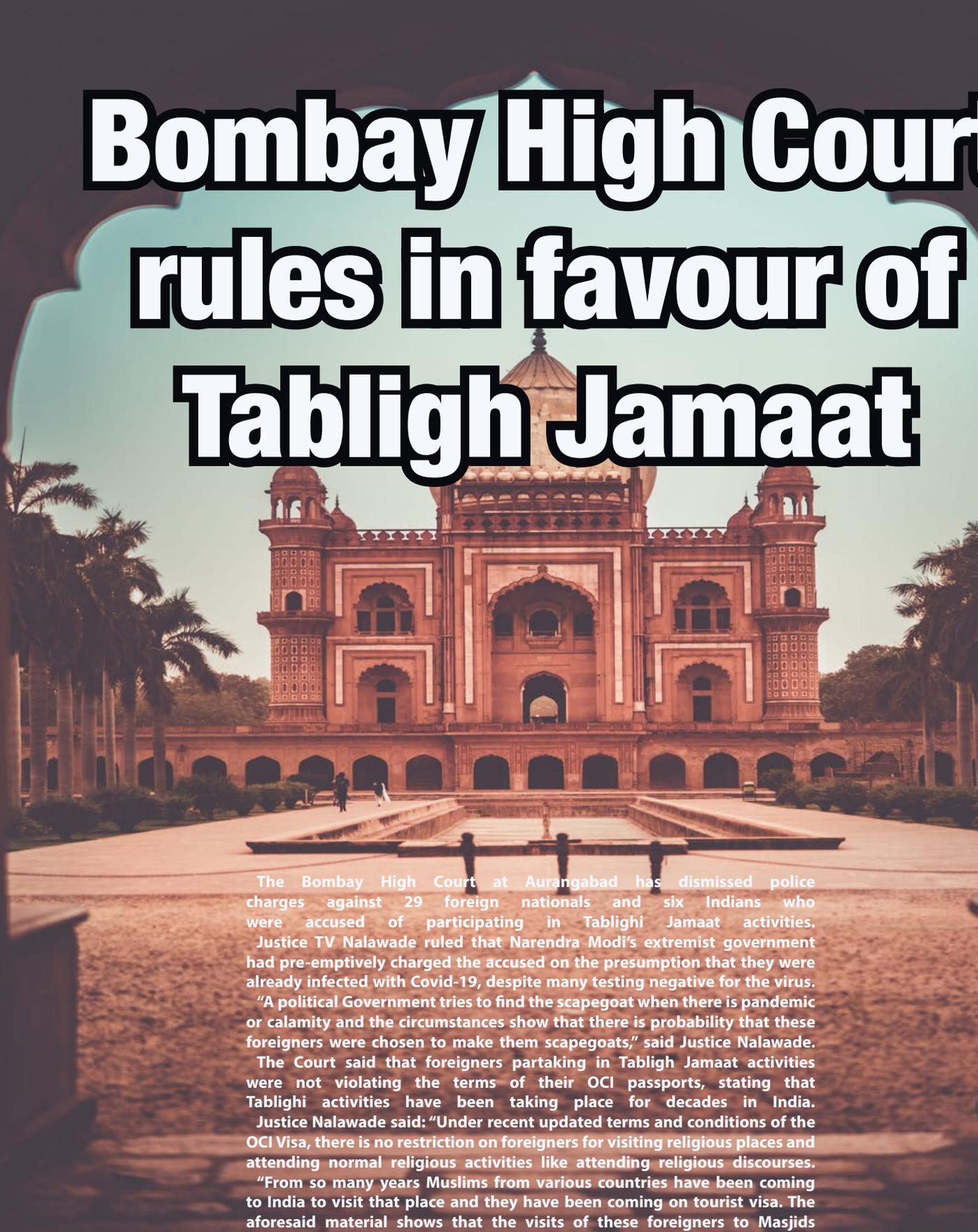


Bombay High Court rules in favour of Tablighi Jamaat



The Bombay High Court at Aurangabad has dismissed police charges against 29 foreign nationals and six Indians who were accused of participating in Tablighi Jamaat activities.

Justice TV Nalawade ruled that Narendra Modi's extremist government had pre-emptively charged the accused on the presumption that they were already infected with Covid-19, despite many testing negative for the virus.

"A political Government tries to find the scapegoat when there is pandemic or calamity and the circumstances show that there is probability that these foreigners were chosen to make them scapegoats," said Justice Nalawade.

The Court said that foreigners partaking in Tablighi Jamaat activities were not violating the terms of their OCI passports, stating that Tablighi activities have been taking place for decades in India.

Justice Nalawade said: "Under recent updated terms and conditions of the OCI Visa, there is no restriction on foreigners for visiting religious places and attending normal religious activities like attending religious discourses. "From so many years Muslims from various countries have been coming to India to visit that place and they have been coming on tourist visa. The aforesaid material shows that the visits of these foreigners to Masjids from India were not prohibited and even discourse was not prohibited."

Bombay High Court rules in favour of Tabligh

He also stated that foreigners could not be prevented from visiting Masjids to observe religious practices, given the right to life and freedom of religion under articles 21 and 25 of the constitution and labelled the charges against the accused as "very vague in nature."

"There is nothing on the record to show that this activity is prohibited permanently by the Government. These things need to be kept in mind while considering the cases filed against the petitioners", said Justice Nalawade.

He stated that the allegations against the foreigners are very vague in nature whilst also lambasting the propaganda against those who attended Nizamuddin Markaz in Delhi, going as far as saying the accused were persecuted and discriminated by the government.

He said: "There was big propaganda in print media and electronic media against the foreigners who had come to Markaz Delhi and an attempt

was made to create a picture that these foreigners were responsible for spreading the Covid-19 virus in India. There was virtually persecution against these foreigners."

"The action of the central Government was taken mainly against Muslims who had come to Markaz Delhi for Tabligh Jamamat purposes.

"Similar action was not taken against other foreigners belonging to other religions. Due to these circumstances, the background of the action and what is achieved needs to be considered by the Court."

The accused, including Dewsbury's Sohail Hughes were charged under the epidemic diseases Act by the Maharashtra Police.

Claims submitted to the Court stated the defendants were visiting various places in India to observe Tablighi religious activities and had informed the District Superintendent of Police about their arrival way before the crimes were registered against them.

They also proved that

they had informed local officers about their visiting the masjids, and observed physical distancing norms, and were not involved in any activity in breach of their tourist visa conditions.

The State, on the other hand, argued that the petitioners were found visiting places, preaching and living in Masjids during their stay in violation of visa guidelines. The Indian government also claimed the defendants did not voluntarily come forward for testing despite public announcements asking Markaz attendees to get themselves tested for the virus.

Discussing the possibility that the attendees spreading Covid-19, the court noted that it was more likely that they were infected during their stay in the country since they had been screened at the airport on arrival.

The Court also recorded that they had not actively moved from place to place after the lockdown was announced.

The Tablighi Jamaat was

founded by the great Islamic scholar, Moulana Muhammad Ilyas al-Kandhlawi in Mewat, India, in 1926.

Sheikh Ilyas Saheb's goal was to establish a group of dedicated preachers as a Muslim revivalist society, who could revive "true" Islam, which was not being practised by many Muslims.

His mission was also to revive the faith, based on its core teachings and lifestyle of its early leaders.

The movement is popular for reaching out to Muslims and reviving their faith, particularly in matters of namaz and personal behaviour.

The group has a presence in 150 countries and millions of followers.

In Britain, the late great Hafez Saheb Patel was the leader for many years and was renowned world-wide for his love for the ummah, his kindness and his generosity.

The group's modus operandi is peaceful and it is focused entirely on the Muslim community worldwide.

Sharing a view or two! paigaam@imws.org.uk

PAIGAAM READER'S COMMENT

It is sad to hear that young people today are suffering. Perhaps some ideas could contribute to improvement could be:

1) Madrassahs should open their doors for young boys and girls so that they are able to engage in regular part-time classes. Leaving madrassah at the young age of 10 or 12 doesn't leave much room for a good insight into religion, and therefore young people are not educated to a level where they feel confident in practising to such a level where they are able to differentiate the benefits and

harms of the activities we see them occupied in today.

2) Children from low socio-economic backgrounds whose parents may not be able to afford their Islamic education should be allowed a bursary or grant depending on circumstance.

3) Young people may not have role models at home and is perhaps the responsibility of youth workers affiliated with madrassahs and masjids to get out there and identify where there are groups of young people who could potentially get involved.

4) Some young people may have difficult family lives. Support groups or even talks, can help, instead of being brushed under the carpet!

5) Young people should be empowered. Leadership roles in madrassahs should be given to the young, giving them a sense of purpose!

6) Fundraise to accrue money. Day trips, indoor classes, outdoor classes, mountain climbing, walks, bike riding, football, cricket, anything that young people enjoy should be organised so that mosques are not only seen as places that

only 'religious' people attend.

7) Ideally, since all Muslims are brothers and sisters, we should all be aware and ready to help one another if there are problems and acknowledging and keeping in touch with those who may be struggling is the first step. Keeping a distance from those who may be leading a lifestyle which is seen as 'non-Islamic' does not help as these people may feel that the mosque and its community is not for them, when this is not the case at all.

Your Muslim Sister

Charlotte's Ice Cream Parlour owner calls Muslim family monkeys

The owner of an Ice Cream Parlour in Dewsbury allegedly called a 4-year-old autistic Muslim boy and his family "monkeys" and shouted at them to leave.

Mohammed Abubaker Qasim says he and his family have been left traumatised by the incident after the owner of Charlotte's Ice Cream parlour, Geoffrey Wraithmell, allegedly subjected his family to racist abuse, leaving his son, wife and daughter, who is also 4 in tears.

After posting a statement on Instagram about the incident, Mr Qasim e-mailed a lengthy statement to Paigaam, detailing the ordeal.

He said the precursor of the incident was about wearing a face mask, which Mr Qasim says he is medically exempt from wearing.

"Myself, my wife and 3 children visited Charlotte's ice cream parlour in Dewsbury," said Mr Qasim.

"My wife was wearing a mask, however I'm medically exempt from wearing a mask due to my health. I was carrying my exemption card.

"The owner, (Geoffrey Wraithmell) in a very rude way told me to put on a mask and when I explained I'm exempt and showed my pass, he said get out of my shop."

"My wife asked him on what grounds are you kicking us out he started shouting very loud.

"One of my boys is Autistic and he started crying upon hearing the man shout.

My daughter who is 4 also started crying."

He explained how even the sight of an autistic child and his sister crying did not stop Mr Wraithmell from showcasing some compassion and stop shouting.

instead, Mr Qasim says the incident took yet another nasty turn.

"The man raised his voice again and said "get out of my shop you monkeys" and when questioned why he is being racist, he walked in to the back of his shop.

"His staff were absolutely shocked. At this point my wife was in tears and I told my family we are leaving."

"One of his staff came to us and apologised on his behalf.

"Two witnesses approached us and said that they had witnessed the whole thing and would be willing to give statements to the police."

Mr Qasim has since been bombarded with messages of support from witnesses on social media, telephone and e-mail.

"I had another 2 witnesses' message me on social media.

"I was pleased that a Councillor from Dewsbury, Cllr Masood Ahmed called me and he was very upset after hearing what had happened.

"He was very supportive of the whole situation and offered his help."

Fifi Carr, lamented how along with her children, she witnessed 'the most disgusting racist behaviour'.

She wrote on Facebook: "Unfortunately, today me and my children witnessed the most disgusting racist behaviour from the owner of this business (Charlottes Ice Cream Parlour).

"A family were thrown out whilst he shouted racist remarks at them.

"All because of the colour of their skin.

"The shock and horror was shared by myself, other visitors and members of the actual staff.

"I can wholeheartedly say I will never come back, to witness (the incident) this is absolutely shocking.

"Needless to say we left straight away."

Paigaam called Charlottes Ice Cream Parlour in order to ascertain the owner's side of the story. However, he was reluctant to speak to us.

We have also e-mailed Mr Wraithmell for comment, however, we have not received a response thus far.

When asked for a comment, West Yorkshire Police press officer, Matt Woodward told Paigaam:

"West Yorkshire Police is investigating this matter to establish what offences have occurred and will be speaking to the complainant to obtain more information about what happened.

"Reports of this nature are taken very seriously and will be investigated thoroughly."

Mr Qasim has also confirmed to Paigaam, Police officers have visited him and his family in order to take a statement.

Inside this issue

Bombay High Court Rules in favour of Tabligh/Letters/ Charlotte's Ice Cream Parlour calls Muslim family monkeys 2/3

Editorial/Chair/General Manager's column 6/7

Tracy Brabin Column/IMWS organise trip for Orphans in Gaza 8/9

Erdogan asserts rebirth of Islamic Turkey 10/11

Muslims suffering from substance abuse/ A community in denial 12/13

Muslim man dragged from dying daughter 17

Paigaam Sport/Health 18/19

Kids/Paigaam reviews 20/21

Pakistan will not recognise Israel/ Sir Alimuddin Zumla receives award/Paigaam Legal 22/23

Gujarati 24/27

Urdu/IMWS collects £11,000 for Yemen/Case against Tabligh



01924 500 555



paigaam@imws.org.uk



imws.org.uk



@paigaam2



paigaam publications

Paigaam is available at Mount Pleasant Post Office, Batley Carr Post Office, Dadibhai's, Islamic Bakery, Mullaco Warehouse, Shell Petrol Stations, Mullaco Dewsbury along with many other retail outlets.

Qasim Fires & Fireplaces

Complete Fireplace Specialist



GAZCO eREFLEX 135R ELECTRIC FIRE



THE VELLA ELECTRIC FIREPLACE (OPTION NO. 1)



MONTANA INFINITY 890 ELECTRIC FIREPLACE



PACIFIC 42 WITH LED LIGHTS



MONACO 54" IN PURE WHITE & GREY WITH LIGHTS



THE LUNA ELECTRIC FIREPLACE

- FULL BESPOKE SERVICE TO MEET YOUR REQUIREMENTS
- 18 DIFFERENT MATERIALS & FINISH
- 1 - 2 WEEK DELIVERY & FITTING SERVICE
- OPEN 7 DAYS 9AM - 5PM
- FREE OF CHARGE HOME SURVEY
- NEW REFURBISHED SHOW ROOM WITH 70 DISPLAYS

QASIM INTERNATIONAL LTD. 23-25 BRANCH ROAD, BATLEY, WEST YORKSHIRE, WF17 5RY
 TEL: 01924 422096 FAX: 01924 477851 EMAIL: INFO@QASIMINTERNATIONAL.CO.UK WEB: WWW.QASIMINTERNATIONAL.CO.UK

A1 FOOD PRODUCTS

Taking Care of All Your Weddings, Parties and Engagement Requirements With:

FRESHLY MADE TANDOORI NAANS

Orders to be placed 24 Hours in advanced Minimum Order Required

Contact Nazir Maniyar
01924 458000 / 07713 637136

Also Available: Puff Pastry & Samosa Pastry

A1 Food Products, Providence Works, Henry Street, Batley Carr. (Behind The Post Office)
www.a1foodproducts.co.uk

J.B. JOINERY

FREE Quotes

All Aspects of Joinery Work Undertaken

- > Roofs > Loft Conversions
- > Kitchens > Laminating
- > Doors > UPVC
- > Decking & Fencing
- > All Aspects of Plastering Work Undertaken

For a friendly & professional service
 Call James: 07747 440 778 or 01924 465928

If you or anyone living with you are on benefits

FREE GRANTS AVAILABLE

FOR

- BOILER
- FREE CENTRAL HEATING
- UNDER FLOOR INSULATION
- ROOM IN ROOF INSULATION
- ELECTRIC ROOM/STORAGE HEATERS

For a free assessment call Rahim on **07789315543** today!
freeenergyeco24@yahoo.com

Free Boiler under the ECO scheme

100% Donation Policy

Burma Aid
 Rebuilding Communities Together

Assalamu Alaikum

With your donation we provide free general operation, free medicine, free eyes operation, free dialysis treatment, free maternity service, free health care, food for Rohingya and build house for Rohingya.

Reg Charity No. 1159972
burmaaid.co.uk • info@burmaaid.co.uk • 07727 003277
 Bank: Lloyds • Sc: 30-13-54 • Acc no: 45258360



Mileusnic Chemist

FREE Prescription Collection & Delivery

FREE diabetes machines to give away - whilst stocks last

IMPROVING YOUR HEALTH

Proprietors: Mr Riyaz Patel / Mr Farooq Patel
133 Upper Commercial St, Batley WF17 5DH



तमारा प्रिस्क्रिप्शन मेणवी घर
आंगण्णे दवा पळोवपासवानील मदत सुवादा
اپ کا نسخہ ڈاکٹر سے لینا
اور اپ کے کمر پر پہنچانے کی سہولت

NOW OFFERING NHS AND PRIVATE
FLU VACCINATION and MENINGITIS
ACWY for HAJJ and UMSRAH!

01924 441434

OPTI CARE

FREE EYE TEST
with spectacle purchase

OPTICIANS | OPTICAL LAB | GLASSES IN 1HR

2 FOR 1 FROM £60

Top Quality Frames Free on NHS
Designer brands
KIDS GO FREE
1 in 5 children have an undiagnosed eye condition
So don't delay - Register today

Contact lenses Save £££'s Free trial

5 Oxford Street . Batley . WF17 7PZ . (01924) 455577

whiterose COMPONENTS

FINANCE ASSISTANT REQUIRED

White Rose Components Ltd is a local business who distributes components and fabric to the furniture sector.

Due to recent expansion we are looking to recruit a high calibre candidate for this position full time or part-time.

We are looking for a self-starter who has basic knowledge of book-keeping and accounting. Duties will include normal book-keeping duties, bank reconciliation and credit control.

Knowledge of Sage Line 50 would be advantageous but not essential. Good educational background- ideally a degree in accounting or finance - is preferable. Study assistance will also be offered to a right candidate.

Salary will reflect experience and skills level offered. Please apply in writing (a covering letter together with a brief CV) to: info@whiterosecomponents.co.uk



NADAT SOLICITORS
Telephone: 01924 505 071
4 Bond Street, Dewsbury, West Yorkshire WF13 1AG

Family Law

Divorce - Separation - Financial Settlements
Children Law Matters - Domestic Violence
Cohabitation - Pre-Nuptial Agreements
& General Family Law Matters

Legal Aid may be available (subject to eligibility)

Please contact us for assistance with Powers of Attorneys, Wills, Change of Name Deeds, Commissioner for Oaths and Immigration matters (spouse visa / sponsorship / leave to remain and citizenship applications)

We may also be able to provide assistance with other legal problems

Inayat Nadat our Principal Solicitor is a Resolution Accredited Specialist and The Law Society Accredited Family Law Advanced panel member in the areas of Children (Private Law) and Domestic Abuse.





resolution
first for family law



MEMBER ONLY
Mums & Dads specialist
the accredited family law specialist



Al-Hikmah Centre
28 Track Road, Batley, West Yorkshire, WF17 7AA

OFFICE SPACE TO LET

- SAFE SECURE OFFICE SETTING
- CLIENT CAR PARKING FACILITY
- EASY ACCESS / CONVENIENT LOCATION
- SCENIC SURROUNDINGS

CONTACT US FOR MORE DETAILS AND VIEWING



Call: 01924 500 555
or email: info@imws.org.uk

PAIGAAM EDITORIAL

We are losing our language and culture

Having lived in this country for the last 50 years or so with many generations growing up under the influence of the Western culture we are bound to lose many traditional cultural values with subsequent generations adopting and embracing other cultures.

Of course living in this very open, modern, affluent and progressive country has provided great benefits to us financially and in providing stability for our families as well as the freedom to practice our religion without any hindrance.

This is a great blessing as in many countries Muslims are being victimised and terrorised just for being Muslims and are prevented from practicing their religion.

On the other hand we are not saying that the Western culture is bad as all cultures have the good and the bad and no one culture or civilisation could assert that it is the best and superior to all others.

Therefore we are fortunate that we have had the benefit of taking the best of the Western culture.

As well as losing some of our cultural heritage we

are also rapidly losing our languages such as Urdu, Gujarati and Punjabi. Children are growing up speaking only English and no longer are able to read and write in their mother tongues.

This is exacerbated by many parents only speaking English to their children because they have been led to believe that their children need to speak good English to progress in education.

Some parents also feel bilingualism is a disadvantage whereas research shows that bilingual children perform better in education.

Therefore perhaps our community needs to make more effort to ensure children learn to appreciate their cultural heritage and languages of their ancestors.

This will only happen if there is a concerted effort to provide language classes and parents speaking with their children in their own languages as well as English.

This would also provide better interaction between the children and their grandparents, as not all grandparents are fluent in

English.

Our children should also learn that these “old” and maybe forgotten languages have a great tradition and a rich heritage behind them and should not be allowed to fizzle out as if they don’t matter.

The problem is it doesn’t appear as if our community cares about this as there is no dialogue or discussions or expressions of any concerns that we can hear in any quarter.

There are also many concerns about losing aspects of our culture and adopting other cultures which are increasingly more evident in our modern weddings.

The hiring of DJ’s has become widespread and young people are engaging increasingly in practices of hen nights, stag dos, and of course mendhi parties.

What some elders are more alarmed about is the new practice of engaging in baby showers which is an event held before the baby is born. This may even have roots in old pagan practices, which would be against Islamic teachings and beliefs.

Do we really care?

Even after our front page coverage last month which posed the question why are we failing our young people?

It is a real shame that there have not been any strong responses or concerns expressed.

This really begs the question do we really care?

In the absence of strong responses the answer might be that we don’t care at all.

If that is the case what kind of a future do our young people face?

Even in the last month or so a number of young people from the local community have been convicted of offences and sentenced to prison including drugs.

Whilst we can keep raising these issues and keep asking questions unless responsible people and the community as a whole accept we have problems and take up the challenge with some action, then nothing will improve for our young people.

So once again we implore the community to show that we do really care about our young people by taking some action.

CHAIR'S MESSAGE

The last few months have been an extremely stressful and worrying time for us all but I want to reassure you that the Indian Muslim Welfare Society is still here for you should you require any help.

Living through COVID-19 has been incredibly hard for everyone, but it has also shown that we're all in this together.

I know it isn't easy, especially during the summer, but we should continue to stay home as much as possible and limit contact with others. When you go outside make sure to follow government guidance and self-isolate if you or anyone in your household has symptoms of coronavirus.

Now more than ever is the time to maintain your health and wellbeing, and our NHS is here to help us as many of us have done all we can to minimise any risk.

Even though the reset button has been pushed on everything, we will work through this weird time, even though we have been forced into our homes with limited chances to socialize and do outreach work, so many of the traditional ways we've

supported each other will have to be renewed and reimagined.

Despite this, the first socially distanced IMWS youth committee meeting of the year took place on Friday the 14th of August.

It was great to see people have a frank and open discussion in relation to how we can set up an active group.

We hope to announce a number of initiatives in due course.

In addition, please find the IMWS Wedding Hall reduced charges during Covid-19 restrictions, and government guidelines.

For up to 100 guests from 11.00am to 3:00pm or 6.00 pm to 10.00pm the charges are £250.00 (including VAT Hall 1 upstairs only).

To book hall 2 (downstairs) for the same event an additional cost of £100 (inc VAT) will be incurred.

If and when the governments allows for up to 200 guests to attend the charges will amount to £450 (inc VAT) for hall 1 (upstairs).

To book hall 2 (downstairs) an additional cost of £150 (inc VAT) will be incurred.

To book the downstairs hall only for 100 guests the cost is £200 (inc VAT) and for 200 guests the cost is £300 (inc VAT).

Please be advised:

1. All the terms & conditions are applied as usual.

2. IMWS will provide only 1 caretaker.

3. Numbers of guests will be strictly monitored as per govt guidelines and bookings conditions. IMWS will reserve the right to refuse entry in case of any breach of conditions to protect our facilities users.

4. Keep a social distancing during the event will the prime responsibility of the wedding hosts.

5. For track & trace, all the guests will sign in the sheet provided.

With best wishes,

Dr Imtiaz Patel
Chair IMWS



Al Hikmah Centre Update

Please be advised, during the Covid crisis, the Al Hikmah centre main office is open from Monday to Friday from 9am to 4 PM.

Should you wish to give your donation in person, this can be facilitated.

For more information please telephone 01924 500555.

Alternatively please

e-mail: info@imws.org.uk

GENERAL MANAGER'S COLUMN

I am delighted to announce that IMWS has been awarded a grant totalling £39,995 to deliver a project under the banner of alleviating Hunger in Batley & Dewsbury.

It's a six-month specialist project to support families and community elders who are on low incomes and are living in isolation.

Since the COVID lockdown, the centre has remained open for the distribution of food and essential items.

We are one of only 42 organisations across the UK to have been awarded funding by Martin Lewis.

We delivered countless parcels across Kirklees, working in conjunction with

housing associations such as Alpha Housing and Batley Homeless Project.

At IMWS, we hope that all our activities will begin to resume by October.

Bearing in mind that the needs of the community are likely to have changed, we are applying for a three-month project based on three strands of work:

1. Fresh food (Halal/other dietary requirement) parcels

2. Recipes/nutrition/healthy eating information (multilingual)

3. Essential items parcels (sanitary items) The food parcels will be vegetarian and Halal where needed and accommodate people with

special dietary needs such as gluten free foods.

The organisation states feedback about fresh food parcels are that often families are not always used to cooking with seasonal food from a pre-made box, and recipes for how locally purchased and affordable fresh food can be simply cooked will promote a healthy and sustainable diet.

The recipes need to be multilingual for the various community languages in Batley and Dewsbury. The aim is to deliver 100 food parcels plus recipes per week.

Feedback from the IMWS Women's group has been around period poverty and the organisation is keen to

address this little discussed subject.

With schools closed and summer holidays approaching, families pushed in crisis are struggling to afford essential items for women and teenage girls, such as sanitary towels and tampons. The project aims to deliver 40 essential item packs per week.

Hopefully, we will be formally announcing the delivery plan in the second week of September 2020.

Nadeem Raja

General Manager.

Mobile: 07548217280

E-mail: nadeem.raja@imws.org.uk

imws.org.uk

www.imws.org.uk

Tracy Brabin: We will do all we can to lower the Covid-19 infection rate



We have had a difficult few weeks as a community given the increased Covid-19 restrictions we are under.

I know many people are understandably concerned about the number of cases locally.

However, I want to re-assure everyone that Kirklees Council and Public Health England are doing all they can to lower the infection rate and keep us safe from the virus.

Due to an above-average infection rate in Kirklees, the government announced on 31st July that meetings between different households could no longer happen within homes or private gardens.

Whilst I understand the need for new public health measures to tackle the spread of the virus, it was unacceptable for the government to announce this late in the evening with no prior warning and only hours before Eid celebrations were due to begin.

In future, the government needs to ensure adequate notice of changes in Covid restrictions, especially before major occasions such as Eid.

Many constituents contacted me and were understandably frustrated by this surprising announcement.

Preparations had already been made for Eid and Muslims across our community had only a short amount of time to adapt to the new regulations.

Despite the circumstances, I

hope you and your loved ones managed to enjoy a safe and blessed Eid.

Local businesses have also been significantly impacted by the restrictions.

I have been listening to their concerns and ensuring they are heard by the government.

I recently held a Zoom meeting with local beauticians due to their businesses not being allowed to re-open.

After hearing the challenges they are facing, I wrote to the Business Secretary on 12th August asking him to allow beauticians to re-open their businesses and offer their services with health and safety precautions in place.

Conversations with businesses here in Batley and Spen are the basis on which I am calling for a sectoral approach for financial support for businesses and workers.

From speaking to local businesses, I know the financial impacts of this pandemic will be long-lasting so we need to make sure nobody is left behind when accessing government support.

Alongside supporting businesses, I have continued to meet local residents concerned about crime and anti-social behaviour in the constituency.

I recently met with the Taylor Street Outreach Team and West Yorkshire Police so I could listen to concerns on speeding, anti-social behaviour, crime

and infrastructure.

It is clear that people across our constituency are united by similar issues.

I am currently working to address them, starting with a Zoom call in the coming weeks on speeding.

The aim is to bring together constituents, the police and Kirklees Council so we can have constructive dialogue on how we work together to make our communities safer.

I want to convey my best wishes to all the young people in our community who have been receiving A-Level and GCSE results in the last few weeks.

I had so many young constituents get in touch with me about the downgrading of A-Level results, sharing heart-breaking stories about how their dreams had been ruined through no fault of their own.

While the government has now decided to U-turn on this and grant students their predicted grades, it should never have happened in the first place and has caused unnecessary upset and distress for so many young people.

This problem is far from resolved as university admissions teams are now left to deal with the fallout.

I would ask anyone needing my support to get in touch with my office and I will do all I can to assist you.

I know how important these

results are, and I hope people get the grades they want to follow their chosen path.

We face further weeks of uncertainty due to Covid-19. Businesses still do not know when they will be able to fully re-open.

Also, we are unsure as to how long these restrictions will be in place.

But what is certain is the threat from this pandemic has still not gone away, and we are still seeing some outbreaks here in our constituency.

That is why it is vital for everyone to continue following government guidance.

We must maintain social distancing, wear facemasks when out in public and wash our hands regularly.

While the increased restrictions are still in place, I would urge everyone to not meet in other households or private gardens so we can bring down the infection rates and have these extra measures lifted as soon as it is safe to do so.

I know the vast majority of local people are following the guidance and I thank you all for doing so.

As ever, I am always wanting to hear from constituents about any issues they face so please get in touch at tracy.brabin.mp@parliament.uk or on 01924 900036.

IMWS organise recreational trip and provide uniforms for orphans in Gaza



The Indian Muslim Welfare Society has organised and delivered a number of successful projects as part of the organisations aim to improve the wellbeing of orphans in Gaza, who remained trapped in what is often referred to as the world's largest prison.

Once again, the projects were delivered in a concise and efficient manner by the society's long-term charity partner, Palestine Welfare House.

PWH ensured poor and orphaned students studying at the Faima Bent Asad primary school for girls, in Gaza City, Alrafee primary school for boys along with students in marginalised areas such as Dair Albalah city received school bags from local supplier, Ismael Almoghraby and Co which contained a school uniform, stationary including pens, pencils, rulers, notebooks, drawing sheets and suitable shoes.

In total, 134 school bags were delivered, thus ensuring there is no cost implication to hard pressed families. It is envisaged, students who are in dire need, are not deprived of a good education and

(godwilling) an education will help enable them to overcome the difficult predicament they find themselves in with the blockade and siege of the Gaza strip.

In addition, a special recreational trip for 334 orphans to visit an entertainment resort was very well received.

The objective was to ensure the children were able to enjoy themselves during their day out, put a smile on all the children's faces and have a 'good memory of the day out.

Children were afforded opportunities to partake in games, rides and sporting along with an opportunity to win prizes. Participants were also treated to sweets, juice, cakes and a shawrma meal.

It is envisaged, the day out will help improve the psychological state of orphans and help establish bridges of mercy and solidarity amongst different sectors of society.

All participants expressed their gratitude and thanks for all those who contributed in order to enable orphans to take them out of their everyday suffering and enable them to partake in such a day out and also being able to use

appropriate school uniforms and stationery.

Munir Daji of IMWS thanked members for taking the time to donate money to Gaza and appealed for prayers and donations for all those who are suffering in such a noble and sacred land.

"Thank you very much for your donations to IMWS, your donations have been sent to the people of Gaza who are very grateful.

"IMWS works directly with the charity Palestine Welfare House which is based in Gaza to provide aid to those in need. The appeal is open throughout the year and donations can be made directly at the Al-Hikmah Centre during normal working hours."

Masum Karolia, IMWS Charity group chair also sent his heartfelt thanks to the community.

He said: "Once again, we would like to remind all our members that our charity projects in Palestine and the South Gujarat project are ongoing all year round, so please feel free to inquire directly if you wish to donate."

Gaza today remains much of the same ruins we saw on circulating pictures during the

summer of 2014. Its rubble streets mean many schools have been operating without a roof or even walls.

Families seen living and eating on the rubble of what once used to be a home have graced our smart phone's.

Years of conflict has left around 80 per cent of the population dependent on international assistance according to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency. Over 1.2 million have registered as refugees with UNHCR.

Now, the 1.8million people who reside in Gaza are facing even harsher conditions with the thought of survival not just for themselves but for their children racing through their worried minds.

The current condition in Gaza is very complicated not only due to continuous blockade, the current COVID 19 pandemic has ensured everyone in the area is severely at risk and life has become even more unbearable for people.

To find out more, please call 01924 500 555 or e-mail: info@imws.org.uk

Erdogan Asserts Rebirth of an



To the President of Turkey, Recep Tayyip Erdogan, the reconversion of the Hagia Sophia to a masjid is a milestone in Turkey's resurgence as a powerful Muslim nation after a century of misguided efforts to imitate the Christian West.

The Hagia Sofia was converted into a masjid after the Ottoman conquest of Constantinople, now Istanbul- and from masjid to museum in 1934, as part of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk's efforts to secularise his new Turkish republic.

However, the ruling which annulled Ataturk's move, was less dramatic than the fall of Byzantium. The main reason why the Turkish secular court ordered Hagia Sophia to be re-converted to a Mosque was because of the forward-thinking Sultan Mehmed II, who conquered Constantinople at the age of 21.

Not only did he end the Byzantine Empire in 1453, he purchased the property of Hagia Sophia from his personal wealth before converting it into a Mosque and then creating a Waqf (endowment).

The details of the transaction are still stored in Turkish museums.

Therefore, the credit really goes to the great Sultan, who kept the name Hagia Sophia and covered the Mosaics with plaster. He also added Islamic features such as the Minarets and the Mehrab. It remained the principle Masjid in Istanbul until 1616 CE when construction on the Sultan Ahmet Mosque also known as the blue Mosque was finally completed.

Calls to turn the structure back into a Mosque to honour the Islamic history of the country and the legacy of Ottoman Sultan (Sultanate E Usmaniyyah) Mehmed II, had been going in for some time.

On 02 July 2020, the Turkish supreme court has decided that congregational prayers will now be able to resume once more at the Hagia Sophia whilst visitors will still be able to visit the historical site.

In a rousing speech on July 24, the anniversary of the 1923 treaty that established Turkey's current borders, Erdogan criticized Ataturk's ruling for ceding territory and robbing Turkey of its rightful status as a great power capable of defending the sacred Al Aqsa Masjid.

He told the congregation: "The revival of Hagia Sophia is the harbinger of the freedom of Al Aqsa and the footsteps of Muslims emerging from the era of interregnum."

The Turkish president also reopened the country's historic Sumela Monastery, which is located in the Black Sea province of Trabzon.

Speaking at an event to commemorate the reopening, Mr Erdogan rebuffed criticism in relation to the reopening of the Hagia Sophia Masjid, insisting its historical, cultural and sentimental value has been protected.

He said: "If we were a nation targeting the symbols of other beliefs, the Sumela Monastery which we have had for the last five centuries, would be gone forever."

However, at home and abroad, saw the decision as the latest dramatic evidence that a less secular and tolerant Turkish state has emerged.

"To convert it back into a mosque is to say to the rest of the world, 'unfortunately we are not secular any more,'" said Turkish

Nobel peace prize winner Orhan Pamuk.

"There are millions of secular Turks like me who are crying against this, but their voices are not heard."

Hagia Sophia is on Unesco's World Heritage list and the organization said it "deeply regrets" the decision by the Turkish authorities to reconvert the Masjid from a museum. The EU also described Erdogan's move as "regrettable."

Are Pamuk's comments fair or is he a dying breed of secularists who have been brainwashed by the legacy of a pseudo Muslim statesman in the name of Mustafa Kamal Ataturk who oversaw the fall of a once great Muslim empire?

For decades, Ataturk's image has dominated the landscape of Turkey, with his portrait adorning staring down from the walls of schools, hospitals and government institutions.

But now, nearly 80 years after his death, the legacy of the man who steered Turkey from a predominately Islamic nation to a modern secular state, is still very divisive.

Islamic Turkey at Hagia Sophia

A chronology of key events:

Ottoman Empire 1453 - Sultan Mehmed II captures Constantinople, ending the Byzantine Empire and combines the Ottoman Empire in Asia and the Balkans.

15th-16th centuries - Expansion into Asia and Africa.

1683 - Ottoman advance into Europe halted at the Battle of Vienna. Long decline ensues.

19th century - Efforts at political and economic modernisation of Empire largely founder.

1908 - Young Turk Revolution establishes constitutional rule.

1918-22 - Partition of Ottoman empire.

Modern Turkey

1923 - Grand National Assembly declares Turkey a republic and Kemal Ataturk president.

1928 - Turkey becomes secular: clause retaining Islam as state religion removed from constitution.

1938 - President Ataturk dies, succeeded by Ismet Inonu.

1945 - Neutral for most of World War II, Turkey declares war on Germany and Japan, but does not take part in combat. Joins United Nations.

1950 - First free elections won by opposition Democratic Party.

Military coups

1952 - Turkey abandons Ataturk's neutralist policy and joins Nato.

1960 - Army coup against ruling Democratic Party.

1980 - Military coup follows political deadlock and civil unrest. Imposition of martial law.

1983 - General election won by Turgut Ozal's Motherland Party.

1987 - Turkey applies for full EEC membership.

1992 - 20,000 Turkish troops

enter Kurdish safe havens in Iraq in anti-PKK operation.

Rise of political Islam

1996 - Centre-right coalition falls. Welfare Party leader Necmettin Erbakan heads first pro-Islamic government since 1922.

1997 - Coalition resigns after campaign led by the military.

1998 - Welfare Party banned.

1999 - PKK leader Abdullah Ocalan captured in Kenya.

2001 June - Constitutional Court bans opposition pro-Islamic Virtue Party, saying it had become focus of anti-secular activities.

Islamist party victorious

2002 November - Islamist-based Justice and Development Party (AK) wins landslide election victory. Party promises to stick to secular principles of constitution.

Kurdish rebels

2003 March - AK Party leader Recep Tayyip Erdogan wins seat in parliament. Within days Abdullah Gul resigns as prime minister and Erdogan takes over.

Istanbul attacks

2003 November - 25 people are killed and more than 200 injured when two car bombs explode near Istanbul's main synagogue. Days later two co-ordinated suicide bombings at the British consulate and a British bank in the city kill 28 people.

2006 September - Kurdish separatist group, the PKK, declares a unilateral ceasefire.

2007 July - AK Party wins parliamentary elections. Abdullah Gul elected president the following month.

2007 October - Voters in a referendum back plans to have future presidents elected by the people.

2010 May - Turkish activists are killed in an Israeli commando raid on an aid

flotilla attempting to reach Gaza.

Coup plots

Hundreds of army officers are tried in connection with alleged coup plots.

2013 December - Government sacks numerous police chiefs over arrests of pro-government public figures.

Erdogan presidency

2014 August - Prime Minister Erdogan wins the first direct popular election for president.

2015 March A court clears 236 military officers accused of involvement in an alleged conspiracy to remove former Prime Minister Erdogan from power in 2003.

2015 June - The pro-Kurdish leftwing People's Democratic Party (HDP) enters parliament at elections, depriving the governing AK party of its majority.

Syria conflict

2015 November - Turkey shoots down a Russian military jet on Syria bombing mission. Russia, Turkey's second-largest trading partner, imposes economic sanctions.

2016 February - Bomb attack on military convoy in the capital Ankara kills at least 38 people. A hard-line breakaway PKK faction - the Kurdistan Freedom Hawks (TAK) - claims responsibility.

2016 June - A gun and suicide attack on Istanbul's Ataturk airport kills 42 people, including 13 foreign nationals. Turkish authorities believe the attack bears the hallmarks of Daesh.

Coup attempt

2016 July - The authorities detain thousands of soldiers and judges on suspicion of involvement in a coup attempt that President Erdogan says was inspired by his exiled opponent Fethullah Gulen.

2017 April - President Erdogan narrowly wins referendum to extend his powers.

2018 January - The Turkish military launches its "Olive Branch" land and air operation in north-western Syria, seizing large areas from Kurdish control, including the town of Afrin.

2019 June - Opposition CHP party wins the mayoral election in Istanbul by a comfortable margin.

2019 October - US withdraws troops from northern Syria, prompting Turkey to attack US Kurdish allies in the area.

2020 August - reconversion of the Hagia Sophia to a masjid, a milestone in Turkey's resurgence as a powerful Muslim nation.

Burial contact numbers

FOR DEATH AND BURIAL RELATED ASSISTANCE PLEASE CALL:
ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT:

EBRAHIMBHAI CHOPDAT

07980 381197

GULAMBHAI MANIYAR

07801 825691

NAZIR DAUD

07790776102

Please note the Kirklees Council Burial fee is £2164.

Donations towards the running and cost of the funeral van is most appreciated.

Muslims are suffering substance abuse and mental health issues



A recent survey conducted by UK charity, Muslim Youth Helpline revealed that more than half of young British Muslims have suffered substance abuse and mental health issues.

63 percent have struggled with anxiety which often lead to substance abuse and addiction issues, 32 percent have suffered suicidal thoughts at some point whilst 52 percent have suffered from depression.

Zohra Khaku, director of the Muslim Youth Helpline, insists the report showed respondents do not reach out for help, thus highlighting the need to tackle the stigma surrounding substance abuse.

"Muslims are less likely to seek health because there is a fear held by many Muslims of being 'doubly stigmatised', both by the Muslim community and by the rest of the population for being non-white and Muslim.

"The current political climate has created a great deal of negative debate and

the stigmatisation of visible Muslims has surely driven young Muslims to partake in drugs and alcohol."

Khaku cites the example of a young Muslim boy or girl who is tackling an addiction, insisting he or she is unlikely to be able to seek empathy and support from their family.

"These social pressures create a culture of silence that surrounds the issues that young people face, including, and perhaps especially the issues that are intimately connected to the particular religious and cultural context of young British Muslims.

"Our non-judgmental non-directional peer support services create safe spaces in which young people are able to talk about problems that they have probably never before been able to reveal.

"We never advise clients, we listen. We simply help clients to explore the options that they see as open to them and support them in making their own decisions."

The MYN report recommends

Muslim communities need to develop a more inclusive 'values-based' rather than a 'rules based' approach to providing information, advice and guidance to their young people if they are to deal effectively with the complexities and confusions in young people's lives and begin to reverse the process of isolation and inter-generational conflict.

Joint partnerships and collaboration needs to be developed between different sectors of the community, including, across generations, genders and with scholars and Imams, to support holistic change, rather than increasing the divisions between different sectors of communities.

In addition, a body of Muslim scholars, who are able and willing to engage and tackle social and psychological issues facing young British Muslims, is required to support and validate practical interventions.

The lack of culturally sensitive therapy available was one of

the key motivations behind the creation of a therapy scheme that embraces religion for Muslim patients known as adapted behavioural activation.

The new therapy method highlights religious passages that address mental wellbeing and illustrates that even those with a "strong faith" can be depressed.

It was pioneered by Dr Ghazala Mir at the Institute of Health Sciences at Leeds University.

"Muslim patients have unmet needs in the current [mental health system] - they are under referred to therapy services. When they're in therapy services, they don't get the same outcomes, they get worse outcomes," explains Dr Mir.

"They face all the kinds of determinants that could lead to poor mental health which include high levels of racism towards the Muslim community in the UK."

As for the Muslim Youth helpline, it is busier than it has been in its 19-year history, says Zohra.

"We've had a 313% increase in enquiries at the helpline."

"It has been a challenge to keep up with the enquiries, but our team has stepped up to the challenge, working extra shifts to ensure calls are always answered.

"We've had extra training on anxiety, grief and dealing with hopeless situations. Early on the expert helpline team identified that these are the main issues people would present with."

To contact the Muslim youth help line, e-mail: info@myh.org.uk or call 0808 808 2008

A community in denial

An alarming surge in the number of young men and women using drugs has prompted accusations that the community is failing to deal with growing problems in Batley, Dewsbury and throughout North Kirklees.

Naim Valli, an expert with 14 years' experience in rehabilitating adults with drug and alcohol problems in North Kirklees says the current state of the local community should serve as a warning that more needs to be done to help those who are suffering along with their families, many of whom are suffering in silence.

Naim, who works for Chart Kirklees as Community educator, Diversity and steroid lead derided the belief that the Gujarati Indian community is not involved in the buying, selling and consuming of alcohol and class a drugs such as Cocaine as a fallacy.

"Unfortunately, more and more people from the Gujarati community are dealing and consuming cannabis and cocaine, to assume otherwise is absolutely nonsensical," said Naim.

The 44-year-old insists families are suffering in silence but due to the stigma associated with drug and alcohol use, they are ashamed to seek help.

"Families will not talk about their problems because they are of the opinion that their son, daughter, brother or sister will not be seen as a potential husband or wife for any prospective partners, due to their dalliance with drugs and alcohol."

He also believes the fact that because gossip is so rife within the community, people take pride in exposing problems other families face: "We have a very narrow minded view in the community because there is no such thing as



confidentiality in the community because people love backbiting and laughing at other people's problems.

"They are not coming forward because confidentiality in or community is close to 0. So what's to say their problems will not spread like wildfire? how can we work with the individuals if they believe they will be the talk of the town?"

"Luckily, our service is totally confidential, and we take very stringent measures to ensure our clients confidentiality is respected."

Naim also revealed that although many teenage boys and men are partaking in criminal activity, such as theft, dealing drugs and violence, women who are addicted to alcohol and drugs are taking extreme measures in order to feed their habits.

He said: "I'm based locally so I know that women are going into prostitution such is their reliance on substance abuse."

"Women generally get into drugs at a young age, say 15, 16, 17 in order to fit in with the crowd. Whilst others develop the habits at college or university."

"However, we have also seen women who have been in relationships with boys before marriage, spiral into becoming addicts after they have got married."

"One woman realised her

husband was an addict during their honeymoon, whilst others are simply fed up and telling their partners that 'if you are doing it, I am doing it too.'

"People used to take drugs and alcohol away from the local area, now they are doing it on our doorstep."

What is the solution? How can we help people become 'clean' and ensure the number of cases decrease?

Naim is of the opinion that there is a reason why religion is often closely affiliated to rehabilitation services.

"People who have addiction issues, particularly in the drug and alcohol sector, one of the biggest concerns they usually have is their faith," he says.

"The research I did suggested that if we implemented spirituality in counselling sessions for Muslim clients, particularly, then the outcome would be a lot better because we can talk about emotions, embarrassing moments, shame — all of that — couple it with the religion, and give them practical goals on how they can manage their addiction."

He believes this can be done by providing local imams and those who have graduated from Darul Uloom's with the relevant training so that they can provide both spiritual and evidence-based practises

such as cognitive behavioural therapy rehabilitation hand in hand in a non-judgmental, non-biased environment."

"Our ulema are doing a sterling job. However, you can't expect someone who has graduated from Darul Uloom to know how to rehabilitate someone with serious issues as they have no life experience."

"They need the relevant training along with the relevant pay so that they can refer people."

"We are happy to invest in buildings but as a community, but we do not invest in people."

Naim also believes the community as a whole have specific roles and responsibilities as opposed to pushing people out of the community and stigmatising them.

"We tend to be very judgemental. We cross the road when we see an addict, yet we have forgotten prophetic advice such as hate the sin, not the sinner."

"The funding for rehabilitating people has halved since I started 14 years ago, so who is going to fund it all?"

"How do you also provide a support network for the likes of mental health, cancer support and range of other issues? As a community we need to go back to basics."

Mother Hubbards™
Famous Fish & Chips
Since 1972

She's Here!!

So close you can almost taste it.....



604 BRADFORD ROAD,
BATLEY, WF17 8HA T:01924 471555
BRADFORD | LEEDS | BATLEY | HALIFAX | WAKEFIELD



A1
CATERING

Disposable
Products

"Packaging for food"

GLASSES NOW IN STOCK

Tel: 01924 456 786. Email: sales@a1cdp.com Web: www.a1cdp.com

Providence Works, Henry Street, Batley
West Yorkshire WF17 6JJ

**NOT HAVING YOUR FIRE/BOILER SERVICED CAN BE FATAL
WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU HAD YOURS CHECKED?**

BE SAFE WITH

I B GAS SERVICES

- FIRES • BOILERS • WATER HEATERS , ETC
- LANDLORD CERTIFICATES AND CONTRACT WORK NEGOTIABLE • GAS SAFETY CHECKS
- INSTALLATIONS AND PLUMBING WORK UNDERTAKEN

Contact ISHAQ on:
07890403647 or 01924 509781



LOONAT

Catering | Services

- | Foods
- | Waiters
- | Kitchen Staff
- | Cutlery & Crockery
- | Buffets Venue



**FREE PHONE
0800 505 3229**

www.loonatcs.co.uk

Unit B&C | Savile Street | Batley | WF17 6JS

info@loonatcs.co.uk



DK

ARCHITECTS

Hamid Dhorat RIBA ARB MCIQB
BA(Hons)MArch Architecture
RIBA Chartered Architect



Architecture • Design • Planning Permission
Building Regulation • Structural Engineering
Extensions • Conversions • New Build • Residential
Commercial • Industrial • Full Architectural Services

www.dkarchitects.net
01924 477212
07718 990668
info@dkarchitects.net

Local Offices at Batley Business
Park Suite 4 Technology Drive
Batley WF17 6ER



Royal Institute of British Architects



uniqueislam.co.uk

Your Online Islamic Gift Store

Specialising in infant to
adults personalised clothing.

Personalised

Arabic/English Jewellery,

Mugs, Frames,

Phone Cases, Cushions,

Halal Letterbox Treats

and much more



Give your business the boost it deserves

Paigaam

With over 25 years in publication.
Distributed through 15 local masjids after Jumma Salaah.
Online, email and posted out to subscribers.
Paigaam is the most popular and established
community publication in the region.

Why not give your business exposure to a wide
and longstanding readership.

For more information contact paigaam@imws.org.uk
or call us on: **01924 500 555**

EST. 1993
FREE Tri-lingual Monthly Community Magazine



A & I BLINDS DIRECT

A & I SOFT FURNISHING

Quality Blinds at Low Prices

Specialist in Conservatory
& Perfect Fit Brands

- * Verticals
- * Venetians
- * Pleated
- * Rollers
- * Wood Slat
- * Romans



Made to measure

For A Free Quote Call

07812 606299 or 01924 460852



- Disposable plates and cutlery
- Hygiene and cleaning products
- Protective clothing

- Disposables
(toilet rolls, centre feed rolls, hand towels etc)

*FREE DELIVERY ANY AREA - SUBJECT TO MINIMUM ORDER



Telephone: **01274 305401** Mobile: **07976 207374**
email: maypac@ntlworld.com



Alim & Qiraat Course

IN ENGLISH & ARABIC

FOR BROTHERS **NEW INTAKE OF STUDENTS** **PART TIME**

This part time course is based on a classical curriculum, designed to help beginners progress from an elementary stage to a very advanced level in Arabic and Islamic Studies.

Taught by qualified Alims in English with a progressive focus on Arabic, it comprises an in depth study of many disciplines in Qur'an, Qiraat, Tajweed, Hadith, Fiqh, Aqaa'id, Theology, Arabic Language Literature.

TIMING:	VENUE:	COURSE START DATE:
MONDAY TO THURSDAY 6:00PM TO 9:00PM	MADINA ACADEMY, SWINDON ROAD, DEWSBURY, WF13 2PA	WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2020

LOCATION: WE ARE SITUATED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO DEWSBURY TOWN CENTRE AND WALKING DISTANCE FROM BOTH FROM THE TRAIN AND BUS STATION.

THIS COURSE RUNS TERM TIME ONLY

To enroll download the course booklet from our website www.madinaacademy.org.uk alternatively telephone 01924 731007 or text/whatsApp 07852 762632



Alimah & Qiraat Course

IN ENGLISH & ARABIC

FOR SISTERS **NEW INTAKE OF STUDENTS** **PART TIME**

This part time course is based on a classical curriculum, designed to help beginners progress from an elementary stage to a very advanced level in Arabic and Islamic Studies.

Taught by qualified Alimahs in English with a progressive focus on Arabic, it comprises an in depth study of many disciplines in Qur'an, Qiraat, Tajweed, Hadith, Fiqh, Aqaa'id, Theology, Arabic Language Literature.

OPTION 1:	VENUE:	COURSE START DATE:
MONDAY TO THURSDAY 9.30AM TO 12.30PM	MADINA ACADEMY, SWINDON ROAD, DEWSBURY, WF13 2PA	WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2020
OPTION 2:		
MONDAY TO THURSDAY 5.00PM TO 8.00PM		

LOCATION: WE ARE SITUATED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO DEWSBURY TOWN CENTRE AND WALKING DISTANCE FROM BOTH FROM THE TRAIN AND BUS STATION.

FREE CRÛCHE: ONSITE OFSTED REGISTERED OUTSTANDING 'LITTLE SCHOLARS NURSERY'

THIS COURSE RUNS TERM TIME ONLY

To enroll download the course booklet from our website www.madinaacademy.org.uk alternatively telephone 01924 731007 or text/whatsApp 07852 762632




We offer quality childcare, in a fun, safe and stimulating environment. An ideal start for your little scholar!

Why not give your child the best start to life both Academically and Islamically?



COME AND VISIT US AND BOOK YOUR CHILD A FREE TASTER SESSION

FLEXIBLE HOURS FROM 8AM TO 4PM

30 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE AVAILABLE

FREE CHILDCARE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR 2-4 YEAR OLD

AT LITTLE SCHOLARS NURSERY, WE ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT YOUR CHILDS LEARNING!

YOUR CHILDS DEVELOPMENT IS THE CENTRE OF OUR WORLD!

CONTACT 01924 731 007
LSN@MADINAACADEMY.ORG.UK
WWW.MADINAACADEMY.ORG.UK/NURSERY

LITTLE SCHOLARS NURSERY,
MADINA ACADEMY
SWINDON ROAD, DEWSBURY, WP13 2PA




Sanataayn

2 YEARS ADULT ISLAMIC COURSE FOR SISTERS IN ENGLISH

COURSE COMPRISING OF:

- TRANSLATION & COMMENTARY OF THE HOLY QU'RAN
 - STUDY OF HADITH
 - LEARN FIQH & WOMEN MASAIL
 - UNDERSTAND AQAAD & BELIEFS
- TAJWEED – RECTIFY THE RECITATION OF THE QUR'AN
 - LEARN BASIC ARABIC

DAYS: TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS	VENUE: MADINA ACADEMY, SWINDON ROAD, DEWSBURY, WF13 2PA	COURSE START DATE:
TIMES: 10.00AM TO 12.00PM		TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2020

LOCATION: WE ARE SITUATED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO DEWSBURY TOWN CENTRE AND WALKING DISTANCE FROM BOTH FROM THE TRAIN AND BUS STATION.

FREE CRÛCHE: ONSITE OFSTED REGISTERED OUTSTANDING 'LITTLE SCHOLARS NURSERY'

THIS COURSE RUNS TERM TIME ONLY

To enroll download the course booklet from our website www.madinaacademy.org.uk alternatively telephone 01924 731007 or text/whatsApp 07852 762632

Muslim NHS doctor dragged from bed side of dying six-year old



Harrowing footage of a father being dragged away in handcuffs by police officers from his dying daughter's bedside during a dispute with hospital staff over her care has caused outrage.

Rashid Abbasi was forcibly removed during a violent scuffle with four police officers after he refused to leave his daughter Zainab, six.

Zainab, who suffered from the rare genetic illness Niemann-Pick disease, was critically ill at the time and her doctors had just informed Dr Abbasi and his wife Aliya they had decided to remove life-support and allow her to die.

The resulting confrontation between the Northumbria Police officers and Dr Abbasi, himself an NHS consultant, was filmed by police bodycam and has been released as part of the case.

After the 58-year-old was wheeled out of the hospital in handcuffs and restrained on a trolley bed, the NHS Trust – which cannot be named for legal reasons – applied to the

High Court for permission to take Zainab off the ventilator which was keeping her alive.

Shortly before the hearing was due to begin in September last year, the six-year-old died.

The video, filmed on 19 August, 2019, shows four officers approach the couple as they sit holding Zainab's hand on the intensive care unit at the hospital, which is in the north of England.

They repeatedly ask Dr Abbasi to leave the ward with them, and he declines to leave his daughter's side.

Ms Abbasi tells the officers they had been told of the hospital's decision to withdraw life support just 30 minutes earlier and begs them to allow her husband to stay at Zainab's bedside.

Speaking to BBC Radio 4's Today programme, Dr Abbasi said he could not contemplate leaving his daughter's side voluntarily.

He said: "I would not leave my daughters' bedside voluntarily just to talk to them because I knew if I stepped out

they would not let me back in and they might use that opportunity to if I am away from her to remove the tube."

Bottom of Form

The relationship between the Abbasis and the doctors caring for Zainab had broken down after the couple vehemently disagreed with the conclusion nothing more could be done for the girl.

The police had previously been called on a separate occasion after the hospital staff said Dr Abbasi had been aggressive.

In the bodycam footage, after a few minutes of trying to speak with Dr Abbasi, the police officers decide to remove him by force.

They can be seen first dragging away his wife from the bedside by her wrists, before two officers pull the father, who is kicking and screaming, out of the ward and into a corridor.

As they struggle to subdue him and handcuff him, Dr Abbasi screams and repeatedly falls onto the floor

and can be heard saying "I've got chest pain" and asking for medication in his pocket.

The officers then tie his ankles and legs together with restraints and lift him onto a trolley bed so he can be wheeled out of the ward to the A&E department.

Now, the Abbasis have launched a legal battle against Northumbria Police for wrongful arrest and say they are considering also suing the NHS Trust involved.

"I reacted as any father would who is suffering from grief, but I also knew in my professional capacity that my daughter was purposefully not receiving the treatment she needed to live," Dr Abbasi said.

"For challenging this and trying to protect my daughter's life, I was treated like a criminal and an animal. This was brutal and unacceptable, but we want to emphasise that it was the doctors and the hospital who escalated the situation and involved the police unnecessarily.

"We are still grieving deeply, but we have no choice but to expose what has happened and to fight for justice for our daughter."

However, a spokesperson for the hospital insisted they had acted in the best interests of Zainab.

"On very rare occasions, when there is a risk to the safety of any of the patients in our care, to relatives, visitors or to our staff – or obstruction or interference with the delivery of care and treatment – it is necessary for us to seek help from our security staff or the police.

"We must stress that this action is never taken lightly."

Paigaam Sport: Ebrahim

'DEMBA' BA pleads for justice for Uighur Muslims in China



Former Chelsea and Newcastle United striker Demba Ba has called on footballers to stand up for Uighur Muslims and condemn China's treatment of the minority group regardless of the financial consequences.

Reports claim China has up to a million individuals detained in "re-education camps" designed to better integrate the minority group into the country's socialist society.

U.N. experts estimate that more than a million Uighurs and other Turkic Muslims have been detained against their will for several years in camps in the far western region of Xinjiang.

China denies mistreatment

of the group, saying the camps are needed to fight extremism.

Ba, who was the victim of racial abuse when he played for Chinese side Shanghai

Shenhua in 2018, told the BBC: "When are we going to see the rest of the world stand up for Muslims?"

The Istanbul Basaksehir striker is of the opinion that Footballers around the world can do much more to help the oppressed.

He said: "I have to try and organize something so football players can get together and, in the meantime, talk about this matter because not a lot of people want to.

"I know there are footballers

who want to fight for justice, whether Muslim, Buddhist, Christian, any belief.

"As sportspeople, we have a power we don't even know.

"If we get together and talk, things change. If we stand up, people stand up with us."

Last year, Arsenal midfielder Mesut Ozil, a German Muslim criticized both China's crackdown and the silence of Muslims elsewhere in the world in response.

He said: "Qurans are being burnt. Mosques are being shut down. Muslim schools are being banned. Religious scholars are being killed. Brothers are forcefully being sent to camps," the Arsenal player posted in Turkish on

Twitter and Instagram.

"The Muslims are silent. Their voice is not heard," he wrote on a background of a blue field with a white crescent moon, the flag of what Uighur separatists call East Turkestan.

In response, China's state broadcaster CCTV removed Arsenal's game against Manchester City from its schedule after Ozil spoke out.

Arsenal were quick to distance themselves from Ozil's comments at the time and Ba, 35, who helped his team win the Turkish Super Lig title in the 2019-20 season with a total of 13 goals, believes footballers should find the courage to talk about injustices around the world although he believes players are being pressured to stay silent on such matters.

"Arsenal talked about Black Lives Matter but when it was about Uighur lives Arsenal didn't want to talk about it because of the pressure and economic impact," he said.

"When there are financial benefits, some people close their eyes. Money has more value than real values. I think clubs put a lot of pressure on players not to get involved, but how can you not when you see the injustice with your own eyes."

The U.S. National Basketball Association said it incurred substantial financial losses in China after a Houston Rockets official tweeted his support for Hong Kong's anti-China protests last October, infuriating Beijing.

Understanding Dyslexia

How common is dyslexia?

It is estimated that as many as 80 to 90 percent of kids with learning disorders have it. Dr. Sally Shaywitz, co-director of the Yale Center for Dyslexia and Creativity, notes that many children go undiagnosed as struggles in school are incorrectly attributed to intelligence, level of effort or environmental factors.

Current research indicates that it affects boys and girls equally.

Signs of dyslexia

- Struggle with learning even simple rhymes
- Have a speech delay
- Have trouble following directions
- Repeat or omit short words such as and, the, but

•Find it difficult to tell left from right
In school, children with dyslexia are likely to:

- Have difficulty sounding out new words
- Lack fluency compared to other children their age
- Reverse letters and numbers when reading (read saw as was, for example)
- Find it difficult to take notes and copy down words from the board
- Struggle with rhyming, associating sounds with letters, and sequencing and ordering sounds
- Stumble and have difficulty spelling even common words; frequently they will spell them phonetically (hrbr instead of harbor)
- Avoid being called on to read out loud in front of classmates
- Become tired or frustrated from reading

Dyslexia affects children outside of school as well. Kids with dyslexia may also:

- Find it difficult to decode logos and signs
- Struggle when trying to learn the rules to games
- Have difficulty keeping track of multi-step directions
- Struggle with getting the hang of telling time
- Find it especially challenging to learn another language
- Become frustrated, which can affect

their mood and emotional stability

Social and emotional impacts of dyslexia

“A dyslexic person who has word-finding difficulties can have trouble with their expressive language,” says Scott Bezsylo, the executive director of Winston Preparatory School, which specializes in teaching kids with learning disorders.

“That has a social impact, in addition to your difficulties with reading and writing, that make you feel not so good about yourself.”

Kids with dyslexia — particularly those who have yet to be diagnosed — often suffer from low self-esteem because they worry that there is something wrong with them, and are often accused of not trying hard enough to learn to read.

“A lot of our work with dyslexic kids is to help them rediscover that they are smart and capable,” notes Beszylko, “because they’ve stopped believing in themselves.”

How is dyslexia diagnosed?

If your child isn’t meeting expectations for reading, as parents you can ask the school district to perform an evaluation and share the results with you. The evaluation will test your child’s intellectual capacity and reading skills, to see if there is an achievement gap. It should also rule out other potential causes like environmental factors or hearing impairment.

The school should then make recommendations on how they can support your child and maximize her learning.

If you are unhappy with the quality of the evaluation, you can also secure a private evaluation by a psychologist, a neuropsychologist, a reading specialist, a speech and language therapist, an educational evaluator or a school psychologist. This external evaluation can also be used to advocate for your child and get the accommodations and services she might need.

When should a child be evaluated?

Dr. Matthew Cruger, director of the Learning and Development Center at the Child Mind Institute, suggests waiting until kids reach 6 years old and have had some formal instruction in reading to seek out a formal evaluation.

However, Dr. Shaywitz notes that as soon as a gap between intelligence and reading skills is apparent — and evidence shows it can be seen in first grade — it’s a good idea to get help. Schools sometimes encourage parents to wait until the third grade to see if their child truly needs an intervention, but Dr. Shaywitz argues that the earlier intervention is important not only to help kids catch up but to boost their fragile self-image, which is damaged by continuing struggle in school and comparisons with peers.

How to help kids with dyslexia

A dyslexia diagnosis does not mean your child will never learn to read. Dr. Cruger says there are a number of programs that can help, which might include these features:

- Multi-sensory instruction in decoding skills
- Repetition and review of skills
- Intensity of intervention — that is, more than being pulled out of class once a week for extra help
- Small group or individual instruction
- Teaching decoding skills
- Drilling sight words
- Teaching comprehension strategies, to help kids derive meaning from what they’re reading

Dr. Cruger points out that traditional tutoring may actually be counter-productive for a child with dyslexia, particularly if it is not a positive experience.

Instead, Dr. Cruger emphasizes that one of the most important ways to help kids with dyslexia is to make them more comfortable reading.

Accommodations for kids with dyslexia

- Extra time on tests
- A quiet space to work
- The option to record lectures
- The option to give verbal, rather than written, answers (when appropriate)
- Elimination of oral reading in class
- Exemption from foreign language learning
- Listening to audio books as an alternative to reading and typing on a computer or tablet instead of writing.

Kids Corner

Beehive Word Search



Can you find these words?

honey flower hive sun
nectar bee yellow

Solve any puzzle and send it in to WIN a PRIZE!!!

Winner!

1st Sadaf Banu Shaikh
(Batley)

2nd Muhammad
Dadhiwala
(Batley)

3rd Saara Shaikh (Batley)

Please collect your prizes from the
Al-Hikmah Centre.

Terms and conditions apply

Name and address of winning entries will be published. Age limit 13.

Please send this page with your
name, address, postcode, age and telephone number
before 20th September 2020 to:

Kiddies Competition, Al-Hikmah Centre,
28 Track Road, Batley, West Yorkshire, WF17 7AA

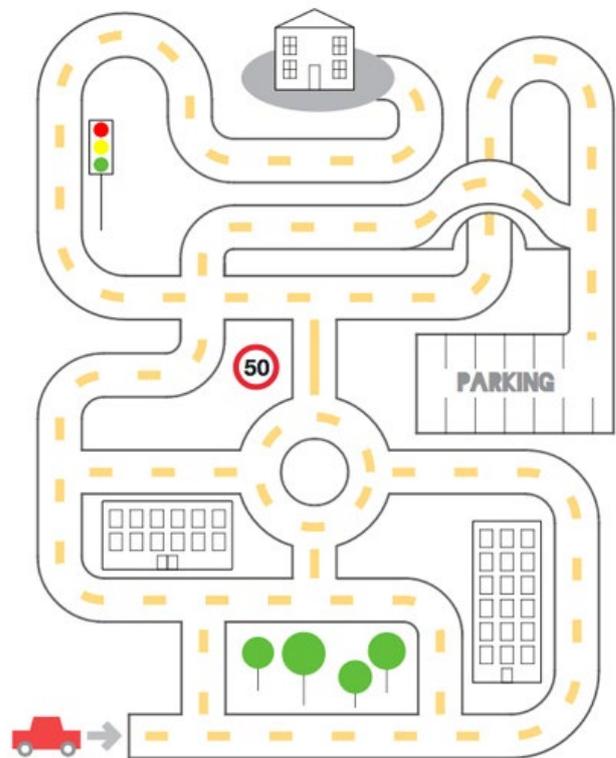


1st Prize sponsored
by Pizza GOGO
Pick up ONLY



1st Prize:
1 large family size pizza.
+ Trophy
2nd Prize: Trophy
3rd Prize: Trophy
Trophies sponsored by
IMWS

THE ROAD HOME MAZE



FIND YOUR WAY HOME!

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Age: _____

Date: _____

Tel. No.: _____

Paigaam Star Reviews

Love Chaaye Paani?



Sometimes you forget how many 'chaaye' or 'chai' places are popping up around the area.

Chai Wala, Chai Pani, Kaana Peena, Desi Chai, the list is endless.

However, a lot of people seem to be pointing their vehicles towards Ravensthorpe to check out Chaaye Paani's range of Nimboo Paani drinks.

The company invites you to cool off and relax with a Blueberry, Strawberry along with a plethora of flavours.

The company insists it will definitely satisfy your taste buds.

Is that the case? On a hot summer's day, absolutely, although the Blueberry flavour paani was much better than the Strawberry one! Enjoy!



Rating: 3 stars



Dixy Chicken's Supreme burger is still going strong!

Yes there may be more and more burger eateries opening at a very fast rate, but don't forget that old is gold and the young pretenders should watch out as they can learn a thing or two from Dixy in Batley.

Granted, it is not the most glamorous place to eat in Batley, but when it comes to the spicy Chicken Supreme burger, foodies can rejoice as this burger, is still one of the best!

When the kitchen staff listen to Bash and co and do as they are told and ensure the burgers are nice and hot, the inspired flavour and the alluring texture will ensure that this burger is like no other.



Rating: 4 stars

 sweetsand_candy **Sweets and_candy**



Do you have a sweet tooth? If so, log into your Instagram page and look up @Sweetsand_candy and check out some of the most sought after American sweets available on this side of the pond!

From Grab 'n' Go bags that are available for £2.50 which come with a plethora of American candies. Now that is mouth watering!

It is possible to choose subtle treats whilst also celebrating the exuberance of chocolate, drinks and so much more!

To find out more, check out sweetsand_candy on Instagram and order some of the best candy ever!



Rating: 5 stars

Imran Khan: Pakistan will not recognise Israel

Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan insists Islamabad will not recognise Israel until an independent Palestinian state acceptable to the Palestinians is created.

In an interview with Dunya News, Khan said Pakistan will not have anything to do with the United States-brokered deal and follow the United Arab Emirates in recognising Israel as a state.

"Whatever any country does, our position is very clear. And our position was made clear by (Pakistan's founder) Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah in 1948, that we cannot ever accept Israel as long as Palestinians are not given their rights and there is no just settlement," Khan said.

The UAE on August 13 became the first Gulf Arab country and the third in the Middle East after Egypt and Jordan to reach a deal in relation to normalising relations with Israel, topping years of discreet contacts between the two countries in

commerce and technology.

Khan said if Pakistan accepted Israel and ignored the oppression of the Palestinians, "we will have to give up Kashmir as well then", adding that this was not something Pakistan could do.

"When you talk of Israel and Palestine, we need to think, will we be able to answer the Almighty if we abandon those people who have faced every kind of injustice and whose rights were taken away?

"My own conscience will never allow me to do this, I can never accept it," Khan said.

The Palestinian embassy in Islamabad thanked Khan for his stance, according to Pakistani media outlet Dawn.

The Palestinian reaction to Pakistan's allegiance took the form of a letter sent from the Embassy of Palestine in Islamabad, reaffirming their support of Pakistani leadership.

"On behalf of Palestinian people and the government of State of Palestine, the Embassy

of Palestine, Islamabad, conveys sincere thanks for extending all sorts of support to Palestinian cause, and especially for condemning, in the strongest terms, the Israeli aggression towards Palestine.

We Palestinians consider Pakistan as our second homeland, and Pakistanis as our dearest brothers, who always supported Palestine on every forum of the world," the letter read.

The letter also praised the support of previous Pakistani governments over the years.

"Ever since the creation of Pakistan, every government has always supported the just cause of Palestine on all the forums.

"The embassy heartily appreciates the stance of Imran Khan, the prime minister of Pakistan, when, answering to the question about Israel, said that the founder of Pakistan had made it clear that Israel would not be recognized until a just and fair solution to the Palestinian

problem is given."

The embassy once again thanked Prime Minister Khan for such a strong response and appreciates every individual of Pakistan, including political parties, media, civil society, who is observing solidarity with Palestine in any possible way.

"We are hopeful that this support will be with us until we get an independent State of Palestine with Jerusalem Al Quds as capital."

Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia said on Wednesday it would not follow the UAE in establishing diplomatic ties with Israel until it had signed an internationally recognised peace accord with the Palestinians.

"Peace must be achieved with the Palestinians on the basis of international agreements as a pre-condition for any normalisation of relations," Saudi Arabia's Foreign Minister Prince Faisal bin Farhan told reporters during a visit to Germany's capital, Berlin.

Sir Alimuddin Zumla receives 2020 Mahathir Science Award

An inspirational doctor has been awarded the most prestigious international science award presented in recognition for the best scientific work in solving health problems by the Mahathir Science Award Foundation in Malaysia.

Professor Sir Alimuddin Zumla, received the 2020 Mahathir Science Award, for his acclaimed research and

capacity development work which has spanned over 30 years and has allowed for breakthroughs in tuberculosis, TB/HIV co-infections and Infectious Diseases with Epidemic potential, as well as improved health of disadvantaged people.

This is the second huge honour for Sir Alimuddin, who was knighted in 2017 in the Queens Birthday Honours List.

Sir Alimuddin, who works for University College London and University College London Hospital, said: "I absolutely delighted and feel extremely honoured and truly humbled to have been recognized by such the award of such a prestigious 2020 Mahathir Science Award.

"I strongly believe that as scientists, we need to empower the younger

generation so that we develop a whole cadre of bright young people who will have an impact for generations to come."

Professor Datuk Dr Asma Ismail, President of the Academy of Sciences Malaysia, said: "Sir Alimuddin has proved time and time again that his mission is to serve the world through his research and global collaborative."

Paigaam Legal Column



Are Parents Obligated to Control Unruly Children? High Court Test Case

To say that parents bear a moral responsibility to ensure that their children behave themselves in public is uncontroversial – but are they also under a legal duty to do so? The High court held in ruling that the sins of an allegedly anti-social teenager could not be visited upon his mother.

A local authority claimed that the 15-year-old boy had engaged in various forms of anti-social behaviour, including assaulting another schoolboy and setting fire to a public bench, which resulted in a detrimental effect on the quality of life of others living in the same area. The council responded by serving a Community Protection Notice (CPN) on his mother. On pain of criminal prosecution, the notice required her to take various steps to bring her son's behaviour under control.

In subsequently upholding

the mother's appeal against the CPN, magistrates observed that the notice could not validly have been issued against her son because he was under the age of 16. They found that, on a true construction of Section 43 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, there is no power to issue a CPN in the name of one individual concerning the conduct of another.

Challenging that ruling, the council argued that a parent can ordinarily be expected to exert a measure of control or restraint on his or her child. However, in rejecting the appeal, the Court found that, on a straightforward reading of Section 43, Parliament's intention was that CPNs should be served on individual perpetrators of anti-social behaviour with a view to getting such persons to desist, ultimately on pain of a criminal sanction.

The real target of the CPN was the son's behaviour, not his mother's failure to keep him

under control. If the council's interpretation of Section 43 were correct, schoolteachers, scout leaders or even local authorities with responsibility for children could be served with CPNs if their charges behaved anti-socially.

The power to issue CPNs was subject to various checks and balances, including the requirement that they can only be served on individuals aged 16 or over. Parliament had been astute to ensure that the power did not interfere disproportionately with family life. Had it intended to empower local authorities to issue a CPN against a parent who fails to control the anti-social behaviour of a child aged under 16, it would have said so.

Tempted By an Exotic Investment Scheme? Is It Too Good to Be True?

It is easy to be tempted by exotic investment schemes that promise spectacular returns. However, as a High Court case strikingly showed, they are often too good to be true and it is always wise to get an independent professional to check them out before parting with your money.

More than 100 small investors were persuaded to dig into their pension pots to buy 15-year leases of trees which had been inoculated with truffle spores. They spent at least £6.5 million on almost 9,000 leases, at a price of between £750 and £1,000 per tree. The scheme was, however, a one-way losing bet for investors.

After the Secretary of State for Business, Enterprise and Industrial Strategy launched proceedings, a judge ordered five companies involved in the scheme to be compulsorily wound up in the public interest. That was on the basis

that there was never any reasonable prospect of the investors making a profit and that the scheme wholly lacked commercial probity.

With a view to ensuring that investors recovered as much of their money as possible and reducing the loss to the public purse, the Secretary of State sought further orders requiring the architect of the scheme – a businessman who was a director of three of the companies – personally to pay the substantial legal costs of the proceedings.

Ruling on the matter, the Court noted that the businessman had personally received at least £850,000 of the money invested. Funds paid into the scheme were rapidly dissipated in a manner designed to render them irrecoverable. Glossy marketing literature was deliberately confusing and obfuscated the truth.

The Court noted that the businessman was a repeat offender, having previously been involved in two other investment schemes which were shut down in the public interest. He had not cooperated in the Secretary of State's investigation of the scheme and his claim to have acted in the best interests of the companies, their investors and creditors was entirely untenable. He was ordered to pay both the Secretary of State's and the companies' legal costs of the proceedings.

The contents of this article are intended for general information purposes only and shall not be deemed to be, or constitute legal advice. We cannot accept responsibility for any loss as a result of acts or omissions taken in respect of this article.

નિખાલસ શરીફ યાચા:

મોહમ્મદ શરીફ અયોધ્યાના નિવાસી છે. આ વર્ષે તેમને ભારત સરકાર તરફથી ઉચ્ચતમ પદ્મશ્રી પુરસ્કારથી સન્માનિત કરવામાં આવ્યા હતા. કોવિડ-૧૯ મહામારીથી જ્યારે અસંખ્ય મૃત્યુ થયા અને તેમને આ એવોર્ડ એનાયત થયો ત્યારથી તેઓ જગજાહેર થઈ ગયા છે. તેમનું કામ બિનવારસી મૃતદેહોનો અંતિમ સંસ્કાર કરવાનું છે. કોઈ પણ ધર્મ, જાતિ અને સંપ્રદાયને જોયા વગર તેઓ આ કામ વર્ષોથી કરી રહ્યા છે.

મોહમ્મદ શરીફનો દીકરો એક વખત સુલ્તાનપુર ગયો હતો જ્યાં તેની કોઈએ હત્યા કરી તેની બોડીને ફેંકી દીધી હતી. ખૂબજ શોધ્યા પછી પણ તેની લાશ મળી ન હતી. જેથી તેઓ ખૂબજ નાસીપાસ થયા હતા. તેમનું કહેવું છે તેમના પુત્રની હત્યાની ખબર તેમને એક માસ પછી મળી હતી. ત્યારબાદથી તેમણે બિનવારસી મૃતદેહોને સંપૂર્ણ સન્માન સાથે અંતિમ સંસ્કાર કરવાનું કામ શરૂ કર્યું હતું. મહમ્મદ શરીફ અત્યારસુધીમાં ૩૦૦ હિન્દુ અને ૨૫૦૦થી વધારે મુસ્લિમોના મૃતદેહોનો અંતિમ સંસ્કાર કરી ચૂક્યા છે. તેઓ કહે છે આ અભિયાન તેઓ અંતિમ શ્વાસ સુધી ચલાવતા રહેશે. તેઓ શરીફ યાચાના હુલામણા નામથી અયોધ્યા અને આજુબાજુના શહેરોમાં મશહુર છે.

તારીખ પમી ઓગષ્ટના બાબરી મસ્જિદની જગ્યાએ રામમંદિરનું ભૂમિપુજન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. જેમાં ૧૭૫ જેટલા પાસ મહેમાનોને આમંત્રણ આપવામાં આવ્યું હતું. જેમાં શરીફ યાચાનો પણ સમાવેશ હતો. ઉપરાંત બાબરી મસ્જિદ કેસના પક્ષકાર ઈકબાલ અન્સારીના દીકરા હાશિમ અન્સારીને પણ આમંત્રણ મળ્યું હતું. આ બંનેના આમંત્રણની ભારત ખાતે ભારે ચર્ચા જાગી હતી.

હવે બ્રિટનના ચલણી સિક્કાઓ ઉપર વિદેશી ચહેરાઓનો સમાવેશ:

ગયા માસમા બ્રિટનના નાણાં પ્રધાન રૂસી સુનકના કાર્યાલય તરફથી જાણવા મળ્યું છે કે, તેમણે રોયલ મીન્ટ એડવાઈઝરી કમિટીને પત્ર લખી જણાવ્યું છે કે, ભારતના રાષ્ટ્રપિતા મહાત્મા ગાંધી, ભારતીય મૂળના બ્રિટીશ જાસુસ નૂર ઈનાયત ખાન અને જમૈકન બ્રિટીશ નર્સ મેરી સીકોલની ઉપલબ્ધીઓ અને બ્રિટનમાં તેમના યોગદાનની ઉજવણી પ્રસંગોના ભાગરૂપ તેમની તસ્વીરોવાળા બ્રિટનના ચલણી સિક્કાઓ બહાર પાડવામાં આવે. સુનકે કમિટીને આ માટે સિક્કાઓની થીમ અને ડીઝાઈનનો પ્રસ્તાવ મોકલવા વિનંતી કરી છે.

સુનકે આ પગલું “વી ટુ બિલ્ટ બ્રિટન (અમે પણ બ્રિટનને બનાવ્યું છે)” એટલેકે બ્રિટનમાં અમારું પણ યોગદાન છે. આ સંસ્થાના અભિયાનના સમર્થનમાં આ પત્ર લખ્યો છે. આ સંસ્થા બ્રિટીશ કરન્સી પર અશ્વેત મહાનુભાવોને પ્રતિનિધિત્વ આપવા માંગ કરી રહ્યું છે. બ્રિટીશ સિક્કાઓ ઉપર ગાંધીની તસ્વીરનો સૌથી પહેલો વિચાર ઓક્ટોબર ૨૦૧૯માં પૂર્વ મંત્રી સાજીદ જાવીદે આપ્યો હતો. જેહરા જાહિદને લખવામાં આવેલ કાગળમાં

સુનકે જણાવ્યું હતું કે એશિયન અને બીજા લઘુમતી સમુદાયે બ્રિટનના ઈતિહાસમાં મોટું યોગદાન આપ્યું છે.

કોરોના મદદે આવ્યો:

૩૩વર્ષથી ધો-૧૦ની પરીક્ષામાં નાપાસ થનાર નુરુદ્દીનયાચા આખરે પાસ.

કોરોના સંક્રમણના કારણે ઘણાં રાજ્યોની બોર્ડ પરીક્ષા સ્થગિત કરવામાં આવી હતી. અને તેના કારણે વિદ્યાર્થીઓને સામુહિક રીતે પાસ કરવાનો નિર્ણય લેવામાં આવ્યો હતો. તેજસ્વી વિદ્યાર્થીઓ માટે આ પરિસ્થિતિ નિરાશ કરનારી હતી પણ તેલંગાણાના મોહમ્મદ નુરુદ્દીન માટે કોરોના અવસર બનીને આવ્યો. તેલંગાણા સરકારે તમામ વિદ્યાર્થીઓને પાસ કરવાનું નક્કી કર્યું, તેના લીધે છેલ્લા ૩૩વર્ષથી ધોરણ ૧૦ની પરીક્ષામાં નાપાસ થઈ રહેલા નુરુદ્દીન આખરે પાસ થઈ ગયા. નુરુદ્દીન છેલ્લા ૩૩ વર્ષથી સતત નાપાસ થતા હતા. જો કે મહત્વની વાત એ છે કે, તેમણે કદી હાર માની ન હતી.

આ વખતે કિસ્મત તેમના પર મહેરબાન થયું. કોરોનાને લીધે બધાને સામુહિક પ્રમોશન મળ્યું અને ૫૧વર્ષીય નુરુદ્દીન યાચા પણ તેના કારણે પાસ થઈ ગયા. ન્યુઝ એજન્સી સાથેની વાતચીતમાં તેમણે જણાવ્યું હતું કે, ૧૯૮૭થી હું પરીક્ષા આપું છું. પણ અંગ્રેજીમાં નબળો હોવાથી સતત ફેલ થતો હતો. આ વખતે કોરોનાની મહેરબાનીથી પાસ થઈ ગયો છું. પોતે નક્કી કરેલા ધ્યેયને પ્રાપ્ત કરવાની ધૂન અને તે માટે લગન, મહેનત અને આશા તે આનું નામ.

દિલ્હીની જામીયા મિલીયા યુનિવર્સિટી ફરી નંબર વન

ગયા મહિનામાં ભારતના શિક્ષણ ખાતાએ સેન્ટ્રલ યુનિવર્સિટીઓનું રેન્કીંગ જાહેર કર્યું હતું. જે પૈકી અગ્રીમ ૪૦ જેટલી કેન્દ્રીય યુનિવર્સિટીઓમાંથી દિલ્હીની જામીયા મિલીયા ઈસ્લામિયા યુનિવર્સિટી નંબર વન ટોપ ઉપર રહી હતી. તેણે ૯૦ ટકા સ્કોર મેળવ્યો હતો. શિક્ષણ મંત્રાલયની સેન્ટ્રલ યુનિ. ની રેન્કીંગ લીસ્ટમાં બીજા નંબરે અરૂણાચલ પ્રદેશની રાજીવ ગાંધી યુનિવર્સિટીએ ૮૩ ટકા સ્કોર સાથે બીજું સ્થાન મેળવ્યું છે. જવાહરલાલ નહેરૂ યુનિ.(જેએનયુ)એ ૮૨ ટકા સ્કોર સાથે ત્રીજું અને ૭૮ ટકા સ્કોર સાથે અલીગઢ યુનિ. ચોથું સ્થાન પ્રાપ્ત કર્યું છે. ૨૦૧૯-૨૦માં નક્કી કરેલ એમઓયુ અને યુનિ. માં ચાલતા મુલ્યાંકન જેમાં યુજી.પીજી. પીએચડી. એમફીલ. વગેરેના કોર્સો, છાત્રોની સંખ્યા, કેમ્પસ, શિક્ષકો, અને સફળતા તથા વિદેશ અને વિવિધ રાજ્યોમાંથી ભણવા આવતા વિદ્યાર્થીઓ વગેરેને ધ્યાનમાં લઈ રેન્કીંગ નક્કી કરવામાં આવે છે.

યાદ રહે સીએએ અને એનઆરસી વિરૂદ્ધ પ્રદર્શનમાં અલીગઢ યુનિ. અને જેએનયુ વગેરે ભારે ચર્ચામાં રહી હતી. ઉપરાંત હાલની સરકારનું આ ત્રણે યુનિવર્સિટીઓ તરફ કુણું વલણ રહ્યું છે. કારણ કે તેમના નામો અને સંચાલન તથા દેશમાં તેમાં અભ્યાસ માટે લઘુમતિ સમુદાય, દલિત વર્ગ વગેરેને ઓછી ફીમાં સુવિધા અને પ્રવેશ મળે છે. જેનો બહોળો લાભ તેઓ મેળવે છે.

તદબીર અને તકદીર

-મહંમદ યુસુફ સુફી લાજપુરી, બાટલી.

પ્રથમ સબક

જે દૌરમાં ઉમ્મતે મુસ્લિમા અને પૂરી દુનિયાના લોકો દાખીલ થઈ ગયા છે. જેવા હાલાત દુનિયાના સ્ટેજ પર અલ્લાહની તકદીરથી વજુદમાં આવી રહ્યા છે. આ હાલાતે ઘણાં સવાલો દિમાગમાં ઊભા કર્યા છે. જરૂરત છે કે, આ સવાલોના જવાબો શોધવામાં આવે. તે કિતાબ કુરઆન મજીદમાં જ્યાં દરેક જરૂરી સવાલોના જવાબો મૌજુદ છે. અને હદીસ શરીફ જ્યાં કુરઆન મજીદની તફસીલ, વિગત અને ચોખવટ છે. તે શક-શંકા અને સવાલો જે દરેકના દિલમાં પોતાનો રસ્તો બનાવવાની કોશિશ કરી રહ્યા છે. જે સવાલ શયતાન દિમાગમાં નાંખીને કદમ પાછળ હટાવવાની ભરપૂર કોશિશ કરી રહ્યો છે.

અગત્યનો સબક

યાદ રાખો! તદબીર અને તકદીરની લાઈનનો એક અગત્યનો જવાબ એ છે કે, દુનિયામાં બધાથી પહેલો અને છેલ્લો અને મહત્વનો સબક એ છે કે, આપણે અલ્લાહતઆલાના બંદા છે. આઝીજ અને બેબસ છે. આપણે દુનિયાના માલિક નથી. આપણે આપણાં ઘરના કે આપણાં શરીરના પણ માલિક નથી. પૂરી દુનિયાના માલિક અને સર્વમુખ્તાર, સંપૂર્ણ અધિકાર ફક્ત અલ્લાહતઆલાનોજ છે. આપણે એ પણ ન ભૂલવું જોઈએ કે, એમાં આપણાં રાઈભર ખ્યાલ, વિચારનો કે કોઈ પણ જાતનો દખલ, પ્રવેશ નથી.

મહત્વનો સબક

આ એક મહત્વનો સબક યાદ રાખવા જેવો છે કે, દુનિયામાં પોતાની મરજીના વિરૂધ્ધ હાલાત લાવવામાં આવે છે. અલ્લાહના ફેસલા, તકદીર પર રાજી રહેવાની મશક, પ્રેક્ટીસ કરાવવા માટે પોતાની મરજીના વિરૂધ્ધ લોકો પર હાલાત આવે છે. અને પૂરી કોમ પર હાલાત આવે છે. લોકો પર આવા હાલાત એટલા માટે આવે છે કે, પોતાની જિંદગીમાં પોતાની મરજી વિરૂધ્ધ અલ્લાહતઆલાના મોકલેલા હાલ ઉપર રાજી રહેવાનું થોડા દિવસ માટે શીખી લઈએ. ઉમ્મત અને કોમ ઉપર હાલાત આવે છે. એટલા માટે કે, ઉમ્મત, કોમ પોતાની મરજીના વિરૂધ્ધ અલ્લાહતઆલાના મોકલેલા હાલાતને સહન કરવાનું શીખે અને સબર-ઈસ્તિકામત શીખે.

શાંતિ અને અશાંતિ

માનવીને ચેન અને શાંતિ મળે છે એ કઈ રીતે? તકદીર અને તદબીરના લાઈનનો એક ખાસ સબક શાંતિ અને અશાંતિ વિષે છે. પ્રથમ આપણે એ સમજી લઈએ કે, બેચેની અને અશાંતિ કઈ રીતે પેદા થાય છે. હંમેશાં યાદ રાખવું જોઈએ બેચેની ન તો ગરીબીથી પેદા થાય છે ન બેકારીથી. જો એવું જ હોત તો અતિવૈભવશાળી નમરૂદ અને પોતાને ખુદા કહેવાવાળો, ખુદાનો દાવો કરનારો ફિરઔન બેચેન ન રહેતે. દુનિયામાં જન્મત બનાવવાનો દાવો કરનારો શદાદ અને દુનિયાના ખઝાનાનો દાવો કરનારો કાઝન પણ બેચેન ન હોત. આજના કાઝન જેવા ધનિકોને અશાંતિનો અનુભવ ન થાત. ઉપરાંત આજના સિંહાસન પર બેસનારા રાજકરણીઓ પણ બેચેન ન હોત.

આ વાત નિર્વિવાદ છે કે, બેચેની અને અશાંતિ માનવીના પાપોના, એના ગુનાહોના કારણે પેદા થાય છે. જેના જેટલા ગુનાહિત કાર્યો હશે તે એટલાજ પ્રમાણમાં બેચેન અને અશાંતિ હોવાનો. જ્યાં સુધી ગુનાહો ઓછા નહીં થાય ત્યાં સુધી સુખ-ચેન, શાંતિ મળશે નહીં. અને જ્યાં સુધી દિલમાં શુક અને ઝબાન ઉપર જિક જારી થશે નહીં ત્યાં સુધી માણસ રોગમુક્ત અને તંદુરસ્ત જીવન જીવી શકશે નહીં. આ તદબીરની લાઈનનો સહેલો ઉપાય છે.

તદબીર અને તકદીરનો અંતિમ સબક

માણસ પોતાના તરફથી તદબીર એટલે કે, પ્રયત્ન કરે છે પરંતુ અલ્લાહતઆલાએ તકદીરમાં જે લખી દીધું છે તે થઈને જ રહે છે. આપણને તદબીર, કોશિશ કરવાનો હુકમ જરૂર છે અને કરવું પણ જોઈએ. પરંતુ પરિણામ માણસના બસમાં નથી. અને ફેસલો કોઈ બીજી જગ્યાએથી જાહીર થાય છે. બંદાનુ કામ એ છે કે, તદબીર કરવા પછી અલ્લાહતઆલાની તકદીર ઉપર રાજી રહે. એક ખરાબી, ચિંતા પરેશાની જે માણસને થાય છે તે એ વાતની છે કે, તે ચાહે છે જે કામ હું કરી રહ્યો છું તે જ થાય. તે થતું નથી, બસ! માણસ પરેશાનીમાં જકડાય જાય છે. પરંતુ અગર માનવી એ નક્કી કરી લીયે કે તદબીર, પ્રયત્ન-મહેનત કરવું મારું કામ છે. નતીજો મારા હાથમાં નથી. એ બીજાનું કામ છે. અને જેનું કામ છે તેનાજ ઝાહિર કરેલા નતીજા ઉપર હું રાજી અને ખુશ છું તો જિંદગીમાં પરેશાની આવશે જ નહીં. આપણે એ ખાસ બાબતને ભૂલી જઈએ છીએ જેના નતીજામાં આજ કારણે દરેક વસ્તુમાં પરેશાન થઈએ છીએ. તકદીર તો અલ્લાહના જ હાથમાં છે અને આપણે તકદીર ઉપર રાજી રહેવું જોઈએ.

અંતમાં! વર્તમાન પરિસ્થિતિ અને આજના સમય ઉપર નિરિક્ષણ કરવાથી એ જણાય છે કે, દરેક માણસે હિકમત અને તદબીરથી કામ લેવું જોઈએ. સાવચેત, સાવધાન રહેવાનું શીખવું જોઈએ. કારણ કે, આપણે જે કસોટીના યુગમાંથી પસાર થઈ રહ્યા છે તે આપણાં ભાવિ માટે અનુકુળ યુગ તો નથી. અંતમાં તદબીરમાં ઈસ્તિગફાર, તૌબા, સદકા અને દુઆઓ પણ ખાસ સમાવેશ થાય છે. સદકા અને ખાસ કરી દુઆઓથી તકદીર બદલાઈ જાય છે. જેથી આ તરફ ખાસ ધ્યાન આપવું પણ જરૂરી છે.

સોનેરી વાતો....

- જિંદગીમાં કોઈનું હોવું અને કોઈના માટે હોવું એજ મહત્વનું છે, બાકી બધું મોહમાયા છે.
- પિતાની હાજરી સૂરજ જેવી હોય છે, સૂરજ ગરમ જરૂર થાય છે પણ ના હોય તો, અંધારૂ છવાય જાય છે.
- ક્યાં મળે છે કોઈ દુ:ખને સમજવાવાળા બસ, બધું ઠીક થઈ જશે એજ મળે છે, કહેવાવાળા.
- વાતો તો બધી સાચી જ હોય છે બસ કોઈને સમજવામાં તો કોઈને સાંભળવામાં ભૂલ થાય છે.
- કાગળોને પીન મારીએ તો જોડાય જાય માણસને પીન મારીએ તો જુદા થાય.

વિચાર વિનિમય

-અહમદ ગુલ

જગ પ્રસિદ્ધ શાયર ડો. રાહત ઈન્દોરીની વસમી વિદાય:

દો ગજ સહી મગર યે મેરી મિલ્કિયત તો હૈ
એ મૌત તૂને મુઝકો જમીનદાર કર દીયા.

આવા અણમોલ હૃદય સ્પર્શી અને દિલમાં હલબલી મચાવી નાંખે એવા શેરના રચિયતા, કાન્તિકારી વિશ્વ વિખ્યાત ઉર્દુ શાયર રાહત ઈન્દોરી તારીખ ૮-૮-૨૦૨૦ના કોરોના સંક્રમિત થતાં, ઈન્દોરીની હોસ્પિટલમાં દાખલ થયા હતા. ત્યાં એમને હાર્ટ એટેક આવતાં તારીખ ૧૧-૮-૨૦૨૦ મંગળવારે, ૭૦ વર્ષની ઉંમરે આ ફાની દુનિયાથી સદાને માટે વિદાય લીધી હતી. ઈ.લી.વ.એ.રા.

એમને ઈન્દોરીની છોટીબજરાની કબ્રસ્તાનમાં દફન કરવામાં આવ્યા હતા. રાહત સાહેબનો જન્મ ૧લી જાન્યુઆરી ૧૯૫૦ના ઈન્દોર ખાતે થયો હતો. એમની શરૂઆતની જિંદગી ઘણી સંઘર્ષમય ગુજરી હતી. પ્રથમ તેઓ ચિત્રકામ કરતા હતા અને નાના મોટા ચિત્રો બનાવતા. ખાસ કરીને ટૂકો માટે આગળ પાછળ ચિત્રો બનાવતા. પાછળથી તેમને ભણવામાં રસ જાગ્યો અને ભણાતર તરફ પોતાનું ધ્યાન કેન્દ્રીત કર્યું. એમણે ઉર્દુ સાહિત્યમાં પી.એચ.ડી. કરી હતી અને કોલેજમાં ઉર્દુના પ્રાધ્યાપક રહી ચૂક્યા હતા. રાહત સાહેબ એક કન્તિકારી, બેબાક અને નિડર શાયર હતા. અન્યાય સામે અને ખાસ કરીને મુસ્લિમો માટે વર્તમાન પરિસ્થિતિ સામે હંમેશાં ઝઝુમતા રહ્યા. એમને ન સત્તા કે સત્તાધારીઓ વિચલિત કરી શકતા. શાયરીના માધ્યમથી દુશ્મનોને જડબાતોડ જવાબ આપી દેતા.

વો મુઝે મુદ્દા સમજ રહ્યા હૈ
ઉસે બતા દો અભી મેં મરા નહીં હું.

કદમ કદમ પર નાની નાની વાતોથી ડરી જનારાઓને અજબ ચીમકી આપતા કહેતા કે, આટલા બધા ડરપોક કેમ છો? એમજ હોય તો ઘરમાંજ બેસી રહોને?

લોગ હર એક મોડ પે રૂક રૂક કે સંભલતે ક્યું હૈ?
ઈતના ડરતે હો તો ફિર ઘરસે નિકલતે ક્યું હૈ?

આવા શેરો વાંચી લોકોમાં હિમ્મત આવી જતી. બીજા શબ્દોમાં કહીએ તો લોકો ટટ્ટાર થઈ જતા. એમનું ઈમાન અને અલ્લાહ ઉપર ભરોસો એટલો મજબુત હતો કે, કોઈ વૈભવ, તવંગરી કે સત્તાનો પ્રભાવ એમની આસપાસ પણ ફરકી શકતા નહીં. શાસકોની તાકત સામે જરા પણ અંજાયા વિના બેઘડક કહી દેતા,

ઊંચે ઊંચે દરબારોસે ક્યા લેના?
અપના માલિક, અપના ખાલિક અફઝલ હૈ
આતી જાતી સરકારોસે ક્યા લેના દેના?

ભારતની વર્તમાન પરિસ્થિતિ અને મુસ્લિમો પ્રત્યે ભેદભાવ અને અત્યાચારો અને હરકદમ મુસ્લિમોની વતન પરસ્તી પર સવાલો ઊભા કરી દેશદ્રોહી ચિતરવાના કટ્ટરપંથીઓના પ્રયાસો અને

નફરત ફેલાવનારાઓ માટે વતન પ્રેમના એવા ધારદાર શેરોથી એમને ચૂપ કરી દેતા.

એ વતન એક રોજ તેરી ખાકમે ખો જાએંગે
મર કે ભી રિશ્તા નહીં ટૂટેગા હિન્દુસ્તાનસે, ઈમાનસે.

ખરેખર મુસ્લિમો મૃત્યુ પામ્યા પછી પણ વરસો સુધી, સદીઓ સુધી કબરમાં રહીને પણ પોતાના દેશની મિટ્ટી સાથે સંબંધ ટકાવી રાખે છે. બળીને ભસ્મ થનારાઓના નામ નિશાન બળતાની સાથે જ અદ્રશ્ય થઈ જાય છે.

વિશ્વના અનેક દેશોના ઉચ્ચ કક્ષાના મુશાયરામાં તેમને આમંત્રણ મળતું અને વિશ્વ વિખ્યાત શાયરો સાથે તેઓ મંચ શોભાવતા અને નામના મેળવતા. ભારત ખાતેના ચોટીના મિડીયા મારફત પણ ખાસ મુશાયરાનું આયોજન તેમના માટે જ થતું જેમાં વિદ્વાનો ખાસ તેમની શાયરીઓ સાંભળવા આવતા. દિલ્હી ખાતે અને બીજા અનેક શહેરોમાં જ્યારે સીએએ વિરોધ દેખાવો અને ઘરણાં થયાં ત્યારે દેખાવકારો તેમની દેશપ્રેમની અનેક શાયરીઓ લલકારતા અને બાનરો પર લખી દેખાવ કરતા હતા. જેની નોંધ વિશ્વમાં લેવાય હતી.

મુસ્લિમોએ હજાર વર્ષ સુધી કરેલી દેશની સેવાઓ, આઝાદીના જંગમાં આપેલી હજારો લોકોએ કુરબાનીની યાદ અપાવતાં એમણે એક અદભૂત અને અમર ગઝલ લખી છે. અને તેમાં કહ્યું છે કે, હિન્દુસ્તાન કોઈના બાપની જાગીર નથી. આ દેશમાં બીજાઓના જેટલોજ અમારો પણ હક છે. આજના હિન્દુત્વભર્યા વાતાવરણમાં આટલી સત્ય અને સ્પષ્ટ વાત કહેવા માટે ઘણું મોટું જિગર જોઈએ. હતાશ, નિરાશ કોમને ઝંઝોડવા રાહત સાહેબની હિમ્મતને લાખો સલામ.

તેમના મૃત્યુના દિવસથી લગભગ એક અઠવાડિયા સુધી ભારતના ટોચના અનેક અખબારો અને ટીવી ચેનલોએ પ્રોગ્રામો કર્યા અને તેમની અનેક શાયરીઓની ઝાંખી કરાવી તેમને શ્રદ્ધાંજલી આપી હતી. જે તેમની લોકપ્રિયતાનો સબુત બતાવે છે.

સભી કા પૂન હૈ શામિલ યહાં કી મિટ્ટીમેં
કિસી કે બાપકા હિન્દુસ્તાન થોડી હૈ.

તેમની ગઝલના બીજા શેરોનો લ્હાવો માણીએ,

લગેગી આગ તો આયેંગે ઘર કઈ ઝદ મેં,
યહાં પે શીર્ફ હમારા મકાન થોડી હૈ.
હમારે મુંહ સે જો નિકલે વહી સદાકત હૈ,
હમારે મુંહ મેં તુમ્હારી જુબાન થોડી હૈ.
જો આજ સાહીબે મસનદ હૈ કલ નહીં હોંગે,
કિરાએદાર હૈ જાતી મકાન થોડી હૈ.

મુજે ખબર હૈ કે દુશ્મનભી કમ નહીં લેકીન,
હમારી તરહ હથેલી પે જાન થોડી હૈ.

વતન પ્રેમનો એક અદભૂત શેર;

મે જબ મર જાઉં તો મેરી અલગ પહેચાન લીખ દેના,

લહુ સે મેરી પેશાની પે હિન્દુસ્તાન લીખ દેના.

આ આખી ગઝલનો આસ્વાદ કરવા જેવો છે. અને હવે પછી જરૂર કરીશું. અલ્લાહપાક એમને જન્નતુલ ફીરદૌશમાં આલા મકામ અતા કરે, આમીન.

બોમ્બે હાઈકોર્ટ ચુકાદો, તબ્લીગી જમાતના લોકો વિરૂધ્ધ ફરિયાદ રદ; સરકારની કાઠી ઝાટકણી.

૨૨મી ઓગષ્ટના રોજ બોમ્બે હાઈકોર્ટે તબ્લીગી જમાતના ૨૯ વિદેશીઓને ભારતમાં કોરોના ફેલાવનાર માધ્યમ સામેની ફરિયાદને રદ કરી હતી. કોર્ટે આકરૂં વલણ દાખવી સ્પષ્ટ શબ્દોમાં જણાવ્યું હતું કે, તેમને બલીના બકરા બનાવવામાં (ટાર્ગેટ કરવામાં) આવ્યા છે. કોર્ટે સમગ્ર બાબતમાં મીડિયાના વલણ અને ખોટા પ્રોપેગન્ડા માટે તેમની સખત ઝાટકણી કાઢી હતી.

આ કેસની હકીકત એ છે કે, માર્ચ મહિનામાં દિલ્હીના નિઝામુદ્દીન તબ્લીગી મરકઝના ઈજતેમામા સામેલ થવા કેટલાક દેશોના લોકો ભારત આવ્યા હતા. તબ્લીગ જમાતના આ લોકો એકાએક લોકડાઉન જાહેર થવાના બે દિવસ અગાઉ દિલ્હી મરકઝમાં હતા અને બહાર જઈ શક્યા ન હતા. જો કે આ વિદેશીઓ ભારત સરકારની વિઝા લઈને આવ્યા હતા અને એરપોર્ટ ઉપર તેમની ચકાસણી પણ થઈ હતી. માર્ચ/એપ્રિલમાં ભારતમાં જ્યારે કોરોના ફેલવાની શરૂઆત થઈ હતી ત્યારે તબ્લીગી જમાતના આ સમાચારથી મીડિયાએ જોર પકડ્યું હતું અને ખોટા સમાચારો પ્રસિધ્ધ કર્યા હતા. અહીં સુધી કે, એક ન્યુઝ ચેનલે તો તબ્લીગી જમાતને પાકિસ્તાન સાથેની સાઝિશ પણ બતાવી હતી. પરિણામે ભારતના અનેક શહેરોમાં મુસ્લિમોને નિશાન બનાવવામાં આવ્યા હતા. આ હકીકતની પ્રકીયાને એવી રીતે રજૂ કરવામાં આવી હતી કે ભારતમાં કોરોના વાયરસ તબ્લીગી જમાતના સભ્યોએ ફેલાવ્યો છે, અને તેમાં વિદેશીઓનો હાથ છે.

આમ મુસ્લિમો વિરૂધ્ધ એક વધુ બહાનું શોધી કાઢ્યું હતું. જ્યારે એજ સમયે હિન્દુઓના ધાર્મિક સંગઠનો મારફત ધાર્મિક વિધિઓ માટે મોટી સંખ્યામાં લોકો ભેગા થયા હતા તે તરફ આંખ આડા કાન કરવામાં આવ્યા હતા. આ કેસમાં તબ્લીગી જમાતના લોકો ઉપર ટુરીસ્ટ વિઝાનું ઉલંઘન, મહારાષ્ટ્ર પોલિસ એક્ટ, મેનેજમેન્ટ એક્ટ અને આઈપીસીની અનેક ધારાઓ અંતર્ગત ખોટી રીતે ફરિયાદ દાખલ થઈ હતી. જો કે ટુરિસ્ટ વિઝામાં એવું ક્યાંય લખ્યું હોતું નથી કે, ટુરિસ્ટ ધાર્મિક સંમેલનમાં ભાગ લઈ ન શકે અને જમાતીઓને જેલ ભેગા કરી દીધા હતા. તેમના પાસપોર્ટ અને ટેલીફોન પણ જપ્ત કરવામાં આવ્યા હતા જેથી પોતાના વતન પાછા ફરી શકતા ન હતા અને પોતાના સગાઓ સાથે વાત પણ કરી શકતા ન હતા. પરિણામે સામાન્ય જીવન વીતાવવું પણ તેમના માટે મુશ્કેલ બન્યું હતું.

બોમ્બે હાઈકોર્ટની ઔરંગાબાદ બેન્ચના બે જજની પેનલે અલગ અલગ અરજીઓ ઉપર સુનાવણી કરી તેમણે આકરી પ્રતિક્રિયા આપતા જણાવ્યું હતું કે, જ્યારે આપત્તિઓ આવી પડે છે ત્યારે આવા ખાસ પ્રયાસો કરવામાં આવે છે અને મુસ્લિમોમાં ભયનો માહોલ તૈયાર કરવામાં આવે છે. વિદેશીઓ વિરૂધ્ધ કરવામાં આવેલ કાર્યવાહીથી થયેલ નુકસાનીને ભરપાય કરવાનો આ સમય છે.

મક્કા-મદીનાની પવિત્ર મસ્જિદોના વહીવટી તંત્રમાં મહિલાઓની પસંદગી:

સઉદી અરેબિયા ખાતે મક્કા-મદીનાની મુખ્ય મસ્જિદોમાં પૂરા વર્ષ દરમિયાન ઉમરાહ, હજ માટે લાખો લોકો મુસાફરી કરે છે. જેમાં લગભગ અડધોઅડધ સ્ત્રીઓનો સમાવેશ હોય છે. તેને ધ્યાનમાં લઈ આ મસ્જિદોનો વહીવટ કરતી જનરલ પ્રિસીડન્સીએ એ કમિટીમાં ઉચ્ચ પદો ઉપર ૧૦ મહિલાઓની નીમણુંક કરી છે. પ્રેસીડન્સીએ જણાવ્યું છે કે આ મહિલાઓ વિવિધ બીજા વિભાગ અને સંસ્થાઓમાં સહભાગી થઈ વિકાસ અને અર્થતંત્રમાં મદદરૂપ થશે અને તેમનું સન્માન પણ જળવાશે.

યાદ રહે હાલના સઉદી પ્રિન્સ મહંમદ બિન સલમાન સઉદી અરેબિયાના ૨૦૩૦ ના વિઝનના ભાગ રૂપ દેશમાં સ્ત્રીઓને જુદા જુદા વિભાગોમાં નોકરીઓ અને સંસ્થાઓમાં ઉચ્ચ પદે તેમની નીમણુંક તરફ ધ્યાન આપી રહ્યા છે, અને ઓરતો તેમની લાયકાત મુજબ સઉદી અરેબિયાની બીજી સંસ્થાઓમાં નોકરીઓ ઉપર જોડાય તે તરફ પણ પ્રોત્સાહન આપી તેમને વધુ ને વધુ સહયોગી બનાવી રહ્યા છે. નોકરી કરતી મહિલાઓની સંખ્યામાં સક્ષમ વધારો પણ જોવા મળી રહ્યો છે. અગાઉ આજ વિભાગમાં ૪૧ જેટલી મહિલાઓની પસંદગી કરવામાં આવી હતી.

ઈન્ડિયન મુસ્લિમ વેલ્ફેર સોસાયટી તરફથી યમન અપીલમાં ૧૧ હજાર પાઉન્ડની મદદ:

આપણે સૌ જાણીએ છીએ કે, છેલ્લા ૨-૩ મહિનાઓથી યમનમાં લોકોની હાલત ઘણીજ દયાજનક બની છે. ત્યાં થઈ રહેલા યુધ્ધના કારણે લોકોના ઘરો તબાહ થયા છે. અને પરિણામે પાણી, ખોરાક અને બીજી જીવન જરૂરિયાતની સામગ્રીઓની તંગી સર્જાય છે. મિડીયામાં કંઈક અંશે પ્રસારિત સમાચારો અને વિડીયો વગેરે જોઈ આપણાં હૃદય કંપી ઉઠે છે. કેટલાય વર્ષોથી તેમના ઉપર થતા જુલ્મો અને યુધ્ધથી તેમની હાલત કફોડી બની છે અને તેમનું તમામ માળખું ધ્વસ થયું છે.

ત્યાંની પરિસ્થિતિને જોતાં આપણી ઈન્ડિયન મુસ્લિમ વેલ્ફેર સોસાયટી, બાટલીએ હંમેશની જેમ યમનના મઝલુમોની મદદ માટે અપીલ લોન્ચ કરી હતી. જેમાં હવે મસ્જિદો ખુલવાના લીધે એરિયાઓ તથા મસ્જિદો તરફથી સુંદર સહકાર મળતા કુલ ૮૦૦૦ પાઉન્ડ જેટલા એકત્ર કરવામાં આવ્યા હતા. અને સોસાયટીએ જનરલ ચેરિટી ફંડમાંથી બીજા ઉમેરી કુલ ૧૧,૦૦૦ પાઉન્ડ યમનના હાજતમંદો માટે મોકલવામાં આવ્યા હતા. આપ લોકોના મળતા સહકારથી આપણે આવા જરૂરિયાતમંદોને મદદરૂપ થઈ શકીએ છીએ. યાદ રહે ગત રમજાન માસમાં પણ યમનની અપીલમાં બાટલી, ડુયુઝબરી વાસીઓ તરફથી સુંદર સહકાર મળતા આપણે ૨૧ હજાર પાઉન્ડ ત્યાં મોકલ્યા હતા. આ તકે સોસાયટી દરેક એરિયા તથા મસ્જિદોનો અને સખી દાતાઓનો ખૂબ આભાર માને છે અને દુવા કરે છે કે, યમનના લોકોનું જીવન પહેલા જેવું થઈ જાય અને તમામ મુશ્કેલીઓમાંથી બહાર આવી જાય આમીન.

اسرائیل، متحدہ عرب امارات کے معاہدے کے پیچھے فلسطینی شہری کے کردار پر مشرق وسطیٰ میں غم و غصہ

اسرائیل کے وزیر اعظم بن یامین نتن یاہو نے امید کا اظہار کیا ہے کہ وہ اسی سال بہت جلد متحدہ عرب امارات کا دورہ کریں گے۔ اسرائیل کی ایک ویب سائٹ ٹائمز آف اسرائیل پر جمعہ کو شائع ہونے والی ایک خبر میں اسرائیل وزیر اعظم نتن یاہو کی طرف سے جلد متحدہ عرب امارات دورہ کرنے کی خواہش کے اظہار کی اطلاع دی گئی تھی۔ اس خبر کے مطابق نتن یاہو نے متحدہ عرب امارات میں بسنے والے یہودی برادری کے رہنماؤں سے 20 اگست کو ایک ویڈیو کال پر بات کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ وہ بہت جلد متحدہ عرب امارات کا دورہ کریں گے۔ یاد رہے کہ متحدہ عرب امارات نے صرف ایک ہفتے قبل ہی اسرائیل سے معمول کے تعلقات استوار کرنے کا اعلان کیا تھا۔ نتن یاہو نے کہا کہ 'امن ریاست اسرائیل کے لیے اچھا ہے، ہمارے لوگوں کے لیے بلکہ خطے کے تمام لوگوں کے لیے اچھا ہے۔' یہودی رہنماؤں سے بات چیت میں انہوں نے کہا کہ میں امید کرتا ہوں کہ اس سال جلد ہی آپ سے ملنے کے لیے آؤں گا۔ اگر ہم نے کورونا وائرس کی وبا پر قابو پایا تو آپ سے مصافحہ بھی کر سکتوں گا۔ اس ویب سائٹ کے مطابق یہودی برادری نے اسرائیل اور متحدہ عرب امارات کے درمیان ہونے والے اس معاہدے کو خوش آئند قرار دیا۔ خبر رساں ادارے اے ایف پی کی ایک رپورٹ کے مطابق متحدہ عرب امارات اور اسرائیل کے درمیان ہونے والے معاہدے کو، جسے تاریخی قرار دیا جا رہا ہے، ممکن بنانے میں کئی اہم بین الاقوامی شخصیات کے ساتھ فلسطینی تنظیم الفتح سے منحرف ہونے والے ایک فلسطینی کا نام بھی لیا جا رہا ہے۔ رپورٹ میں کہا گیا کہ محمد دہلان نامی اس شخص کو فلسطین میں ایک نادر قرار دیا جا رہا ہے اور اس معاہدے کو ممکن بنانے میں ان کے کردار پر فلسطینیوں میں سخت غصہ پایا جاتا ہے۔ محمد دہلان مشرق وسطیٰ میں اس وقت سب سے اہم اور طاقتور ترین شخص، متحدہ عرب امارات کے ولی عہد شیخ محمد بن زید النسیان عرف ایم بی زیڈ کے مشیر کے طور پر خدمات انجام دے رہے ہیں۔ امریکہ کے صدر ڈونلڈ ٹرمپ نے 13 اگست کو اچانک متحدہ عرب امارات اور اسرائیل کے درمیان باہمی سفارتی تعلقات قائم کرنے پر اتفاق ہونے کا اعلان کیا۔ فلسطین میں اس معاہدے کے خلاف زبردست عوامی رد عمل سامنے آیا اور مشتعل مظاہرین نے غرب اردن اور غزہ کی پٹی میں ٹرمپ، ایم بی زیڈ اور اسرائیلی وزیر اعظم نتن یاہو کے پوسٹر نذر آتش کیے اور ان کو بیروں تلے روندنا۔ غرب اردن اور رام اللہ میں دہلان کے خلاف بھی غصے کا اظہار اس انداز میں کیا گیا۔ اے ایف پی نے بتایا کہ 58 سالہ محمد دہلان غزہ میں سیکورٹی کے سربراہ تھے لیکن سنہ 2007 میں جس وقت محمد عباس کی الفتح پارٹی کو حماس نے غزہ سے بے دخل کر دیا اس وقت انہوں نے محمد عباس کی تنظیم سے اپنی راہیں جدا کر لیں۔ چار سال بعد انہیں الفتح سے تخریب کاری کے الزامات میں نکال دیا گیا۔ سیکورٹی فورسز نے جب ان کے گھر چھاپا مارا یہ وہ وقت تھا جب انہوں نے گھر چھوڑنے کا فیصلہ کیا۔ وہ متحدہ عرب امارات منتقل ہو گئے اور یہیں انہوں نے سکونت اختیار کر لی۔ فلسطین میں الفتح اور حماس دونوں نے اسرائیل اور متحدہ عرب امارات کے معاہدے کی مذمت کی ہے اور اس فلسطینی عوام سے دھوکہ قرار دیا ہے۔ وہ اس معاہدے کے پیچھے محمد دہلان کا ہاتھ دیکھتے ہیں۔ متحدہ عرب امارات رابع صدی میں پہلا عرب ملک ہے جس نے یہودیوں کی ریاست سے تعلقات استوار کرنے کا اعلان کیا ہے۔ اس سے قبل 1994 میں اردن نے اسرائیل سے تعلقات قائم کیے تھے۔ رام اللہ میں سیکورٹی سروس کے ترجمان عدنان الضمری نے کہا کہ 'ہمیں یقین ہے کہ وہ اس میں ملوث ہے۔'

جدید خطوط پر استوار ہونے کے لیے برطانوی فوج کا ٹینکوں کے بغیر مستقبل پر غور

در اصل برطانوی چیلنجر ٹینک پرانا ہوجا ہے۔ گذشتہ برس تو اس وقت کی وزیر دفاع نے انہیں فرسودہ قرار دیا تھا۔ انہوں نے کہا تھا چیلنجر ٹینک 1998 سے بغیر کسی جدت کے اس عرصے میں امریکہ، جرمنی اور ڈینمارک اپنے ٹینکوں میں دو مرتبہ 'سروس' میں ہیں۔ جدت لاکھ ہیں، جبکہ روس پانچ نئی اقسام متعارف کروا چکا ہے اور چھٹی تیاری کے مرحلے میں ہے۔ پچھلے دفاعی جائزوں کے نتیجے میں بھی ان ٹینکوں کی تعداد میں پانچ سو سے زیادہ کمی کی گئی ہے۔ ویسے تو اس وقت فوج کے پاس 227 چیلنجر ٹینک بتائے جاتے ہیں مگر عملی طور پر ان میں سے صرف نصف تعداد ہی ایسی ہے جسے کسی وقت بھی تعینات کیا جاسکتا ہے۔ لگ بھگ ایک دہائی سے فوج اپنے ٹینکوں کے بیڑے کو جدید بنانے کے طریقوں پر غور کر رہی ہے۔ ان میں جرمن لیپر ڈیو ٹینک کی خریداری یا نئی گن اور برقی لگا کر چیلنجر ٹینک کو جدید بنانا شامل ہے۔ مگر اعلیٰ فوجی حکام نے بی بی سی سے بات کرتے ہوئے اس بات کی بھی تصدیق کی ہے کہ حالیہ عرصے میں وہ سرے سے ٹینکوں سے نجات حاصل کرنے پر بھی غور کر رہے ہیں۔ فوج کے سربراہ، جنرل سمرارک کارلٹن سمیت، حال ہی میں ایک تقریر کے دوران کہا تھا کہ جدید حربی طریقوں میں ٹینک کا خوف ختم ہوتا جا رہا ہے۔ ان کی یہ بات فوج کی سوچ میں تبدیلی کی غمازی کرتی ہے۔ ان کا کہنا تھا: 'زیادہ خطرہ میزائلوں اور ٹینکوں سے نہیں بلکہ عالمگیریت کے وہ اسباب جن کی بنیاد پر ہم نے خوشحالی اور سلامتی حاصل کی ہے، مثلاً اشیاء، افراد اور نئے خیالات کی ترسیل کو بطور ہتھیار استعمال کرنے کا رجحان زیادہ سنگین خطرہ ہے۔ دفاعی سربراہ 'طلوع آفتاب' کی حامل صلاحیتوں، جیسے سائبر اور الیکٹرانک سامان حرب میں سرمایکاری کی بات کرتے ہیں اور تشریح کیے بغیر 'غروب آفتاب' کی حامل صلاحیتوں، میں کمی لانے پر زور دیتے ہیں۔ وزیر دفاع بین والس نے بھی مستقبل میں تبدیلی کی ضرورت پر زور دیا ہے۔ انہوں نے خلا اور سائبر میں، اور زمین، سمندر اور فضا میں بغیر انسانوں کے دفاعی نظاموں میں سرمایکاری کا وعدہ کیا ہے۔ دفاعی اخراجات میں زیادہ اضافہ کیے بغیر ان جدید نظاموں میں سرمایکاری کے لیے فرسودہ آلات کو ترک کرنا پڑے گا۔ سرمایے کی کمی، بدانتظامی اور عراق اور افغانستان جنگوں میں شمولیت نے مل کر برطانوی فوج کو پرانے آلات پر انحصار کرنے پر مجبور کر دیا ہے۔ اس وقت فوج کے پاس 15 طرح کی بکتر بند گاڑیاں ہے جن میں سے کچھ آخری دم پر ہیں۔ فوج کی 700 واری بکتر بند گاڑیوں کو جدید بنانے کے ایک منصوبے پر تخمینے سے کہیں زیادہ لاگت آئی اور تاخیر کا شکار بھی رہا۔ برطانیہ، میزائل، توپخانے اور آتشیں اسلحے میں ہونے والی پیش رفت میں بھی پیچھے رہ گیا ہے۔ اگر فوج ٹینک ترک کر دیتی ہے تو برطانیہ کو اپنے اتحادیوں کو یقین دہانی کرانا ہوگی کہ وہ دفاع کے دوسرے ذرائع میں سرمایہ لگا رہا ہے۔ خاص طور پر ایک اہم اتحادی کو بڑی تشویش ہوگی۔ جب 2010 میں طیارہ بردار بحری جہازوں کو ترک کیا گیا تھا تو امریکی وزیر دفاع رابرٹ گیٹس نے کہا تھا کہ برطانیہ 'صف اول' کی فوجی طاقت نہیں رہا کیونکہ اس کے پاس تمام جنگی صلاحیتیں نہیں رہیں۔'

IMWS collects £11,000 for the Yemen emergency appeal

The Indian Muslim Welfare Society recently launched an emergency appeal in order to provide much needed respite and aid to the long-suffering people of Yemen.

Despite the Covid-19 crisis wreaking havoc and ensuring Masjid's only reopened recently, the generous people of Batley and Dewsbury donated directly by visiting the Al-Hikmah Centre and giving their donations directly whilst observing social distancing guidelines and online via PayPal.

IMWS collected £9,000.00 whilst the society added £2,000.00 from the general charity fund, thus ensuring a final figure of £11,000.00.

The generosity of the local community ensured the money was transferred by the treasurer Rafik bhai Dhabad, directly to our partners on the ground in Yemen, Islamic Relief who will ensure many many needy and deserving people will benefit.

IMWS Charity chair, Masoom bhai Karolia thanked the local community for their support and resolve in providing much needed help and support for the long-suffering people of Yemen despite having to observe a local

lockdown.

"It was a fantastic effort by the people of Batley and Dewsbury and again emphasised the generosity of the local community who once more helped the people of Yemen once again after donating £21,000 in Ramadhan," said Mr Karolia.

"All of the money which was raised will go to those who are really in need and we would like to thank all those involved in ensuring we provided urgent relief to those in the most hard-hit areas.

"None of this would have been possible without the kind and generous nature of our local masajids, members and the local community. This is something our community has been doing for many, many years and we hope and pray the Almighty keeps us in good health and wealth to continue helping those less fortunate."

With the ongoing conflict in Yemen – already one of the poorest countries in the region – tens of thousands of lives have been lost and over 20 million people do not know where their next meal will come from. A country

crippled by conflict is sadly now on the brink of famine. With families facing ongoing armed conflict, displacement, disease and economic decline, an estimated 24 million people are now in need of humanitarian aid to survive – a figure so high that it is in fact the highest across the globe.

Yemen now officially hosts the world's largest human-induced food security crisis. Families and communities have been torn apart and left without even the most basic of living essentials. 19.7 million people need basic healthcare. Almost 18 million people are in need of water and sanitation facilities, over 3 million people have been left displaced by conflict and on the ground in Yemen, the situation is dire and things are getting worse each and every day.

IMWS is continuing to collect funds for various projects throughout the year.

These include the South Gujarat Project, and Palestine appeals.

To find out more, please contact the Al Hikmah centre by phone 01924 500555 or e-mail: paigaam@imws.org.uk.

Delhi court throws out charges against Tabligh Jamaat

A Delhi court has thrown out a case against eight Tabligh Jamaat members who were facing trial, stating that there was "no prima facie evidence" against them.

The court also discharged an additional 36 members under section 14 of the Foreigners Act and IPC sections 270 and 271.

Although many of foreign Tablighi's accepted plea deals allowing them to leave the country, 44 members decided to contest the charges against them and stand trial in Delhi.

However, Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Gurmohina Kaur, decided there was no case to answer as the allegations against the accused were extremely vague in nature and would not hold any substance in court.

He cited the statements of assistant sub-inspectors Mahboob Ali and Rakesh Kumar and stated that there was not an iota of evidence to suggest the accused foreigners had violated the terms of their Visa: "In fact, there is not an iota of evidence to suggest that the present accused had in any manner professed or were propagating the principles and doctrines of the Tablighi Jamaat or had indulged in Tablighi work as alleged," said

Magistrate Kaur.

"The charge sheet is silent on this fact and the register relied upon by the prosecution only corroborates the fact of their presence or attendance at the Tablighi Jamaat, but it nowhere shows that the accused had violated the conditions mentioned in the Visa Manual."

Mr Kaur also said there is also no documentation on record to suggest that the participants involved were tested for Covid-19.

"Neither the copy of the register seized, nor the list of persons who were sent from the Markaz either to hospitals or quarantine centres, or the list of persons who were part of the Markaz and were tested for Covid, specifically mentions the name of the present accused.

"So as to even show his prima facie involvement or presence, as alleged in the charge sheet, at the Markaz. Even for this court to proceed further, there has to be some prima facie evidence against the accused, which is not so."

The Tablighi Jamaat movement was featured in the news throughout March and April after 955 foreigners were charged by Delhi

Police for allegedly violating Visa conditions, indulging in missionary activities and not following the government's Covid guidelines.

The Delhi Police had opposed the discharge application of the accused persons by submitting that there was "sufficient evidence" on the chargesheet and documents to proceed against them.

Nurbek Dosmukanbet Uulu, a 45-year-old welder from Kyrgyzstan, was among the eight discharged by court. He had arrived in India on December 8, 2019 and spent around 25 days in Patna before moving to Delhi.

"I had left the markaz building much before the outbreak of Covid and was in another mosque in Delhi. I was taken to a quarantine centre at Dwarka from that mosque and had to spend the months of April and May there. At the centre, I underwent 4 Covid tests and was negative every single time," Uulu said.

Uulu, said he is looking forward to seeing his wife and four children back home. "I feel happy that the truth has been established. I did not break any law at all. Even after so much false news and propaganda, at least there are judges who seek the truth."

APEX

TILES & BATHROOM OUTLET

UNIT 7A, VICTORIA MILLS BUSINESS PARK
MILL STREET EAST, DEWSBURY
WEST YORKSHIRE, WF12 9AQ

01924 48 56 85 07510 51 52 53

SALES@APEXTILESANDBATHROOMOUTLET.CO.UK

VISIT OUR EXCLUSIVE NEW SHOWROOM



AMAZING
QUALITY CHOICES
AT UNBEATABLE
PRICES!

SUPER TRADE DEALS
FOR ALL

WE
SUPPLY TO DOMESTIC &
COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

EXCLUSIVE DESIGNER
BRANDS

MASSIVE STOCK
AT OUTLET PRICES

FOLLOW US: APEXTILES APEXTILES

TILES

BATHROOMS

FLOORING

BATHROOM
SUITES

FURNITURE

SHOWERS &
ENCLOSURES

BATHS

TAPS

MIRRORS

RADIATORS

TOOLS

CABINETS

ADHESIVES &
ACCESSORIES

PORCELAIN

CERAMIC

NATURAL
STONE

MOSAIC

OUTDOOR
TILES

FEATURE
TILES

KITCHEN
TILES

OUR OPENING HOURS ARE:

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9AM - 6PM

FRIDAY 9AM - 12PM & 2:30PM - 6PM

SATURDAY 9AM - 6PM

SUNDAY 10AM - 4PM

BANK HOLIDAYS 9AM - 5PM





▶ **3.6 BILLION** ◀
CLOTHES LEFT UNWORN IN THE UK



DONATE
YOUR OLD CLOTHES
AND GIVE THEM NEW LIVES

[Islamic-relief.org.uk/clothes](https://islamic-relief.org.uk/clothes)

f t @ s IRClothes

Haighs

Solicitors



- > House Sales
- > House Purchases
- > Business Leases
- > Lease Assignments
- > Business Sales & Acquisitions



Contact: **Akbar Rasool** LLB (Hons) Solicitor

Mobile: **07969 607 122**

Email: akbar@haighssolicitors.co.uk



Covering Dewsbury
Huddersfield
Leeds, Bradford
and Wakefield areas

124 Huddersfield Road, Mirfield, WF14 8AB