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Answers of the Following Questions.

Q NO. 1. What is the meaning of Zakat? and explain its objectives.

Answer # 01

Meaning of Zakat:

There are two meanings of Zakat. **to clean** and **to make it pure**.
To remove impediments and help in growth and development.

Of the **five** fundamentals of Islam, **Zakat** occupies the **second** position, the first being prayer (salat).

**"Zakat Connects Human being
With Others"**

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→ Objectives of Zakat:

- Establish a welfare system in the society
- Ensure circulation of wealth
- Create spirit of sharing
- Reduce love for wealth
- Generate harmony / love in the community

* Establish a welfare System

A social welfare system offers assistance to individuals and families in need, with such programs as health care assistance, food stamps and unemployment compensation.

* Ensure Circulation of Wealth:

The first object of distribution of wealth is that it would be means of establishing in the world a system of economy which is natural and practicable, and which, without using any compulsion or force, allows every individuals to function in a normal way according to his ability, his aptitude,

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his own choice and liking, so that his activities may be fruitful, healthy and useful.

* Create Spirit of Sharing:

Zakat is the way which create a spirit of sharing. The Sadaqat charity is based on Islamic principle of social welfare. The rich shares joys of Eid celebrations with the poor and the needy.

* Reduces love for Wealth:

Islam teaches that the wealth of Muslim spends in charity will never decrease. And to discourage greediness, they should try to spend in charity.

* Generate Harmony:

Zakat, is a bond between members of society wherein collective harmony is dependant on individual harmony. That eliminates various social problems by establishing a harmonious atmosphere for both the rich and the poor.

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Q NO. 2:

Write prime categories of prayers and what is the difference between nafl and wajib prayers?

Answer # 2:

PRAYER:

Prayer (Salah) is the second pillar of Islam. Prayer is a religious service, especially a regular one. It is performed five times a day and oriented toward Makkah.

"The salah is made obligatory for the believers to be offered at fixed times." (Surah an-Nisa, 4: 103)

→ Prime Categories of Prayers:

- Fard Prayer
- Wajib Prayer
- Sunnah Prayer
- Nafl Prayer

"The key to paradise is prayer. And key to prayer is cleanliness."

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→ Nafl Prayer:

- Nafl prayers are optional or voluntary prayers.
- One can offer nafl prayers depending on one's will.

→ Wajib Prayer:

- This is an obligatory prayer.
- It has lesser importance than fard prayer.
- The witr prayer (offered during the isha prayer) is a wajib prayer.

QNO.3: Write any five signs of before the day of judgement.

1. The arrival of Al-Mahdi
2. Markets will be close to each other
3. Shrinking of Time
4. Increase of Earthquake.
5. Increase of Sudden Death
6. Arrival of Gog and Magog

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Q NO 4 What is Hajj and explain benefits of hajj.

Answer #04

HAJJ:

- Hajj is the fifth basic duty of Islam.
- Hajj is a visit to the Kaabah in Makkah during the 12th month of the Islamic calendar. Dhu Hijjah.
- Hajj is an act of worship to please Allah.
- A Muslim tries to make pilgrimage at least once in a lifetime.

Abu Hurairah (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that one day the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) addressed people saying:

"O people! Allah has prescribed Hajj upon you, so perform it."

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BENEFITS OF Hajj:

- Completing Islam (the fifth pillar of Islam)
- Leaving wealth and family for the pleasure of Allah
- Patience, under all circumstances
Spending wealth earned from Halal means.
- Praising Allah a lot.
- It is a show of submission and servitude
- Cooperation of goodness against evil.
- Knowing other Muslims from all over the world.
- Sharing with others (resources, knowledge etc).
- Total forgiveness for past sins.
- The reward for Hajj is Jannah.
- Hajj brings the reward of jihad to women.
- Hajj is a soul purifier.
- Strengthens the unity of Muslims.

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Q NOS: What is tawhid and prophethood in Islam?

→ TAWHID:

Tawhid - the beliefs is the oneness and unity of Allah as expressed in the first of the five Pillars of Islam.

Muslims believe Tawhid is the fundamental belief that Allah is one and that there is only one God. Tawhid means "oneness" and is at the heart of the Muslim faith. Islam is a monotheistic religion. A Muslim should live a life in submission to the will of Allah in all things.

→ PROPHETHOOD:

Prophethood is a key belief in Islam. It is based around the fact that Allah has sent a series of messengers to give humankind guidance on how to follow the straight path.

Risalah, meaning Prophethood or the belief in prophets, is a basic article of faith.

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for Muslims.

Prophets are messengers sent from Allah, to help Muslims follow the straight path.

Although the names of many prophets are recorded in both Bible and the Quran, the Quran records the names of twenty-five prophets.

→ Few are considered to be the true prophets according to Islam: They are.

- Adam
- Abraham and Isaac (also known as Ibrahim and Ismael)
- Jesus (known as Isa)
- Prophet Muhammad

True Translation of First Kalma (Tayyab)

“There is no God Besides Allah,
Hazrat Muhammad (SAW) is
messenger of Allah.”

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