

QUESTION # 01

ANSWER

I) INTRODUCTION: HAJJ AND ITS IMPACTS ON HUMAN LIFE.

Hajj is the fifth and the last pillar of Islam. It means to intent a journey to Mecca. There are multiple "Fara'idh and wajibat" in Hajj. The fundamentals of Islam are completed with Hajj as Allah says: "Today we have completed, Islam as a deen onto you." Hajj affects human life in multiple ways. At one hand it instills morality. On the other hand it helps human achieve spirituality. Finally, it also guides human life as a whole. Precisely, Hajj is a 5-day journey towards Mecca for attaining sacred rituals.

II) MEANING OF HAJJ

Ritual Meaning: The literal meaning of hajj is to resolve, surround or gather.

Contextual Meaning: The contextual meaning of hajj is to intend journey toward Mecca.

Shar'iah Meaning: In Shar'iah hajj means to go for a journey to Mecca, to perform sacred rituals from 8th Zul-Hijjah to 12th Zul-Hijjah as a obligatory prayer or commandment.

III) HAJJ IN QURAN AND HADITH

According to Quran;

"Hajj is made incumbent upon those who are capable of performing it, and those who disbelieve, Allah is enough for them"

"And when Ibrahim and Ismail re-erected the house, they said, Lord, "please accept our services for you as you are the heaven and knower."

And As per Hadeeth;

"Those who do not perform Hajj, God willing, either they will die as Jews or Christians!"

"Hajj is made obligatory on you, so perform Hajj"

IV) FARAIDH AND WAJIBAT OF HAJJ

Faraidh: To wear Ihram, Wuquf and Tawaf-ul-Zawiyah

Wajibat: Night at Muzdalifah, rami, Nahl, Hake, Tawaf-ul-Wada and Sa'ee.

V)

rites of Hajj

On 8th Zul-Hijjah: Ablution, Niyah
Ihram, Tawaf, journey to
Mina and night stay at
Mina.

On 9th Zul-Hijjah: Night stay
Muzdalifah

On 10th Zul-Hijjah: Return to
Mina, nafil, halq

On 11th Zul-Hijjah: Night in
Mina, running between Safa-ul-
marwa.

On 12th Zul-Hijjah: Tawaf-ul-
-wada, the last tawaf

VI)

Impact of Hajj on Human Life

A)

SPIRITUAL

(i) Strengthen Bond with Allah.

When a man intends
to perform Hajj, and he goes for
Zait, Allah blessed so much blessings
to him and help him complete.

the hard journey. As Allah says in Quran;

"When a man repents to Allah, He is Rehman and forgives him."

(ii) Purification of Soul

Hajj purifies the soul. Hajj requires physical and economic investment. When a man free from desires, performs Hajj, he purifies his heart from worldly greeds.

Prophet (P.B.U.H) said that...

"When a person performing Hajj changes his whole life and remains pious, he is good in the site of Allah!"

B) MORAL

i) Hajj Reconciles Work with Ibadat

Hajj requires a journey free from worldly assignments, but it helps get rewards in the hereafter because this world is an exam hall, leaving

wordly work in the name of Allah aids more. Sahab asked prophet (P.B.U.H) for this issue and prophet said;

"Allah has made something good for you for sacrificing your wordly life now some days".

(ii) Hajj inculcates humbleness in a man

After performing Hajj man becomes calm, peaceful and generous. It reshapes the life and helps man to re-start. Man becomes loving, caring and humble with others.

C) AS A COLLECTIVE HUMAN LIFE

(i) Witnessing history of Islam and Allah divinity

When people, across the world gather at one place, it reminds the world the religion of Islam continuing from

Hajjst Adam (A.S). It proves that Islam is the only religion since the creation of world, as Quran points out;

"When Ibrahim and Ismail re-erected the House, they asked Allah that you are the Lord."

(ii) Hajj exemplifies Brother hood and Equality

Performing Hajj, people help one another and do care for each one another, securing other luggages and belonging. When they stand behind Allah they are equal despite difference in caste, creed, family, place, nation and language.

vii) CONCLUSION

To sum up, Hajj is the last pillar of Islam and it requires journey of performing sacred ritual from 8th

* Zul-Hijjah to 12th Zul-Hijjah.

These are some obligatory and important rituals to perform.

~~Hajj~~ From given views, it can be said that Hajj really help moral, spiritual and collective human life.