



# DARUL IFTAA MAHMUDIYYAH **REPORT | 2015/1436**



## The Darul Iftaa Report | 2015/1436

Alhamdulillah, it is with the Fadhl and grace of Allah Ta'ala that the Darul Iftaa Mahmudiyyah is having its third graduation Jalsa. This year, with the Fadl of Allah Ta'ala, there will be 17 Ulama graduating as Muftis.

**All the students with the exception of 3 are foreigners.**

The graduating students are:

**1. Mufti Ismaeel Bassa - Durban**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Zakariyyah. He is also the Inhouse Mufti of the Jamiatul Ulama KZN.

**2. Mufti Fahad Abdul Wahab – USA**

A Graduate of Darul Uloom Azaadville.

**3. Mufti Abu Ali al – Dagestani – Russia**

Studied in Dagestan.

**4. Mufti Hashim Amod - Durban**

Mufti Hashim Saheb is well known to all of us - Principal , Akhtarul Uloom.

**5. Mufti Ismail Dawoodjee – Zambia**

Graduate of Jamia Islamia Zambia.

**6. Mufti Muhammad Haris Siddiqui - Australia**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Victoria, Melbourne

**7. Mufti Immad Arshad - USA**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Azaadville

**8. Mufti Bilal Rehmani - Canada**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Al -Madaniyyah, Chatham, Canada

**9. Mufti Zameelur Rahman - UK**

Graduate of Darul Uloom in Birmingham

**10. Mufti Abdul Mannan - USA**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Al -Madaniyyah, Chatham, Canada

**11. Mufti Asim Patel - Venda**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Zakariyyah

**12. Mufti Nabeel Valli - Zambia**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Azaadville

**13. Mufti Saleem Khan - UK**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Azaadville

**14. Mufti Muntasir Zaman – USA**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Azaadville

**15. Mufti Sohail ibn Arif - USA**

Darul Uloom, Chicago

**16. Mufti Zakariya Memon - Canada**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Al -Madaniyyah, Chatham, Canada

**17. Mufti Khalil Johnson - Belgium\Canada**

Graduate of Darul Uloom Azaadville

When a student completes his Iftaa course, it is regarded as the formal completion of one's studies which has a background of great amount of sacrifice by the student himself, the student's parents, and his teachers. Therefore, the successful completion of one's formal studies is a great achievement and a very happy occasion.

On such an occasion, students would like to share their achievements with their most beloved - their parents and families. 14 out of our graduating students are foreigners, from USA, UK, Zambia, Russia, and Australia.

I take this opportunity to address my beloved students that while you wish to have your parents and families with you on this momentous occasion, be rest assured that the people of Sherwood have embraced you as their family from the time you came here and feel proud of your achievement.

The Ulama of South Africa and in particular, the people of Sherwood share this happy occasion with you. It is our Dua that you return home safely and successfully engage in the service of Deen. All we hope is to be part of the Sawaab of your services of Deen.

Muhtaram Ulama, the students will be receiving 2 certificates, 1 for Iftaa and the other on Islamic Finance.

Alhamdulillah, every student successfully completed the Nisaab of Mutaala which is 10 volumes of Ahsanul Fatawa and 25 volumes of Fatawa Mahmudiyyah. They also completed the Nisaab of answering 300 Fatawa received from the Darul Iftaa website - The Askimam website and the Idealwoman.org website. This is apart from the normal Duroos and practical training at the Darul Iftaa. Each student is also required to present thesis at the end of his course.

Hazrat Moulana Ahmed Chohan Saheb has requested us to compile a Kitaab on Masaa'il pertaining to Haidh and Nifaas. Alhamdulillah, Mufti Bilal Rehmani, a graduating student from New Jersey, USA compiled this Kitaab which will be published soon Insha'Allah.

The Darul Iftaa has received many requests to provide guidelines on Faskh of Nikah. Alhamdulillah, Mufti Zameelur Rahman, a student from UK translated Heelatun Naajizah of Hazrath Moulana Ashraf Ali Thanvi (Rahmatullah alayh) and also presented practical guidelines on how to deal with such issues.

I take this opportunity to thank the Ameer of Jamiatul Ulama, Moulana Ahmed Mahommedy Saheb for allowing the students of the Darul Iftaa to take part in the judicial sittings of the Jamiatul Ulama as observers. Their observations and experiences at the judicial sittings have contributed to compiling practical solutions to such challenging situations.

The Darul Iftaa is also busy with the Takhreej of Taleemul Haq. The Hanafi version and the Shafi version. This is being done with the permission and consultation of Hazrat Qari Ismail Desai Saheb.

The Takhreej of the Hanafi version is being done by Mufti Ismail Dawoodjee of Zambia as his thesis and the Takhreej of the Shafi version is being done by Mufti Abu Ali- Dagestani from Russia as his thesis. Mufti Abu Ali- Dagestani is also preparing a Kitaab on Aqida.

### **Topics on other thesis are:**

**1. Sciences of the Quran** by Mufti Abdul Mannan Nizami of Chicago, US.

**2. Mutaan Mutabara of the Hanafi Madhab** - by Mufti Fahad from New York.

**3. Fatawa of our Akabireen** – This thesis highlights the efforts of our Akabireen in Fatawa with a brief biography of such Akabireen. This is being done by Mufti Saleem Khan of the UK.

**4.** We are facing great academic challenges from the Shia scholars who are skilled in the art of debate and mislead our public. Two students - Mufti Immad from California and Mufti Haris from Australia are tasked to translate Irshadus Shiyaa of Hazrat Moulana Sarfaraz Khan which presents answers to their objections against the Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamah.

5. Mufti Nabeel Valli of Zambia and Mufti Asim from Venda are compiling thesis on Waqf and related issues.
6. Mufti Muntasir of USA presented a detailed explanation on theoretical aspects of Hadith. He also reviewed introduction of Hadith compiled by myself.
7. The Darul Iftaa has compiled volume 2 of Contemporary Fatawa. It is being distributed today. Furthermore, Moulana Abdullah Ghadai, a first year student of the Darul Iftaa has translated Hazrath Mufti Ahmed Khanpuri Sahebs Kitaab on the reality of Baiat. This is also being distributed today. We are busy translating Hazraths weekly discourses of Shamaail Tirmidhi which takes place in Surat, India.

Mufti Hussain Kadodia has been assisting me in teaching the students. He has spent much of his time with the students and also guiding them along. His flexible and friendly nature makes it very easy for students to benefit from his deep skills in Fiqh and Hadith. May Allah Taala reward Mufti Hussain Kadodia Saheb for his great sacrifices and may Allah Taala grant him Ajr azeem and make the students Sawab e Jariya for him and his parents.

I take the opportunity to thank all the people of Sherwood for their continuous support to the Darul Iftaa and showing our students love and care. Indeed, the international community feels proud with your Ikraam. I also wish to express my deepest Shukriyyah to Bilaals and his family and Muhammad Ahmed from Mochachos for their kind contribution of food for the students.

Most importantly, I wish to thank the administration of Masjidus Saliheen, Hafiz Suleman Makada, Prof Randeree and Hafiz Shakir for being a pillar of strength to the Darul Iftaa in every way.

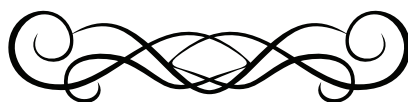
Ofcourse, we cannot forget our beloved Imam, Hazrat Moulana Ahmed Chohan Saheb, who was the first person to give me Mashwara of establishing a Darul Iftaa in Sherwood. Allah puts effective thoughts in the hearts and minds of his Maqbool servants. He has been a pillar of support for me and a father figure to all our students. May Allah reward Moulana and keep his shadow on us for a long time.

## **In conclusion**

I wish to thank all of you for coming to our Jalsa. Your presence and Duas is our support.

It is our good fortune that we have been blessed with the company of my 2 Asaatiza, Hazrath Mufti Ahmed Khanpuri Saheb and Hazrath Moulana Suleman Choksi Saheb Daamat Barakatuhum. The people of Natal have witnessed the Ruhaaniyyat of Hazrath in the past week, the Zikr Masjlis, the Dua and the programmes.

To me, my Asaatiza are my life and everything to me. No amount of words will be able to express my gratitude to them. All we can do is make Dua Allah grant them Barakah in their lives and keep their shadow on us for a long time.



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