In the Name of Allah, the Merciful, the Mercy-giving

Zakah
Alms-giving in Islam
Think **why this** situation is prevailing today!

We live in a strange world where the poor walk miles to get food, and the rich walk miles to digest food.
Objectives:

- To learn what Zakah is?
- To infer the benefits of Zakah
- To learn how to calculate Zakah
- To identify the categories of the recipients of Zakah
- To focus on how Zakah brings solidarity in the society
Topics for Discussion

The Meaning, Objectives, & Spirit of Zakah

The Technical Considerations: Who, What, Where, When & How?

The Process and Procedure for Calculating Zakah
CHECKING PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

✓ What is Zakah?
✓ Is it compulsory on all Muslims?
✓ Who has to give Zakah?
✓ Who are eligible to receive Zakah?
✓ When was Zakah introduced in Islamic history?
✓ What’s the difference between Zakah & Sadaqah?
✓ Mention some benefits of Zakah..
And remind
for indeed, the reminder benefits the believers
Zakah is the **Third Pillar of Islam**

1. Shahadah
2. Salah
3. Zakah
4. Hajj
5. Saum

Zakah is obligatory on *affording Muslims*

**Affording** = Those who have **NISAAB**

What does **ZAKAH** mean?

- Growth
- Increase
- Blessedness
- Purity / Purification
- Charity or Alms-giving

A **Right** sanctioned by Shariah that **applies to wealth** and intended for **particular categories**
The Command to Give Zakah!

The Command to Take Zakah!

- Zakah purifies wealth
- Zakah purifies the person
- Purifies him from greed & miserliness
“And establish prayer and give zakah and bow with those who bow [in worship and obedience]”

[Quran, 2: 43]
Effective Habit of Highly Successful Believers

Successful indeed are the Believers: (1)
They who are humbly submissive in their prayers (2)
And they who turn away from ill speech (3)
And they who are observant of Zakah (4)

(Surah al Muminoon)
Motivation

قل إنما لله المثل العالمين ما أنتِ عضو في سبيله كمثل حببهٌ أنبئت سبعة استبلاً في كل سبيله مائة حبةٌ حببهٌ وإن يصرفهُ لمن يشاء له واسع عليهٌ
Translation of the Ayah

The example of those who spend their wealth in the way of Allah is like a seed of grain which grows seven spikes; in each spike is a hundred grains.

And Allah multiplies His reward for whom He wills. And Allah is all-Encompassing and Knowing.

Qur’an 2:261
Motivation

'MARITY DOES NOT DECREASE WEALTH'
SAHIH MUSLIM 2588

Sadaqah wipes out sins like water extinguishes fire
[Tirmdhi]

قال الله تعالى بسورة البقرة آية 272
{وَمَا تَنفَقُّوا مِنْ خَيْرٍ فَلَا نَفَسِهِكُمْ}
Do Not Belittle Anything!

Avoid the Hellfire even by half of a date.

The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:

"Your smile for your brother is CHARITY"
Zakah is to be given once in a year, at the end of one full lunar year = Hawl in Arabic

Zakah is compulsory in Islam. Sadaqah is voluntary.

The major difference is: Zakah is also Sadaqah but of compulsory nature – which means the one who doesn’t give Zakah will be punished. It’s a fixed sum of money.

As Sadaqah is voluntary, a Muslim is motivated to give out as much Sadaqah as possible.
Importance of Zakah in Islam

- A form of worship
- An important Pillar of Islam
- Linked with Salah 27 times in the Qur’an
- Source of solidarity & co-operation
- Bridges the gap between poor and rich
- Caring Society
- Severe warning to those who do not give out Zakah despite being capable of giving
- Blesses the Giver and the Giver’s wealth
- Status of ZAKAH

Severe Warning Against non-payment of Zakah

Punishment for not Paying Zakat

“& those who hoard up gold & silver & do not spend in the way of Allah, proclaim a grievous punishment, on the day when it (hoarded wealth) shall be heated in the fire of Hell, then their foreheads & their sides & their backs shall be branded with it, this is what you hoarded up for yourself, now taste what you horded”
Severe Warning Against non-payment of Zakah

The Prophet said:

"Never do people withhold zakaah from their wealth except that a portion from the sky will be withheld, and were it not for the animals it would never rain."

Ref: Mu'jam Al-Kabeer 13454 | Sahih according to Al-Albani
Give it secretly, without publicity

Give charity is such secrecy that your Left Hand doesn’t know what your Right Hand gives!
Nisaab of Zakah = Anyone who possesses this amount of wealth must pay Zakah

The table below gives nișāb (quorum) of Zakat and its amount in these types of wealth:

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<th>Wealth</th>
<th>Nișāb (quorum)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Gold and banknotes</td>
<td>85 grams or their equivalent in banknotes</td>
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<td>595 grams</td>
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<td>Cows</td>
<td>30 cows that graze but not fed</td>
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Zakah expenditures are only for the poor and for the needy and for those employed to collect [zakah] and for bringing hearts together [for Islam] and for freeing captives [or slaves] and for those in debt and for the cause of Allah and for the [stranded] traveler - an obligation [imposed] by Allah. And Allah is Knowing and Wise.
Benefits of Zakah and Sadaqah

These are familiar images from Africa. But poor and hungry people may be present in your neighbourhood. Do you feel how the hungry and thirsty feel?

Zakah instills among individuals and societies:

- Purifies the wealth and the Giver of Zakah.
- Care and concern for the poor and less fortunate sections of the society
- Helps to bridge the gap between poor and rich
- Raising Charity and Donations
- Refrain from wasting food and drinks
- Social responsibility

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Let’s all...

Establish the Prayer and Pay Zakat. This is because Prayer purifies the heart and Zakat purifies wealth.
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THANK YOU ☺

بارك الله فيكم

Sal-lal-laahu Ala Muhammad, Sal-lal-laahu-alaihi-wa-Sallam.

بِسْبَحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ وَبِحَمْدِكَ أَشْهَدُ أَنَّ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ أَنْتَ أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ وَأَتْبَعُ إِلَيْكَ