

The Amīr/National President
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,
Dear Brother,

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركابيهُ

Announcement of the commencement of the 83rd year of Tahrīk Jadīd. The importance of making sacrifices in the way of Allāh, and how Allāh rewards them in return.

In the previous year, Pakistan stood first, followed by Germany, UK and USA.

Allāh has made MTA the means for linking the Jamā'at to Khilāfat. Listen to the sermons, there is a lot of difference in listening to the whole sermon as against listening to a summary.

On 11 Nov, 2016, Ḥazrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at the Baitur- Nur, Calgary, Canada.

Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The Promised Messiah مايياليام says that man loves wealth so much that it is written in the books of dream interpretation that if a man dreams that he has given his liver to someone, it means giving away one's wealth. Spending out of one's wealth forms a major part of sympathy for God's creatures without which faith is not perfected. Spending in the way of Allāh is a sign of man's goodness and righteousness. God's pleasure, which is the source of true happiness, cannot be attained without going through temporary hardship. Blessed are those who do not care for hardships in seeking Allāh's pleasure. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Today people think that they can only attain happiness and contentment by accumulating wealth and spending it on themselves. But a believer who understands the essence of faith realizes that Allāh has given us the bounties of this world for our benefit but the true purpose of our lives is to win Allāh's pleasure, to walk the path of righteousness and to fulfil our obligations to His creatures. True contentment comes from spending our wealth in the cause of Allāh. If we look around us today, we will realize that the love of wealth is the source of all the evil and mischief in the world.

Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Today Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya is the only community that spends in an organised way for the purpose of spreading the faith. There are many who undergo much hardship in order to contribute. The Jamā'at has the most excellent financial and expenditure system.

Speaking about the blessings that accrue from giving Chanda, Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Allāh had promised the Promised Messiah that He would grant him a Jamā'at of people who would love him and whom He would cause to grow in faith. Those who strive towards Allāh, Allāh blesses their efforts. There are many examples of how Allāh blesses those who pay Chanda, and such phenomena are experienced by Aḥmadīs in every country. Those who make sacrifices for the sake of Allāh, Allāh blesses them beyond measure.

Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: This Chanda is spent for spreading Islām. The Centre spends this money in Jamā'ats that are unable to finance their budget. Hundreds of school, dozens of hospitals, and hundreds of mosques and mission houses are built every year through the Chanda of Tahrīk Jadīd and Waqf Jadīd. Millions of dollars are spent on MTA.

Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The analysis shows that there is not as much inclination towards watching MTA as there should be and that some people do not listen to my sermons live. The Jamā'at is spending all this money for the teaching and training of the Jamā'at. If you are unable to listen to the live sermon on account of the time difference, then you should at least listen to the repeat telecast. Many non-Aḥmadīs listen to these sermons and write to me about it. Allāh has made MTA a link between Khilāfat and the Jamā'at. If you do not pay due attention to it in your homes your children will start to move away. So before such a time comes that you regret you should attach yourself to Khilāfat and for this the best medium is MTA. Many good programs are broadcast on MTA, but at the very least you should listen to the sermons. It is not enough to say that the Missionary read out the synopsis and we know what the sermon was about. There is a great difference in listening to the whole sermon and listening to a summary.

Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) announced the statistics for the [outgoing] vear of Tahrīk Jadīd. By the grace of Allāh members made a sacrifice of 10,933,000 pounds sterling, which was 1,717,000 pounds higher than the previous year. Jamā'at Pakistan came first in terms of contribution, followed by Germany, UK, USA, Canada, India, Australia, a Jamā'at of the middle east, Indonesia, a Jamā'at of the middle east, Ghana and Switzerland, respectively. In terms of per person contribution, USA stood first, followed by Switzerland, UK, Finland, Singapore, Germany, Norway, Japan, and Canada. Among African countries, Mauritius came first, followed by Ghana and Nigeria. There was an overall increase of 90,000 contributors and the total number of contributors was 1,404,000. Speaking of Pakistan's three leading Jamā'at's Lahore, Karachi and Rabwah, Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said that despite financial hardship, the standard of Chanda in Pakistan is very high. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) also read out the positions of Jamā'ats within Germany, UK, Canada, USA, India and Australia. Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) prayed that may Allāh bless the lives and wealth of all those who have contributed and enable them to make greater sacrifice in future and become firmly linked with Khilāfat.

Please convey these guidelines given by Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) to members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

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