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# **WELCOME TO MAJLIS ANSARULLAH**

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## Holy Quran, Chapter 46 – Al-Ahqaf, verse 16

I seek refuge with Allah from Satan,  
The Accursed.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

And We have enjoined on man to be good to his parents. His mother bears him with pain, and brings him forth with pain. And the bearing of him and his weaning takes thirty months, till, when he attains his fullmaturity<sup>(1)</sup> and reaches *the age offorty years*, he says, 'My Lord, grant me *the power* that I may be grateful for Thy favour which Thou hast bestowed upon me and upon my parents, and that I may do such good works as may please Thee. And make my seed righteous for me. I do turn to Thee; and, truly, I am of those who submit to *Thee*'.

وَوَصَّيْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ بِوَالِدَيْهِ إِحْسَانًا  
حَمَلَتْهُ أُمُّهُ كُرْهًا وَوَضَعَتْهُ كُرْهًا  
وَحَمَلُهُ وَفِصْلُهُ ثَلَاثُونَ شَهْرًا حَتَّىٰ إِذَا  
بَلَغَ أَشُدَّهُ وَبَلَغَ أَرْبَعِينَ سَنَةً قَالَ  
رَبِّ أَوْزِعْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرَ نِعْمَتَكَ الَّتِي  
أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلَىٰ وَالِدَيَّ وَأَنْ أَعْمَلَ  
صَالِحًا تَرْضَاهُ وَأَصْلِحْ لِي فِي ذُرِّيَّتِي  
إِنِّي تَوَّابٌ ۝١٦

<sup>(1)</sup>Commentary on the word أَشُدُّ (Ashudd):

The word Ashudd seems to be used in the sense of spiritual maturity here and in Ch. 12, Vs. 23, and in the sense of intellectual and physical maturity in Ch. 6, Vs. 153 and Ch. 18, Vs 83.\*

\*Source: The Holy Quran – Arabic Text with English translation and short commentary, Malik Ghulam Farid

# Welcome to Majlis Ansarullah – The helpers of Allah

My Dear Brother,

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

As you are aware, in the Nizam-e-Jama'at every male member graduates into Majlis Ansarullah from Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya on the 1<sup>st</sup> January after your 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. According to our records, this month marks your entry into Majlis Ansarullah.

You will, Insha'Allah, shortly be receiving a formal welcome letter from **Sadr Majlis Ansarullah UK, Dr IjazurRehman**. For now, I wanted to take the opportunity to welcome you into the Majlis in my capacity as Naib Sadr Saf-e-Doem.

For your information, Majlis Ansarullah is divided into two age groups: Saf-e-Awwal for members above the age of 55 years and Saf-e-Doem for those members between the ages of 40 and 55 years. Hadhrat Khaliftul Masih III set up the younger group to encourage activity and participation from members coming from Khuddamul Ahmadiyya and to assist integration within Majlis Ansarullah.

The letter from Sadr Majlis will contain the contact details of your Zaeem and Regional Nazim or Zaim-e-Aala. However, please feel free to contact me directly at any time if I can be of any assistance to you and can help facilitate your integration and participation in the activities of Majlis Ansarullah UK.

The pages ahead are aimed to give you some basic information about Majlis Ansarullah including its early history and its organisational set up.

May Allah bless this transition for you and may He ordain it as a glorious new chapter in your life. Ameen.

وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

Yours humbly,

Fahim Anwer, Naib Sadr Saf-e-Doem  
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## Early History

Ḥadhrat Mirza Mahmud Ahmad, KhalifatulMasih II (may Allah be pleased with him) (1889-1965) formed a number of auxiliary organizations to promote the spirit of moral excellence of the members of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

These organizations were established to provide a specific framework for the ethical and religious education and training of different groups based on age and gender. Majlis Anṣarullah (helpers of Allah) was formed by ḤadhratKhalifatulMasih II (may Allah be pleased with him) in 1940; its members comprise all male Ahmadi Muslims over the age of 40.

ḤadhratKhalifatulMasih II (may Allah be pleased with him) outlined goals for the auxiliaries in these words:

"We have to reform the whole world. We have to bring the entire world to bow before God Almighty. Bring the entire world under the fold of Ahmadiyyat. Establish the Kingdom of God all over the world. But this grand task cannot be performed until all members of our community—children, youth, or elderly—organize themselves internally and follow this code of conduct day and night...For this internal improvement and completion of organization, I have established the auxiliary organizations of KhuddamulAhmadiyya, Ansarullah, AtfalulAhmadiyya, and NasiratulAhmadiyya, Lajnalmaillah."(Al-Fazl, October 11, 1944)



### **Aims & Objectives of Majlis Ansarullah**

To organise all the male Ahmadis above the age of forty years and to inculcate the following:

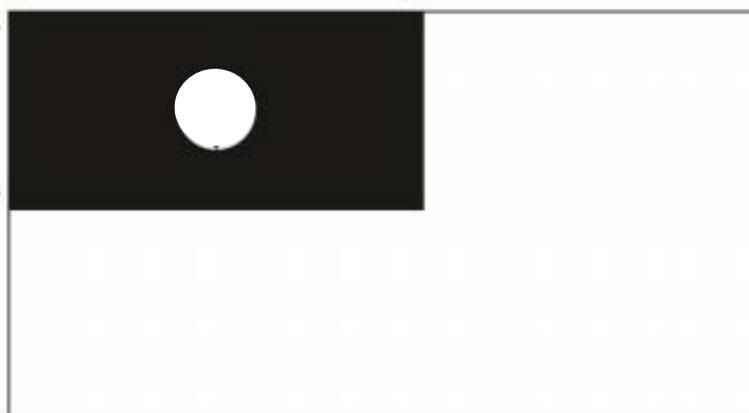
- i. **The love of Allah.**
- ii. **The spirit to promote and propagate the teachings of Islam.**
- iii. **The urge to preach Islam and serve mankind.**
- iv. **The spiritual and moral training of children.**
- v. **Self-sacrifice.**
- vi. **The spirit of protecting the institution of Khilafat.**
- vii. **The spirit of placing collective interests above individual interests.**

The Majlis shall purely be a religious organisation having no political interests whatsoever.

## **Flag of Majlis Ansarullah**

On the occasion of the [National] Annual Ijtema in 1956, Majlis Shura of Ansarullah made the following decision: “Ansar should have their own flag and Almelnami should be given [to the best performing Majlis]”

A sub-committee was formed to devise and develop the practical detail of implementing this decision. The following members were selected to serve [on this committee]: SahibzadaHadhrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad Sahib, MaulanaJalaluddin Shams Sahib, Muhammad Shafeeh Sahib (Gujranwala), Chaudhry Sharif Ahmad Bajwa Sahib (Lyallpur), MirzaDaud Ahmad Sahib, and MaulanaAbdulAta’a Sahib. The flag’s design is shown below:



## **Significance of Various Elements of the Flag of Ansarullah**

One quarter of the Ansarullah flag consists of a black section with a white full moon inside it. As described in the Ahadith, the flag of the Holy Prophet (May peace and blessings of Allah be on him) was black. Therefore, it is essential that a sub-ordinate flag of the Promised Messiah (May peace be on him) should be black as well. This is the reasoning behind selection of the black section for the flag of Ansarullah.

Aside from the colour, a moon [on the black area] represents the claim of the Promised Messiah (May peace be on him) which manifested itself like the appearance of a full moon in the 14th Century [Hijra]. The remaining area of the white part of the flag represents piety, peace, enlightenment, and light, in much the same way as light and enlightenment are characterized by the white lines in the flag of Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya.

## Ansar Pledge

The Ansar Pledge is a solemn promise to Allah to believe in Him and to follow His commandments and Those of His Prophet Muhammad (saw) and The Promised Messiah (as) and Khalifa-e-Ahmadiyya. It's also a promise to do all good and lead a moral life.

On the occasion of the Annual Ijtema of Majlis Ansarullah held in Rabwah in October 1956, Hadhrat KhalifatulMasih II approved the following pledge for members of Majlis Ansarullah

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ  
لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ  
مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

(Said three times)

(ashhado al-lāilāha il-lallāho wahdahū laasharīkalahū wa ash hado anna Muhammadan ‘abdohū warasūloh)

I bear witness that • there is none worthy of worship • except Allāh. • He is One • and has no partner, • and I bear witness • that Muhammad (SallallahuAlayhiWaSallum) • is His servant and His messenger.

I solemnly pledge that I shall endeavour throughout my life for the propagation and consolidation of Islam Ahmadiyyat, and for upholding the institution of Khilafat. I shall also be prepared to offer the greatest sacrifice for this cause. Moreover, I shall exhort my children to always remain dedicated and devoted to Khilafat. Insha'allah.

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[Notice the emphasis that a Nasir now has to pay towards spreading Islam and strengthening Islam and also the additional responsibility of someone else, our children.]

# Organisational Structure

All male members of Ahmadiyya Muslim Association automatically join Majlis Ansarullah on 1st January after their 40th birthday. There are two subsections within the Majlis:

**Saf-e-Awwal** comprises of **members aged 55 years and above**.

**Saf-e-Doem** comprises of **members below 55 years** of age.

Sadr Majlis (The National President) and Naib Sadr Saf-e-Doem (Vice President) are elected for a period of two years by the National Majlis-e-Shura (Elected Executive Body).

The National Amila (Executive) is appointed by Sadr Majlis after formal approval of Hadhrat KhalifatulMasih on a yearly basis. These consist of:

- Naib Sadr Awwal (Senior Vice President),
- Naib Sadraan (Vice Presidents),
- Qaideen (Heads of Departments),
- Auditor
- Naib Sadr Saf-e-Doem (elected Vice President),
- Muavin Sadraan (Special assistants to the Sadr),
- Zaeem-e-Ala London (Regional Nazim for London (Markaz) Region similar to Mohtamim Muqami in MKA)

Qiadats (Departments) are:

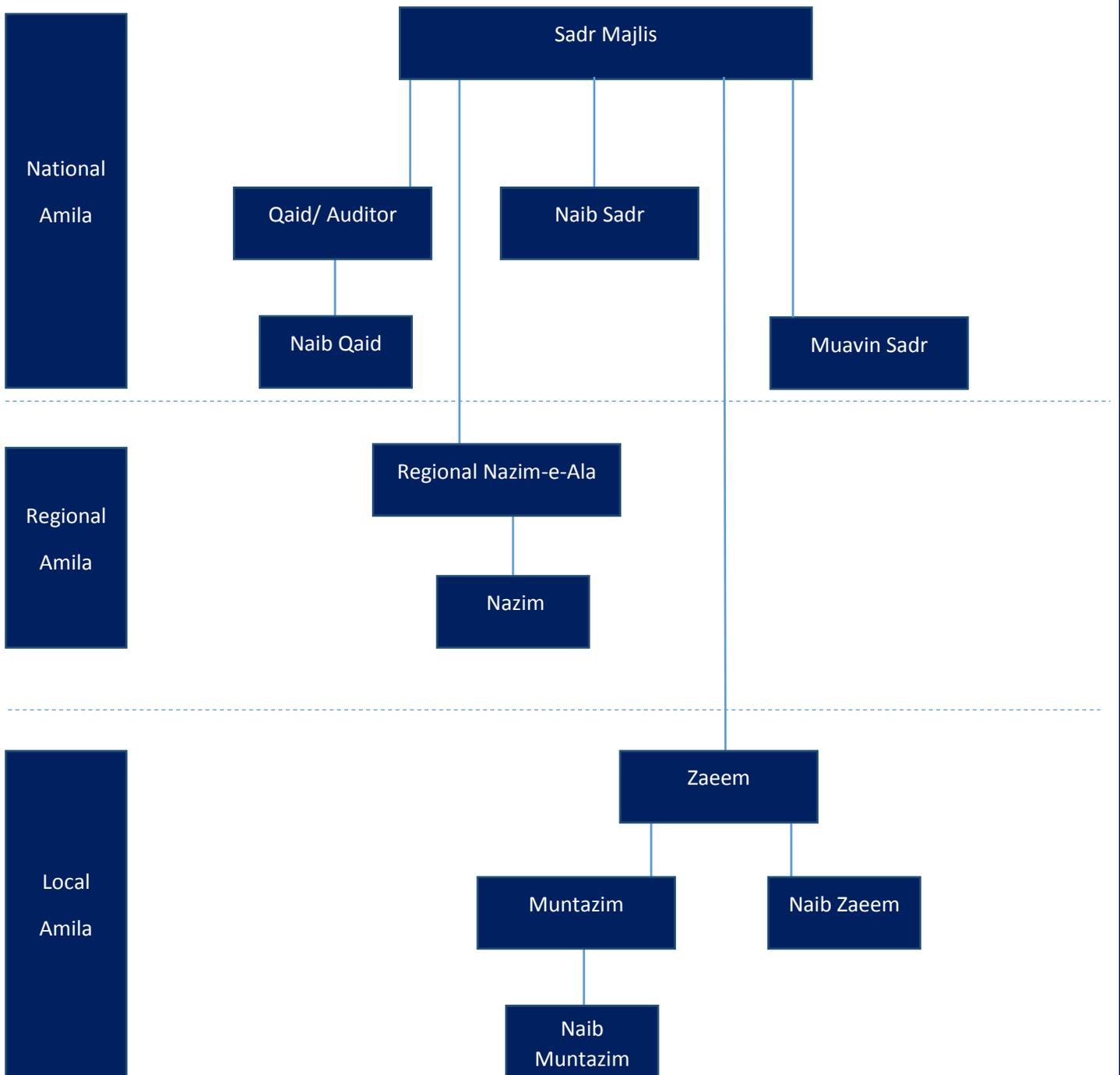
- Amoomi (General Secretary),
- Tarbiyyat (Moral Training),
- Tabligh (Preaching),
- Taleem (Education),
- Taleemul Quran (Quranic Education),
- Isaar (Social Service),
- Maal (Finance),
- WaqfeJadid,
- TehrikeJadid,
- Tajneed (Membership),
- Ishaat (Publications),
- TarbiyyatNauMuba'een (Training for New Converts),
- Zehanat Sehate Jismani (Intellectual and Physical Health)

The UK is divided into 129 Majalis, each headed by a Zaeem (Local Ansar President) who is elected by members of the local Majlis every two years. The UK has 15 Regions for administrative purposes. Each Region is headed by a Regional NazimeAla (Regional Ansar President) appointed by Sadr Majlis yearly.

**Table: Organisational Structure of Ansarullah compared to Khuddamul Ahmadiyya**

| <b>Ansarullah</b>                                    | <b>Khuddamul Ahmadiyya</b>  |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Nasir<br>(plural: Ansar)                             | Khadim<br>(plural: Khuddam) |
| <b>National Offices</b>                              |                             |
| Sadr   | Sadr                        |
| Naib Sadr Awwal<br>Naib Sadr Saf-e-Doem<br>Naib Sadr | Naib Sadr                   |
| Qaid Amoomi  | Mohtamid                    |
| Qaid   | Mohtamim                    |
| Auditor  | Mohasib                     |
| Zaeem-e-Ala London                                   | Mohtamim Muqami             |
| <b>Regional Office</b>                               |                             |
| Nazime Ala   | Regional Qaid               |
| <b>Local Offices</b>                                 |                             |
| Zaeem<br>(plural: Zoama)                             | Qaid<br>(plural: Qaideen)   |
| Muntazim Amoomi                                      | Mohtamid                    |
| Muntazim   | Nazim                       |

# Organisational Chart: Majlis Ansarullah



# Finance

The Financial Year of Majlis Ansarullah begins on January 1st and ends on December 31st.

## Prescribed rates of Chanda for members:

- Ansar Chanda: 1% of one month's net (take home) income, paid monthly.
- Ijtema Chanda: 2.5% of one month's net income, paid yearly
- Publication Chanda: £5 per year

Examples:

| Net Pay      | Ansar Chanda | Ijtema Chanda | Publication | Total        |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| £1,000/month | £10/month    | £2.08/month   | £0.42/month | £12.50/month |
| £2,000/month | £20/month    | £4.17/month   | £0.42/month | £24.57/month |
| £4,000/month | £40/month    | £8.33/month   | £0.42/month | £48.75/month |

Chanda should be paid to Muntazim Finance (or Zaeem) on a regular basis, or by Standing Order, or in a lump sum during first half of the year.

Those who are unable to pay at prescribed rate can request a rate-reduction from Sadr Majlis through the local Zaeem.

To participate in elections, members must not be in arrears of

- a) Chanda Aam or Wasiyyat for more than six months
- b) Ansar Chanda for more than six months and
- c) Jalsa Salana Chanda and Ijtema Chanda for more than one year.

Hadhrat KhalifatulMasih V (may Allah be his helper) has instructed that any member who does not pay Ansar Chanda cannot hold an office in Majlis Ansarullah. In addition, Hadhur (may Allah be his helper) advised that *"It is mandatory for the office bearers of the Jamaat to pay their contribution both towards the relevant organization [Majlis Ansarullah or Khuddamul Ahmadiyya] and also give the obligatory Jamaati Chandas"*.

**\*PLEASE REMEMBER TO CANCEL YOUR EXISTING MKA STANDING ORDER WITH YOUR BANK\***

**(Majlis Ansarullah cannot do this on your behalf)**

## Key Notes from Hadhrat KhalifatulMasih V (atba)

### Friday Sermon in regards to the National Ansarullah

Ijtema 2016(30<sup>th</sup> September 2015)

“...At the age of an Ansar, a person becomes mature and thus they themselves should be well aware of their responsibilities. Furthermore, they should concentrate and fulfil these responsibilities. Firstly to have a mature age and then secondly the name of the group 'Ansarullah' of the group of men who are above the age of 40 years is itself enough to make a realization in them. The responsibilities that these men should fulfil have been summarized in the oath of Ansarullah. Firstly that every man included in this group of Ansarullah should try with his purest heart to make Islam stronger and be a faithful follower of Ahmadiyyat. And in order to try to make Islam stronger cannot merely happen with one's strength and knowledge. Islam is the religion from Allah and it is a complete religion of teachings. No individual can change the faith or teachings of Islam but one has to reform themselves to form a bond with this faith. And you cannot achieve this without establishing a strong relationship with Allah that every Ahmadi should strive for. The standard of the Ansar in their relationship with Allah and their faith should be the strongest. A true bond with Allah cannot be established until one forms a true relationship with Holy Prophet (Peace be Upon Him) for which Allah has commanded us to convey the Salutations of Peace and invoke blessings upon our Holy Prophet (Peace be Upon Him). Thus it is very important. Then it is to fulfil the rights of the pledge that we have made to the Promised Messiah. When we realize the duty to fulfil these rights that are essential upon us, only then can we become true followers of Ahmadiyyat. In today's world, Allah has sent the Promised Messiah to spread the message of Islam. Our true attachment to Ahmadiyyat will only be evident when we take part in the spreading the teachings Islam and the word of Ahmadiyyat. Then another pledge Ansarullah members perform is to form a bond of loyalty with Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya which can only be achieved when the members strive to spread the words and programs of Khilafat and try their best to help in this work. This can only be made possible when Ansar members will pay great heed to the Khalifa of the time. For this, Allah has blessed us with the MTA through which we can hear the Khalifa despite the long distances. You should also connect your children to the institution of Khilafat along with other spiritual teachings so that the connections of faithfulness to Khilafat are transferred from generation to generation. Also this would help in the propagation of Islam as after the Promised Messiah it has to be taken forward through the institution of Khilafat. Thus for this, keep a look out on every pledge that demands sacrifice. May Allah help you all to achieve these goals...”