



VISIT OF THE KHALIFATULLAH TO THE COMOROS & REUNION ISLAND

(21-27 October 2015)



After a flight of 2hrs 25 minutes through Reunion Island, the Khalifatullah (atba) reached **THE COMOROS** (Moroni Airport) at 12.10 (local time). He was warmly welcomed by the members of the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam, Union des Comores as well as the members of the Amila.

- ◆ The same day, the Khalifatullah (atba) held an important meeting with the officers of the Jamaat, and was briefed on the works done.
- ◆ After the Asr prayers, Hadhrat Khalifatullah (atba) went in a village and met with some Imams there as well as the village chief. *Alhamdolillah*, the meetings with them were very successful. The Imam invited the Khalifatullah (atba) to lead the Maghrib prayer, and afterwards, the people of the village came to meet the Khalifatullah (atba) with much love. They maximized this special moment to ask a lot of important questions to Huzur (atba) and *Alhamdolillah*, the Messenger of Allah (atba) gave them such answers which pleased them, and thus in capacity of spiritual leader, the Khalifatullah (atba) explained to them about his mission and invited them to the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam. By the grace of Allah, they were highly pleased to have met with the Messenger of Allah, and they recognized and accepted him as well as integrate the Jamaat. They planned to give the message of the advent of the Khalifatullah as well as our Jamaat to the people of other villages also. *Alhamdolillah*. May Allah count them among His sincere ones. *Amine*.

The Khalifatullah (atba) also visited a scientific high school which by the grace of Allah shall be supervised by the Khalifatullah (atba) and the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam. The director, our brother Ismail led Huzur (atba) to visit the different classes of the school to address the students and give them some important advices. *Alhamdulillah*, our brother Ismail and family had the immense pleasure and honour of receiving the Khalifatullah (atba) at their place.



The Khalifatullah (atba) was supposed to lead the Jumu'ah sermon and prayer amidst our already established members, but at the insistence of our new members who wished that the Khalifatullah (atba) stays with them and lead them for Jumu'ah, Huzur (atba) thus stayed back in their village and led them in the Jumu'ah prayers. They were really happy and appreciative of this noble gesture of Huzur (atba) to have high regard for their feelings and to guide them further in this new path they have taken for the reformation of their own souls and so that they may get to be true **Sahih al Islam** members, Muslims in the true sense. (**Friday Sermon: 23 October 2015 on The Shahada "La-Ilaaha Illallah"**)

Afterwards, the Khalifatullah (atba) went to our village where the majority of our members are found. There, preparations were made to receive Huzur (atba) and to organise the Jalsa Salana. The Jalsa Salana was already started (since morning) and when the Khalifatullah (atba) reached the village, after a recitation of the Holy Quran read by one of our *Muntaqa*, the Khalifatullah (atba) delivered his speech (the closing speech of the Jalsa Salana) – 23 October 2015.

In the course of his speech, the Khalifatullah Hadhrat Munir (atba) has said:

- ♦ ***"Islam, these days, is like a light enclosed in a box; like a clear spring covered with branches and leaves, one cannot perceive its true face. It was up to the Muslims to work relentlessly to make the world discover the beauty of Islam. For this purpose, they could have agreed to sacrifice their properties and lives, but they did not do so as they suffer from ignorance. They now have the privilege to live in a blessed time when God has raised up a messenger, a Khalifatullah for the reform of the world, but they treat with contempt the divine promises."***

And afterwards, the Khalifatullah (atba) spoke about the construction of the mosque in the village of Mdjezi which will start soon, *Insha Allah*. He said:

- ◆ *“It’s true that it took a long time, because many works were required to be done such as the drawing of the plan, especially when there were missing details concerning the length and width of the land which had not been given and now that we know all the details, Insha Allah the work will start very soon as well as for classrooms for the children for both their spiritual and academic education, Insha Allah. Regarding the Madrassa which is already on the land, we will not demolish it. We will preserve it and make renovations and it will remain as a Quranic school and library of spiritual books, Insha Allah.”*

The Khalifatullah concluded his speech with a Hadith reported by Jabir bin Samura (ra) in which he said that the Messenger of Allah (pbuh) said: *“This religion will continue to exist and a group of my people will continue to fight to protect it until the last day.”* (Muslim).

The Mayor and Village Deputy were present for the event.

After the Jalsa Salana, the Messenger of Allah (atba) inspected the small mosque which was quickly built during his last visit in the year 2013. He said that the mosque needed renovation and then Huzur (atba), upon consensus with the members of the Jamaat, decided that a bigger mosque and a school (in the initial stage, a few classes) also shall be built in the land behind the existing mosque. Surrounded by the Jamaat members, and especially the officials of the Jamaat, the Khalifatullah (atba) looked at the plan of the mosque and several other papers needed for the construction of the mosque in the village.

Afterwards, there was the distribution of our books and Yassarnal Quran for our library and Madrassa. The visit of the Khalifatullah (atba) in the village came to a close after the Esha prayers and Diner (local menu).



During his stay in the Comoros, the Khalifatullah (atba) met with the high officials of the country, including a courtesy visit to the Finance Commissioner of the island as well as to other deputies and a government minister. During these visits, Huzur (atba) expounded lengthily on the aim of Allah in raising a Khalifatullah and Muhyi-ud-Din to the world in this era along with a Jamaat, the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam International whose branches are spreading in the different directions of the world. He

also talked about the grand works which the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam have in the Comoros in the spiritual and academic fields as well as the field of service to humanity. Those high

officials were highly impressed and touched by the words of the Khalifatullah (atba) and invited him in their respective villages. Huzur (atba) received by the grace of Allah a great welcome in those places. He met the people there as well as Imams. His addresses and advices to them were successfully appreciated by them. And by the grace of Allah, those high officials and the people of the two villages which Huzur (atba) visited and addressed accepted the Khalifatullah (atba) and integrated the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam.



With the materialisation of this unexpected boon from Allah, the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam has come to be responsible of two more villages and have great projects to do with the completion of mosques and madrassa which were left incomplete and which now *Insha Allah*, the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam would have to complete with the help of Allah. There are also renovations of schools and other buildings also to be done which would be beneficial for the spiritual and academic education of our children

there. *Insha Allah*. Moreover, the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam received more land *Insha Allah* to develop Quranic and missionary schools as well as academic schools for the children, youths and adults also, irrespective of sexes.

In one of these two new villages, the Khalifatullah (atba) addressed those people who joined the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam and accepted him and his mission in this era, and said in his speech that Allah (swt) has opened the doors of His grace on the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam and this allows us to work towards progress. It is necessary for us to show gratitude to Allah (swt) by our sacrifice and our humility. The revolution that is taking place illustrates the will of the Almighty. The only real revolution which the world witnessed was that



initiated by the Holy Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) of Islam. Its aim is the unification of humanity and the fulfilment of the purpose for which man was created. All other revolutions have worked in the opposite direction, but that of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) will soon reach its peak for the greater good of humanity. *Insha Allah*.

The Khalifatullah (atba) also spoke about the important topic of chastity in Islam and emphasized the noble attributes of the divine law on the subject.

“The Islamic law attaches great importance to chastity and condemns illicit relations before marriage. Severe penalties sanction this kind of crime, but it is false to say that Islam has made provision for the stoning to death of the offenders. In fact, the Quran makes no mention of stoning as a punishment, whether for the sin of adultery or for any other crime. The verse establishing the sentences for adultery contains no ambiguity.

“The woman and the man guilty of adultery or fornication, flog each of them with a hundred stripes: Let not compassion move you in their case, in a matter prescribed by Allah, if you believe in Allah and the Last Day: and let a party of the Believers witness their punishment.” (24: 3)

Although the Quran has clearly prescribed flogging, some schools of thought maintain that this verse deals exclusively with the punishment reserved for unmarried people who commit the sin of adultery and that married persons who are found to be guilty (of the sin) have to face the penalty of death by stoning. However, the word “Al-Zani” denotes both the fornicator and the adulterer. The fornicator is that unmarried person who commits the sin of lust. No linguistic authority has so far proved otherwise and it is obvious that the above verse does not distinguish between married and unmarried people.

The confusion seems to exist because the Holy Prophet of Islam (pbuh) had, on certain occasions, ordered the killing of those accused of adultery. However, it should be noted that before the Holy Quran was revealed in its entirety, the Holy Prophet (pbuh) conformed to the laws contained in the Torah to judge certain crimes, for the books of Moses (as) have provided for the stoning to death in these cases (Leviticus 20: 10, Deuteronomy 22: 122, John 8: 3-5). There is no indication that the Holy Prophet (pbuh) has continued this practice after the above verse of Surah Al-Nur was revealed. In any event, it is quite inconceivable that he could have gone against such a clear and unambiguous command.

Some erroneous quotes attributed to the caliphs Umar and Ali have also contributed to the persisting confusion. According to some traditions, the Caliph Umar had said, “The Quran contained a verse about stoning. We had read and understood it. The Holy Prophet (pbuh) stoned the adulterers and we did the same. I would have inscribed it in the Holy Quran if I did not fear being accused of having made additions in the Book of God.” (Kashaf-al-Ghumma Vol. 2, Pg. 111 & Muslim).

This tradition seems to be an outright fabrication, or at most the result of a misinterpretation of what the Caliph would have actually said. How could he have feared being accused of tampering with the Book (of Allah) if he was only to restore a verse to the Holy Quran that should actually be there (be found therein)?

According to another tradition, the caliph Ali, after having ordered the whipping and stoning of a woman had reportedly said: "I have flogged her as per the command of the Book of God, and I stoned her to death according to the practice of the Holy Prophet (pbuh)." Two observations arise from these quotes:

- (1) That the practice of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) disagreed with the commandment of God prescribed in the Holy Quran, and*
- (2) That there is a contradiction between the statements of Umar and Ali.*

Whereas according to the Caliph Umar, death penalty by stoning was a divine injunction which formed part of the Holy Book, according to Ali it was not the commandment of God but only the practice of the Holy Prophet (pbuh). These traditions, besides the fact that they contradict each other are against the teaching of the Holy Quran and must be rejected."



With their acceptance of the Divine mission of the Khalifatullah (atba), these brothers and sisters have promised to work hard for the *Deen-e-Islam* under the supervision of the Khalifatullah. And *Alhamdulillah*, without show or any arrogance, but rather with gratefulness to the Almighty who have enabled this path to be opened, many of these people in all the three new villages are educated enough to work in the different fields of religion. Many of them have graduated from universities and know many languages, including English, French, Arabic and Swahili. They have offered to serve the Jamaat in any way they can. *Insha Allah*. May Allah enable them to do so. *Amine*.

Upon seeing the spiritual vigour, honour and love which the new members of the Jamaat UI Sahih Al Islam were showing, one of our brothers, a member of the Central Committee of the Jamaat has done "*Fastabikul Khairaat*" (Competition in good deeds) and invited Huzur (atba) in his natal village. The Khalifatullah (atba) graciously accepted his invite despite his busy schedule, and before going there, our brother mobilised his village people and briefed them about Huzur (atba) and our mission. The Khalifatullah (atba) arrived before the Esha prayers and led the congregation in prayer. He afterwards addressed them. Many of them were blessed with spiritual insight and Allah opened their heart to the acceptance of his advent and mission and they integrated the Jamaat UI Sahih Al Islam to further religious works for the cause of Allah. Our literatures were distributed there also for the benefit of the people there.

And *Alhamdulillah*, before his departure from the Comoros, at the invite of members of the different political parties, the Muhyi-ud-Din Al-Khalifatullah (atba) met with them for

some minutes and they asked for *duahs* and advices from Huzur (atba) for their country and countrymen as *Insha Allah* there shall be elections coming soon next year.

After his stay in the Comores, the Khalifatullah (atba) went to **REUNION ISLAND** and was received at the airport by the president and some members of the Jamaat there. As it is in the habit of Huzur (atba) he does not lose time in getting immersed in the Jamaat's works and so, he instructed for an urgent meeting with the officials there. He reprimanded them for the lack of interest and devotion in the works of the Jamaat. Not enough efforts were done to further the mission of the Jamaat, in terms of Dawa/tabligh, Jamaat programmes and financial sacrifice. The Khalifatullah (atba) said that what is the use of a *Bai'ah* (oath of allegiance) and belief which they say that have but that they do not act upon their promises made to Allah and His Khalifa? He said that deeds and words (as well as intentions) should concord, especially when they have recognised and accepted the Khalifatullah of this era.

He also told them that only few members are contributing and making efforts in financial sacrifice whilst others are not making enough efforts to help in the progress of the Jamaat and Jamaat programmes. He made them realise that this money is really important, for it shall serve the purpose of the Jamaat projects; such projects which day by day are increasing, and finance is needed to fund these projects. He said that man, especially the true believer must make effort and then Allah shall bless his effort and enable him to be successful in that effort for His cause.

He also said that the Jamaat works should be done on a regular consistent basis, and done with devotion, not just when the Khalifatullah (atba) comes, but after his departure, they become slack. The Khalifatullah (atba) condemn such behaviours, especially when those people attest to the veracity of Allah and His Khalifatullah (atba) while they do not put their heart in the works of religion, for the cause of Allah, to reap His pleasure. The Khalifatullah (atba) warned them that if they remain slack and unproductive in the field of the Divine Manifestation, then Allah shall remove these favours from them and give these to other people who shall be way better than them.

The Khalifatullah (atba) also met with the mayor of Saint-Denis and his deputy before the start of the Jalsa Salana, Réunion. And before taking the plane back to Mauritius, the Khalifatullah (atba) paid a visit to his contacts in Reunion Island who are not members of the Jamaat. They were delighted to see him.

Alhamdulillah, the Khalifatullah Hadrat Munir Azim (atba) took the last flight back to Mauritius, with thanks to Allah for the incredible ways Allah opens the path of His Chosen Messenger to deliver His message to the nations of the world. **All thanks to Allah, and peace and blessings be upon His Beloved Prophet Hadhrat Muhammad (pbuh) and the Khalifatullah of the age, Hadhrat Munir A. Azim (atba).** *Amine.*













