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HEAD OF AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY DELIVERS MESSAGE OF TRUE ISLAM IN JAPAN



Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad conducts various media interviews in Japan

During his recent visit to Japan, the World Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, the Fifth Khalifa (Caliph), His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad held interviews with Japanese media outlets: Asahi newspaper, Chugai Nippou newspaper, Chukyo TV and the Shingetsu news agency.

In the interviews, His Holiness was asked about various Islamic teachings; about the inauguration of the *Baitul Ahad Mosque* and about the increasing conflicts in the world, particularly in light of the recent Paris terrorist attacks.



Asked by *Chukyo TV* about the inauguration of the *Baitul Ahad Mosque*, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

"Just to physically construct a Mosque is not enough, rather the true purposes of a Mosque will only be fulfilled when it is used for the worship of the One God, to discharge a person's duties to others and to spread the true and peaceful teachings of Islam."

Asked by *Chukyo TV* about the recent terrorist attacks in Paris, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

"The recent terrorist attacks in Paris can only be condemned in the strongest possible terms. It can only be classed as extreme cruelty and barbaric. Groups like ISIS or other terrorist groups are acting completely against the teachings of Islam because Islam invokes nothing but peace and love rather than brutality and injustice. All such terrorist groups are achieving is to defame the name of Islam."-



Asked by the **Shingetsu news agency** about the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community's hopes for Japan, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

"We are a missionary organisation and so our task is to preach the true teachings of Islam. I have seen that the Japanese people are quite pious and have good etiquettes and so I am not pessimistic. I believe that one day many Japanese people will accept Islam."

In an interview with *Chugai Nippou*, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad was asked what measures could be taken to curb extremism and terrorism.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

"It is necessary that the authorities remain vigilant to the threat of terrorism and extremism. I have been calling for this for a very long time."

In an interview with **Asahi newspaper**, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad was asked what message he sought to convey to the Japanese nation and people.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

"The world is moving towards another world war and the Japanese people know better than others the devastating consequences of warfare. Thus, as a nation Japan should seek to establish peace in the world and to bring an end to all forms of conflict."

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