

DARUL IFTAA

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*In the Name of Allah,
The Most Gracious, The Most Merciful.*

الحمد لله وكفى والصلاة والسلام على عباده الذين اصطفى

**Most Respected Muftiyaan, Ulama, and Honourable Guests,
Assalaamu Alaykum Warahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh,**

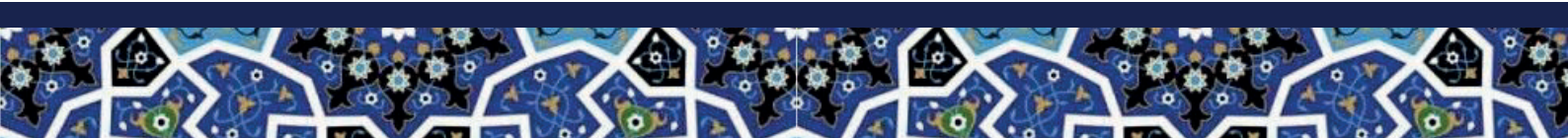
Alhamdulillah, it is the grace of Almighty Allah Ta'ala that He has granted us Tawfeeq to engage in the service of Deen. We make Dua that Allah Ta'ala forgive our shortcomings. We make Dua that Allah Ta'ala grant us Ikhlas in whatever we do. We make Dua that Allah keep us engaged in the service of Deen till the end. Aameen.

Alhamdulillah, this year, we have 18 Ulama qualifying as Muftis. They will be receiving certificates for completing the two-year Iftaa course. They will also receive certificates for completing the Islamic Finance Economics course.

GRADUATING STUDENTS

The sequence of the names are according to the age of the students. The names are not called out based on merit.

The graduating students are:



1. Mufti Mahomed Yasser Mahomed Iunus Mahomed
Hussen
Mozambique
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Newcastle

2. Mufti Anas Ullah Sharieff
India
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Deoband

3. Mufti Faizal Dhada
United Kingdom
Graduated from - Al Kawthar Academy.
He also completed his degree in law.

4. Mufti Hussein Muhammad
Tanzania
Graduated from - Madrasah In'aamiyyah, Camperdown

5. Mufti Muhammad Shabbir Patel
Zambia
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Azaadville

6. Mufti Tahmid Chowdhury
USA
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Azaadville



7. Mufti Mirza Mahmood Baig
Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Zakariyya

8. Mufti Rabiul Islam
USA
Graduated from - Darul Uloom NY

9. Mufti Mizanur Rahman
United Kingdom
Graduated from - Jamiatul ilm wal Huda

10. Mufti Tareque Ahmed
USA
Graduated from - Darul Uloom New York

11. Mufti Lutfi Alam
USA
Graduated from - Darul Uloom New York

12. Mufti Mehrazur Rahman
USA
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Azaadville



13. Mufti Aboobakr Siddeeq Mohammad. The son of Muhtaram
Mufti Amjad Saheb (Daamat Barakatuhum)
Azaadville, JHB
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Azaadville

14. Mufti Muajul Islam Chowdhury
USA
Graduated from - Darul Uloom Azaadville

15. Mufti Muhammad Yusuf bin Maulana Abdur Rahim
Khan. Son of Muhtaram
Maulana Abdur Rahim Khan Saheb. Principal of Darul
Uloom Numaniyyah.

16. Mufti Muhammed Al-Ameen bin Maulana Ismail Akoo
Saheb. Son of Muhtaram
Maulana Ismail Akoo Saheb.
Principal of Darul Uloom New Castle.

17. Mufti Abdullah bin Syed Sajid. Son of Muhtaram Syed
Sajid Saheb. Principal of Darul Huda, Texas. USA
Graduated from - Darul Uloom New York



18. Mufti Saeed Tulani Ncane

He has spent significant time in doing the Iftaa course. He had to go to Harding to meet the needs of his community. Alhamdulillah, he is very efficiently engaged in Dawah and welfare work with the assistance of Al-Imdaad. He continues with his Iftaa course. We take this opportunity of the presence of Hadhrat Mufti Ahmed Saheb to confer on his Mufti title.

He is the first indigenous Mufti in Natal.

We make Dua Allah accept all the newly qualifying Muftis. We make Dua Allah accept their sacrifices and the sacrifices of their parents and Asatiza who thought them from Maktab till the end. Many students make great sacrifices to come over to study.

To my beloved students, you have spent a minimum of 8 years to acquire Ilm Deen. This is the greatest form of Ibadat. You could have gone to college, you could have gone to university, you could have attained secular degrees with high rewarding jobs. You withheld yourself to study Deen for the pleasure of Allah. Insh'Allah Allah will grant you from His unlimited treasures. May Allah use you for His Deen and may Allah open many doors of Barakah in your life. Aameen.



Beloved students, you have made a great investment for your Akhirat. You fall in the category of the promise made in the Hadith:

سبعة يظلهم الله تعالى في ظله يوم لا ظل إلا ظله: وشاب نشأ في عبادة الله

Respected guests,

The written questions received by the Darul Iftaa are from the Ask Imam website. There are approximately 50,000 Ask Imam Fatawas posted on the Ask Imam website and other websites. Unfortunately, many Fatawa got lost due to transferring information. We hope to retrieve the lost Fatawa and place them back on the website. We had many requests to revamp and upgrade the Ask Imam website and search engine. Alhamdulillah, the website is revamped. The search engine has also been modified.

A separate section pertaining to Ahadith have been created for easy reference.

We also field questions from our Ideal Woman website, a website that deals specifically with feminine and social related issues. Most of the Fatawa received through the Ideal Woman website are not posted due to request of confidentiality from women or due to the sensitive/personal nature of the questions.

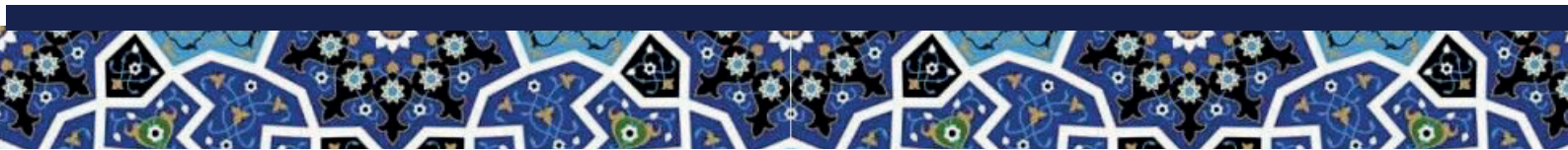


The Q&A of Cii is also under the administration of the Darul Iftaa. This position has been taken upon the request of many senior Ulama and after consulting with Hadhrat Mufti Ahmed Khanpuri Saheb and Hadhrat Maulana Sulaiman Choksi Saheb. The Q&A forum is used only as an educational forum. We humbly request, you the Ulama to forward us questions that require educating the public through Cii.

DARUL IFTAA WORKSHOPS:

We wish to place on record the following organizations for their assistance in the practical training of our students.

- 1) The Jamiatul Ulama KZN for permitting our students to take part in the Judicial sittings of Jamiatul Ulama KZN
- 2) The IPCI for training our students in comparative religions and debates.
- 3) To Mufti (Advocate) Emran Vawda for conducting a course on mediation and arbitration. This course was useful as Mufti Emran also has legal background together with his knowledge of Shari'ah.
- 4) The Muslim Prison Board, headed by Maulana Shabbir Asmal Saheb, for training our students on dealing with prisoners and prison related issues. Maulana also facilitated a visit for our students to the West-ville prison.
- 5) The Hilal Committee of Jamiatul Ulama KZN headed by Maulana Shabbir Asmal for the training on various issues pertaining to Hilal.
- 6) The Archer Archery Academy, Br. Zaid Kajee for training our students on archery, a great Sunnah of Rasulullah .
- 7) The Darul Ihsan Humanitarian Centre (Muhtaram Mufti Zubair Bayat Saheb) for conducting a workshop on marriage counselling for our students.



- 8) The Public Speaking and Leadership Academy, Mohammed Vahed and Idris Khamisa on Public speech training.
- 9) We thank Mufti Shafeeq Jakura Saheb for making a presentation on Islamic Finance.
We also thank Ebrahim Desai (Accountant) for conducting practicals on Kafn and Dafn (shrouding and burial).
- 10) We thank the Al- Imdaad Foundation (Maulana Ahmed Chohan, Yaqub Vahed, Qari Ziyad Patel, and Maulana Muhammad Motala) for conducting a workshop with our students on various aspects of welfare, crisis and disaster management.
- 10) A special thanks and Shukriyah to Muhtaram Mufti Amjad Saheb for taking out time and preparing the anthem (tarana) for the Darul Iftaa. May Allah reward all of you for your sacrifices and contributions.

PUBLICATIONS:

Alhamdulillah, the Darul Iftaa has published the English commentary of Qaseedah Burdah. Insha'Allah, this will be available soon.

Alhamdulillah, in the past two years, there were discourses on the Chapter of Economics **كتاب البيوع** of Bukhari Shareef at the Mallinson Road Masjid. The talks are being transcribed and we hope to publish it. Insh'Allah the compilation will serve as a useful commentary for **كتاب البيوع** of Bukhari Shareef.

The Darul Iftaa has compiled 2 volumes of Ideal Woman Fatawa which will be published soon.

The Darul Iftaa also completed 2 volumes on Social Related issues which will also be published soon.

The 4th volume of Contemporary Fatawa is also being compiled.



Each qualifying student is required to present a thesis on some contemporary issues. Alhamdulillah, each student qualifying today has presented their thesis which will be uploaded on the Darul Iftaa website.

SHARIAH COMPLIANT INVESTMENT SCHEMES:

The Darul Iftaa has been inundated with queries pertaining to the Al- Mabroor investment scheme. The Darul Iftaa only guarantees the Shariah compliancy of the scheme.

Whilst we do understand that Al- Mabroor has been performing well and has passed the Billion Rand mark, we only undertake to guarantee the Shariah compliancy of Al- Mabroor products.

Whoever wishes to invest in it, may do so at their own risk. The Darul Iftaa does not take any credit for the profits earned or responsibility for any possible losses.

The Darul Iftaa has also been requested by the management of the HBZ Islamic branch to supervise and audit their contracts and transactions. Alhamdulillah, all the contracts of HBZ have been checked by us and we conduct audits on their transactions. We have to acknowledge that Islamic banking working within a conventional environment does face great challenges. Our endeavor is to promote Islamic Finance to the best of our ability. The Darul Iftaa has also certified the Islamic model of Mettle Islamic Finance and subscriptions to Mega rewards. We reiterate, whoever subscribes to any of these schemes, does so on their own risk. The Darul Iftaa takes responsibility only of the Shariah compliancy of what it has certified.



ONE HUMANITY FOUNDATION

The Darul Iftaa operates the One Humanity Foundation.

The motivation of One Humanity is to restore dignity and honor in the underprivileged people.

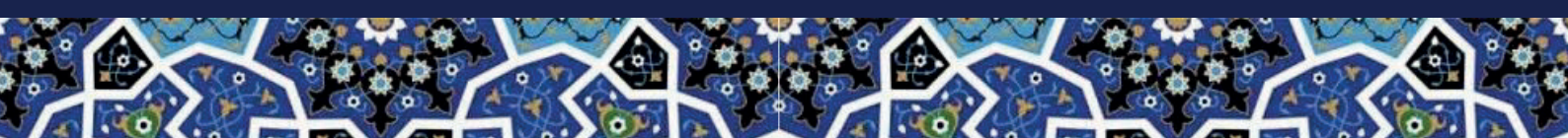
Alhamdulillah through your generous donations, One Humanity Foundation was able to assist hundreds of Muslims families during the winter with blankets and food packs in Malawi. We also assisted families during Ramadhan and Eid through Iftar distribution, food hampers, and Eid packs.

Distribution of food hampers and Iftar was also done in Gaza and Jordan/Syria.

Your Qurbani was also distributed to hundreds of families across various villages in Malawi.

Alhamdulillah, thus far many water-wells and boreholes have also been constructed. One Humanity Foundation is focusing on renovating existing Masajid in rural areas of Malawi. The aim is to inhabit the Masajid through Makatibs and have adult Da'wah programs. Alhamdulillah, thus far, some Masajid have been renovated and Maktabas have been established. This project is personally supervised on the ground by the personnel of Darul Iftaa in Malawi.

One Humanity has also begun the initiative of publishing newsletters in the local Chichewa language educating the local indigenous Muslims of Malawi on basics and essentials of Islam. We make Dua that Allah accept all Khidmaat.



We also thank you for your continued support and Duas. May Allah Ta'ala reward you abundantly. Aameen. You may get further information from: www.one-humanity.net.

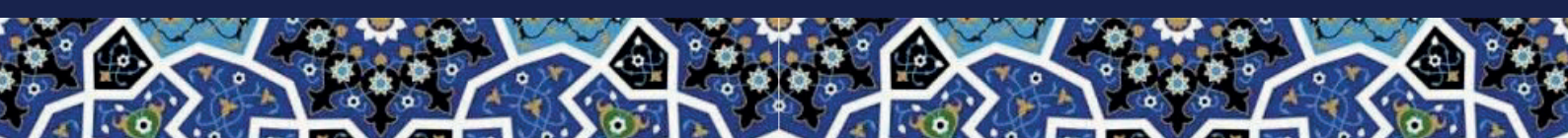
MEDIATION AND ARBITRATIONS:

Alhamdulillah, the Darul Iftaa also provides the services of commercial mediation and arbitration. In the past two years, we have successfully mediated and arbitrated many commercial related disputes worth many millions of Rands. Most of our interventions are resolved through mediation.

We humbly advise our business community to resolve their business disputes according to Shariah and avoid referring the disputes to the courts. This is a wastage of money and resources. Besides that, the ruling of the courts are not according to the Shariah.

SHUKRIYYA:

We live in this inter dependent world. We cannot do everything by ourselves. We only rely on the support and assistance of our near and dear ones. There are many silent and sincere soldiers behind the services of the Darul Iftaa. If we were to name them, the list will be too long. They are the donors, doctors, food outlets, plumbers, electricians, etc. They would not want to be named and acknowledged in public and prefer preserving their anonymity and hope for **قبولیت** and reward by Allah.



May Almighty Allah reward everyone of you from His infinite treasures and most importantly reward you with His Pleasure.

ورضوان من الله أكبر. الله أكبر

Yes, of course, I have to acknowledge the sincere efforts and sacrifices made by Mufti Husain Kadodia for taking out his precious time and teaching the students. May Allah accept his sacrifices and reward him on our behalf. May Allah reward his parents and his family, and may Allah make his children the coolness of his eyes and grant him more than his expectations. Aameen.

We encourage our graduates to establish Darul Iftaas and Fatawa websites and serve the Ummah through that. There are many people misleading the Ummah in the cyber world through false titles and corrupt rulings. There is a need for reliable Ulama to combat the Fitnah in the cyberspace.

Alhamdulillah, Darul Iftaa Mahmudiyyah has its branches in the form of physical Darul Iftaas in the US (3), UK, Botswana, Mozambique, Malawi, Zambia, Russia, Australia, Jamaica, Trinidad and Netherlands. The Darul Iftaa has 17 affiliate websites operating by the students of Darul Iftaa.





AFFILIATED WEBSITES OF THE DARUL IFTAA

SOUTH AFRICA

www.fatwaa.com
MUFTI ISMAIL/ISHAAQ MOOSA

MOZAMBIQUE

www.daruliftaummati.co.mz
MUFTI HUSSEIN ISSA

www.daruliftaamahmudiyyah.co.mz
MUFTI MAHOMMAD YASSER

ZAMBIA

www.daruliftaazambia.com
PANEL OF ULAMA

UNITED KINGDOM

www.darulfiqh.com
MUFTI FARAZ ADAM

www.askourimam.com
MUFTI HANIF PATEL

www.efiqh.co.uk
MUFTI LUQMAN HANSROT

www.darulmaarif.com
MUFTI ZAMEELUR RAHMAN

MALAWI

www.daruliftaamw.com
MUFTI SAFWAAN IBRAHIM

AUSTRALIA

www.fatwa.org.au
MUFTI FAIZAL RIZA

NETHERLANDS

www.answerstofatawa.com
MUFTI HAFIZUR RAHMAN

JAMAICA

www.islamicolutions.org
MUFTI SAEED AHMED GOLAU

MAURITIUS

www.jameahmahmoodiyyah.com
MUFTI MUHAMMAD ASHHAD

AMERICA

www.masjidyaseen.org
MUFTI ABDUL AZEEM

RUSSIA

www.askimam.ru
MUFTI SOHAIL

CANADA

www.fatwa.ca
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In conclusion, on behalf of the trustees of Darul Iftaa, Mufti Hashim Amod, Mohammad Mehtar (Maytex) and myself, and on behalf of Madrasa Hamidiyyah, Muhtaram Maulana Naeem Motala Saheb, we place on record our sincerest gratitude to the Imam of Masjid Saliheen Maulana Chohan Saheb and the trustees, Hafiz Suleman Makada, Hafiz Shakir Desai, and Prof. Randeree for facilitating this programme and making all the related arrangements easy for us.



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