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*In the name of Allah, Most Gracious Ever Merciful*

# Al Masroor

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## The Holy Quran Surah Al- Taha Chapter 20: Verse 15

إِنِّي أَنَا اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا فَاعْبُدْنِي وَأَقِمِ  
الصَّلَاةَ لِذِكْرِي ﴿١٥﴾

“Verily, I am Allah; there is no God beside Me. So serve Me, and observe Prayer  
for My remembrance.”

## Hadith – Inviting people to Allah

Abu Hurairah (ra) narrates that the Holy Prophet (saw) said:

“A person who invites people to the truth gets a reward equal to the reward of all those who accept the truth (at his invitation), while nothing will be subtracted from their rewards. Likewise a person who entices others to sin carries the burden of all the sins committed at his inducement, while nothing will be subtracted from the punishment of those who commit the sins.”

(Muslim)



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## Allah the Exalted



Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad  
The Promised Messiah & Mahdi<sup>as</sup>

Allah the Exalted Allah, the Exalted, the Glorious, Hallowed be His Name This wealth is worth procuring though one might have to lay down one's life to procure it.

The God Who has manifested Himself to all the Prophets, and appeared to Moses on Mount Sinai and appeared to Jesus on Mount Seir and shone forth to Hazrat Muhammad, the chosen one, peace be on him, on Mount Paran, the same Mighty and Holy God has manifested Himself to me. He has talked to me and has said: I am the High Being to establish Whose worship all the Prophets were sent. I alone am the Creator and the Master and have no associate. I am not subject to birth or death (Zameemah RisalahJihad, p. 7).

The pure life that is free from sin is a brilliant ruby which no one possesses today.

*“The only way in which it might be acquired is the true recognition of God”*

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God Almighty has bestowed that brilliant ruby on me and He has commissioned me that I should inform the world of the way in which that brilliant ruby might be acquired. I affirm with confidence that by treading on this path everyone would certainly acquire it. The only way in which it might be acquired is the true recognition of God; but this is a difficult and delicate matter. A philosopher, as I have said already, contemplating the heavens and earth and reflecting on the perfect orderliness of the universe, merely states that there ought to be a Creator. But I lead to a higher stage and affirm on the basis of my personal experience that God is (Malfoozat, Vol. III, p. 16).

Our God is our paradise. Our highest delight is in our God for we have seen Him and have found every beauty in Him. This wealth is worth procuring though one might have to lay down one's life to procure it. This ruby is worth purchasing though one may have to lose oneself to acquire it. Oh ye, r who are bereft, run to this fountain and it will satisfy you. It is the fountain of life that will save you. What shall I do, and how shall I impress the hearts with this good news, and by beating what drum shall I make the announcement that this is our God, so that people might hear? What remedy shall I apply to the ears of the people so that they should listen? (Kashti Nooh, p. 19-20)

God is the light of the heavens and the earth. Every light that is visible on the heights or in the valleys, whether in souls or in bodies, whether personal or impersonal, whether apparent or hidden, whether in the mind or outside it, is a bounty of His grace. This is an indication that the general grace of the Lord of the worlds envelopes everything and nothing is deprived of that grace. He is the source of all

grace and is the ultimate cause of all lights and is the fountain-head of all mercies. His Being is the support of the universe and is the refuge of all high and low. He it is who brought everything out of the darkness of nothingness and bestowed upon everything the mantle of being. No other being than Him is in himself present and eternal or is not the recipient of His grace. Earth and heaven, man and animals, stones and trees, souls and bodies, have all come into existence by His grace (Braheen Ahmadiyyah, p. 177-178, footnote).

*Excerpt from the writings of the Promised Messiah  
The Essence of Islam: Volume One*

## NATIONS CANNOT BE REFORMED WITHOUT REFORMATION OF YOUTH

### Editorial Comment

**Bismillah hir rahmanir raheem**

(In the Name of Allah, The Most Gracious, Ever Merciful)

Dear readers of Al Masroor, as salaam wa alaikum (peace be on you).

By the grace of Allah, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia (MKAA) held its 26th National Annual Ijtema at Masjid Baitul Huda in early October. It was a great experience for all members attending the 3 days function. Within this issue, we have included a brief report of the event as well as the message received from Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (atba) which he kindly provided on the occasion of our National Ijtema.

In September, the local Majalis' were assisting with the Ijtema preparations whilst the Inter-State Majalis' were busy making travel arrangements for the event. In addition, Majlis Baitul Huda also held their first Annual Ijtema in late September.

As October is the last month of the Khuddam calendar, we have also included the MKAA Annual report which was presented by Sadr MKAA, Rana Ejaz Ahmad saheb during our National Ijtema.

Was Salaam  
Sharfraz Ahmad Rahim  
**EDITOR – Al Masroor**

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- [www.real-islam.org](http://www.real-islam.org)
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## Friday Sermon

We encourage members to read Huzurs Friday sermons which can be found at:

<http://www.alislam.org/archives/y.php?y=2009&=Go>

*For your benefit we have published below, a gist of Huzurs Friday Sermon delivered on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2009.*

On 4<sup>th</sup> September 2009, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V عليه السلام delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

After reciting verse 186 of Sūrah *Al-Baqarah*, which is translated as follows:

“The month of Ramaḍān is that in which the Qur’ān was sent down as a guidance for mankind with clear proofs of guidance and discrimination. Therefore, whosoever of you is present *at home* in this month, let him fast therein. But whoso is sick or is on a journey, *shall fast* the same number of other days. Allāh desires *to give* you facility and He desires not hardship for you, and that you may complete the number, and that you may exalt Allāh for His having guided you and that you may be grateful.” (2:186)

Ḥuḍūr عليه السلام said: The month of Ramaḍān has a special affinity with the Holy Qur’ān. It was in this month that Allāh started revealing the Holy Qur’ān to the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم. In every subsequent Ramaḍān Gabriel would visit the Holy Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and they would twice go through the part of the Qur’ān that had been revealed up till then. This is why a believer should try to complete the recitation of the Holy Qur’ān two times or at least once during Ramaḍān. Allāh says that true believers are those who read the Holy Qur’ān, deliberate upon it and follow its teachings.

Ḥuḍūr عليه السلام said: the Holy Qur’ān was revealed for the guidance of mankind. It is a complete teaching and contains signs to distinguish truth from falsehood. But these things benefit only those who recite the holy book as it ought to be recited. If our fasting has to have any meaning, we must recite the Holy Qur’ān and abide by its injunctions. Ḥaḍrat Masīḥ Mau’ūd عليه السلام says, “Do not abandon the Holy Qur’ān, for therein is life for you. Whoever honours the Holy Qur’ān shall be honoured in heaven.” “For mankind, there is no book on the face of the earth except the Qur’ān, and for all children of Adam, there is no Messenger and Intercessor but Muḥammad صلى الله عليه وسلم, the Chosen One ... There is no Messenger equal to him in rank under heaven, nor is there any book equal in status to the Holy Qur’ān.”

Ḥuḍūr عليه السلام said: We have pledged to establish the supremacy of the Holy Qur’ān and this is what makes us distinct from other people. The Holy Qur’ān should have such a place in our hearts that it becomes manifest in our every word and deed. Ḥaḍrat Masīḥ Mau’ūd عليه السلام says, “The Holy Qur’ān is the source of true blessings, the only means of salvation and a cure for all ills. This book is the key to all our progress and success, and this book alone should be followed. You should realize that the Holy Qur’ān is a source of all bounties and you should value it, that is to say, act upon it, so that you may see how God saves you from all tribulations. If only people would realize the excellent guidance that Allāh has provided them in the form of the Holy Qur’ān and if only they would benefit by following it.”



Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad  
Khalifatul Masih V

### Salutations & Meanings

sas / saw

Salla Allāho alaihay wa sallam - Peace & blessings of Allāh be on him, used for Holy Prophet of Islam, Sayyidna Muḥammad, SAS

as

Alayhe Salam - Peace be on him, used for Prophets of God

atba

ayyadah Allāh tala be-Nasray hil-Aziz, may Allāh assist him.  
A prayer recited with Khalīfat al-Masīḥ’s official title.

Razi Allāh anho

(RA) May Allāh be pleased with him. Used for a male companion of the Prophet or a revered person who has passed away

Razi Alāh anha

(RA) used for a female companion of the Prophet or revered lady who has passed away

Caliph /  
Khalifa      Head of the Muslim  
community, literally  
successor (Ar. Khalifa)

Khalifat  
ul-Masih      The Successor of the  
Messiah

Hadhrat  
/ Hazrat      A courtesy title used for a  
revered & righteous  
person. Holiness

MTA      Muslim Television  
Ahmadiyya

Sahib      Mr. or Esquire, implying  
respect.

Ḥuḍūr ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ said: Before reading the Holy Qur'ān, we have been taught to seek from Allāh protection against the accursed Satan. Since the Holy Qur'ān is a precious treasure, Satan is bound to create hurdles to stop us from attaining it. When reading the Holy Qur'ān, we should ponder over every word. Ḥaḍrat Masīḥ Mau'ūd علیہ السلام says, "Reciting the Holy Qur'ān in a beautiful voice is also a form of worship. Reading the Holy Qur'ān slowly and carefully is part of its etiquette. When the Holy Qur'ān is being recited, listen to it and keep silent so that Allāh may have mercy upon you...Try to abide by all its commandments and strive to win Allāh's pleasure." The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام also says, "Deliberate upon the Holy Qur'ān for it provides guidance in all matters. It details all sins and virtues and gives tidings of the future. Its guidance is beyond reproach, for it provides ever fresh blessing. The Qur'ān alone has the distinction that it provides cure for everything and strengthens every faculty. It not only reveals the face of evil but also teaches us how to get rid of it. Keep reciting the Holy Qur'ān and try to mould your actions according to its teachings."

Ḥuḍūr ایدہ اللہ تعالیٰ said: May Allāh give us the strength and ability to recite the Holy Qur'ān, to understand it and to act upon it, so that our future generations, too, will continue to love the Holy Qur'ān.



## MAJALIS NEWS

### Majlis Baitul Huda Ijtema

(By Br Murad Khan of Majlis Baitul Huda)



Alhamdulillah we had over 20 Khuddam and a few Atfal who participated in our first ever Majlis Ijtema held on Sunday 27th September 2009. The competitions were held between Halqa Al Tahir and Halqa Fazle Umar. The program started at 6am at the mosque grounds. We had volleyball competition, soccer, touch-footy and cricket. Both teams showed great skills, put on a good effort and displayed brotherhood throughout the games.

Later we moved onto Br Nasir Yakub's place for the Ilmi competitions as the mosque was occupied by the Lajna for their National Ijtema. Br Hamood and Qaid Sahib organized lunch and other refreshments. This was another close competition with Halqa Al Tahir winning by 5 points overall.



Sadr Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia, Rana Ejaz Ahmad saheb gave the concluding address and the program ended with dua. InshaAllah we plan to make the next Ijtema even bigger and better. We thank the judges for their time and patience, Br Nasir Yakub for letting us use his place for the competitions and to all those who made an effort to turn up and create a lively atmosphere.

Jazakomullah.

## Mathematics Trivia

### How old is the House.

Gretchen and Henry were looking to buy a house together, and finally found one with a beautifully landscaped yard, plenty of bedrooms, and a beautiful tree out front. They asked the owner how old the house was, and this was his reply:

"I planted that tree when the house was built. It was 7 feet tall at the time. It has grown 3 feet each year, and at the end of this past full year, it was four times its original height."

"But how old is the house?" asked Henry.

Gretchen said, "Don't be so dense. He just told us."

So, how old is the house?

### Last Issues Answer:

Answer:

Day One: You make your first cut at the  $\frac{1}{7}$ th mark and give that to the worker.

Day Two: You cut  $\frac{2}{7}$ ths and pay that to the worker and receive the original  $\frac{1}{7}$ th in change.

Day three: You give the worker the  $\frac{1}{7}$ th you received as change on the previous day.

Day four: You give the worker  $\frac{4}{7}$ ths and he returns his  $\frac{1}{7}$ th cut and his  $\frac{2}{7}$ th cut as change.

Day Five: You give the worker back the  $\frac{1}{7}$ th cut of gold.

Day Six: You give the worker the  $\frac{2}{7}$ th cut and receive the  $\frac{1}{7}$ th cut back in change.

Day Seven: You pay the worker his final  $\frac{1}{7}$ th.

# MESSAGE OF HAZRAT KHALIFATUL MASIH V ATBA RECEIVED ON 29 SEPTEMBER 2009 BY SADR MAJLIS KHUDDAM UL AHMADIYYA AUSTRALIA.

Dear Khuddam brothers and Atfal of Ahmadiyyat,

Asslam o alaikum wa rahmatullah wa barakatuhu

I am pleased that Majlis Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya Australia is holding annual Ijtema 2009. Allah may make this Ijtema blessed for all Khuddam and Atfaal and you all may be able to fully participate in it. Amin

Your Sadr Majlis has requested a message for Ijtema. I want to turn your attention towards two issues. First of all make a stronger connection with your Allah, your true Master and the best way to establish this connection is Namaz (Salat). As Hazrat Promised Messiah (AS) states: "If you want to establish a true relationship and real connection with Allah Almighty then stick to Namaz. And stick to it in a way that not only your body and tongue but also the intentions of your soul and emotions be converted into Namaz."

Secondly strengthen the relationships of your loyalty, sincerity and love with Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya. You should have such Godly love in your hearts that against this love all other relationships must appear lesser. Today all your happiness, success and progress are linked with Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya. Only Khilafat will strengthen your religious conviction. It will convert your fears into peace. As much you will strengthen your relationship with Khilafat you will progress with the same degree in spirituality.

This will train your next generations. You are fortunate that you have been bestowed the blessing of Khilafat. Firmly hold this rope of Allah. By having true relationship with Khilafat from the bottom of your heart you will improve love and affection with each other too. And this will establish the true Tauheed (unity of God) in the world. Allah Almighty with His blessings may make you realize the status of this reward. And he may always consider you His gratifying beings. Keep on praying that Allah Almighty may continue the mutual relationship of Jamaat and Khalifa of the time with Taqwah and may make it stronger and stronger. And He may protect this relationship from the deceitfulness of the jealous and hypocrite. Amin

Always teach your children and grand children to stay attached with Khilafat so that Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya may remain protected until the day of judgment, and until the day of judgment, through Ahmadiyya movement Islam may be spread and Muhammad SAW's flag may rise higher than all other flags. Amin.

Wassalam,

Khaksaar

Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih-V

# ANNUAL REPORT - MAJLIS KHUDDAMUL AHMADIYYA AUSTRALIA

(presented during the National Annual Ijtema 2009 by Sadr Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia, Rana Ejaz Ahmad saheb)

Respected Ameer sahib, Murabi sahib, Sadr Ansarullah and My dear Ansar, Khuddam, and Atfal

Assalamo Alaikum Warehmatullahe wabrakatahu

Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah Almighty, this year Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia had the opportunity to do a lot of noble tasks. May Allah talha accept our humble efforts and reward us with his blessings.

## Itmad

Alhamdulillah, we continued to send our monthly report to Hazoor (aba) on monthly basis. This year Majlis South Australia, Queensland, Victoria, ACT and Baitul Huda were regular in sending reports to markaz on time. I would say Jazakumullah to all those Majalis who are sending us reports regularly and I pray for other Majalis to follow their foot step.

## Tajnid

This year we had 62 new members and now our total Tajnid is over 550. Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah Almighty, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, Australia has established a new Majlis in Tasmania, and now we have 9 Majalis in total.

## Khidmat e Khalq

Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah Almighty, this year Majalis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, Australia raised over \$25,000 for Solomon Island Mosque. I am highly thankful to Allah Almighty who enabled Majlis South Australia to raise highest collection of \$11,280. May Allah reward for the sacrifices of all our khuddam. We also raised fund for Palestine children. Majlis Victoria provided physical assistance to the Victorian Bush Fire fighting authorities. Majlis South Australia held a tournament and raised an estimated \$1700 fund for Red Cross to help Victorian bush fire victims. Majlis Adelaide, Victoria, Baitul Huda and ACT were also regular in donating blood. Majlis Victoria and ACT also visited age care facilities.

## Tabligh

Allah Talha is helping Jama'at Australia in expanding as promised. Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah Almighty, we have achieved 8 baiats, it is all by Allah's blessings. Majlis Queensland has achieved 5 baiats whereas Majlis South Australia, Baitul Huda and Western Australia have achieved 1 baiat each. Various Majlis also organized Tabligh day and book stalls. Please pray that Allah may enable them to become effective part of Ahmadiyyat, Amin. During this year our khuddam were also blessed with 40 new born Ahmadis, out of which 20 are going to be part of Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia in future.

## Tarbiyat

By the grace of Allah Almighty, All Majalis began year 2009 by offering Tahujjud prayer in congregation. Majlis South Australia, ACT and various other Majalis also organized Tahujjud prayer through out the year on regular basis. Alhamdulillah, all Majalis are holding Ta'lim and Tarbiyat classes to uplift religious standard of our Khuddam and Atfal. Alhamdulillah, this year 8 out of 9 Majalis also held Ijtema on Majlis level and Alhamdulillah, Allah talah blessed me with the opportunity to attend all of them.

## Wassiyat

Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah Almighty, 31% of our Tajnid is now part of blessed institution of Wassiyat. We are focusing on achieving target of 100% as wished by our beloved Hazoor (aba) during his visit to Australia. I am feeling humble in reporting that Alhamdulillah 65% Khuddam of Majlis South Australia





are Moosi.

#### **Mal**

Majlis South Australia, Queensland, and ACT have achieved their budget for chanda Majlis whereas remaining Majalis are near completion. Irrespective of current financial crisis, by the grace of Allah almighty, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, Australia not only managed to collect its budget, but also got the opportunity to raise fund for Solomon Island Mosque, Palestine children, Victorian bush fire, and above all visit England to play in the AL Masroor 20 20 cricket tournament.

#### **Waqar e Amal**

Alhamdulillah, All Majalis took active part in Waqar e Amal through out the year. Khuddam performed enormous Waqar e Amal in the painting and landscaping of new centenary Khalifat Hall in Sydney. Similar to previous years, All Majalis also took active part in Australia Cleanup Day.

#### **Sehat e Jismani**

All Majalis were really active in playing various sports throughout the year. This year, we also participated in AL Masroor 20 20 cricket tournament which was played in England with Hazoor (aba's) approval. Insha allah we may have similar international games in the coming years. I would like to remind all khuddam to start preparing in advance to get ready at Majlis Level. Majlis Adelaide, Baitul huda and various other Majalis also had their picnic. Majlis South Australia, and Queensland also organized sports competition with non Ahmadi teams.

#### **Sanat o tijarat**

Various training programs were conducted through out the year to teach khuddam different skills. Alhamdulillah this year Majlis Victoria also organized Sanat e Namaish.

#### **Isha'at**

Alhamdulillah, with Hazoor (aba's) approval, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, Australia had started publishing its monthly newsletter Al Masroor. Hazoor (aba) sent his kind message for first issue as well. I am also thankful to those Majalis who are regular in sending their reports for publication. I want to thank the editor and his team for their continuous effort in approving the standard of this newsletter.

#### **Umoomi**

All those Majalis who have jama'at center are also performing umoomi and car parking duties on regular basis. I am grateful to all those khuddam who took part in umoomi duty during Jalsa Salana 2009. Majlis Victoria is performing almost daily umoomi duty at our new centre. Allah may support them with His blessings. Amin I would like to thank all those khuddam who are leaving Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya to join Majlis Ansarullah and welcome those Atfal who will be joining Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya in coming year. I wish to thank our Ameer Sahib for his patronage, also thank Nazimeen, Mauwneen, judges, referees, all Ansar who took active part in our Ijtema, and all those who attended the 26th Annual National Ijtema of Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, Australia.

On another note I have been requested to remind you about tehrike jaded. Tehrik e Jadid was initiated by the great person of Hazrat Musleh Maud ra. He had expected a sacrifice as per your incomes. Initially a month's income was expected as the sacrifice but later only a fifth of the month's income was expected. I request khuddam and atfaal to benefit from participating in the sacrifice for Tehrik e Jadid too. Allah may enable them to come up to the expectations of Hazrat sahib atba.

Last but not least I want to remind that during your return trip back to your homes please drive safely and take appropriate rest. Allah Tallah app ka Hafiz o Nasir ho.

# 26TH NATIONAL ANNUAL IJTEMA REPORT - MAJLIS KHUDDAMUL AHMADIYYA AUSTRALIA

(compiled by Br Sayed Tariq Ahmad, Nazim Ishaat National Ijtema MCAA 2009 in consultation with Br Romeo Istifiaq Hassan Khan, Nazim-e-Aala National Ijtema MCAA 2009)

By the Grace of Almighty Allah, the 26th Annual National Ijtema of Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia took place at the Bait-ul-Huda Mosque in Sydney from Friday, the 2nd of October 2009 to the 4th of October 2009.

Guests from Inter-State, including Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Tasmania started arriving at the mosque from Thursday night, 1st of October 2009. There was a sense of anticipation in the air on Friday as Khuddam were looking forward to the start of the Ijtema as well as being excited to meet Khuddam who they had not seen since last year's Ijtema.

A total Number of 60 Khuddams from interstate had already arrived on Thursday night. Final preparations were also done prior to the start on Friday. Langar khana had started on Thursday night and the other preparations started a few weeks before Ijtema.

## Day One

### Flag Hoisting Ceremony

Friday prayers were offered at 1:15pm. At approximately 1.45pm Khuddam and Atfal gathered outside the mosque for the flag hoisting ceremony, which was the official opening of the Ijtema. At 2:20pm, Sadr Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, Rana Ejaz Ahmad raised the Khuddam flag while Qaid Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya QLD, Mudassir Mahmood raised the Australian flag. This was followed by a group of Atfal singing the Australian National Anthem and two Khadim brothers, Ijlal Ahmad and Tahir Ahmad singing the Liwa-e-Ahmadiyyat nazm. It surely was a beautiful sight seeing the two flags fluttering in the wind with the minar of the mosque in the background.

### First Session

Nazim-e-Aala, Romeo Istifiaq Hassan Khan welcomed everyone and requested Sadr Sahib to chair the first session. The first session commenced at 2:40pm with the recitation and translation of the Holy Quran by Syed Tariq Ahmad of Sydney and then Sadr Sahib read out the Khuddam pledge with the Khuddam repeating after him. Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih V, Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba), the fifth Khalifa and Head of the Worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community had sent a message on the occasion of the Ijtema. Sadr Sahib read the message out for the audience in Urdu and Nazim-e-Aala saheb read the message in English. (A copy of the message is included in this edition of the newsletter). Next, Mudassir Mahmood saheb of Queensland presented a nazm in a very melodious tone. Sadr Sahib then delivered the opening speech. He mentioned that a 'khadim' mean a servant of Allah, hence sacrifice of time and wealth is essential. He stressed the importance of wasiyyat by stating that it not only entails financial sacrifice but one should also aim to improve spiritually as well. Sadr Sahib also stressed on the significance of namaz, as Huzur (aba) has brought the Jamaat's attention towards this matter numerous amount of times. He then touched on the Al-Masroor 20-20 Cricket Tournament held in London and described it as an unforgettable experience for all the Khuddam involved from the Australian Jamaat. Sadr Sahib thanked previous Sadrs, Qaids and Khuddam for building the foundation for the current administration to work on and carry forward. He advised all Khuddam to spend their time during the Ijtema in the remembrance of Allah and to try to gain as much knowledge as possible. Khuddam should actively take part in the competitions and pray for the success of the Ijtema. He prayed that may all the





participants of the Ijtema gain the blessings from Allah. The session ended at 3:20pm with silent prayers led by Sadr Sahib.

The religious competitions commenced next, with Qirat and Hifz-e-Quran competitions held simultaneously. This was followed by the nazm competition and then the speech competitions in Urdu and English. The competitions came to an end at 7:15pm, where after Maghrib/Isha prayers were offered in congregation and then dinner was served for everyone.

Majlis-e-Shoora began after this followed by the table tennis, arm wrestling and wrist wrestling competitions. This brought an end to the first day of the 26th Annual National Ijtema.

### Day Two

The 2nd day of the National Ijtema commenced nice and early at 3:45am with Tahajjud prayers, Fajr prayers and a short 'dars.' The final session of the Majlis-e-Shoora started next, where after breakfast was served.

During the Majlis-e-Shoora the heavens opened up and heavy showers began descending down. This was a worry for the organisers and the participants as a whole day of sports was planned. Thankfully, the rain eased and the soccer and cricket competitions began. There were two pools of three teams each for each team sport, with both pools playing simultaneously; one playing soccer and the other playing cricket and then vice versa. After a number of intensely competitive matches, the finalists were decided and then lunch was served for all the Khuddam. Zuhr/Asr prayers were offered in congregation next and then the cricket final was held between Majlis Victoria and Majlis South Australia. Majlis Victoria put on too many runs for Majlis South Australia to chase and ended up winning convincingly. The volleyball pool games were held next with periodic drizzling still prevalent, but to the relief of everyone it was not enough to cancel the games. A long and tiring day of sports came to an end at 6:30pm with Maghrib/Isha prayers offered in congregation. A well deserved dinner was served after this and then Khuddam made their way into the mosque for the start of the next session.

### Second Session

This session was chaired by Murabbi Sahib, Maulana Masood Ahmad Shahid and began at 8:10pm with the recitation and translation of the Holy Quran by Hafiz Faraz of Queensland. Murabbi Sahib then gave a speech on the topic of obedience. He highlighted a number of Quranic verses, sayings of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) and writings of the various Khalifas in regards to obedience. The speaker stressed the importance of offering namaz in congregation, as one is practicing obedience to the Imam during namaz. Obedience to the Holy Prophet (PBUH), the Promised Messiah (as) and all the Khalifas is essentials. Every action of each Ahmadi should be in obedience of Huzur (aba). One should also obey all the Jamaat office bearers in line with the Khilafat.

After Murabbi Sahib's speech, the last round of religious competitions started. The spontaneous speech competition was held first followed by the religious knowledge competition. The Bait Bazi competition was next and then the message relay competition took place. This signalled the end of the 2nd day of the Ijtema.

### Day Three

The 3rd and final day of the 26th National Ijtema once again started early with Tahajjud prayers, Fajr prayers and a 'dars.' Breakfast was served next and then Khuddam had a chance to get some rest for a few hours as the rain had come back and with the wet conditions, the organising committee decided to start the sports competitions a bit late. The volleyball final was held at 9am between Majlis South Australia and Majlis Al-Noor from Sydney. This was a very entertaining match won closely by Majlis South Australia.

The soccer final was next between Majlis Bait-UI-Huda and Majlis Victoria who were the surprise team of this years National Ijtema. However the final was convincingly won by Majlis Bait-UI-Huda. The 100 metre race was held after the soccer and this brought an end to the sports competitions. Lunch was served for everyone and then Zuhr/Asr prayers were offered in congregation.

### Third Session

The final session of the Ijtema was chaired by Ameer and Missionary Incharge of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Australia, Maulana Mahmood Ahmad Shahid saheb, with the presence of a special guest on stage, Dr. Fareed Ahmad saheb from the United Kingdom. Dr. Fareed Ahmad is a devoted Ahmadi dentist and a waqf-e-zindagi who served in Gambia and is now serving in London.

The session commenced at 2:35pm with the recitation and translation of the Holy Quran by Hafiz Sohail Rana. Sadr Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia, Rana Ejaz Ahmad saheb then read the Khuddam pledge with everyone repeating the words after him. Qamar Ahmad Chohan saheb next delivered a nazm followed by the presentation of the National Ijtema Report by Nazim-e-Aala, Romeo Istifiaq Hassan Khan saheb. He mentioned the attendance during the Ijtema which was as follows:

	Khuddam	Atfal	Ansar	Total
Day One	208	63	16	287
Day Two	182	74	8	266
Day Three	173	68	5	256

Nazim-e-Aala saheb mentioned that unfortunately due to bad weather and wet conditions, which were a safety hazard for participants, shot put, long jump, marathon race and tug-of-war, were cancelled. However, he did mention the achievement of all khuddams where patience and understanding prevailed. He finally thanked all the volunteers and participants for making the Ijtema a success. Sadr Saheb then proceeded to present the Annual Report (a copy of which is included in the edition of the newsletter). The Prize Distribution Ceremony was held after this. The prizes for 2nd and 3rd positions were already given out straight after the completion of the competitions, so names were announced during the Ceremony and only the first position was called up on stage to receive their prize. The prizes were given out by the special guest, Dr. Fareed Ahmad. The Atfal, who had their own Ijtema running simultaneously during these three days were given their prizes first followed by the Khuddam.

There was a special prize for effort and participation given to brothers, Ijlal Ahmad and Tahir Ahmad from Majlis South Australia. There was an overall best Khadim prize across all the religious competitions and this was won by Mudassir Mahmood saheb of Queensland who is also Qaid of Majlis Qld.

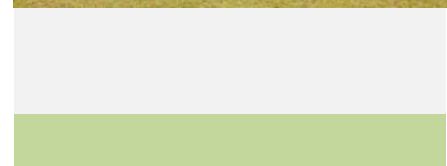
There was also an overall prize for the most consistent and best & fairest player across all the sports' competitions, won by Junaid Abro saheb of Majlis South Australia.

Finally, all the players from Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Australia who attended the 20-20 Al-Masroor Cricket Tournament held in London were awarded special prizes given by the UK Jamaat. Ameer Sahib was also given a special shield by Dr. Fareed Ahmad saheb from the UK Jamaat for sending a team to take part in this tournament from Australia.

It was announced that the Alm-e-Inami prize given to the best Majlis for the year would be given during the next National Annual Jalsa.

Next, Dr. Fareed Ahmad saheb gave a brief speech. He mentioned that he felt honoured to give out the prizes in this Ijtema as well as addressing the audience. He advised the audience that actions should always follow words and then described an incident that he experienced with Huzur (aba), with the moral of the story being that Huzur's (aba) instructions should be followed at all times and one should always be bound with Khilafat.

Lastly, Ameer Sahib delivered the concluding speech. He focused on the relationship between the husband and wife. He stressed that one should never resort to force and that before contacting the local authorities, one should contact the Jamaat,





unless of course one has no choice and criminal actions are being carried out. Conflicts should be brought to the attention of the Jamaat with the intention of resolving them with honest and clear hearts. Conflicts arise due to different views between the two parties, but both parties must accept the decision the Jamaat makes, as God will reward them for their obedience, even if one party thinks it is wrong. Amicable separation is the last resort if all avenues to resolve the conflicts fail. Ameer Sahib then moved on to mention that even with the bad weather conditions that were faced over the three days, the Ijtema was successful by the Grace of Allah.

He highlighted and advised Khuddam that discipline is essential and the Jamaat would not tolerate indiscipline. He ended his speech by praying for a safe journey for all the participants and led silent prayers at 4:40pm.

MTA Australia then gave a photo presentation on the projector covering the 3 days of activities during the Ijtema to end a most memorable, enjoyable and by the Grace of Almighty Allah, a very successful Ijtema.

At the conclusion of the photo presentation, members met each other to say their salaam and wish fellow members a safe trip home.

Wind up began soon after. Most interstate Khuddams departed on Sunday night and some stayed behind to leave the next morning.

