



Head of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Holds Historic Class with Jamia Ahmadiyya Indonesia

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On 31 October 2020, the *World Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, the Fifth Khalifa (Caliph)*, presided a seventy-five minute online class with more than one hundred students and newly graduated *Missionaries* of Jamia Ahmadiyya Indonesia (Ahmadiyya Muslim Missionary training college in Indonesia).

It was the very first time that Ahmadi Muslims in Indonesia were able to meet His Holiness from their nation and it was also the first time His Holiness presided a class with *Jamia Ahmadiyya Indonesia*. In this way, the trainee and newly graduated Missionaries were able to collectively meet with and seek the guidance and prayers of their spiritual and religious leader.

His Holiness presided the meeting from his office in Islamabad, Tilford, whilst the students and teaching staff of Jamia Ahmadiyya Indonesia were gathered in *Baitul Aafiyat* (Lajna Hall) at the *Masjid An-Nasr Mosque* complex which serves as the national headquarters of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Indonesia.

The event started with the recitation and translation of verses of the Holy Quran, followed by a poem and a speech about the blessings of Khilafat.

Aerial footage of the Mosque complex was also shown to His Holiness and upon viewing it, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“The area where the Mosque is appears very beautiful. From what I have seen, Indonesia as a whole seems to be a very scenic and attractive country. If the non-Ahmadi religious clerics and authorities in your country come to resemble the beauty of the land then it will certainly be possible for me to visit Indonesia in the future, Insha’Allah [God willing]. You should pray for this.”



In response to a question about how to respond to those who seek to mock or speak ill of the Promised Messiah (*peace be upon him*), His Holiness explained that it was not only the Promised Messiah (*peace be upon him*) who was unjustly targeted but, in this era, the Holy Prophet of Islam (*peace and blessings be upon him*) was being cruelly attacked by the opponents of Islam and religion.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“Those who purposely and maliciously target the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) or the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) will be dealt with by Allah the Almighty Himself – whether it be in this life or in the Hereafter. In terms of our response, as Ahmadi Muslims, we must follow what the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) has taught. He instructed that his followers must manifest patience in the face of adversity. He taught that we must never respond to force or cruelty in a like manner and we must never resort to violence when others mock or malign him, no matter how much love we hold for him in our hearts.”

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad continued:

“Of course, the blessed person we love more than any other, even more than the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), is the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) and these days in France and certain other European countries, caricatures mocking the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) are being published. What should be our response to this? It is that we must offer Durood (salutations) upon the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) even more than before and with ever greater fervency. Remember, that when we offer Durood we are also praying for the spiritual progeny of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) and amongst his spiritual progeny it is the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) who is of the highest rank. Thus, it is our duty to respond with Durood when people mock or ridicule either the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) or the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him).”

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad further said:

“In addition, we must personally observe the highest possible moral standards so that those who mock are naturally silenced as they see that in response to their taunts, we respond peacefully by exemplifying Islam’s true teachings at every turn. They will see that Ahmadi Muslims are those who spread peace, love and tolerance in society. They will realise that as they speak hatefully to us, in return, we respond with love and kindness. Indeed, this is the reaction taught by the Holy Quran.”

Continuing further, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“So our response is, and always will be, that we spiritually reform and better ourselves, bow down in prostration before Allah the Almighty and pray that Allah guide the opponents of Islam so that they may refrain from mocking our beloveds – both the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) and that person who has the highest station

of all humanity – the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace and blessings be upon him). Remember, whatever we desire we must seek from Allah the Almighty alone. It is not for us to use force or harshness of any kind. We are not the people who bear arms, who take hold of guns or knives, rather we are the people who bow down in prayer before Allah the Almighty, spiritually and morally improve ourselves and offer salutations upon the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him).”

Another student of Jamia Ahmadiyya stated that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community would be celebrating its *Centenary* in 2025 and sought Huzoor’s guidance of how they should mark this occasion and how best they could offer gratitude to Allah the Almighty.



Upon this, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“To mark its Centenary, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Indonesia should set itself a target of converting at least 100,000 people to the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community over the course of the next five years. Furthermore, every Ahmadi Muslim in your country should become regular in offering congregational prayers. Every Ahmadi Muslim in Indonesia should become regular in reciting the Holy Quran. Every Ahmadi Muslim in Indonesia should develop a close bond with the Khilafat [Caliphate] of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. Every Ahmadi Muslim should be one who offers Durood upon the Holy Prophet of Islam (peace and blessings be upon him). If you achieve all of this then you will have achieved a great deal.”

Several other students of Jamia Ahmadiyya had the honour to speak with His Holiness and seek his guidance before his Holiness ended the meeting by praying for the future success of the students.

In his concluding remarks, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“May Allah the Almighty protect all of you. May He enable all of the students to excel in their studies at Jamia Ahmadiyya and may He enable all of you to become exemplary Missionaries of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. May you all become a means of pride for our Community and come to play an excellent role in the spread of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. May you come to spread the beautiful teachings of Islam to every part of your nation and beyond. May Allah the Almighty grant all of you success in this. Ameen.”

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