz al Daghestani, Mawlana Shaykh Muhammad Nazim Adil al Haqqani, and the rest of our masters and Siddiqiyun, and to whom we are in their presence and near them. To the souls of all the ones who'd passed away. For the souls of all believers from men and women, Muslims from men and women. For goodness to come and evil to be warded off. To Allah Almighty. Al Fatiha.]

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