

# The Objective of Islam and the Muslims' Betrayal

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## The assigned role and the failure

For attaining the ultimate success in life, knowing the right aim of survival is crucial. Otherwise, the whole life with its every potential gets spent on pursuing the wrong or trivial aims. This is why nothing is more important for a man and a woman than knowing the true purpose of survival. But awfully, most people live a life without correctly knowing it. Because of such ignorance, survival for the sake of surviving as a successful doctor, engineer, lawyer, politician, sportsman or some other professional becomes the prime purpose of life. Because of being lost in the world life, the endless life in the hereafter doesn't stay in the focus. What could be more shocking than the dreadful reality that most people leave this world without knowing why they were created in the first place? Releasing humans from such awful ignorance is indeed the most important priority of Islam. So, it is the most emphatic Qur'anic proclamation that humans are created for no other purpose than *ibada*. It is revealed, "*Wa ma khalak'tul jinna wal in'sana ill li'yabudun* (humans and jin are created for no other reason but *ibada*)." The significance of all forms of *ibada* like seeking Qur'anic knowledge, five-time prayers, month-long fasting in Ramadan, hajj, charity and glorification of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la can only be understood with the full understanding of the purpose of human's creation. *Ibada* has an objective. It is not an end in itself, rather to serve a great purpose. Even before the creation of the first human, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la made it clear vis-à-vis His vision on humans' creation. In the assembly of the angels, He declared that men and women would work as His *khalifa* on earth. The objective of all forms of *ibada* is indeed to enhance the competence of His *khalifa* to do the job properly; thereby helping them qualify for the best place in paradise.

*Ibaba* and *khalifa* are the two most important Qur'anic jargons. These have special meanings and profound implication on Muslim life. These indeed tell about the mission and the job description of a Muslim. Therefore, to be a true Muslim, one must know the real meaning of these two Qur'anic vocabularies. The tasks of *ibaba* and *khalifa* are intertwined in a believer's life. Because of the immense importance, understanding of *ibabah* and *khalifa* must form the foundation of the Muslims' education system. Only then, a child will be able to understand his role in life. The Muslims' failure never starts from industry or agriculture, but from schools. And it starts from conceptual failure in understanding *ibabah* and *khalifa*. As a result, they stand ignorant of their role and may even turn mercenary for the enemies. The success of the early Muslims doesn't owe to any economic boom or population explosion, but to a proper understanding of *ibabah* and *khalifa*. As a result, they could excel in both fields; everyone became a life-long fighter for the cause of Islam. They were no silent or sleeping Muslim. All were active, and more than 60 per cent sacrificed their life. Such massive mobilisation of people for the Divine cause never happened in the whole human history. So they could be called the best people of all ages. And Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la became very pleased with them –as revealed in sura Bayyimah in the Holy Qur'an.

*Ibadah* means the full submission to every command of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. It is a total and exclusive slavery to Him. While the Holy Qur'an was being revealed, *ibada* or slavery was not a new word in the Arabian Peninsula. The contemporary Arabs knew the full implication of *ibada* and the meaning of *abed* (slave). *Ibada* used to mean a full-time live-long engagement to obey every order of the master. The slaves had no liberty to satisfy their own agenda or wish. They had only one agenda in the whole life and that was their master's one. Any amount of disobedience against the master was a serious punishable offence. The master had the full right even to kill the rebellious slave. In those days, such punishment couldn't be challenged in any court. The Arab people used to recognise it as the master's right to punish his slave as he likes. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la also wants such lifelong full-time slavery from every Muslim man and woman. And He can demand a

sacrifice of his wealth and life for His cause. In return, He promises the endless bounties of heaven. It is indeed a solemn deal with the believer that is mentioned in sura Tawba in verse 111. And the earlier Muslims accepted such slavery of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la' and didn't hesitate to sacrifice their wealth, energy and life to bring the victory of His religion.

The term *khalifa* is used to mean Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's viceroy on earth. It applies to all men and women of all colours and ethnicities. It is indeed the highest designation and honour that a man or woman can expect from his or her Creator. The Almighty Creator delegates such a job of the highest responsibility only to those who are highly competent and trustworthy. Therefore, to be *khalifa*, a Muslim needs to build up his or her competence. In fact, Islam's obligatory rulings like seeking Qur'anic knowledge, five-time prayers, month-long fasting, hajj and zakat are the effective means to generate such competence. *Kahalifa* has another connotation. It means the prophet (peace be upon him)'s representative after his death. Hence *khalifas* are desired to work on his behalf as the ruler of the Muslim *ummah*. The four *kholafa-e-rasheda* (the rightly guided caliphs) are the perfect examples.

The title of *khalifa* also delegates an obligatory responsibility to every Muslim man and woman to work as Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's viceroy in the midst of billions of other fellow creations. Such a designation on behalf of the Almighty Creator tells a lot about the role that a Muslim must play in this world. Investing every moment of life with a deep sense of such responsibility is indeed the expression of true faith (*iman*). Men and women can attain the greatest honour both here and in the hereafter only through fulfilling such a role, and any betrayal of such role can only bring the promised disgrace in this world and take to the hellfire in the hereafter. "*Khalifa*" has another binding political connotation. A *khalifa* can never be sovereign; he can work only as of the representative of a sovereign ruler. The problems start when these *khalifas* turn sovereign and work treacherously against the Almighty Employer. This is why autocracy is incompatible with Islam; this is indeed the ugliest treachery against

Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Such treacherous viceroys always deserve the severest punishment. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la keeps His hellfire ready for such rebels –as revealed in the Holy Qur'an. It is indeed the major crime of the Muslims today that they are not working as His viceroy. They have replaced Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's sovereignty with their own sovereignty. Even in countries where the elected parliament or President has replaced dictators, the same crime of claiming sovereignty is being committed by such elected institutions.

### **Taqwa and the failure**

*Taqwa* is a key to paradise. So, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la warns not to die without attaining *taqwa* (fear of Allah). So it is revealed, "O you who believe! Fear Allah as He should be feared, and do not die except in a state of Muslim (who surrenders fully to Allah)"–(Sura Al-Imran: verse 102). In the above verse, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la has asked to attain the appropriate level of *taqwa*; and also warned not to die without being a Muslims i.e. without being in a state of full surrender to Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's orders. The sole objective of all forms of *ibada* is to generate *taqwa*. Fasting in Ramadan is a powerful tool to enhance *taqwa*. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la revealed, "O you who believe! Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that you may attain *taqwa*" -(Sura Baqara: verse 183).

*Taqwa* is commonly understood to be the fear of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. But what is the nature of such fear? Human beings fear so many things. They fear lethal virus, man-eating beasts, death, disease, financial loss, physical harm and loss of dignity, etc. Is such fear is *taqwa*? Such fear comes automatically to every soul. It does not need any Divine warning. Here *taqwa* has a special meaning. It is the fear of disobedience to Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's commands. It is the fear of deviating from the *siratul mustaqeem*, therefore to qualify for the hellfire. It is the fear of failing in *akhera*. When a man drives his car in a motor way he is constantly attentive to his correct driving. He understands that a slight deviation from the motorway can cause catastrophic disaster. For making such a disaster, it does not need a minute; a few seconds are enough. Hence, for every second of

his journey, he is very mindful. This is his *taqwa* as a driver. And as a believer, he must show the same amount of awareness to adhere to every segment of the Qur'anic road-map. Therefore, a Muslim must pass every day and night with the full remembrance of his duty to Allah and constantly following His sharia. His personal, familial, political, judicial, cultural and economic life must comply with the Qur'anic guidance. Any amount of disobedience against such guidance is tantamount to disbelief and disobedience against Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. These are punishable crimes. He or she will be made accountable for such crimes in the day of judgement. *Taqwa* is the fear of failing in the day of judgement. It is the fear of failing to grow up as a full Muslim. It is the fear of failing to work as *anserullah* (*helper unto Allah*). It is the fear of failing to discharge duties as *khalifatullah*. It is indeed fear of failing to be a part of *hizbullah*.

The Muslims' failure to attain *taqwa* is huge. How a man with *taqwa*, stay complacent in a state that is known for its non-compliance with sharia? What is the contribution of 1.6 billion Muslims as the *khalifa* of the Almighty Lord? The non-existence of sharia in Muslim states gives strong testimony to the fact that *taqwa* didn't work to make Muslims dutiful to their Lord. There are some missing elements. Mere belief in Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la is not enough to build *taqwa*. Even before the birth of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), the people of Arabia believed in Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Many people had the name like *AbdAllah* which means the slave of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. But such naming did not make them Muslim, neither raise any *taqwa* in their heart. Mere *zikh* or remembrance of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la is not enough either. Millions of people recite *tasbeeh* (praises) and do *zikh*. Thousands of sufi khanqas are doing such *tasbeeh* and *zikh* day and night. But how much *taqwa* is being built through such *tasbeeh* and *zikh*?

*Taqwa* is the Allah-fearing state of the human soul. To build *taqwa*, the Qur'anic knowledge is indispensable. It is indeed the most basic ingredient to build up *taqwa*. So it is revealed, "Only the people with knowledge fear Allah (*innama yakhshAllaha min ibdihil ulama*)." So,

ignorance (*jahaliya*) makes it impossible to attain *taqwa*; it works as a bar against becoming a full Muslim. This is why seeking Qur'anic knowledge was made obligatory on the first day of Islam; five-time prayer and month-long fasting were made obligatory more than a decade later. Since the Muslims stay away from understanding the Holy Qur'an, for them, attaining *taqwa* remains a distant possibility.

*Ibadah* is another effective tool to build up *taqwa*. In fact, the Qur'anic knowledge and *ibada* work together to grow *taqwa*. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la reveals: "O humans! Engage in *ibadah* to your Lord Who has created you and those before you so that you can attain *taqwa*"-(Sura Baqara, verse 21). In fact, generating *taqwa* is the prime goal of all sorts of *ibada*. *Ibada* is indeed the gateway towards acquiring *taqwa*. The above verse has another implied message: *ibada* that does not generate *taqwa* can't be called true *ibada*. Because of the intensity of *ibada* in the month of Ramadan, it has special importance in Muslims' life. Fasting is indeed the longest episode of *ibada*. Moreover, since the sole purpose of fasting in Ramadan -as per Qur'anic revelation is to build up *taqwa*, it has special importance. It is highly expected that it will increase *taqwa*. But what is success? Hundreds of millions of Muslims keep fasting in each year, but what is the visible expression of *taqwa*? *Taqwa* can be rightly measured by the degree of submission to the agenda of Allah Sub'han wa Ta'la. *Taqwa* should have led to the full implementation of the prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam that entails the establishment of an Islamic state, practice of sharia and *hudud*, rule by shura, Islamic unity, and jihad. But such original Islam doesn't exist in any of the 57 Muslim countries.

Since *ibada* builds *taqwa*, deficiency of *taqwa* indicates faulty *ibada*. The failed *ibada* has its own pathology. *Ibada* must have the deep Qur'anic knowledge at its core; such knowledge indeed plays the most crucial role to build *taqwa*. The output of *ibadah* called *taqwa* depends directly and proportionately on the degree of the believer's Qur'anic knowledge. *Taqwa* also depends directly and proportionately on the level of investment of time, energy, wealth, intelligence and even life. Five-time prayers, month-long fasting, charity, and hajj need

the investment of time, energy, and money, but do not cost one's life. But jihad needs full readiness to sacrifice life. Fear of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la and the intention to please Him work intensely in Jihad. Hence the highest amount of *taqwa* is build up in the field of jihad, and not in a mosque, madrasa, and *sufi khanqa*. This is why the companions of the prophet (peace be upon him) attain the highest level of *taqwa*. They showed their all-time readiness to sacrifice their lives. In fact, more than 60 percent of them become martyrs. In martyrdom, the level of *taqwa* is so high that Allah SWT will honour them with direct access to heaven without any accountability. In countries where there exists no jihad, the people suffer from a serious shortage of *taqwa*. In fact, the Muslim people of these so-called Muslim countries score very high in corruption.

### The failed engine of revolution

*Taqwa* doesn't survive silently in a believer's soul, rather shows powerful expression through his actions and behaviour. It works as an engine of moral, cultural and political revolution. The establishment of an Islamic state by the early days of Islam was indeed the manifestation of *taqwa*. If a Muslim fails to engage in such a revolution, then it raises doubt in his *taqwa*. *Taqwa* propels believers to strongly adhere to the Qur'anic guidance, hence generates full compliance with sharia. Therefore, the presence of non-sharia law in a Muslim country is a robust incompatibility anomaly. It is indeed a display of blatant disbelief. The absence of sharia in a country gives an accurate estimate that how far its inhabitants have deviated from the Divine roadmap. It is a clear betrayal of Allah SWT's objective. A true believer can't think of it. In fact, jihad instantly starts against such a betrayal of Allah SWT. *Taqwa* works as such an inherent phenomenon that creates a strong urge in believers' heart and mind to search for any undiscovered Qur'anic orders and the prophetic traditions to comply with. His vigilant mind stays fearful that some of the commandments of Allah SWT may remain unpractised. Non-compliance with the sharia law in a Muslim country only exposes the hypocrisy. In the Holy Qur'an, in chapter Maida in verse 44, 45 and 46 Allah SWT has labelled such non-compliant people as *kafir*, *fasik* and

*jalem*. So such non-compliance was not only non-existent but also unthinkable in the life of the early Muslims.

*Taqwa* has other forceful expressions. It inspires people to move beyond the ethnic, linguistic, and geographic boundaries to embrace their fellow brothers in Islam; thereby help emerge as a united political force. Hence dismantling the divisive boundaries of so-called nation-states becomes a non-negotiable political agenda of the true believers. It becomes part of their *iman*. Such pan-Islamic brotherhood was the most common ingredient of Muslims' politics in the early golden days and made them the number one world power. Creating divisions in the name of language, land, and ethnicity could only add defeat and humiliation –which is the major problem of Muslims today. Because of such divisive geopolitics, enormous prayers, mosques and madrasas couldn't help them add any glory.

*Taqwa* isn't invisible. It becomes highly visible in Muslims' life through full compliance with the Islamic prescription. But where is such compliance? Allah Sub'han wa Ta'la made a stern warning against creating division among the Muslims. To receive Divine punishment, one doesn't need to be an atheist or idol-worshipper. Causing division in the Muslim *ummah* is enough to qualify for such punishment –as revealed in chapter Al-Imran, verse 105. But staying divided in the name of language, land and ethnicity has been the Muslims' political culture. Instead of having any remorse, in fact, the Muslims are very proud of such division. They celebrate the creation of such division in the name of ethnic, tribal, or linguistic nation-states; therefore qualify for the punishment. *Khelafa* was dismantled about 100 years ago by the home-grown enemies of Islam like the secularists and the nationalists in collaboration with the foreign *kuffars*. Awfully, those enemies are honoured as heroes and the haram creation gets sanctity in the Muslim lands.

How many of the fasting men and women and of those who offer five-time prayers want to go back to the prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam? How many of them pay any heed to the resurrection of this fundamental Islamic institution? How can one be a true Muslim with the disconnection with the prophet (peace be upon him)? Can a true Muslim

ever accept the dissolution of the institution that the prophet (peace be upon him) established? This is a serious issue. Such a disgraceful disconnection from the prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam can only please Shaitan. The collapse of *khelafa* is not new; it was once dismantled by the barbaric Mongol occupiers. In the absence of *khalifa*, there was no *jumma* prayer in those days. But the Muslims of those days didn't betray the cause of *khelafa*. They were quick to resurrect it. But today, the Muslims have established their own brand of Islam; they show little adherence to the prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam. So they live without *khilafa*, *sharia*, *hudud*, Muslim unity, *jihad* and other fundamentals of prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam. They even prefer to live with foreign occupation and humiliation. Many of them even prefer embracing occupying Israelites and American as friends. So in Afghanistan and Iraq, there are many who strongly oppose the withdrawal of the occupying *kuffar* foreign forces. The issue of *khelafa*, the Muslim unity and dignity have no importance in their life!

### The moral failure

Reconstructing human belief, behaviour and character as per Divine guidance has always been the most difficult task in human history. It is a huge job; needs higher moral quality. It has been the task of the prophets. Even thugs, thieves, murderers and ethnic cleansers like the European colonialists could build empires and bring industrial revolutions. But they utterly failed to bring any moral revolution. Moral revolution doesn't generate in industries. It needs not only Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's guidance but also His constant assistance. Humans can grow up as farmers, politicians, traders and scientists but very few are capable to grow up as real moral being. This is why the world is infested with blood-letting criminals, aggressors, occupiers and ethnic cleansers. In the past, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la had to send more than a hundred thousand prophets with the guidance to bring them to the right path. Calling the deviating people to the right path is Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's own mission. So He declares: "*Inna alinal huda* (certainly guiding humans is My duty). The prophets used to do the job on His behalf. As His *khalifa*, the Muslims are duty-bound to

carry out the same Divine mission. In fact, aligning with Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's mission is the topmost work of piety on earth and the best way to get closer with Him. In fact, the honour of the best nation on earth (*khaira ummah*) is reserved only for the true Muslims –as revealed in sura Al-Imran verse 10); because they are the only people who take it as a mission of their life. But where are those Muslims who could claim such a Divine title of honour? Truly and awfully, the Muslims do not live with such a mission anymore!

A man is created with a body and a soul. Like the body, the soul too needs regular nourishment. Otherwise, the soul can't grow up to meet the desired standard of enlightenment, rather becomes the nest of the Shaitan and his ugly aspirations. The nourishment for the soul comes only from the Qur'anic knowledge. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la has His Own special narratives for His Holy Book. The Holy Qur'an has also been described as the Light (*noor*), the Guidance (*huda*), the best Sermon (*maw'ezatun hasana*), the Reminder (*zikr*) and the Rope of Allah (*hablillah*). The Qur'anic knowledge is so crucial that the journey of Islam didn't start with five-time prayer, month-long fasting or hajj, but with the revelation of the Holy Qur'an. The word "*iqra*" (read) is the first Qur'anic ruling. So, seeking Qur'anic knowledge became the first obligation on the Muslims. In this regard the importance of the month of Ramadan is huge. In this month, the greatest gift of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la –the Holy Qur'an was delivered to mankind. This is why Ramadan has been described as the month of *rahma* (blessing). The month of Ramadan executes the Divine training curriculum to connect the true believers to their All-Powerful Lord and provides the nourishing feed to their thirsty souls. Hence the activities in Ramadan constitute the greatest event in the whole year. In this month, the Holy Qur'an -as His rope connects people with His guidance.

### **The disconnection**

In the midst of strong Satanic temptation, the chances of deviation towards hell are quite high. To escape deviation, it needs relentless connectivity with Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Such connectivity brings *rahma* (blessing). Remembrance of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la sets such connectivity. Any disconnection brings His promised punishment. Allah

Sub'hana wa Ta'la warns about such an awful consequence in the following verses: "And whoever turns away from the remembrance of Allah, we appoint Shaitan on him and Shaitan becomes his companion. And certainly, they turn them away from the right path; and they think they are rightly guided."—(Sura Zukhruf, verse 36-37). Therefore, living every moment with the remembrance of Allah is very crucial.

All the Islamic obligations have been prescribed to address this issue. Studying Qur'an, five-time prayer a day, month-long fasting each year, hajj, charity, *tasbih* and other Islamic practices help sustain such remembrance. In the month of Ramadan, such remembrance gets more intense. Along with month-long fasting, this blessed month brings the regular spiritual feeding in other ways. It arranges long recitation of the Holy Qur'an in the congregation of *tarabih* prayer and also encourages every individual to understand the Qur'an. Islam thus instils the Qur'anic knowledge and its Divine road map in the believers' heart. Moreover, this month has the blessed night of *lailatul qadr* —better than 1000 nights.

### The betrayal

Despite all the Divine blessings and obligatory training curriculum, the Muslims' betrayal of the assigned mission is huge. They have totally failed to discharge the duty as Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's *khalfa*. It is the failure not only of the individuals but also of the institutions of the Muslim countries. The Qur'anic knowledge, five times daily prayers, fasting in Ramadan and hajj can't help achieve any civilizational goal on their own. It needs institutional supports. For that, an Islamic state is indispensable, Islamic state works as the engine to take the *ummah* to victory. If every one of 1.6 billion Muslims attains perfection in Qur'anic knowledge and *ibada*, they will not be able to gain any glory or get any victory over the falsehood. For that, they will need an Islamic state. Even the prophet (peace be upon him) needed that. But the Muslims have failed to understand this basic truth.

Islamisation of people and Islamisation of state are mutually contributory. One helps the other. And the corruption of one corrupts the other. Islamisation of the state is impossible without the

Islamisation of people. And full Islamisation of people is impossible without the Islamisation of the state. Therefore, a believer must work for both. It needs full mobilisation of all societal, state and religious institutions to put their collective strength to keep the people in the right track. It also needs to dismantle all the Satanic institutions that distract people from the *siratul mustaqeem*. It needs to destroy all the wrong tracks that are built to take people to the hellfire. Saving a life is impossible with lethal bugs inside the living premises. Hence the Prophet (peace be upon him) of Islam and the rightly guided *khalifas* did not allow any Satanic institutions to function inside the Islamic state. The prophets expelled all the Jewish people from the vicinity of Medina for their stubborn opposition to the Islamic state. But afterwards, the Muslim rulers became engaged only to protect their own rule. They even turned against Islam to save their tyranny.

Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la revealed not only the prayer rules but also prescribed the judicial, educational, political, economic and cultural rules. Therefore, a Muslim must live not only with the Islamic rituals but also with the Islamic rules. Sharia is Islam's judicial rules and *khilafa* is its political system. And it has also a distinctive economic system that forbids usury, bribery, hoarding, trafficking, gambling, monopoly, oligopoly and capitalistic exploitation of the workers and the consumers. Islam had its distinctive culture too. It forbids free mixing of sexes, extramarital sex, exhibitionism, obscenity, adultery, pornography and displaying any sort of vulgarity. It strongly prescribes strong family bondage, marital bondage, hijab, respect of elders and love for the youngsters. But, how much of these Islamic prescriptions are being practised in Muslim countries? The Islamic rituals still survive, but not the Islamic rules and systems. Millions of Muslims keep fast and offer prayers, but the forbidden practices also survive in their midst. The institutions of sins like brothel houses, clubs, casinos, retailing alcohol and exhibition of obscenity have become parts of their economy. To make more money, the Muslim countries are inviting the sex-tourists from abroad to make use of their seashores and other tourist spots. Thousands of non-government and government organizations are working in the Muslim

countries to teach Muslim boys and girls how to dance, sing and entertain others. Is it the display of *iman* or *taqwa*? Is it compatible with the Islamic faith? What else could be the worst betrayal of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's command?

### The disease and the pathology

The absence of *sharia*, *khelafa*, Muslim unity, Islamic culture, Islamic education and Islamic economy is the symptoms of the disease that has engulfed the whole Muslim world. The real cause of the disease lies in the absence of Qur'anic knowledge and non-adherence to its teachings. The Holy Qur'an is only recited, but not understood. Once it was a book of guidance, now it is a book of mere recitation. The Muslims take guidance from the books written by the *kuffars*. Those who have already decided not to take any guidance from the Holy Qur'an, how can they be interested to understand this Holy Book? The roadmap they follow in politics, judiciary, culture, education, economy is not the same as was followed by the prophet (peace be upon him). Hence, the consequence is not the same either. They earned glory. They raised the finest civilisation on earth and spread Islam. But today, the Muslims earn defeat, disgrace and the enemy occupation. Islam survives only in the Qur'an, the Islamic mission has long been abandoned. So the betrayal continues.16/07/14; 2<sup>nd</sup> edition 29.05. 2019; 3<sup>rd</sup> edition 9.05.2021.

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# The moral disability and the Muslims' downfall

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## The moral disability & the consequence

The most important cause of Muslims' downfall is not any natural calamity or economic collapse or an epidemic of a killer disease. It is indeed the moral disability that has brought them to the current quagmire. Such disability also deters any fresh attempt to rise up as a civilizational force. If not treated, the ongoing disability can lead to moral death. A man then survives only as an animal with a human shape. None of the physical disabilities takes humans to such a disgraceful end. In the annals of mankind, the moral disabilities caused catastrophic calamities –much worse than any earthquake, epidemic, or tsunamis. Hundreds of earthquakes or epidemics couldn't kill 75 million people, but only two World Wars could kill more than that. The ugliest crimes on earth like colonial genocides, imperialist occupations, ethnic cleansings, slave trading, gas chambers, World Wars, and dropping of barrel bombs, chemical bombs, drones, and nuclear bombs are indeed the works of these morally disabled.

Moral disability takes humans to a level much inferior to animals; animals do not show such deviation from their own style of survival. The Qur'anic narratives like "*in hum illa ka'al an'am, bal hum adallu sabila* (Sura: al-Furqan, verse: 44)" (meaning: they are nothing but cattle, rather deviated farther off from the path) gives testimony to that. History abundantly displays such terrible ills. Like animals, such people become insensitive to the Divine Truth. Cattles search only for water, grass, and grazing fields; they do not ponder on Truth. Even miracles make no impact on them. The miracles like a resurrection of the dead, talking while in the cradle, cure of the born-blind, walking across the sea, foods descending down from the sky, water gushing out of a stone -as shown by Prophet Isa (peace be upon him), and Prophet Musa (peace be upon him), failed to impress any

cattle. The same is true with the morally disabled ones. They fail to recognize the worst crimes of the criminals. This is why the morally disabled Muslims turn complacent with the horrendous crimes committed by the imperialist aggressors against innocent Muslim men, women, and children. So, they take the killers, the occupiers, and the bombers as friends. Even hundreds of thousands of Muslims registrar as mercenaries to fight the enemy's occupational wars in Muslim lands –as seen in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Syria.

No nation collapsed or disappeared because of physical disabilities. It is the moral collapse or vileness that destroyed many nations in the past –as happened with the tribes of A'ad, Samud, Lot, Madaen, Pharao, and many others. Because of the same moral collapse, the Muslims failed to sustain as the civilizational power. What could be the worst disgrace for the Muslims that many Muslim countries stand top on the list of the most corrupt countries in the world? What is the impact of their Islamic faith and prayers on the acts and character? About 1.6 billion Muslims claim that they believe in Islam; more than a billion take part in five-time daily prayer and month-long fasting, and several million perform hajj and *umrah* each year, but all those rituals couldn't help them to come out of the awful moral ills. Whereas those prayer modules were prescribed to make the Muslim morally competent to carry out the Divine mission of bringing the overwhelming victory of Islam over all sorts of falsehood (*li'yuzhirahu ddini kullihi*).

All shifts in the course of life –good or bad indeed owe to the shifts in the conceptual paradigm. The moral downturn of the Muslims indeed owes to a huge shift in paradigm vis-à-vis the agenda of survival. Now it appears that the survival agenda of most Muslims don't align with the agenda of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la, rather they serve the agenda of their leaders, parties, tribes, or nation-states -which has no concern with Islam. Because of the deviation from the objective of Islam, they do not bother about the Muslims' defeat and disgrace. They are exclusively engaged to serve their personal interest. Moral purity or excellence only comes from an agenda that aims at pleasing Allah Subhana wa Ta'la. The agenda to serve any person, party, tribal or

other parochial interest diverts away from the sole purpose of humans' creation and adds a corrosive element in morality. In fact, such a perversion in the aim incorporates all forms of immorality and corruption as the expedient means of survival. As a result, "enjoining the right and eradicating the wrong (*a'maru bil ma'ruf wa nehi'anil munkar*)" – the obligatory Qur'anic mission, enjoys little importance. Instead, they get engaged exactly in the opposite mission; so, relish corruption, crimes, and even serving in the enemy armies.

Such an immoral shift in the purpose of survival has generated a new set of self-serving priorities and political culture at all levels. This is why even the worst despots do not face any shortage of mercenaries on the street of Muslim countries. Even those who are known as imams, sheikhs and religious scholars also rub their shoulders with the criminal despots. "Enjoining the right and eradicating the wrong (*a'maru bil ma'ruf wa nehi'anil munkar*)" is not an issue in their life. And sharia, *hudud*, *khilafa*, and jihad have no place in their Islam. Thus, the Muslims themselves display the vilest betrayal of the cause of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Such a betrayal tells a lot about the severity of their moral illness. How can such treachery bring any blessing from Him? Awfully, such moral perversion has fully incapacitated them to understand even the dire consequences of the disease. How could Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la select such morally sick people to accomplish His Own vision? So, the Muslims now stand unseated from the position of His *khalifa*. They indeed show the fitness as well as willingness to work as *khalifa* of the internal and external enemies of Islam! This is why ideological perversion like secularism, nationalism, tribalism, autocracy get so dominant presence in Muslim countries.

### **The best deed & the worst crime**

Moral disease is the commonest and most calamitous disease of mankind. The physically fit people are not immune to it. Now, it prevails as a global epidemic. Awfully, the damage has the worst eternal consequence. In fact, it is a trillion times more awful than any vilest cancer. Even the worst cancer causes suffering for few years. But the moral illness takes to the hellfire not to be ended in

trillions of years. The virus of the disease is conceptual. Therefore, the disease runs through thoughts, beliefs, and ideologies. Since the pathology lies in the soul, can be treated only by curative thoughts, beliefs, and ideologies –as was the methodology of all Divine prophets. For that, the Holy Qur'an exists as the only final prescription. In the history of mankind, only the Holy Qur'an could prove the full treatment efficacy -as could treat successfully one of the most morally diseased people on earth 14 hundred years ago. No other prescription has shown similar success in any part of the world in any time. History has been a witness to many revolutions; some were political, some were economical and some were dynastical. But none was a full revolution. In this regard, Islam is the only exception; it was a full revolution. Islam brought a revolution in people's faith, behavior, character, culture, politics, human rights, dress code, education, spirituality, warfare, and human values. In fact, here lies the greatest and the unique strength of Islam. It possesses the most important and the only curative prescription for all moral ills of mankind. This is why Islam is the only target of all satanic forces on earth. In the whole length of human history, never worked such a huge global coalition against any faith as it is now against a resurgence of Islam.

The deprivation of Qur'anic knowledge is lethal; it leads to the death of the soul. It is indeed the greatest catastrophe not only in individuals' lives but also for the destiny of the whole of mankind. As a result, men and women survive only as biological beings and stay physically fit to execute their all abilities to commit even the worst form of crimes. Thus, they enhance their potentials to add terrible calamities not only to their own lives but also to others. In the past, the world experienced colonialism, imperialism, genocides, ethnic cleansing, slave trading, wars, and World Wars only because of such morally dead people. So, it is the most important task on earth to remove this deprivation of Qur'anic knowledge. People can grow cattle, grains, fruits, and vegetables, but can't grow food for the soul. It is the exclusive domain of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Hence, He sent down the angel with the Divine knowledge to His apostles to address this crucial issue. And the Holy Qur'an survives as the final

and the only unadulterated source of such knowledge. So, it is the only lifeline of moral survival of the whole of mankind. Hence it is the greatest deed to adhere to this Qur'anic knowledge. And it is the move towards the hellfire to get delinked from that lifeline of Qur'anic knowledge. The prophet (peace be upon him) of Islam said, "Those who learn Qur'an and teach Qur'an are the best people on earth". Hence, every Muslim has a crucial role to play; it is to follow and disseminate the Qur'anic teachings.

### **Ancient ignorance is also a religion!**

The denial of the moral ill has terrible calamities. Then, it becomes an obsession to live with the disease. Such moral perversions even thrive as a culture. In such a cultural milieu, manufacturing myths become a common practice. Such cultural practice has the potential to consolidate in the name of religion –as happened in the case of the Hindu faith in India. This is why the Hindus claim Hinduism as the common cultural expression of the people of India. Therefore, numerous myths of gods and goddesses, idolatry, cow worshipping, snake worshipping, river worshipping, and other expressions of primitive falsehood could be easily incorporated into that cultural practices. And whenever such falsehood gets ingrained in the cultural norm, it gains strength to stand against the Divine Truth. This is why Hinduism could effectively protect its falsehood against the Qur'anic Truth during more than six hundred years' Muslim rule in India. Billions of dollars are being spent in India every year to build temples, statues, seminaries, and other cultural institutions to strengthen such cultural fortification. It has also proven that false propaganda could do miracles; it could promote idols, cows, monkeys and snakes to the rank of a goddess. And in such a jingoistic cultural milieu, slaughtering cows is a punishable crime but not massacring the Muslims or demolishing mosques. The people thus take huge pride in becoming the defender of falsehood.

## The replication of ancient *kufr*

Since the ancient ignorance could survive in India even in modern days with its originality, India works as the perfect model for those who want to sustain their ignorance and to stand against Islam. Now the Indian model of cultural fortification against the resurgence of Islam is being replicated all over the Muslim World. Since idol-worshipping, cow worshipping, or snake worshipping doesn't work in the Muslim World, the enemies of Islam have deployed other hybrid strategies. The fortification against the resurgence of Islam is being done in the form of a cocktail of nationalism, regionalism, traditionalism, secularism, racism, monarchism, tribalism, folk songs and other parochial obsessions. Every day, they are inventing new means of distraction from Islamic revival. Billions of dollars are being spent in such projects in Muslim countries.

To replicate such a Hindu strategy, thousands of institutions are built and given sustenance by the anti-Islamic global coalition in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Palestine, Iraq, Syria, and other Muslim countries to run dance, drama, sports, and music classes. As if, these are the causes of Muslims' downfall and miseries! As a part of the project, the former Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif became a great fan of kite flying and Diwali. In Bangladesh, the secularists and the nationalists have become very enthusiastic about the spring festival, the New Year festival, Valentine's day celebration along other festivals. Very recently they have started with light worshipping in the name of so-called *mangal prodip* (the lamp of so-called good fortune). To make it integrated with the ongoing anti-Islamic cultural cum ideological engineering, the hardcore secularists are asking to make it obligatory in the school curriculum. The Afghans and the Kurds are being fuelled with a new sense of pride and festivity on the occasion of Nowruz. In the Arab World, the people are being encouraged to get anchored to their local tribal traditions. The Egyptians are told by the country's autocratic ruler to celebrate the ancient heritage of Pharaoh and keep distance from the prophetic teachings of the Islamic state, *khilafa*, shura, sharia, *hudud*, jihad, and the pan-Islamic brotherhood. This way, the

cultural tide of old *jaheliya* that could keep the people of India and other parts of the world tightly anchored to the ancient belief and practices of falsehood are now showing a resurgence in the Muslim World.

### The consequences of moral death

So the prognosis appears very gloomy. Every day, the Muslims are drifting to a new low. Physical disabilities may make people frail to do anything good or bad, but that doesn't kill the moral ability to know the right from the wrong. Nor does it destroy the ability to worship the Almighty Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Hence, physically ill people can still pursue the straight path towards paradise. But, the moral disability brings the worst calamity; much worse than wild cancer. It kills the soul and morality. Thus, it destroys the whole ability of a man or woman to align with the project of Islam. Islam wants every human must live with the Qur'anic Truth. He or she must work as a witness as well as the defender of the Truth. In one's life, nothing is more important than getting integrated with the Divine project. For that, he or she is called *khalifa* of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la, and his job turns into a life-long jihad. And those who die in defending the Truth is called shaheed –the greatest honor that a man can achieve in his life.

A seed can't grow on a stone; it needs fertile soil and water for that. Likewise, the Qur'anic Truth can't flourish on a dead soul. This is why recital and memorization of the Holy Qur'an don't help those who are morally dead or disable. In fact, the powerful Qur'anic verses are falling on many of these dead souls. Of millions who recite the Holy Qur'an every day, very few could come out as the defender of Truth. Such people make themselves unfit for any Divine guidance. Proclaiming belief in Islam and reciting Qur'an is not enough, it has other obligations. A believer must live with the assigned mission. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la reveals His Own disappointment on those who

distract from the belief and disengage from the assigned mission. So, He reveals, "How shall Allah guide a people who disbelieved after their belief and has witnessed that the Messenger is true and clear signs had come to them and Allah does not guide the oppressors?" –(Sura al-Imran, verse 86).

Such distraction from Islamic belief and its mission is the most common disease among Muslims. Such disease makes them morally sick, hypocrite and wrongdoer. Moreover, it makes them morally incompetent to stand for the Divine Truth. Whereas, a Muslim must show his readiness and competence not only in standing for five-time prayers and other rituals; but also for implementing sharia, *hudud*, shura, *khilafa*, and other basics of Islam –as was the practice of every companion of the prophet. Such readiness and competence are indeed the expression of true *iman* and work as the benchmark of a true Muslim of all ages. Only this way, a Muslim can pass the obligatory tests in this life and enter paradise. About the test, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la reveals, "Do you think that you will enter Paradise while Allah has not yet known those who did jihad among you and those who are steadfast?"–(Sura al-Imran, verse 142).

Incompetence to stand for Islam doesn't build up alone. Such incompetence makes people directly or indirectly complicit in serious crimes against Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. People then work as mercenaries in the army of the enemies, as happened in almost every occupational war of the enemies in the Muslim lands –as happening now in Syria, Iraq, Yemen, and Afghanistan. Because of such blatant complicity of the Muslims in crime against Islam, the Muslims have lost the war many in many vital areas. Sharia, *hudud*, shura, *khilafa*, *trans-ethnic Muslim ummah*, and other qur'anic basics have become non-existent in the Muslim World. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la never recruits witness (*shuhada*) or defender (*mujahid*) for His *deen* from these morally dead or disabled people. Nor does He guide these people towards paradise. Hence come the repeatedly pronounced Qur'anic warnings: "*la'yahdi'Allahu qaomazzalimeen*" (Allah doesn't guide the oppressors), "*la'yahdi'Allahu qaomal ka'firun*" (Allah doesn't guide he disbelievers), "*la'yahdi'Allahu qaomal munafiqun*" (Allah doesn't guide

the hypocrites, “*la’yahdi’Allahu qaomal fasiqun*” (Allah doesn’t guide the wrongdoers). And, those who are deprived of His guidance, can only pursue a path towards the eternal hellfire. Therefore, downfall in this world is not the only calamity; the worst awaits in the hereafter.

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# Why is establishing an Islamic State so crucial?

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## Why so powerless?

The current state of the powerlessness of the Muslims mostly owes to the absence of an Islamic state. The situation has deteriorated so low that the Muslims now live without the full practice of Prophet Mohammad (peace be upon him)’s Islam. So, the understanding of Qur’an and the practice of *sharia*, *hudud*, *shura*, pan-Islamic unity, jihad, and other basics do not exist in their life. Such a restrained practice of Islam is considered by the enemies as the best way of containment of Islam. Any attempt to come out of the control is labeled as a threat to the so-called global peace and security; hence becomes the target of instant annihilation. The issue of peace and security means the peace and security of the global imperialist terrorists and not for the Muslims. So the Muslim villages are bombed and the Muslim men, women, and children are killed in many Asian and African countries by the US, the French and the Russian bomber planes. Even the wedding ceremonies and the burial gatherings are not spared.

The core Islamic practice like “enjoining the right” and “eradication of the wrong” is not allowed even in Muslim states. Any attempt for implementation of *sharia* is labeled as a marker of extremism. And the glorification of any effort for establishing an Islamic state is

blamed as terrorism. Even helping the innocent victims of Israeli atrocities in Palestine faces strict restriction and scrutiny. Thus, a believer is compelled to live without Islam's key mission, vision, and objective. Whereas, submission to such restricted and distorted practice of Islam is only possible after a gross deviation from the Qur'anic roadmap. And any such deviation can only lead to hellfire. To avoid such a hell-bound route, migration to an Islamic state becomes part of the Qur'anic roadmap –as practised by the early Muslims.

### Why Islamic state is the best beneficial institution on earth?

The livelihood of physical sustenance comes from Almighty Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. It is given to all creatures. But the success in life depends on spiritual and ideological rightness. Only such rightness takes one to paradise, and the failure takes to hellfire. Achieving that spiritual rightness is the obligation of every individual; his or her fitness for paradise is tested here. For that, the conceptual premise must stay uncorrupted. And to stay uncorrupted, it needs full immunity against toxic ideas, false beliefs, and fake religions. And to generate such immunity, it needs Divine knowledge. Because of such knowledge, the Muslims who stayed in Mokka prior to their migration to Medina, could survive the conceptual corruption amidst the highly corrosive *kuffar* beliefs. One can produce food and drinks, but can't grow Divine knowledge or guidance. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la has sent down holy books and thousands of messengers to do that job.

For spiritual and conceptual rightness, one needs an ideological environment free from toxic ideas and beliefs and also needs regular nourishment from the best treasure of knowledge like the Holy Qur'an. Only this way one gets rightly benefited from the greatest blessing of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la and can stay aligned with *siratul mustaqeem*. Otherwise, he or she meets a spiritual death and gets deviated to the hellfire. In this regard, the role of an Islamic state is crucial. Such a state does the job on behalf of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la to keep people safe from political, ideological, and cultural corruption and

prepare them for paradise. When a state does its job –as done in the early days of Islam, even an average man achieves spiritual good health and attain the necessary fitness for paradise. This is why nothing is more beneficial on earth than an Islamic state. This is the best project to save people from hellfire. And those who invest their wealth, talent, and blood for building an Islamic state are indeed the best people in the sight of All-Wise Allah Sub’hana wa Ta’la. In its absence, even a Nobel laureate gets lost in a corruptive conceptual quagmire. Through education, culture, and politics, the people living in an un-Islamic state get groomed for the hellfire.

Since Prophet Mohammad (peace be upon him) and his companions didn’t have any ready-made Islamic state anywhere, they needed to build one. It is indeed the most important as well as the most costly and the most beneficial task that the Prophet (peace be upon him) did for mankind. Because of that, the Muslims could build the finest civilization in the whole human history. More than 60 percent of companions sacrificed their life for strengthening and defending the project. Such a state works as the true gateway of paradise. But Satan has his own agenda; he wants to take people to the hellfire. He made it known in front of Allah Sub’hana Ta’la on the first day of his rebellion. So, the satanic forces all over the world stand against the creation of an Islamic state even in a Muslim land. They wish that the Muslims should live without *iman*. For that, they want to de-link them from the Qur’anic teachings. This is why the USA and other anti-Islamic forces put pressure on the client Muslim states to curb Qur’anic lessons in schools, madrasas, mosques, media, and in public gatherings. So, in Saudi Arabia, Bangladesh, India, Egypt, and in many more Muslim countries, not only the Qur’anic classes and Islamic TV channels are closed down, but also many of the Qur’an teachers are put behind the bar.

### **Dangers of an institutional void**

The most important event in the Islamic calendar is not the birth of the Prophet (peace be upon him) or the victory of Mecca, but his migration from Mecca to Medina. It is the most important milestone in Islam’s civilizational growth and in the emergence of the Muslim *Ummah*

as the most dominant World Power. The decision of the early Muslims to begin the Islamic calendar from the year of migration indeed gives recognition to the significance of the event. Only after the establishment of an Islamic caliphate, the Muslims could enjoy a safe and conducive premise to practice full Islam. Only a powerful Islamic state could provide the infrastructural support and security in fulfilling the Islamic obligation of the Muslims to make the Qur'anic Truth prevail over the falsehood. Only such an Islamic state based on pan-Islamic brotherhood could help dismantle the divisive walls raised in the name of land, language, race and ethnicity and could provide the needed space for civilizational growth. The absence of such a core Islamic state could easily precipitate the worst catastrophic consequences -as the Muslims experience today. The Muslims are now forced to live a life without full Islam. They are forced to embrace even the enemy occupation, deaths, destruction, eviction, and ideological cum cultural corruptions.

For moral development, constant nurture in a value-adding institutional environment is crucial. Family, mosque, madrasa, school and the cultural cum educational milieu of an Islamic state constitute the essential parts of such a value-adding infrastructure. In absence of such institutions, the risk of moral, cultural, and spiritual deprivation is quite real. In fact, in such an institutional void, men and women even with full physical fitness turn inferior to the animals -as has been stated in the Holy Qur'an. The Holy Quranic thus reveals, "*ula'ika k'al an'am, bal hum adal* (they are like the animal, rather worse than that)". The naked men and women who live like animals in the jungles of Nicobar Island are indeed the products of such an institutional void. Physically and genetically they fully resemble a man or woman, but they can't fit in human society. Instead, they show more compatibility with the fellow animals. When they see men or women in their near vicinity, these fellow members of the same species quickly disappear into the forest -as shown in documentaries on their life. It reinforces the notion that meeting mere bodily needs doesn't make people true human. The moral, educational, cultural and spiritual needs to be adequately addressed, too. For that, a value-adding vast infrastructure must be in place; otherwise, moral death is

unavoidable. Indeed, an Islamic state provides such a humanizing mega infrastructure; hence it is the most important institution on earth. Because of such a value-adding infrastructure, the best people of the whole human history -like the companions of the Prophet (peace be upon him) could be produced. Because of such a supportive state, the Muslims could build the finest civilization on earth and could emerge as the number one World Power.

### **The state power & the consequence**

Family, community, mosques, schools, and colleges have their invaluable importance as value-adding institutions. But none of these is equal or superior to the state and its powerful infrastructure. The state is the most powerful institution on earth that can add ultimate humanizing or dehumanizing factors to humans. A state must empower its people and the people must strengthen the state. Such a model works in an Islamic state and gives birth to a powerful civilizational force. But such a model does not work under the enemy occupation. The state and its institutions are then run by the enemy and work for the enemy. The people are then treated only as subjects. And the state institutions then become the tool of exploitation, subjugation, de-Islamisation, and de-empowerment –as occurred under the colonial occupation in the past and it is happening now under the occupation of anti-Islamic forces.

The occupying force of a state can easily undo the good works of the social and religious institutions. They can easily manipulate the civic institutions to serve their own agenda. Millions of mosques and thousands of madrasas then stand powerless to encounter the influence of the brutal state power. Even mosques and madrasas can be turned into pubs, clubs, stables, or fodder stores –as happened in Soviet Russia and China during the communist era. Thus, if state power falls in the hand of any evil forces, it can cause unimaginable havoc on earth. Not only they can drop nuclear bombs, occupy countries and turn cities into rubbles, but also can endorse the worst criminals as a god in the public life –as happened at the hand of Pharaoh and Nimrod. The magic spell of state power doesn't end there; it can even approve the most scandalous crimes in the name of religion –as was done in the

case of mass slaughtering wars of the European crusaders in the Muslim lands. It can indoctrinate people even in believing the most unbelievable lies. Cow, snake or idol-worshipping paganism is indeed the product of such state-sponsored indoctrination -that too in the name of religion.

Such manipulative state power can turn the societal space morally and spiritually more dangerous than jungles. A jungle is morally or spiritually neutral. The animals never persuade people in worshiping snakes, cows, or idols: therefore do not guide people to hellfire. Nor do they endorse a tyrant killer like Pharaoh as a god or Hitler as a leader. In fact, the most harmful evil creatures on earth were not born in jungles, rather in states –as is the case of Pharaoh, Hitler, Stalin, Bush, or Putin. Then the state institutions work as the largest evil industry to produce the most murderous people on an industrial scale. Occupying states, colonizing countries, running gas chambers, and dropping nuclear bombs, cluster bombs, barrel bombs or chemical bombs then become the acceptable norms. Such states under the occupation of the evil forces become the powerful tools for making wars, World Wars, genocidal massacres, ethnic cleansing, and mindless exploitation. The state apparatus like media, educational and cultural institutions then works as massive machines to mould people's minds, behaviour, and character to the extent that they grow as the most obedient worshippers, voters and warriors even for the worst killers on earth.

The task of promoting and protecting people's moral and spiritual health is so massive and difficult that it can't be accomplished by mere religious scholars, leaders, or parties. Nor could be done merely at homes, mosques or madrasas. The full *islamisation* of people is unattainable without full *islamisation* of the state and its institutions; both must run together. Otherwise, the people and those who run the state deviate from Islam's hands in hands –as is the norm today in the Muslim World. Hence, for the sake of Islam and the Muslims, nothing is more important than the full *Islamisation* of the state. Such an extreme spiritual cum political necessity has also been emphasized in the Holy Qur'an. The most important Qur'anic obligations

like justice by sharia, rule by shura, jihad for eradication of wrongs, and enjoining the right and borderless pan-Islamic Muslim unity remain only in the Holy Qur'an if the state stays out of *islamisation*. So the Prophet's (peace be upon him) had to establish an Islamic state, and it becomes an obligation on every Muslim to follow him. It is also an inseparable part of *sunnah*. In fact, building an Islamic state is the greatest and the most distinctive legacy of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) that makes him the greatest man in human history. The huge success of the early Muslims owes greatly to the contribution of such a powerful Islamic state. Because of such a state, the Muslims could emerge as the most powerful civilizational force in the world and could better serve Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's agenda. The Islamic *khilafa* appeared as the core Muslim state to protect Muslim interest both at home and abroad. No other faith or religion, nor even the great prophets like Musa (peace be upon him) or Isa (peace be upon him) could build such a state. As a result, they couldn't build any civilization either. For the same reason, Buddha failed too.

### The highest piety

For building a higher civilization, it needs the inclusive involvement of all the state and non-state actors and institutions. To accomplish such a highest act of piety, it also needs indispensable inputs from All-knowing Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Such Divine inputs are made available through the Holy Qur'an. In such an endeavor of state-building, all the believing men and women need to be fully mobilized and engaged –as happened in the days of Prophet (peace be upon him). Islam makes it a binding obligation on every believer. Therefore, for a Muslim, remaining inactive or disengaged from state-building is not an option. In fact, the success or failure of the *ummah* in raising such an Islamic state and civilization depends on the level of people's involvement. In such an *islamising* endeavor, the entire state establishment with all of its leaders, institutions, and manpower must play the coordinating, mobilizing, and leadership role. Otherwise, all efforts meet failure. In prophet's days, not a single Muslim remained

inactive or disengaged from it. Any form of disengagement was known as a marker of disbelief (*kufur*) or hypocrisy (*munafiqat*). No other sector demanded such a massive investment of time, energy, wealth, and human lives than building the Islamic state; most of the companions needed to be on the front line of jihad and sacrifice their life. In absence of an Islamic state, the Muslim Ummah miss the rallying point. In such a void, the Muslims engage in doing the opposites: they fight for disunity and mutual destruction -as is happening now in the Muslim World.

Building hospitals, universities, high ways, farms, fisheries, or industries are definitely good deeds. These add skills and comforts to physical survival. But such economic or welfare works do not add any meaningful moral highness to the people. Nor does it add any guidance to save people from hellfire. But the fate of mankind is decided elsewhere. It is through jihad for enjoining the right and eradicating the wrong. And the best way of doing it is the Islamic state building jihad. Then, the whole state and its institutions become the parts of the Divine mission for enjoining the right and eradicating the wrong. The Muslim countries now have thousands of hospitals, universities, high ways, farms, fisheries, and industries. They have nuclear bombs, too. But that didn't help them emerge as a civilizational force on earth. Neither did that add an iota of glory to the Muslims on the world stage. The Muslims built 57 national or tribal states, each with a different map, flag, and leader. But none of these states has any *islamising* role. The *islamising* objective of Islam can never be achieved by a national, tribal or secular state. Such states are fully incompatible with Islam's core agenda. These states can't match with the Vision of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. This is indeed the greatest calamity of the secular, tribal and nationalist states. Such states with the wrong objective and the erroneous mission can lead people only to a total failure in the hereafter. In fact, these states work as fast-moving trains on satanic tracks to the hellfire. Whereas, it is an obligation that the Muslims must set their state-craft on *siratul mustaqeem*; only then, the state and its institutions can help people reaching paradise. Only then, a state can do the greatest benefit to its citizens. It is indeed the real blessing of an Islamic

state. Can any worldly benefit match such benefit in the hereafter? Therefore, what else can be the act of highest piety than building an Islamic state? It is awful that such a huge benefit of the Islamic state gets ignored. And it is no less shocking that such a distinctive difference between an Islamic and a non-Islamic state mostly goes unnoticed by the Muslims due to huge hostile propaganda of the evil forces!

### **Khelafa: why is it indispensable?**

Enjoining the right (*amaru bil maruf*) and forbidding the wrong (*nehi'anil munkar*) is a key mission of Muslims' survival. But is purely a law enforcement issue. Therefore, can't be done through *salah*, fasting, hajj, charity and other rituals. These rituals are only the means to reach the end; not the end in themselves. And the enforcement of the law can't be done by individuals. It needs law enforcement executive authority –which is possessed only by a state. It also needs a huge infrastructure of policing and judiciary to find out the wrong-doing criminals and to bring them to justice. Therefore, how can the believers discharge the assigned mission of “*enjoining the right and forbidding the wrong*” in absence of a sharia enforcing state authority? Hence in absence of such a state, a great part of Islam remains unpractised –as is the norm in most of Muslim countries. More importantly, without engaging in this obligatory mission, how a Muslim can please his Supreme Lord and can save his soul from the hellfire?

In absence of such a state, *sharia* survives only in books –as happened in the case of sharia that was revealed to the prophet Musa (peace be upon him). The people of Bani Israel were heavily punished for such criminal negligence. Now, the Muslims have taken the same route. In such a context, what else would be the best act of piety than engaging in Islamic state-building jihad? Whoever gets killed in the making and defending such a state is called *shaheed*. And a *shaheed* has a special place in Islam. No one can be a prophet anymore; but the door to become *shaheed* stays open. And in the hereafter, the *shaheeds* will enjoy the highly valued privilege of sitting with the prophets. They are given exceptionally an instant entry to paradise without accountability. The Almighty Lord gets so much pleased with the self-

sacrificing deed that He made it forbidden to call them dead. They stay alive and are given food and drink even after getting killed –as promised in the Holy Qur'an.

### The greatest wisdom of the early Muslims

The greatest wisdom of the early Muslims lies in the fact that they could fully realize how indispensable is an Islamic state. It reflects not only their true understanding of the Holy Qur'an but also the understanding of the socio-political urgency of an Islamic state for the practice of full Islam. Because of such understanding, they didn't confine the practice of Islam within the boundary of their personal or family life. Nor did they restrict it within the premises of the mosques. Their vision was so insightful and their commitment for the cause of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la was so profound that even in the tiny Muslim population of Arabia, there was no shortage of people who sacrificed their wealth and lives to make the Islamic state a great success. Except for some physically disabled ones, none of them stayed behind the front line or remained aloof from jihad. In fact, most of the companions of the prophet (peace be upon him) became *shaheed*. Islam's successive victories, rapid expansion, and the whole glory indeed belong to them. Because of such a self-sacrificing spirit, the companions of the prophet Muhammad (be upon him) are labeled as the best people in the whole human history. Today's 1.5 billion Muslims failed to make contributions of the same size. On the contrary, they made the ugliest part of Muslim history by working side by side with the imperialists as the most subservient mercenaries –as evidenced in Iraq, Syria, Egypt, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. The mercenaries look for money, not for Islamic principles, obligations or higher values. If they get money, they even turn their guns towards the Muslim men, women, and children to please their masters.

Such *mercenarism* is indeed the dominant culture in the civil and military elites of the Muslim countries. They join the government and non-government organizations (GO's and NGO's) to fight for the imperialist causes both at home and abroad. Already, they have shown their readiness to fight any nasty war for the imperialists. So they could drop bombs even on religious schools to kill innocent girls –as

the Pakistan Army carried out on Islamabad's Hafsa madrasa during President Musharraf's era. They can also launch a barrage of artillery shells even on a peaceful gathering of unarmed Islamists –as the Bangladesh Army did in Dhaka's Shapla roundabout in May 2013. They killed hundreds of people and concealed their dead bodies. The Egyptian Army committed the most heinous massacre against the innocent unarmed men and women in Rabaa al Adawiya square in August 2013. These are only the terrible symptoms of a sinister disease, and the disease itself is the absence of a core Islamic civilizational state and its institutions in the Muslim lands. In absence of such a state, no one exists to punish these criminal mercenaries. These hardcore enemies of Islam and the Muslims have taken the full benefit of such a void; they could successfully occupy the whole Muslim World. Millions of mosques, hundreds of thousands of madrasas, and more than 1.5 billion Muslims couldn't end this enemy occupation. Muslims' prayer and supplication are not helping either. It needs some crucially important things to be done –as was the case with the early Muslims. The first thing must be done first, and that is the restoration of Islamic *Khilafa* –Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's only political institution on earth. Only such a state can dismantle the satanic states and their institutions from the Muslim lands. A devil never fails to understand his enemies. Hence, nothing can invite more wrath, more hostile propaganda, and more bombardment from the anti-Islamic global coalition of the imperialists than such an Islamic state-building initiative –as it is currently visible all over the Muslim World. In fact, such enmity of the proven enemy of Islam establishes the exact worth and correctness of the project.

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## **Absence of an Islamic State &**

# the Civilizational Catastrophe

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## The core concept and the obligation

A state is the most powerful institution on the planet. In the past, both the best and the worst could be done by the state institutions. But an institution can't work on its own, it needs an ideology and methodology to excel in its works. The ideology decides which way the state should go: good or bad. In this regard, all other religions do not prescribe any roadmap for state-building. Nor did prescribe any law for societal justice. The founding fathers of these religions were not state-builder either. Therefore, they couldn't present themselves as a role model in politics -the most important aspect as well as the most defining characteristic of the humans that differentiate them from other species. (The Greek philosopher defined humans as a political animal).

Of all religions, Islam is the only exception that made taking part in politics and state-building a religious obligation. And it is the most sacred jihad –a life-long holy struggle. A Muslim is faith-bound to invest his talent, time, wealth and even his life in it. How can a man with an iota of responsibility and civic sense withdraw from making a contribution for the betterment of the most important and powerful institution on earth like a state? Moreover, one can't think of any Islamic polity like an Islamic state, Divine judiciary, sharia, *hudud*, Islamic education, Islamic society and borderless pan-Islamic brotherhood without engaging in jihad. In fact, whenever jihad disappears from Muslims' life, all other indispensable elements of Islam also disappear. Then, Muslim life without Prophet (peace be upon him)'s full Islam –as is happening today. Islam then gets confined only within the rituals like five-time prayer, month-long fasting, charity and hajj. That didn't happen for a single day in the golden days of Islam.

Prophet Mohammad (peace be upon him) -the last prophet of Islam is a role model both in politics and state-building. He fought wars, made negotiations, signed treaties, execute the judiciary, sent emissaries, punished enemies and ruled as the Head of the State for 10 years. Hence, he is unique and exemplary for the whole of mankind. A Muslim has no other way but to follow his model. And it is a Qur'anic dictate that whoever follows the Prophet (peace be upon him), obeys Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. And whoever disobeys him, indeed takes the satanic path towards the hellfire. The absence of the Islamic state, sharia, *hudud*, shura, unity and Jihad in the Muslim life clearly demonstrates that they are not following the Prophet (peace be upon him). So, Satan has a lot to celebrate his victory in the Muslim lands.

Islam has been designed and assigned by Allah Subhana wa Ta'la for the betterment of the whole of mankind. It prescribes all the necessary guidelines not only for individuals but also for the good governance of families, societies and a state. In this regard, Prophet Mohammad (peace be upon him) worked under the direct guidance of Allah Sub'hana wa ta'la and thereby became the perfect model for the whole of mankind. He set examples not only in the field of worshipping the Almighty Lord, but also in running complex statecraft. Having been in the driving seat of the state for long years, he could present himself as the best role model for a ruler. He worked as the mentor for his companions. In fact, all the successes of the early Muslims owe to his teachings and mentoring.

### **A powerful tool: both for crimes and good deeds**

If a state becomes a tool in the hand of devils, then it becomes a tool for committing terrible crimes. Such a usurped state then turns to be a punishing hell. And the state institutions like its army, police, bureaucracy and judiciary are used as the tool of violence, oppression, exploitation, genocide and other dreadful atrocities. In fact, most of the brutal crimes in human history have been done by the criminals sponsored by the states and not by beasts, bugs or natural disasters. In the past, lethal ideologies like racism, colonialism, imperialism, supremacism, communism, and fascism could execute ethnic cleansing, class wars, genocides and global terrorism only because of

the state power. More than 75 million people are killed by state institutions only in two World Wars.

On the other hand, if a state is run by a group of Allah-fearing people adhering to the Qur'anic guidance and the prophetic methodology, can do miracles. The early Muslims are examples. They could achieve wonders by eradicating crimes, enjoining justice and ensuring equality between race, colour and gender. They could bring immense human, moral and social development. They could emancipate the women, eliminate slavery, and ensure security to human lives and chastity. In those days, the Whites, the Blacks, the Arabs, the non-Arabs, the Muslims, the Non-Muslims, the Asians, the Africans and the Europeans could enjoy an unfettered opportunity to roam over the vastest state in the contemporary world and could settle anywhere they liked. Because of Islam's social welfare policy, vast areas of Asia, Africa and Europe were relieved of endemic genocidal wars, inter-tribal feuds and atrocities of the brutal autocrats. As a result, the local people were attracted to Islam. They also opened safe intercontinental trade routes. For the first time in human history, people could enjoy the real cosmopolitan life. Others could build Pyramids, Great Walls, hanging gardens, monumental churches and temples, but the Muslims are only the people who could add humanitarian and social dimensions to mankind. Even the Jews who were persecuted throughout their whole history, not only enjoyed full security but also flourished as the valued citizens of the Islamic *khilafa*. In cities like Baghdad, Damascus, Cairo, Granada, Cordova, Marrakesh, Istanbul and many other cities, prosperous Jewish communities developed.

### **Absence of caliphate and the calamity**

One can feel the importance of oxygen only when he runs out of it. The same is true with an Islamic caliphate. In its absence, the Muslims now suffer from a chain of relentless calamities. Such an institutional collapse and the division of the Muslim World into 57 tribal or national states have indeed generated a perfect recipe for enemy aggression, occupation and an unending catastrophe. The imperialists' exploitation, genocides, mass rape, evictions,

destructions of cities and villages are now common in the Muslim lands. The demographic surge of the Muslims, the huge number of mosques and madrasas around the world, the bulging per capita income in some oil-rich Muslim states and even nuclear bombs couldn't work as the substitute for the Islamic *khilafa*.

The collapse of *khilafa* has indeed precipitated the collapse of the Muslims as a civilizational force. The fall-out of such a collapse has been so awful that it made almost 1.6 billion Muslims the real orphans. The Hindus have India, the Christians have the USA and the EU, the Chinese have China and the Jews have Israel. But the Muslims have none. A tribal or national state can't bear the responsibility of a civilizational state. Such a state has no moral and legal acceptance globally either. In absence of such a civilizational core state, the Muslims in Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Kashmir, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Chechnya, Palestine, Xinjiang and many other parts of the world now suffer from unending persecution, humiliation and deaths. Nobody in the world stage raise any voice or take any step to stop the ongoing atrocities against the Muslims. They are deprived of any voice in the most powerful body of the world –the UNO's Security Council. A country like the UK or France of about 75 million can block any UNO move, but 1.6 billion Muslims have to beg permission to say something in the UNO. This is indeed a definitive expression of the powerlessness of the Muslims.

### **Muslims without Islam!**

A fish can't survive without water. Likewise, a Muslim can't live as a full or true Muslim in a non-Muslim state. It is equally impossible even in a Muslim state under the occupation of anti-Islamic forces. The ruling clique of the non-Muslim states as well as of the un-Islamic Muslim countries permit practising rituals like five times prayer, fasting, charity and hajj, but never offer any space for practising other Islamic obligations like Qur'anic education in schools and colleges, sharia and *hudud* in courts, interest-free economy, jihad against persecution and many other basics. They even put a ban on wearing *hejab*. How one can be a true Muslim without practising such Islamic fundamentals? Enjoining the right (*a'maru bil*

*ma'ruf*) and eradicating the wrongs (*nehi anil mukar*) are the two-prong Islamic mission. A Muslim is faith-bound to work as His Lord's viceroy to carry out this mission; otherwise gets labelled as a rebel. The Muslims are honoured as the best people (*khaira ummah*) only because of pursuing the divinely assigned mission –as revealed in Sura al-Imran, verse 110. Only this way a Muslim registers himself as a helper unto Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la (*ansaerullah*). Thus he works as a *khalifa* (viceroy) to fulfil His vision that entails Islam as the overwhelming belief over the fake religions and ideologies (*li'yuzhira'hud'dini kullihi*).

Under the occupation of anti-Islamic forces, it is allowed only to be the helper of the occupying forces. Any visible pursuance of an Islamic mission is considered a punishable crime. Standing for the agenda of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la is labelled as terrorism. Innocent people are brutally tortured and killed even for raising their voice for religious freedom, let alone practising full Islam. While the people in Gaza was being bombed by Israel, protesting rallies were not allowed in neighbouring Egypt and in most Arab countries. More than a million Muslims in China are taken to concentration camps to delink them from the Islamic faith and practices. It has been very endemic to burn down mosques, religious schools and Muslim businesses in Sri Lanka, Myanmar, India and many other countries. But while all these atrocities go on, the Muslim World continues to keep its conspicuous silence.

The last Prophet (peace be upon him) had to face the same brutal hostility; Islam wasn't acceptable to the enemies. So the Prophet (peace be upon him) had to establish an Islamic state to provide Muslims with a safe haven. Building such a state was made a religious obligation. It is a holy jihad in Islam. Other people fight the war and get killed in the name of race, land, monarch, language and economic interest; and at the end go to the hellfire. But the Muslims fight wars and make sacrifices to live with full Islam, and at the end enter into the paradise. Because of an Islamic state, the Muslims could practise full Islam and showcase its beauty to others. It was indeed the most significant event in the whole human history and

opened floodgates of conversion to Islam. Because of the supportive state infrastructure, Islam could be the fastest-growing religion in human history. Even today, it is the only option.

Even a plant needs a conducive climate, soil and protection to show its full potentials. Islam too, needs supportive state institutions to deliver its full potentials as the most powerful humanising force in human history. In fact, all the civilizational excellence of the Muslims in the past owes to the infrastructural backings of an Islamic state. The enemies know that. This is why all the anti-Islamic forces are deadly against the creation of an Islamic state in any part of the world. They want that the state's organisational power shouldn't be in the hand of the Islamists and Islam must be confined within the walls of mosques and madrasas. It is known to the enemies that the emergence of the first Islamic State in the Arabic Peninsula caused the collapse of two contemporary world powers -the Persian and Roman empires. The history can repeat again. This is indeed the basis of Islamophobia hype in the psyche of the anti-Islamic forces. Because of that, former US President Donald Trump told in public that the US Army will bomb to the ground any Islamic state anywhere in the world.

For sustenance as a civilizational force, an ideological backbone is crucial. Ideology makes people the fighting force for an ideology. The military and economic might can't be the substitute. The USA spends one million dollars per soldier to keep them on the battlefield of Afghanistan and Iraq. But Islam makes people whole time fighter at their own cost. But none of the contemporary world powers owns such energising ideology. The communist world has already collapsed because of its ideological fallacy. The capitalist world survives only on wealth, technology and global terrorism; its ideology has already flawed. Only the Muslims stand with a strong ideological backbone that could defeat Soviet Russia in Afghanistan and now defeat the USA Army in the same battlefield. Along with armies from 40 partner states, the USA spends more than 20 years, but couldn't win against the *Mujahideen*. So, wealth and weapon do not work against a solid ideology.

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# The conceptual corruption & the betrayal of the Divine agenda

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## **The distraction & the disconnection**

The distraction in the Muslim psyche from Allah Sub'hana wa Tala's vision and objective is huge. The agenda of Allah Sub'hana wa Tala is clear, and the Muslims' betrayal of that agenda is also clear. It is His repeatedly declared agenda to bring an overwhelming victory of Islam over all the brands of falsehood and release men and women from the yoke of man-made ideologies and fake religions. The evil forces do not cause the distraction in the name of idol worshiping, cow worshipping or atheism. Most of the distraction from Islam is done in the name of Islam; and not by the *kuffars*, but by the so-called Muslims themselves. It is being done through the corruption of the fundamental Islamic beliefs. And the success is huge. This is why the Prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam - which entails the establishment of an Islamic state, the implementation of sharia and *hudud*, rule through *shura*, jihad for the elimination of the evil forces, and the Muslim unity doesn't exist in any of the 57 Muslim states. So the Muslims are living without Qur'anic Islam.

Likewise, the damage to the Qur'anic teaching is being done in the name of respecting Qur'an. That too, is being done by the people who claim to be Muslim religious scholars. They have

been highly successful to limit the Qur'anic studies in the form of mere recitation without understanding. On the other hand, the final Prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) has been projected as a man with peaceful co-existence with everybody. As if, he has no quarrel or war with anybody and was acceptable to everybody. He has been portrayed to fit into the *sufi* and Tablighi brand of Islam. As a result, the most significant role of his life as the most successful Head of a state and as the most successful General of an Army that helped Muslims win series of wars and emerge as the most dominant World Power in those days remains almost hidden. Hence, the satanic project of limiting Islam within the rituals like five time prayers, month-long fasting, hajj and charity has been very successful. The continuing downfall of the Muslim owes to this deep distraction from Qur'anic roadmap and wide deviation from the Prophet's tradition. Because of that, the Qur'anic guidance and sharia laws are found only in the Holy Qur'an; not in Muslim life. And the Prophet's tradition of state-building and civilization raising survives only in history books.

The enemies' war against Islam and the Muslims has many frontiers with so many strategies. They recruit a lot of Muslims –even so-called religious scholars as their soldiers. Most of the damages against Islam are done not by the non-Muslims but by these so-called Muslim scholars. Even the *kuffer* colonial occupiers found many so-called religious scholars to support their occupation. Even *jihad* against the enemies was declared defunct by them. They have damaged even Islam's own methodology to build a connection with Allah Sub'hana wa Tala. That too is done in the name connecting with Allah Sub'hana wa Tala –as the *sufi* cults have done through centuries.

The Holy Qur'an helps people to show the straight path to paradise only when it is rightly understood and followed. So understanding Islam and full adherence to it is the most

important element in Muslims' life. This is why getting educated on the fundamentals of Islam and on the Holy Qur'an was made obligatory first of all for all the Muslim men and women; five-time prayers, month-long fasting and hajj were made compulsory more than 10 years later. "Iqra" as the first proclamation in the Holy Qur'an has a significant message for every Muslim. But awfully, it is being told through centuries by the Muslim sheikhs that mere recitation of Qur'an brings huge reward. Therefore, millions of Muslims didn't feel any urge to go beyond that. So, the Muslim children in Indonesia, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Malaysia Afghanistan, and many other countries are taught how to read the Holy Qur'an; but not to understand it. They stay focused only to get rewards and not getting guidance. Whereas, understanding the Holy Qur'an was taken so seriously by the early Muslims that the non-Arab people of Egypt, Iraq, Syria, Sudan, Libya, Algeria, Morocco, Mali, Tunisia, and many others buried their mother tongue and learned Arabic. It was indeed the biggest linguistic revolution in human history.

It is revealed, "Whoever firmly holds the Qur'an, he is guided onto the way of *siratul mustaqeem* (the right path)." Firmly holding the Holy Qur'an means firmly adhering to the embedded guidance; for that, it needs the proper understanding. Mere recitation of a roadmap doesn't pull anyone to the right destination. For that, following the roadmap is crucial. Otherwise, one gets lost in a wrong path; and this is indeed the situation of the Muslims today. The Holy Qur'an is called *hab'lillah* (rope of Allah); hence, whoever holds firmly the Holy Qur'an gets connected with Allah Sub'hand Ta'la –as revealed in sura Al-Imran verse 101. Here, it is about the connectivity of the soul; and Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la connects the souls of the believing men and women with His Own Self through the bundle of messages that He has passed onto the believers through the Holy Qur'an. Whenever one recites those Qur'anic messages in the *salah*, he gets connected with his Almighty Lord; this is indeed the immense benefit of 5 times

prayers.

Ignorance works as a strong barrier against such connectivity; whereas knowledge of the Holy Qur'an strengthens it. Satan promotes ignorance, and Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la promotes knowledge. Qur'an has been revealed to serve this purpose. So it is revealed: "Innama yakh 'shAllaha min ibadihil ulama" (Of all creation, only the people of knowledge fear me). So, fear of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la (*taqwa*) gets generated only through Qur'anic knowledge; and fear of Him is the true marker of the Divine connectivity. This is why, there is a narration from the Prophet (peace be upon him) that whoever spends some time in understanding Qur'an, it is valuable than anything else of the world.

And the connectivity with Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'ala is visible with open eyes. It is indeed the most distinctive feature of Muslim men and women that makes them different from the others. Such connectivity gets overtly expressed through their full alignment with the political, spiritual, social, cultural, economic, and military agenda of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'ala –as revealed in the Holy Qur'an and as has been practiced by the Prophet (peace be upon him) and his companions. Such connectivity of the believers gets expressed through the investment of their talent, time, wealth, labor, and even blood to bring the victory of Islam over the falsehood. No victory is free of cost, and a Muslim pays the price through jihad. So, jihad surely comes to every Muslim's life. This is why one can't find a single companion of the Prophet (peace be upon him) who didn't engage in jihad. In those days, the absence of jihad was recognized as a clear sign of a *kafir* or *munafiq*. Hence, establishing an Islamic state, implementation of sharia and *hudud*, dismantling the dividing barriers that are raised in the name of the language, race, and region, and solidifying the Muslim unity and the rule through shura are the defining markers of the connectivity with Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. These are the

markers of *taqwa*. The absence of such markers is indeed the clear proof of connectivity with Satan. And the tide of ideologies like nationalism, secularism, racism, tribalism, fascism, monarchism, and liberalism in the Muslim lands is in fact the pure proof of the satanic connection.

*Zikr* (remembrance) of Allah Sub'han wa Ta'la is the most powerful tool to build up a strong direct link with the Almighty Lord. Whenever a person remembers Him, He too, remembers him. *Fazkuruni azkurukum* (you remember me, I will remember you) is His promise –as revealed in *sura Baqara*. Thus, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la provides all-time open access to every man and woman to tell Him whatever he or she wants to tell. He also teaches the best supplication in the Holy Qur'an. Hence, there exists no need for any intermediary role of any saint, *pir*, or *darwish* to make any recommendation. And the best *zikr* is *salah*. So, a Muslim enjoys an opportunity to get connected with Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la at least five times a day through obligatory prayers.

However, *zikr* has a wider and deeper connotation. *Zikr* is not the mere remembrance of His name and the attributes. Rather, it is the remembrance of the message, the guidance, the duties, the roadmap, and the obligation that have been revealed in the Holy Qur'an. It is also about deep contemplation and repents over failures and weaknesses. It is the task to be done in privacy; daily prayers are designed for that. In those golden days of Islam, the task of strengthening the connectivity with Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la was taken by the people themselves; there was no professional class of *pir*, *darwish*, saint or *sufi* to work as the intermediary. No *sufi khanqa* or shrines were built as the special premises for *zikr*; nor the Muslims were taken out of the mosques to do that. But again, huge damage has been done against the institution of *zikr* in the name of *zikr*. Instead of building direct connectivity with Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la, people are encouraged to rely on a business clan flourishing in the name

of an intermediary. As a result, the people have been left unmindful of their own duty.

Huge damage has been done to the fighting spirit of *islah* for the reconstruction of the state and the societies is done in the name prayers (*salah*). The people of *Tabligh Jamaat* have been successful to distract millions of Muslims from Islam's prime agenda of bringing victory of Islam over the falsehood. Their focus is very exclusive; they are not interested in the Divine mission of "*aamaru bil maaruf*" and "*nehi anil munkar*". The issues like implementation of sharia, *hudud*, and *khilafa*, launching jihad for ending the enemy occupation, and establishing an Islamic state do not fit into their agenda. Their agenda is confined mostly within the five times prayers. They do not bother to call the Muslims to follow the full Islam. Whereas, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la makes it obligatory to embrace the full Islam (*udkhulu sis silmi ka'affa*). Thus, they are adding a new and disastrous diversion to the Ummah.

### **The conceptual occupation**

The foreign occupation, deaths, rape, destruction, and the eviction of the Muslims from their own homes are only the symptoms; the disease of the *ummah* lies much deeper. It is embedded inside the conceptual premise. Humans' every deed, behavior, politics, culture, character, and warfare are indeed the expression of his conceptual paradigm. So, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la reveals, "Tell (O Muhammad), everyone act as per his conceptual format (*shakela*), and your Lord knows the best who is best guided in the path." –(Sura Isra, verse 84). In the above verse, the word "*shakela*" is used. The word *shakela* means format, shape or model. But it is not the physical format that shapes humans' character, behavior, culture or acts; it is indeed the conceptual model or the paradigm. So, it is emphasized in the above verse that any shift in human's attitude, behavior, culture, and politics needs a shift in the paradigm. The first thing must be done first; so it is the Sunnah of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. So He made '*iqra*' the first

proclamation in the revelation. 'Iqra' is a metaphorical expression to emphasize reading and understanding of the Holy Qur'an as the foremost obligation; the other obligations like five-time prayers, fasting, charity, and hajj came more than 10 years later. On the other hand, the consequence of staying away from the learning endeavor is catastrophic. They will stay deviated in this worldly life and will be raised in blind in the hereafter –as revealed in sura Isra, in verse 72.

Because of the conceptual difference, a secularist, nationalist, racist, fascist, or liberalist visibly differs from an Islamist in all aspects of life. This is why every meaningful social revolution indeed owes to the revolutionary changes in the conceptual premise of the people. The prophet (peace be upon him) took 13 years in the city of Mokka to bring a conceptual revolution in the early Muslims' minds before raising an Islamic state and society in Medina. As a result, he could get a group of war-ready people who were prepared to make every *sacrifice* to promote the cause of Islam. But the enemies of Islam damaged the prophetic methodology. The deep secularisation process during the anti-Islamic rule of the foreign and native occupiers has reversed the whole process of Islamisation. As a result, the whole conceptual premise of the Muslim *ummah* now stands occupied by evil ideologies. So, the Muslim countries are producing more enemies of Islam than soldiers.

Since the de-Islamisation process still continues, the Muslims' downfall also continues. Because of the conceptual perversion, the political and ideological forces in the Muslim countries stand fiercely inimical against Almighty Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's agenda. They are more aligned with the *kuffars*. So, the imperialists, the nationalists, the monarchists, the secularists, and the cruel despots get more soldiers in the Muslim World than are found for fighting for Islam. As a result, Islam stands defeated. Like the *kuffars*, the occupying forces of the Muslim countries, too look happy

with the annihilation of the early days' Islam. They are also desperate to crush any chances of Islam's revival. Because of such a culture of animosity towards Islam, the most revered Islamic jargons like jihad, *khilafa*, sharia, *shura*, *ummah*, *ittehad* and *hudud* have turned taboo even amidst the Muslims. What Abu Jahl or Abu Lahab used to do with the early Muslims, they are doing the same against those who want to bring back the Islamic rule. They are either being killed or put in prisons. The conceptual distortion has gone so worse that even fighting against the occupation of foreign *kuffar* is criminalized; it is called terrorism. With such a toxic mindset, even the US-led occupation of Afghanistan and Iraq with the death of about 1.5 million and destruction of numerous cities and villages got sanitized -not only by the *kuffar* states but also by many of the Muslim states. In such a culture of perversion, even the rule of the most inhuman despotic autocrats over the Muslim countries is also tolerated with a deep silence of approval.

### **The betrayal**

The Muslims have hugely increased in number. But they adopted a culture of betrayal of the core Islamic agenda. Therefore, a population of 1.5 billion fails conspicuously to add any glory or success to Islam and the Muslims. They live without true Islam. Whereas, Islam is the only prescribed religion for the whole mankind; as it is revealed: "*innad dina endallihil Islam*" (certainly, Islam is the only acceptable religion unto Allah). Compliance with the Divine prescription brought them glory in the past, but now they are making a history of dreadful decadence by belligerent non-compliance with Islam. Opposing *sharia*, *hudud*, *khelafa*, jihad, and Muslim unity is no more a crime limited to *kuffars*, also getting committed by those who claim to be Muslim and the followers of the Prophet (peace be upon him). How such betrayals can bring down any Divine blessing? Is it not the way to qualify for the punishment in the hereafter?

How crucial is the implementation of Islam's sharia law, *hudud* and other principles have never been an obscure issue, It has been made very clear many times in the Holy Qur'an. It is revealed: "He has made plain to you (O Muhammad) of the religion (*deen*) what He commanded upon Noah and that which We have revealed to you, and that which We commanded upon Ibrahim and Musa and Isa –to establish the religion (*deen*) and not be divided therein."–(Sura as-Shura, verse 13). Hence, the establishment of *deen* is crucial. It is non-negotiable. Compromise on this issue tantamount to disbelief that makes *kafir*. The above verse has a huge ground-breaking implication; brings revolution in Muslims' minds and deeds. It brings obligatory jihad in their life. This is why none of the Prophet's (peace be upon him) companion stood away from it; more than 60 percent of them became martyrs. Every bit of Islam was ordained to be fully practiced. None of its laws (sharia), punitive codes (*hudud*) and other directives to be defunct. Nor should be confined within the premise of private life –as envisaged by many through some rituals, supplication, and recitation.

The issue of practicing Islam at the social, political, cultural, and state-level has always been the prime agenda of the final Prophet (peace be upon him). To demonstrate the whole methodology of implementation of Islam, he needed to be the head of the Islamic state. So politics was the part of his life. From day one in Medina, he demonstrated how to practice Islam at the community, state and international levels. He fully showcased Islam as the complete code of life. Since no society, state or ruling clique provides any empty space for the implementation of sharia and other Islamic obligations, the real test of *iman* starts in politics. Standing face to face against the war-ready *kuffars* becomes indispensable; even the kindest man in the whole human history like Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) couldn't avoid such imposed war.

In the Holy Qur'an, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la has revealed His

Own agenda thrice using almost the same narrative. To make any Divine decree obligatory, a single Qur'anic proclamation is enough. But, Almighty Lord has preferred to repeat it thrice: it came in sura Taubah, sura Fatah and sura Saf. Such repetition has added an extra importance to His agenda. The common text in all three verses is the same and comes as "*liyuzhirahu alad dini kullihi*". It is indeed the core intent of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. It means "to make His din (Islam) prevail over all other creeds or religions". Such revelation of His vision has indeed a huge implication on those who sincerely believe in Him and has true love for Him. It sets the agenda of a true believer's life. Nothing is more sacred in his life than full congruence with his Almighty Lord's vision.

### The dysfunction & the moral collapse

Islam aims to make people fit for paradise. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la doesn't give corrupt humans access to His paradise. It is only for the pure people. For that, everyone needs to go through a purifying process. Islam's five-time prayers, fasting, charity, hajj and the Islamic state with its politics, education, culture, and judiciary are the indispensable parts of the process. Enjoining the right (*amaru bil maruf*) and eradication of the wrong (*nehi anil munkar*) is also crucial for social purification. If all these elements work properly, only then the Muslims can attain the promised rank of *khaira ummat* (the best nation) in the midst of the whole mankind. The early Muslims could achieve that; they became the showcase of true Islam. Because of the high level of moral purification, they could cause huge religious conversion in Asia, Africa, and Europe. But later on, the purifying process became dysfunctional; as a result, the downfall started.

The Muslim states now stand occupied under the home-grown evil

forces. They build a huge infrastructure of corruption with the taxpayers' money. The whole civil and military administration, the police, the judiciary, the educational institutions, and even the religious bodies become servile tools in their hand to spread corruption. This is indeed the greatest catastrophe in the whole Muslim history. If a state gets corrupted, everything gets corrupted. So, it proves how crucial is it to keep the state free from criminals. It helps to understand why Allah Sub'hana Ta'la gives the highest honor to those who sacrifice their life to free the state from the evil forces. And it also helps to understand why spending even a moment for defending the state is better than spending the whole night in supplementary (*nafal*) prayers. It also illuminates why the highest seat of power must go to the best man in the country. But the Muslims have failed on all these counts. The seat where the Prophet (peace be upon him) used to sit has now been seized by the criminal despots. Now the whole Muslim World stays under their occupation. As a result, the downhill march of the Ummah has got an accelerated speed. Instead of becoming the best people on earth, they could go on to the level of the worst people on earth. Even the cow-worshipping Indian idolaters could show better political sense than these corrupt Muslims. Despite their ethnic, linguistic, and cast differences, more than one billion Hindus could stay united in one country.

As a consequence of moral collapse, they are doing greater harm to Islam and the Muslims. Because of them, the religious conversion rate to Islam now stands very low. What a few million Muslims could do in the early days, 1.5 billion Muslims can't do even a fraction of that. Dense clouds can hide even the glowing sun; likewise, a huge bulk of corrupt Muslims could successfully hide the real Islam. Along with hiding Islam, they are doing another big crime. They are showcasing huge disbelief towards Islam through their practices. Thus, they doing the job of the worst enemies of Islam. They have even proven their worth as the partner of the

external enemies to subvert any effort of Islamic resurgence in any Muslim land. Because of them, the bombing campaign of USA, Russia, France gets support in the Muslim countries. They also nullify Islam's core project of eradicating the wrongdoers (*nehi anil munkar*). As a result, they are inviting more Divine punishment on Muslim lands.

Corruption breeds corruption and makes people's souls hostile to any faith. It is a moral disease that kills the faith and moral instincts of humans. For faithful moral survival, therefore, it needs the total eradication of the source of corruption. Hence, Almighty Lord has prescribed the curative measures, too. Mere enlightenment with Qur'anic knowledge and the religious rituals do not help cure the disease. Full implementation of sharia and hudud is obligatory to eliminate the source of the disease. But the Muslims' failure in enjoining the right and eradicating the wrong is huge. When some Muslim countries score as the most corrupt countries in the world, it reveals the real disease of the Muslims. It shows how the Muslims are failing to grow up as true Muslims. The huge number of mosques, madrasas, schools, and colleges can't hide such failure. Such moral failure gives a true estimate of the Muslims' downfall as a civilizational force. It shows how badly they are failing to work as the viceroy (*khalifa*) of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Since *sharia*, *hudud* and the Islamic judiciary do the cleansing part of the job against corruption, the Muslims can't regain moral health without their full implementation. In absence of such a cleansing tool in place, corruption climbs up at an alarming rate. In Islam, the importance of *sharia* and *hudud* is so high that Almighty Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la has labeled those who do not run the judiciary as per revealed law (*sharia*) as *kafir*, *zalim* and *fasik*.—(Surah Maidah, verse 44, 45, 47). But, the Muslims show the betrayal of the Qur'anic prescription. Now, the betrayal is showing its ugliest face. The rulers of most of the Muslim countries now stand shoulder to shoulder with the *kuffars* against the implementation of *sharia*, *hudud*, *khilafa*, *jihad*,

and other basics of Islam.

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# Denial of the Qur'anic guidance & the earned calamities

## crime & the punishment

Islam's glory doesn't lie in the size of the geographical landmass; nor in the number of Muslims, mosques, madrasas, minarets, Islamic arts and other artefacts. These are not the markers of Muslims' success. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la will not ask about these things on the day of judgement. The prophet (peace be upon him) and his great companions showed little interest to engage in those things. The true glory and strength of Islam lie in the full submission to the Qur'anic guidance and full practice of the sharia laws -that were framed by none but by the All-knowing Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Only this way, a believer strengthen bondage with his Almighty Creator. Only because of the full adherence to the Divine guidance, the Muslims could build the finest civilisation on earth in whole human history. The Muslims build an Islamic state, raise an army, spread education and run judiciary only to ensure and enhance the full submission to the Qur'anic guidance. Only this way they earn the blessing of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la -both here and in the hereafter. What could be the worst and the ugliest crime against Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la than denial of space for His sharia and *hudud* in the courts of the Muslim states? How one can claim to be a Muslim with such an abhorrence of His law? A king is honoured only through full obedience to his laws; not by hollow chanting of his names. What could be the worse dishonour and crime if his rules are ignored or rejected by the people? In the rule of law, a man gets punished even for dishonouring a court order.

Awfully, the Muslims are committing serious crimes by rejecting the law of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la -the Mighty King of the whole universe. A true Muslim can never think of that. It is a great rebellion against His sovereign power; belief in Him gets totally discredited by such crime. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's verdict on such crime is very clear; these criminals are labelled as kafir (disbeliever), zalem (oppressor) and fasiq (disobedient, rebel) –as mentioned in chapter Maida in verses 44, 45 and 47. Five times prayer, month-long fasting, hajj and charity can't undo such divine labelling. Appallingly, these are the criminals who currently run the Muslim countries; and the common citizens pay taxes to help pursue their belligerent crimes. As a result, the Muslims are deprived of the benefits of sharia law and *hudud*. It is indeed the state-sponsored utter deprivation of Divine guidance. As a result, Satan and his followers can easily claim leadership of these ideologically lost and spiritually depleted people. This is why, even the worst tyrants, the infidels and the evil ideologies get millions of followers in the Muslim lands. With such deep deprivation of moral guidance, how a Muslim can follow *siratul mustaqeem*? Therefore, like a blind man, such a morally and spiritually incapacitated man follows anyone claiming to be a leader and easily falls in the satanic trap.

Deprivation of the Divine guidance is indeed the worst crime of all crimes. A killer can kill a man and a rapist can rape a woman, but they don't take the victims to the hellfire. But a devil running a state can take millions of people to the hellfire. The whole statecraft then becomes the hell-bound vehicle. The state policies, the politics, the institutions, the education and the culture work as servile instruments in the hands of devils. This is why the greatest good deed in Islam is not to build a mosque or a madrasa but to free a country from the rule of devils and to Islamise it. It is indeed the costliest task on earth; more than 60 per cent of the companions of the prophet (peace be upon him) sacrificed their life for that. And it opens paradise for the martyrs without any trial.

Those who get the labels like *kafir*, *zalim* and *fasiq* from Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la, can they expect any mercy from Him or space in

paradise? These are the labels of the worst criminals. They deserve only the punishment –both here and in the hereafter. The Muslims are blessed people on earth. No nation on earth possesses the greatest gift of Allah Sub’hana wa Ta’la like the holy Qur’an. But awfully, the Muslims have failed to translate this Book of guidance into deeds. Instead of following this Divine guidance, they follow their own whims or evil ideologies. They take secularism, nationalism, tribalism and autocracy as the politics, capitalism as the economy and western materialism as the way of living. And the Qur’anic guidance gets ignored everywhere. Thus the greatest crime against Allah Sub’hana wa Ta’la is committed by the Muslims. And it is also true that punishing a crime is the core principle of Allah Sub’hana wa Ta’la; hence no crime goes unpunished. For the same reason, the people of Bani Israel couldn’t escape the punishment either. In fact, the Muslims are already in the receiving end of the punishment –as promised in the Holy Qur’an, in different forms. Enemy’s wars, military occupations, defeats, deaths, destructions and humiliation are already working as tools of Divine punishment in the Muslim lands.

### **Sharia is indispensable**

Islam’s every law and its punitive prescription reflects the greatest wisdom of Allah Sub’hana wa Ta’la. It works as a tool to enforce the Divine justice on earth and eradicate crimes. It is indeed the humanising as well as the social reforming arm of Islam. Five-time prayers, month-long fasting, charity, and hajj bring purification to individuals; but the purification of the social, state and civilizational arenas comes only through full implementation of sharia. Hence, it is impossible to build a peaceful and corruption-free society without sharia. If there was any such possibility, sharia wouldn’t have been prescribed by All-knowing Allah Sub’hana wa Ta’la. In fact, the past glory of Islam in achieving its civilisation excellence owes to its sharia laws. Law is the ultimate marker of the intellectual, spiritual and moral health of humans. Even in old days, humans showed their technological excellence; they could build pyramids, Great Wall and hanging gardens. But they failed tremendously

in differentiating the right from the wrong and framing fair humanitarian laws. So, crimes like slave-trading, racism, ethnic cleansing and genocide could be practised as lawful acts! And the women could be deprived of property rights and were treated as household staffs.

Sharia is so crucial in Islam that without its implementation, Islam can't reach its target. Nor can be fully practised. Neither can deliver its most cherished benefits to mankind. Then, the Qur'anic project of delivering justice to the people remains non-functional. The Muslim Ummah does not have any shortage of people who perform religious rituals; more than a billion do that regularly all over the world. But such rituals didn't add up any glory, peace and tranquillity to the Muslims; nor could end the foreign occupation and humiliation. In the holy Qur'an, the Muslims are described by Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la as the best people on earth (*khaira ummah*). But such a great honour doesn't owe to five-time prayers, month-long fasting, charity or hajj. As per Qur'anic narrative, the Muslims get such a great honour only because of their great survival mission like enjoining the good deeds (*a'maru bil maruf*), eradicating the crimes (*nehi anil munkar*) and firm belief in Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la –as revealed in chapter al-Imran, verse 110.

Therefore, in order to earn such an honour and to fulfil Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la's expectation, the Muslim must put into practice the Divine tool of social justice called sharia. The state that implements sharia becomes the safest place on earth for the people of all races, colours, creeds –as happened in the early days of Islam. Therefore, those who stand against sharia, indeed stand against Allah –the Almighty. It is a serious crime to drive people away from the Qur'anic roadmap. By abdicating sharia, they indeed run a criminal war to dismantle the most crucial civilizational instrument of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Nothing can be more damaging crime than such a war. It serves only the agenda of the devil. This is why, in the golden days of Islam, such despicable enemies of mankind used to get capital punishment for their war crimes. The presence of these devils in the midst of the Muslims only adds more speed to the downfall.

A non-believing man behaves no better than a donkey vis-à-vis dealing with sharia. A donkey, like any other animal, can't understand the worth of sharia -the highest gift of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Nor is it capable of showing any interest to implement, ent it -although it can carry on its back a huge load of books impregnated with sharia. In Holy Qur'an, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la narrated how the people of Israel didn't behave better than a donkey vis-à-vis sharia. They were given sharia in the Taurat. They could carry it and read it but failed badly to implement it. Because of such a sheer lack of responsibility, Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la showed His displeasure: "The likeness of those who were entrusted with the Taurat, then they do didn't take it on is like that of a donkey who carries (volumes of) books. Wretched is the example of the people who deny the signs of Allah. And Allah does not guide the wrongdoing people." -(Chapter al-Jumma, verse 5). The free meals like *manna* and *salwa* that they received in the Sinai Peninsula for years couldn't help them follow the Divine guidance, rather increased their greed and cowardice.

Sharia can't be implemented in any land that stands occupied by the enemies. The occupying force never allows that to happen. Therefore, the enemy occupation needs to be dismantled. For that, it needs jihad against the enemies. Hence, the sacrifice of lives and wealth becomes unavoidable—as was the case with the prophet of Islam and his companions. Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la proposed a land for the Bani Israel, too and asked them to raise a state thereon sharia law. Since it needed jihad to remove the occupying forces from there, the cowardice people of Bani Israel didn't take that advice. Because of the withdrawal from jihad, their land remained occupied and the sharia that was revealed in the Taurat didn't get any chance for the implementation. Otherwise, they could build *khulafa-e-rasheda* like the early Muslims. It was indeed one of the ugliest betrayals of an assigned mission; and such betrayal invited the Divine punishment. They had to roam as refugees in the cities and villages of various countries in Asia, Africa and Europe. During their stay in Arabia, they also showed their deadliest enmity against Islam. They even aligned with the pagan infidels to dismantle the only sharia-state at its nascent stage in Medina —which was against their own religion.

Awfully, the Muslims, today, are going down the same route –as was taken by the Jews thousands of years ago. They recite Qur'an, but do not bother to understand it. They are showing the same abhorrence towards sharia. Like any *kuffar*, they too, stand against the implementation of sharia in any Muslim land. They show their ever readiness to work with the global coalition of the *kuffars* to dismantle any sharia-compliant state in any part of the World –as the secularists did in Afghanistan. Because of such a collaborative mood of the Muslims, the former President of the USA Mr Donald Trump could boastfully say that they will dismantle any Islamic state in any part of the world. It means, they will not allow Muslims to return back to the prophet's Islam that had an Islamic state, jihad and sharia as the integral parts. It is indeed a global conspiracy against the basic religious rights of Muslims.

So, the Christians, the Jews, the Hindus and other infidels are not alone in their fight against Islam and the Muslims. The Muslims, too join them as collaborators. So, in 1917, while the British and the French imperialists fought to dismantle and occupy the Osmania *khelafa*, they were not alone, more than a million Arab and non-Arab Muslims fought to bring their victory. In that war against Islam and Muslims, more than two hundred thousand Indian Muslims joined the British Army. In 1971 while the Indian infidels fought to dismantle the largest Muslim country of Pakistan, they were not alone either. Thousands of Bengali Muslims collaborated to bring the easy *kuffar* occupation. As a result of such collaboration, India emerged as a significant military power in South Asia. While the USA and its partners occupied and destroyed Afghanistan in 2001 and Iraq in 2003, they were not alone either. The so-called native Muslims collaborated with the invaders to kill the Muslims. The catalogue of Muslims' crime against Islam and the Muslims thus goes on and on. As if, they fight only to please the proven enemies and not Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Before the European colonial occupation, it was unimaginable that the Muslims will run the judiciary according to laws that are incompatible with sharia. In those days, the Muslims didn't know any other law apart from sharia. In those days, the Muslims believed that departing from sharia means departing from Islam. Now, it is exactly the

opposite; the Muslims are now practising the law that is known for non-compliance with sharia. Instead of fighting for getting closer to Islam and for the glory of the Muslims, they are moving towards the direction of surrender, decadence and humiliation.

### The deprivation of the religious right

The Muslims are now deprived of religious right even in the Muslim lands. It is indeed the worst calamities of occupation by the secularist enemies of Islam. In the early days of Islam, the Muslims had to engage in bloody jihad to get their religious right from the *kuffar* occupiers. But now the so-called Muslim states under the so-called Muslim rulers do not provide any peaceful option to enjoy such right either. The Muslims fight wars, sacrifice life and build states -not only for voting rights, civic liberty and other worldly gains. These are not the distinctive specifics of a Muslim state. Even in *kuffar* states, one can enjoy plenty of such rights. The religious right of a Muslim doesn't entail only the right of religious rituals; it is much more than that. It is the full freedom to perform the full slavery to their Supreme Lord Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'ala –the sole reason for the creation of mankind. Such slavery to the Almighty Lord includes the full practice of His revealed law (sharia), *hudud*, *shura*, *khelafa*, jihad, Muslim unity and other obligatory Islamic fundamentals. The right to perform this Islamic obligation is a million times more important than other civic rights. Voting rights, economic rights or cultural rights wouldn't save humans from the hellfire. In absence of his full slavery to Almighty Allah, a Muslim runs the real risk of entering into hellfire –the holy Qur'an is very explicit on that. But how can a Muslim perform full slavery to his Supreme Lord when he is not allowed to practise sharia, get Qur'anic education and can't dismantle the divisive walls in the Muslim World? How can he claim to be a full Muslim when he can't establish *khilafa* and can't do jihad in His way? How and to what extent a non-sharia state differs from a pure *kuffar* state? All *kuffar* states are indeed non-sharia state; therefore there exists hardly any difference. The compliance with a non-sharia state is indeed a clear marker of

deficiency in faith and a gross deviation from the Qur'anic straight path. Such deviation can only add more speed to the Muslims' ongoing downfall, and bring more disgrace and punishment both here and in the hereafter. Those who are really worried about life in the hereafter, how they could be oblivious or callous about this serious issue?

In the days of rightly guided Caliphs, there was no electoral process like today; but the people enjoyed the full civic liberty as well as the religious right to practise full slavery to Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. Hence, they could invest their full physical and intellectual potentials to raise the finest civilisation on earth. But now, the situation has changed. In most Muslim countries, one can practise adultery, gambling, obscenity, usury and other evils but can't be a full Muslim! Restricted practices of slavery to one Almighty Allah –as is the norm in *kuffar* and secularist occupation, opens the flash gates of slavery to other evil forces. In the Muslim World, there exists the satanic rule of the tyrannical despots. It is an irony that the Muslims show more submission to these criminal despots than to the laws of Allah Sub'hana wa Ta'la. The voting rights of the common people now proved a mere façade for a more sinister agenda of the evil forces. Democracy, liberty and independence now look fake; these are only for the ruling criminals. The proven liars, killers, robbers, rapists, fraudsters, and manipulators enjoy a free rein to bully and bluff the people for easy electoral victory. An honest and propaganda-shy man can't compete with these devils. The evil-mongers could easily use the electoral process as a ladder to grab the topmost post.

It is an irony that the disease has also badly affected the people who believe in Islam and perform religious rituals. In them, the symptoms appear through the wrong set of their priorities. Even many pro-Islamic parties and their leaders are focused more on achieving voting and civic rights, and give little importance to getting the full religious rights. As if, getting a Muslim elected as the President of the country or becoming a minister or an MP is a great victory for Islam. It has proved to be a great distraction from the real Islamisation methodology –as prescribed in the Holy Qur'an and practised by the prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) and the early









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# Absence of an Islamic State & the Calamities in the Muslim World

## Living without a strategy

No faith sustains with its conceptual originality, vision and mission in absence of its core institutions. In such deprivation, not only the faith but also those who are adherents to the faith face an existential threat. Communism ceased to survive as a significant ideology after the collapse of the Soviet Union. The collapse of Asoka's rule brought an end to Buddhism in India. After the collapse of *khilafa*, the Muslims are facing the same consequences. Undoubtedly, Muslims need mosques, madrasas and political organizations. But the most important institution that helps practicing full Islam and protects Muslims is an Islamic civilizational state; and not any national, tribal, secular and monarchical state. The Muslims have already 57 parochial states with their own agenda and did little to save the persecuted Muslims. They proved utterly useless to promote the Islamic cause. Because of them, the Qur'anic prescription like sharia and *hudud* stay only in the Book, and the sufferings of the Muslims in Palestine, Kashmir, Myanmar, China, India, Russia, and many other parts of the world go unabated. The mushrooming of mosques, madrasas, and religious organizations in millions could help only to live with the rituals at the personal level but not to promote Islam's core mission in the world stage.

The case of Indian Muslims presents enough evidence to understand the problems that are very common with the absence of an Islamic state. More than 200 million Indian Muslims are known for a huge number of magnificent mosques, madrasas, and religious outfits. But such institutions couldn't save Muslims from lynching in public, mass

rapes, arsons, and genocide. Mosques have turned to monuments; some are razed to the ground in front of the police. Muslims are being tortured and slaughtered even by the police –as seen recently in the streets of Delhi in February 2020.

Such worst insecurity of the Indian Muslims owes to a single fact. They are increasing only in number, mosques, and seminaries, but living without any Islamic vision and strategy. Living with an Islamic vision and strategy is impossible without an Islamic state. On the contrary, they live in a state that stands against their existence. In the whole history of Islam, 200 million Muslims never lived on the mercy of the infidels. As a result, 200 million Indian Muslims stand as a lost force. Muslims never enjoyed any security in the land of idolaters; even the prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) couldn't get that either. Hence he had to migrate to Medina with a strategic vision. Establishing an Islamic state was his prime objective. Such prophetic tradition stands as the lesson for all Muslims of all ages. So, migration to a safe haven and establishing an Islamic state work as the survival strategy of every Muslim. But such prophetic strategy got little importance in the life of the Indian Muslims. They continue to live as sitting ducks in RSS infested killing fields in Gujrat, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh and do not bother to look for safer areas. Whereas in India, there are provinces like West Bengal and Kerala where anti-Muslim riot didn't take place in the last 40 years. In a democracy, number counts; it gives weapons to fight with votes. Hence how a Muslim can think of restricting their population growth? It is indeed a strategic madness that still works among the Indian Muslims. Their demography needs to be transformed into a political force. If they had framed proper strategies, 200 million Indian Muslims could emerge as a powerful force in South Asia. No angel comes to help Muslims unless they start helping themselves.

### **Islamic State: the most important legacy**

Teachings of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) survives with a huge number of legacies. Of all, the most important legacy is the

establishment of an Islamic state. Because of that, the Muslims could practice sharia, *hudud*, Muslim unity, and jihad and could dominate world politics as a World Power for centuries. As a result, Muslims could live in various parts of Asia, Africa, and Europe with security and dignity. Whereas the Jews had a different fate. They had to roam as vagabonds and live in dilapidated ghettos in various cities. The Jews earned such punishment by their cowardice betrayal of Allah SWT command. While asked to form an Islamic state, they flatly denied fighting with Prophet Musa (peace be upon him). Rather they were so arrogant to ask Musa (peace be upon him) to go with his Allah (SWT) to win the land for them. As a result, they didn't have a chance to practice sharia that was given to Prophet Musa (peace be upon him) in Torah. Awfully, the Muslims now follow the same Jewish path. Hence, there exists no Islamic state. Nor does practice sharia in the judiciary. Moreover, like the Jews, they are ready to fight for such a state.

To have an Islamic state, like the early Muslims, one needs to go beyond the regular rituals like 5-time prayer, fasting, haj, and charity. It needs a huge strategic investment in the form of men, money, and efforts. And they need to stay united in all circumstances. The establishment of an Islamic state indeed gives an accurate estimate of Muslims' submission to the vision of Allah SWT. It filters out the hypocrites. The Islamic State has its own huge blessings; even a rudimentary early Islamic state with fewer Muslims than that live in a single province of India could emerge as a World Power. They could defeat two old World Powers like the Roman and the Persian Empires. The similar investment of the Afghan Muslims could also adorn them with a prestigious place in modern history. They could defeat two modern World Powers –Soviet Russia and the USA. Whereas the 200 million strong Indian Muslims are known for subjugation under the Hindus. Cattles are born to be slaughtered; the same fate awaits for those who live without a strategic vision and the prophetic roadmap.

In fact, Prophet Mohammed (peace be upon him) proved his political genius on the day one of his migration to Medina. Instead of laying the foundation of his own house, he laid the foundation of the Islamic

state. And he positioned himself as the head of the state. Unfortunately, the Indian Muslim *ulama* took little heed from such great political strategy of Prophet Mohammed (peace be upon him). On the contrary, the Indian Muslim *ulama* exhibited totally a different strategy. In the last days of British rule, they thought that if they are given the liberty in running mosques and madrasas and practicing Islamic rituals like five-time prayer, fasting, haj, and charity would be enough for the Indian Muslims. The Hindu leaders accepted their demand. As a result, the Muslim *ulama* -with the few exceptions sided with the Indian National Congress and endorsed its soft *Hindutva* project of the independent Hindu majority India. They despised the Pakistan project of the Muslim League. They would have been very happy if 400 million Muslims of Bangladesh and Pakistan were added to the Indian prison for the Muslims. They don't realize that the increase in prison population doesn't increase prisoners' power and security. Now the same *ulama*, with rare exception, promote the movement of Tablig Jamaat -the Indian model Islam that was never found in Prophet's (peace be upon him) life and in the life of his companions. They focus on wellbeing in the hereafter at the cost of security and wellbeing in this world. The concept of an Islamic state, running judiciary as per sharia and *hudud*, jihad in the way of Allah and many other basic practices of Prophet Mohammad (peace be upon him) hardly find any mention in their lectures and literature. It looks like a ploy to dempower the Indian Muslims politically and intellectually. Moreover, it generates a damaging sense of self-satisfaction among the followers that something is being done for the *ummah*. The known enemies of Islam have no problem with them -which is unknown in Prophet (peace be upon him)'s life and in the life of the early Muslims.

### Muslims without Islam

The absence of an Islamic State has already inflicted the most damaging impact on Muslim lives. It has made it impossible to discharge the obligatory Islamic duty that has been assigned by the Almighty Lord on every man and woman. As a result, Muslims are forced to live without full Islam. Whereas Allah SWT commands, "Udkhulil

silma ka'ffa". It means, "Enter into Islam with the entirety of submission in every aspect of life." But how that could be done if the basics of Islam like sharia, *hudud*, *khilafa*, Muslim unity, jihad in the way of Allah SWT and other Islamic obligations stay outside the domain of religious practices? Moreover, such Qur'anic dictates can't be practiced inside homes, mosques, and classrooms. It needs a larger socio-political and administrative premises that can only be provided by an Islam state. A secularist, nationalist or autocratic state can never fit into that Divine project. This is why the establishment of an Islamic state stands so crucial in Islam and for a Muslim. Therefore, obstructing the establishment of an Islamic state is not a simple criminal offense; rather it amounts to launching a war against Almighty Allah SWT and against the whole Muslim *ummah*.

In the Holy Qur'an, "*Lahu mulkus samawate wal ardh*" is one of the most reiterated proclamations of Allah SWT. It means, "Kingdom of the heaven and the earth belongs only to Him". In *Sura Nas* –the last *sura* of the Holy Qur'an, Allah SWT describes Himself as "Ma'likun Nas" (the King of the whole mankind). The sovereignty of a king survives only through the supremacy of his laws. Otherwise, it turns mockery and anarchy overwhelms. Hence no king permits any violation of the law. Those who stand against the rule of the law face severe punishment. Let us examine the issue by giving some examples. The UAE government declared 15-year imprisonment for criticizing its policy and supporting the ruler of Qatar. The Saudi government sentenced 1000 lashes and 10-year jail for Raif Badawi – a pro-democracy blogger, for his non-compliant expression. (*The Economist*, July 1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 2017). Therefore, to protect their illegitimate rule, these cruel autocrats go to any length to forge laws to terrorize and kill people. With few exceptions, the whole Muslim World is indeed hostage to such state-occupying terrorists who have usurped the law-giving sovereignty of Allah SWT to establish their own sovereignty.

Now the question arises, what should be the punishment for those who break sharia and *hudud* –the Qur'anic law of the All-Powerful King of the universe? Is it not an overt rebellion against the All-Powerful King of the universe? Moreover, what should be the punishment for

those who make a coalition with the *kuffar* forces to block the emergence of an Islamic state in any part of the Muslim World? Sharia is very explicit on these issues. Sharia draws a clear red line that must not be crossed any time by anyone. Standing against sharia and allying with the *kuffar* against the Muslims are indeed the violation of the Qur'anic red line. In the past, those who disobeyed the rule of Allah SWT met severe consequences. The Holy Qur'an repeatedly tells the awful stories of A'd, Samud, the inhabitants of Madayen, the people of Noah (peace be upon him), the tribe of Lot (peace be upon him) and many others who faced total distraction for crossing the red line. Allah SWT is ever ready to execute the same punishment for those who take the same route –if not here, surely in the hereafter.

### The rule of the rebels

In the history of Islam, crossing the red line is not new. How sharia punished the violators are not new either. After the death of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), many so-called Muslims started to transgress the red line of sharia. Many of them denied even to pay the obligatory zakat. Some people claimed even false prophet-hood. So, anarchy returned to Muslim life. It was indeed a critical crisis in the Muslim history. Caliph Abu Bakr (RA) declared full-fledged jihad against all those rebels. He could quickly annihilate these inner enemies; as a result, the discipline returned to the *Ummah*. Failure to suppress the rebellion would have severe consequences; Islam that was practiced by Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) would have found its place only in history books.

Now the same transgression of the red line is taking place everywhere and every day in the Muslim World. The rebels have become rulers. As a result, Prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam with the Islamic state, sharia, *hudud*, rule by shura, unity of the *Ummah*, jihad in the way of Allah (SWT) has almost ceased to exist any part of the Muslim World. The deviated Muslims have invented their own brand. There exists no Caliph Abu Bakr (RA) to stem such deviations and take the Muslims back to the original Islam. As a consequence, the old *jahiliyyah*

(ignorance) has robustly resurfaced in almost every part of the Muslim World -but with a new face and a new name. In such void of true Islam, the evil ideologies like nationalism, tribalism fascism, secularism, capitalism, materialism, socialism, communism, and many others have occupied the intellectual premise of the Muslims. So, they get a huge number of followers.

Despite deep differences among these deviants, they show a unified agenda against Islam. The common agenda of the enemies is none else but to block the establishment of an Islamic state in any part of the world. Donald Trump has already declared, he will bomb such a state to rubbles. Most Muslim rulers are ready to congratulate such bombings. Since no resistance exists against these criminals, they usurped the whole state power and its infrastructure to enforce their evil agenda. Hence, along with the ideological and military occupation by the enemies – both native and alien, all forms of sins like adultery, thievery, robbery, *riba*, gambling, obscenity, and other crimes are spreading like a wildfire.19/04/2020

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# The Deceptive Goal & the Earned Failures

## The genesis of failures

A journey without a destination takes nowhere. Similarly, survival for the sake of survival only kills time and adds little worth to

survival. In fact, the worth of one's survival is decided by the purpose of survival. A martyr thus makes a huge difference from a mercenary killer. It is indeed a tremendous loss of life if that greatest gift of Allah Subhana wa Ta'ala (SWT) is wasted only for the sake of survival. People make the most disastrous error not in earning the means of survival but in setting the right goal of survival. Even an excellent driving skill doesn't help if it is in the wrong direction. Hence, even a Nobel Prize winner may make the same common error and spoil the whole purpose of life. This is why knowing the right philosophy of life is more important than acquiring skills in science and technology. The philosophy of life must help us to know not only the origin of life but also the purpose of life. In fact, most people will enter the hellfire for this fundamental error. However, there is a genuine reason to make such errors. There is a major gap in understanding that life never ends in death, rather it gets a new phase of endless life in the hereafter. For setting the correct goal of life and the right roadmap, one needs to know the whole terrain of the unending journey. Since most parts of life lie in the hereafter and stay out of humans' understanding, no one can set a true goal. Neither can perceive about a roadmap to reach there. Even as an assembly of all Nobel Prize winners can't do that either. The matter remains exclusively in the domain of the All-Knowing Allah SWT. Hence, it is revealed in the Holy Qur'an that guiding humans or setting the goal is no one's job. It belongs only to Him: "Truly! Ours, it is to give guidance". (Sura Lail, verse12).

So, mankind possess no option but to submit to Allah SWT for guidance. But the problem takes a disastrous turn when humans ignore their own ignorance. And, instead of Allah SWT's guidance, they adhere to the deceptive goal of their own making. Such arrogance is indeed the mother of all awful failures of the humans. They fail to understand that they can never envisage the right goal and nor can they frame a roadmap of eternal success. In fact, all the forged religions and ideologies still survive as proof of their past failures. Since it is the most important issue for humans, the ultimate goal and the guidance to reach the goal were made clear by Allah SWT on the first day of humans' habitation on earth. Moreover, thousands of prophets

were sent to refresh the original message. It has also been reiterated that they can attain success in this life and in the hereafter only if they pursue the set goal and follow the recommended roadmap.

### The goal and the betrayal

As regards to humans' survival goal, Allah SWT provides the following guidance: "Tell (O Muhammad!), certainly my prayer, my sacrifices, my survival and my death all are for the sake of Allah."—(Sura Al-An'am, verse 162). Here, Allah SWT prescribes the intended intention (*niyah*) of survival of a human. Hence, a believer not only makes a *niyah* for every good deed, but also for his every step in the worldly survival. Therefore, the life and death of a believer stay reserved only for the cause of Allah SWT. It is indeed the fundamental reason for a believer to be here on earth. Therefore, whenever it meets any infliction, a believer proclaims -as recorded by Allah SWT Himself in the Holy Qur'an, "*innalillahi wa inna ilahi rajiun* (certainly we are only for Allah and we return unto Him)". Such insight of a true believer provides not only the direction of his or her survival but also the whole philosophical basis for it.

How to live for Allah SWT is indeed the most crucial and the most relevant question in everybody's life. Living for Allah SWT means working for His agenda; the Holy Qur'an is very explicit on this issue. How to live for the cause of Allah SWT and attain success both here and in the hereafter is indeed the core subject of the Holy Qur'an. Moreover, Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) gave the field demonstration of the application of the Qur'anic guidance. Hence ignorance on these two key sources of knowledge is detrimental; it spoils the whole purpose of humans' creation. It makes it impossible to live for the cause of Allah SWT. Such ignorance helps only the enemies to recruit people to promote their agenda. So, it is a great crime against the agenda of Allah SWT to hide those Qur'anic teachings from the public eyes. Awfully, this has been the most corrupted premise of human history. In the Holy Qur'an, Allah SWT severely condemned the religious scholars of the Bani Israel for hiding His

message from the public eyes. For their own vested interest, they also corrupted the teachings of the previous prophets. As a result, the common people could be easily recruited by the evil forces as foot soldiers to promote their evil agenda. In this regard, the *ulama* of the Muslim World didn't prove any better either. They built a huge deceptive world of fake religious practices to hide the right path –*siratul mustaqeem*. Because of them, the Qur'anic Islam survives only in the Holy Book and not in any of the Muslim lands.

The enemies of Islam is not ignorant of Islam's source of strength. They do not find any problem with the rote recitation and memorization of the Qur'an. But they find existential threat from the dissemination of the Qur'anic knowledge. Therefore, dismantling the mosques and the madrasas is not the key strategy of the enemies. Rather they turn these core institutions non-functional or dysfunctional. This way, they create a social, cultural and political milieu for the Muslims to live without Islam. The outcome is obvious. The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him)'s Islam with its model of an Islamic state, sharia, *hudud*, shura, unity, *khilafa*, jihad no more exists even in predominantly Muslim majority countries.

### The assigned role and the neglect

The survival for the cause of Allah SWT has a wider and deeper implication. Such an intention brings moral, political, social and spiritual revolution among the believers. Allah SWT raised the great human creation to work as His *khalifa* (viceroy) on earth. It is indeed the core reason for humans' presence on this planet. But for such a Divine assignment, the humans need to equip themselves with the necessary intellectual, spiritual, behavioural, material and military capabilities. Hence needs the higher quality of educational and skill-developmental projects. Even an agent of a state or business needs some specific education and skills. But a Muslim's role is the highest on earth. He or she has to work as the viceroy of All-Powerful and All-Wise Allah SWT. So, the role of a Muslim is highly important and huge. It amounts to bring an overwhelming revolution in the fields of

theologies, ideologies, politics, judiciary, administration, culture, education and warfare. There exists no territorial limit to such a revolution. His or her quality and the role indeed decide the fate in the hereafter. The prize for sacrificing life, wealth and all abilities in such a mission is huge. It brings the never-ending pleasure in paradise; even the whole world full of gold can match its value. Hence a true believer never stands idle in His cause.

In order to generate the needed competence, the first thing must be done first. Hence, seeking knowledge on Qur'anic revelations is made obligatory on every man and woman much earlier than the obligatory five-time prayer and month-long fasting. Such Qur'anic knowledge plays the most important role in consolidating the faith. It builds the mounting morality and personality of a believer. On the other hand, the lack of Quranic knowledge makes one not only unfit to play any role in the Divine mission but also easy prey for the devil. In fact, such people readily turn mercenary for the devil and qualify for the hellfire. Because of them, the European imperialists could recruit millions of mercenaries in their civil and military establishment to run their colonial exploitation in the Muslim World. For the same reason, ideologies like nationalism, fascism, tribalism, socialism, and capitalism could also run havoc; they got millions of foot soldiers to occupy the Muslim lands and de-Islamise the Muslims.

### **The evil takeover**

Like a plant, corruption too needs a fertile seed. And the seed lies in humans. It is indeed the corruptive and deceptive objective of survival that takes over the intellectual premise of the humans. Then the people with the evil intention set breeding institutions to breed all forms of corruptive ideologies, faiths, cults, and religions to cause massive moral degradation of the people. Of all such institutions, the state and its institutions are the most powerful ones. These are the real barriers against any moral reconstruction and healthy societal change. So the prophet of Islam (peace be upon him) not only taught the right objective of humans' survival but also

dismantled all the corruptive social and state institutions. He formed an Islamic state with 100 percent compliance with sharia and sat on the driving seat himself. Because of his revolutionary role as the head of the state, the most corruptive institution on earth becomes the most corrective institution in the whole human history. Therefore, not only he could stop the breeding of devils, but also he could start the mass-scale production of people with the level of morality that the world never saw before. As a result, the foundation of the finest civilisation on earth in the whole human history could have a robust start. It is indeed the most valuable legacy of Islam that still remains the only solution for the current malice.

As per the Qur'anic verse mentioned earlier, a Muslim not only lives for the cause of Almighty Allah SWT, is also expected to die for it. If he or she wants to please Allah SWT, there exists no second option. Otherwise, his survival wouldn't add any real worth to it. Rather, his long life would earn more fuel for the fire for himself in hell. Hence, it is forbidden that any human should invest any part of his or her life, time, intellect, energy or assets in the service of any evil faith, deity, religion, ideology or political power. These are the *amanah* (entrusted endowment) on behalf of his or her Almighty Lord; hence can't think of becoming a mercenary of imperialists, monarchists, despots or any enemies of Islam. Such acts are indeed the *khiana* (betrayal) of the *amanah* (trust). Such forbidden (*haram*) acts are indeed the ugliest crime in Islam. It is the greatest betrayal of the whole purpose of his or her being here on earth. Such a betrayal takes ones only into the hellfire –as repeatedly mentioned in the Holy Qur'an.

But, it is a great irony that despite all the Qur'anic warnings, the survival with an inimical agenda against Islam has been the culture of the ruling elites in the Muslim World today. Therefore, the evil coalition of the US-led imperialists could recruit a large army of mercenaries from the Muslims to occupy the Muslim lands. Because of these mercenaries, the invading enemies could easily occupy the Muslim lands. And they could also kill and evict millions of the Muslims and turn hundreds of cities to rubbles.

In a milieu of corruptive ideologies and political culture, some unbelievable things happen. Even the evil people with the inimical agenda against Islam and the Muslims become the leader. More astonishingly, even those who join the foreign *kuffars* to dismantle any attempt of establishing an Islamic state in any part of the Muslim World also get a label of a Muslim! It is also strange that the corrupt rulers who collaborate even with the established enemies of Islam claim to be the custodian of Islamic holy sites! The early Muslims didn't face such a big problem of internal enemies; the contemporary Roman and the Persian Empires didn't have the Trojan horses inside the Ummah. Neither did those enemies have their own cantonments inside the Muslim World -as they have today. In fact, most of the Muslim countries are now ruled by the embedded enemies who vehemently oppose any step to return back to the Prophet (peace be upon him)'s Islam! Moreover, their strong opposition to the Qur'anic prescription of sharia, *hudud*, shura, Muslim unity and jihad against enemy occupations is not hidden. Still, they sustain as the rulers of the Muslims! Because of these embedded enemies, the Vision of Allah SWT and His prescribed laws and the Qur'anic code of life stay badly defeated even in Islam's heartlands. And space is seized by the laws, politics, judiciary, culture, and ideologies that are inimical to Islam. As a result, the decline of the Ummah continues. 11/04/2020

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## **My Days with Brother Maulana Abdul Mohymen**

My first acquaintance with Abdul Mohymen Bhai happened in the second week of January 1999. Brother Dr. Abdul Bari –the former Sectary General of the Muslim Council of Britain introduced me to him. At that time, he was the Imam of Tottenham Masjid. Our first meeting took

place in the mosque office. At my first meeting with him, I was deeply impressed by his warm brotherly attitude towards me. Since then, I lived in the mosque premise for about two and a half years, As a result, I had an opportunity to see him from close proximity. In those days I was alone in London. But my stay in the premises of the mosque bestowed on me huge blessings. In those days, I was passing through some of the most distressful days of my life. He is senior to me. Because of my stay in the mosque, I was relieved of my loneliness. It gave me the opportunity to enjoy the warm and brotherly comfort of Abdul Mohymen Bhai and his family. I also enjoyed the opportunity to be friendly with many multi-ethnic musallies of the mosque,

In those days, I used to cook my own food myself. Since I wasn't a good cook, it wasn't a good and pleasant experience for me. In those difficult days, it was a blessing to enjoy the brotherly hospitality of Mohaimen Bhai and especially our respected *bhabi*. May Allah Subhana Wa Ta'la bless on her for her kind hospitality. I have been invited so many times to his home and every time *bhabi* used to cook varieties of excellent items. I would never forget those days. In any of the family functions, I used to be invited there. As an imam, it was very common for him to be invited by many of his friendly musallies. If I was free, he used to take me with him to those invitations. In those days, Mohaimen Bhai has the family of his deceased elder brother living in Tottenham near to the mosque. His newly married daughter also used to live near his house. I used to be invited to their family events. As if, I was the family member. It is memorable that in the month of Ramadan, the *bhabi* used to make my favorite iftari like *chola muri* (roasted gram and fried rice). I never felt any iota of diminished brotherly feeling towards me.

I found Mohaimen Bhai thoroughly and profoundly a gentleman. He is a man of simplicity and humbleness. His interpersonal skills and empathy for other people are impressive. Many people used to visit him every day in his office. Sometimes he looked tired, but he was never found deficient in a highly warm and welcoming smile. He used to make a cup of tea by his own hand and present some cakes or biscuits to the visitors. It didn't need an important person for that. While I firstly

observed such hospitality by an imam, it was indeed a cultural shock for me. In Bangladesh, I have hardly seen any imam making tea by his own hand for a visitor. Moreover, he used to invite many of the misallies at his home. In Bangladesh, imams are mostly at the recipient end of any such event and not the provider. So, he appeared to be highly exceptional and impressive.

Abdul Mohymen Bhai was very keen to disseminate the Qur'anic knowledge to others. Because of his personal initiatives, unlike many other mosques in London, the community could found the Tottenham mosque as a vibrant learning premise. I took some Qur'an tajweed lessons from him. He used to run several learnings session in the mosque for the men and women living in the community. Five sessions used to take place in the mosque premise every week: three were for the men, one for the women and one for the girls. For males, there were two sessions on Sunday: the morning study circle and the Qur'an *tafseer* after the noon prayer. On every Saturday, there used to have an afternoon study circle. The women used to have a session in the morning on Sunday. He used to teach Qur'anic Arabic each week after Isha prayer. And every month, the used to have a special seminar addressed by some invited guests followed by a free meal for the attendants.

Sometimes Abdul Mohymen Bhai used to give me some opportunities to share my views in some of those sessions. Moreover, in his office we used to hold informal discussions on various social and Islamic issues. Truly, during my stay in the mosque, I was blessed with a rare environment of continuous learning and teaching facilities. I developed a good circles of friends who were very committed to learning. At that time, I used to edit a monthly journal named "Alor Path" and Abdul Mohymen Bhai sometime helped me to check the spelling errors. In those days, I completed a post-graduation course in dermatology at London University. Despite my absence from my family, I still remember those sweet memory of the mosque. And those memories indeed owe to the pleasant company of Abdul Mohymen Bhai. May Allah Subhana wa Ta'al bless him with a long and healthy life. Ameen.  
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