

SUNNAH PRACTICES FOR EIDUL ADHA

- ❁ To wake up as early as possible
- ❁ To take a Ghusl (Bath)
- ❁ To use the Miswaak
- ❁ To apply Itr (perfume)
- ❁ To wear one's best clothes
- ❁ Delay eating until returning from the Eid Salaah. It is Mustahab (preferable) to eat the meat from the Qurbani animal first
- ❁ To use a separate route when returning from the Eid Salaah
- ❁ To recite Takbeer audibly en route to the Eid Salaah:

**Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar Laa Ilaaha Illallahu
Wallahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar wa Lillahil Hamd**



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THE NIGHT BEFORE EID

Rasulullah ﷺ said, "Whoever stands (in worship) during the nights preceding the two Eids expecting reward from his Sustainer, his heart will not die on the day when other hearts will die. (i.e. he will be saved from the terror of the Day of Qiyamah)."

[Sunan Ibn Majah]



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EID SALAAH PROCEDURE (HANAFI)

- ❁ Eid Salaah is Waajib (compulsory).
- ❁ Eid Salaah comprises of six extra Takbeers which are Waajib. (Three in each Rakaat)
- ❁ The time for Eid Salaah begins after sunrise until mid-day.
- ❁ The Eid Salaah is performed first followed by the Eid Khutbah. **It is Waajib to listen to the Khutbah.**
- ❁ Neither Adhaan nor Iqamah should be given.

FIRST RAKAAT



1 x Takbeer



Thana



3 x Takbeer

Fold hands on 3rd



Surah Fatiha
& Surah



Ruku



Sajdah

SECOND RAKAAT



Surah Fatiha
& Surah



4 x Takbeer

(Ruku on 4th)



Ruku



Sajdah



Salaam



2 x Khutbas

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The Most Virtuous Deed during the Days of Qurbani

Rasulullah ﷺ said, “There is nothing dearer to Allah Ta’ala during the days of Qurbani than the sacrificing of animals. The sacrificed animal will come on the Day of Judgement with its horns, hair & hooves (to be weighed on the scale of good deeds). The sacrifice is accepted by Allah before the blood reaches the ground.

So sacrifice with an open & happy heart.”

[Sunan Tirmidhi]



THE SPIRIT OF QURBANI

Qurbani is a sacred Ibaadah that holds great spiritual significance. It is an act of humbling oneself before Allah and offering a sacrifice while praying to Allah for its acceptance. Allah says, “It is neither its flesh nor its blood that reaches Allah, but rather it is your Taqwa that reaches Him.” (Surah 22, Verse 37)

Allah is not impressed at the size and weight of the animal if it is slaughtered with a corrupt intention (for show). Rather it is your connection with Allah and the spirit with which you slaughter that determines whether the slaughtered animal is a Qurbani.

There were many of the pious who would rear a baby animal for the entire year for the purpose of Qurbani. Thus when the time of sacrifice came, the entire family would weep at the pain of slaughtering this pet of the home to which the entire household had become attached.

Contrast this with our current situation today. Qurbani is not a circus, nor a funfair. As we understand that there is no element of fun and entertainment in Salaah, we should understand the same for Qurbani.

May Allah Ta’ala grant us the true spirit of Qurbani, Ameen.



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UNDERAGE ANIMALS

There are certain conditions that are necessary for an animal to be acceptable for Qurbani. This is generally summed up by the animal being fit and healthy and free from defects. An important requirement is the age of the Qurbani animal.

Camels: must be at least **five lunar years old**.

Cattle: cows & bulls must be at least **two lunar years old**.

Sheep & Goats: must be at least **one lunar year old**.

N.B. There is a further concession in **sheep only**, that if a sheep is above 6 months and resembles a one year old sheep in size, then it will be permissible for Qurbani, otherwise not.

We request the public to take special note when purchasing small sized sheep as reports have been received of sheep under 6 months being sold for Qurbani. Such a Qurbani will not be valid.

We advise those who are selling animals to be fully acquainted with the requirements for a Qurbani animal. You will be accountable in the court of Allah if animals unfit for Qurbani are sold for this purpose.



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QURBANI

THE SUNNAH WAY

While the Muslim community has always upheld the obligation of Qurbani with profound eagerness, it has been unfortunately observed that at times the slaughter and treatment of Qurbani animals is harsh and inconsiderate. Ignorance and negligence regarding the proper method of slaughter can diminish and even void the reward and virtue of this noble obligation.

The following are some of the acts that must be avoided:

- ✖ **Leaving animals hungry and thirsty before slaughter.**
- ✖ **Sharpening of blades in front of the animals.**
- ✖ **Slaughtering in front of other animals.**
- ✖ **Skinning while movement exists in the animal.**
- ✖ **Ill-treatment of animals in pens/holding areas.**
- ✖ **Dragging the animal on its back.**
- ✖ **Stunning of animals.**
- ✖ **Slaughtering with a blunt knife.**
- ✖ **Slaughtering by persons, especially children, who do not know how to slaughter correctly.**

Rasulullah ﷺ said, “Indeed Allah has prescribed excellence in everything; ... when you slaughter, do so properly. Each of you should sharpen his blade and spare suffering to the animal he is slaughtering.” (Sahih Muslim)



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LOWER YOUR GAZE ON THE DAY OF EID

Wakee' (Rahimahullah) said: "We went out with Sufyan Thawri (Rahimahullah) on the Day of Eid and he said: 'Verily, the first thing we will begin our day with is lowering our gazes (from looking at non-Mahram women).'"

[Al-Wara libni abid Dunya]



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Hasan Ibn Abi Sinan went out for the Eid Prayer and when he returned, his wife said to him: 'How many beautiful women did you see today?' When she persisted, he replied: 'I did not look at anything except my thumb from the time I went out until I returned to you!'

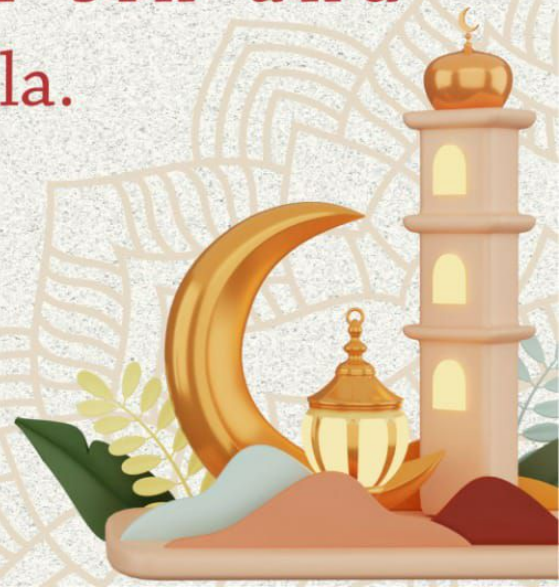
[At-Tabsirah, Ibn al-Jawzi]



AVOID THE FOLLOWING ON THE DAY OF EID



- ✖ Avoid intermingling with non-mahram family members and visitors.
- ✖ Avoid dressing in an improper and immodest manner.
- ✖ Avoid all forms of sin and disobedience to Allah Ta'ala.



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takes this opportunity of
wishing the Muslim Ummah
a joyous & spiritually
uplifting Eid. Have a blessed
Eid and may Allah accept
from us all. Ameen.

تَقَبَّلَ اللَّهُ مِنَّا وَ مِنْكُمْ

Taqabbalallahu Minna wa Minkum

