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(اولياء الله) Concept of Aulia Allah

1-Preface

All praise is only for Allah, the Lord of the universe. And benediction (Durood) and salutation for our beloved Prophet ﷺ his descendants, and companions 🚓

We are glad to present Islam in its pure form especially concerning "Aulia Allah" in English which is spoken and understood widely in different societies throughout the world for the benefit of our esteemed readers. The aim of Islam has never been to preach at the point of the sword as alleged by the orientalists. It was the charm of its sublime teaching which attracted so many nations and millions of people who have accepted it as their way of life within a short period. Islamic culture became more cherished to them than their traditions and customs.

Q1- Exemplify the few worth-knowing aspects concerning Aulia Allah and their benefits?

Ans- Few worth-knowing aspects concerning Aulia Allah; Almighty Allah says in the Holy Quran Surah Younus verse- 62 "أَلاَ إِنَّ أَوْلِيَاءَ اللّهِ لاَ خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلاَ هُمْ يَحْزَنُون

خبردار! بیشک اولیاء الله پر نه کوئی خوف ہے اورنه وہ رنجیدہ و عُمگین ہوں گے

(Beware! Verily, the friends of Allah will not have any fear, nor will they grieve.)

- The Prophets (انبياء), used to get benefited from the world of spirituality (عالم ارواح). Thus, through them, the scholars (علماء), the Shaikhs (مشائخ) and Allah's friends (اوليا الله) turn out to be the benefactors of their favor (حاجتمند) and the entire world remains needy
- As the people of the world need the rain and the sun, they also need Ulma and Aulia Allah. Rasoolullah ﷺ says, "Ulma-e-Deen is like the 'rain' and the Prophet-hood (تا لابوت)." He ﷺ also said, "اللهُ المُعْطِى وَ أَنَا قَاسِمْ" [Allah gives (blessings) and I distribute them]. This way, Allah is the giver of benedictions (رحمتيں) and the beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ (حبيب الله) is the distributor of it, and the source of this distribution is the Ulma (scholars) and Aulia Allah (Allah's friends).
- 3. It is mentioned in a Hadith that there are 40 Abdaal (a higher order of Saints) (ابدال) in Syria (شام) and due to the blessing (برکت) of them, people get rainfall, attain victory (فتح يابی) and there shall be no chastisement (عذاب) in Syria. (مشکوٰة) .
- 4. Look, the access to Allah ﷺ shall be through the Prophet ﷺ and Access to Rasoolullah ﷺ through Ulma and Aulia (r.a). The chests of Aulia Allah act such a transparent mirror by which the strained light (نور چهن کر) illuminates the universe.
- 5. Thus, the pledging of the oath of allegiance (بيعت) is carried to stay before any such mirror so that we wouldn't remain lightless (ج نور).
- 6. After Rasoolullah ﷺ, this task was entrusted to two groups.
 a- external reforms (ظاهری اصلاح) to Ulma-e-Deen,
 b- internal purification (باطنی صفائی) to Aulia Allah.
- 7. Therefore, conviction is attained through the Ulma-e-Deen but the safety of faith is achieved by the blessings of Aulia Allah. Therefore, Ulma pledges the oath of allegiance (بيعت) to Aulia Allah. These two groups are the two arms of conviction and deeds.

May Allah, and His Rasoolullah **ﷺ**, accept this Humble effort of mine for the benefit of our lovely brothers and sisters of our community. Ameen.

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2-Preamble

(وجود مطلق) Absolute existence

(Compare the following couplets of Hadhrat Khaled wajoodi r.a with the Ans of Q)!

Q2- Illustrate the reality of Absolute existence (Almighty Allah)?

Ans- the reality of Absolute existence (Almighty Allah); O, Seeker of Almighty Allah! Be aware that the Absolute Being (وجود مطلق), Almighty Allah ﷺ started to exist as an existing shadow (وجود مطلق) He was a hidden entity and there was no mark nor trace of Him (نشان). At the same time, He was also the mark or trace of Absolute Existence (القتضاح محبت). Then based on His purpose to be loved (اقتضاح محبت), the Absolute Being (وجود (مراتب الهاي), appeared as a lover (عاشق) in every T'ayun (تعين) meaning His creatures, with the restraint (بلا تعين) of that T'ayun (تعين) and according to Bila-T'ayun (بلا تعين) or divine absorption, manifested (جلوه گربوا) as a Beloved (معشوق).

Now the excellence (کمال) of T'ayun (تعين) or a person would be to turn again towards absolute being (اطلاق) and be absorbed into His colorless being (ي رنگ) from which he came here. Our point here is to only highlight that supreme T'ayun (تعين اعلى) (the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ) arrived as a comprehensive manifestation (مظهر جامع) of the divine unity and attributes (ذات و صفات الہٰی) and is distinct among all T'ayunat (creatures) as a bearer of the burden of trust. Thus, the excellence (کمال) of the human being is to arrive within the scope of union with the Lord (فنا في الله) and remain with survival sustained by the Lord (بقارية).

Q3- Elucidate briefly the grades of saintliness and its stages?

Ans- Grades of saintliness (درجات ولايت); There are various grades of saintliness and numerous stages (مراتب).

- Some persons lose their intellect and wisdom (عقل و دانیش) of divine love (نشه) of divine love (حقيقى). They are called 'Majzoob' (one who is lost in divine meditation) and for whom the Rules of Sharia cannot be enforced concerning their precepts and practices (القوال و الفعال). For instance!
- a. Hadhrat Mansoor r.a said, "اَنَا الْحَق (I am the Lord)." And he remained still a believer (مومن) because he had annihilated his pride onto divinity.
- b. But when Firoun (فرعون) said, "أَنَا رَبُكُم الا عَلَى (I am your great Lord), remaining an Atheist (كافر), because he called himself a God, blinded by his ego (انانيت).

2. Latifah (excuse)!

- a. Sufi- Hadhraat (People of the mystic) can say 'Ana-Allah' (آئَا الله). In a state of 'Jazb' (absorption) due to annihilating into Allah (فنا في الله). This is the station of 'Naaz/ناز' (Amorous/Passion).
- b. But, nobody can say 'Ana-Muhammad' annihilating into Rasool (فنا فى الرسول). this is the station of 'Niyaz/نياز/Humility).
- c. Similarly, there is a Persian saying! "**Ba Khuda Diiwanah, Ba Mustafa hushaar bash" [Meaning;** One can be an unwise (ديوانه) with the Lord but be cautious (ہوشيار) with Mustafa ﷺ].

- 3. some people on one side are united (واصل) with Allah and on the other side remain occupied (شاغل) with worldly affairs, and despite attaining a dignified (اعلىٰ) state of Saintliness (ولايت), they wouldn't lose their intellect and wisdom (عقل و دانيش). They are called "Salik" (Devotees).
- 4. Remember! The Apostles/Prophets (انبياء) are the manifestations (مظاہر) of the attributes of Allah ﷺ and the Aulia Allah are the manifestations (مظاہر) of the attributes of the Apostles/Prophets (انبياء). As the attributes of Allah ﷺ are different, so are the states of Prophets (انبياء) different. Thus, the splendors (شاني) of Sufia Karam would also be different. For instance!

- a. Sufia having Christi saintliness (ولايت عيسوى), would be passing his life in recluse (تارک الدنيا).
- b. Sufia having Solomoni saintliness (ولايت سليماني), would have the throne and royal power (تخت و تاج).
- c. Sufia having Noohi saintliness (ولايت نوحى), are the manifestation (مظهر) of awe-inspiring (جلال).
- d. Sufia having Abrahami saintliness (ولايت ابراسمي), are the manifestation (مظهر) of grace (جمال).
- e. Sufia having **Mustafawi saintliness** (ولايت مصطفوى) have comprehensive qualities (جامع صفات). Huzur Ghous-e-Pak ﷺ is the example of Mustafawi saintliness (ولايت مصطفوى).
- 5. Yet at times, some Aulia Allah used to express their stage (مراتب) of saintliness. This is due to their unwilling (مراتب), For example!
- a. "اِنَّمَا آنَا بَشَرُ مِثْلُكُم" (I am a human like you) is a similar stage of the voice of passion.
- b. "شُكُمْ مِثْلِي" (you are not like me), this is a kind of splendid appearance (جلوه گری) of Shariah (شريعت).

- 6. Look! The ladies when bringing the water, despite carrying one water-pot over their heads and two water-pots in both their sides (بغلوں میں), keep on walking fearlessly speaking to their girlfriends and at the same time following the route correctly.
- 7. In the same way, a perfect saint (ولى) is he!
- a. who observes outward Islamic law that is carries the burden of the Shariah (شريعت) over his head,
- b. Tariqa/ طريقت (the inward mystic way of life) into his arm's pits and worldly bindings (دنياوى تعلقت) in front of him holding them carefully, and keep on walking over the way of Allah.
- c. Be praying (نمازی) in the mosque or a Qadhi/قاضی (judge) in the court of law (کچہری) and a pure worldly person (کچہری) at home fulfilling the rights of relatives, etc.

Q4- Quote a few signs and forms of Aulia Allah as mentioned in the Quran and Hadiths?

Ans- Few signs of Aulia Allah; Following are the few signs of Aulia Allah mentioned in the Quran and Hadiths. For instance!

- Syedna Abdullah ibn Abbas الله says, "Wali is he, who when you look at, Allah is remembered." Syedna Ali says, "Wali is he, whose face is yellow, eyes are wet and stomach is hungry." This means such qualities of conviction (ايمان) and abstinence (پريزگارى) are a must for a Wali-Allah.
- 2. Therefore, faithless (بد مذہبب), Hindu (ہندو), Christian (عیسائی), Qadiyani (قادیانی), Rafdhi (رافضی), Dewbandi (دیوبندی), Wahabi (وبابی), etc. cannot become Wali, not on any account (ہرگز نہیں), no matter whatsoever worship they perform because they lack pure convection and have no faith at all. Similarly, an evil person (بد عمل), a transgressor (فاسق), a wicked (فاسق) wouldn't be a Wali even if he flys in the air.
- 3. Remember, as long as you remain conscious, following the Shariah is mandatory (واجب), which is a touchstone (کسوٹی) for the Tariqat (the mystic way of life), This means if the 'Tariqat' is an ocean, Shariah (شریعت) is a sailing boat.

4. Remember! a companion of the Prophet ﷺ is indeed blessed with the specific acceptance (خاص and grace (فضل) by Allah ﷺ. Therefore, any Ghouse (خاص) or Qutub (قطب) holding whatsoever rank of Aulia, can never attain the rank/status equal to a Sahabi (companion).

Forms of Saintliness of Aulia (ولايت اولياء); there are three forms (صورتير) of the saintliness of Awliya!

1. Fitri (Natural), 2. Wahbi (Inherent), 3. Kasabi (Acquired)

- 2. Wahbi (Inherited); is that which is attained through wali Allah's blessing sight. This is Saintliness-e-Wahbi. For instance! Hadhrat Ghous-e-Pak الموسى (موسى) هنه were involved in infidelity and sinfulness. Those sorcerers (جادوگر) who came against Moses (موسى) هنه were involved in infidelity and sinfulness. instantly they became believers, Sahabi and patient- Martyr (مابر شهيد) through the exclusive eyesight of Moses (مابر شهيد. In a way, the apostle-hood (نبوت) of Haroon المالة is also Wahbi as it was blessed by the praying of Moses (موسى too.
- 3. Kasabi (Acquired); The Saintliness acquired through somebody's efforts/religious practice like Conviction (اليمان), Abstinence (تقوى), mystic knowledge (عرفان), nearness and acceptance (مقبوليت), extinction (فنا) based on exclusive grace by Allah.

Note; As against Kasbi saintliness, Wahbi and Fitri are superior.

Q5- Exemplify briefly the ranks and offices of Aulia Allah ﷺ and their service to Ummat-e-Muslima? Ans- The ranks and offices of Aulia Allah ﷺ; It is mentioned in Mishkat Sharif (مشكوة شريف) under the topic of "al-Yaman and Sham (Syria) that!

- 1. Rasoolullah ﷺ said, "There would always be 40 Abdal (ابدال) in Syria by whose bounty (بركت), the people of the earth will be getting rainfall. And in its Sharah Muraqqah (شرح مرقاة) the interpretation is elucidated that Rasoolullah ﷺ said," My Ummah always comprises of 300 Aulia Allah who would be on the footprint (نقش قدم) of Adam ﷺ, 500 are those whose hearts would be like Gabriel ﷺ, 300 on the heart of Mikayil ﷺ and one on the heart of Israfeel ﷺ.
- 2. When somebody passes away, anyone from three would take his place. Like this,
 - a. the dearth (scarcity) of three (3) due to demise would be replaced by those five (5),
 - b. the dearth of five (5) from those seven (7),
 - c. the dearth of seven (7) from those forty (40),
 - d. and dearth of forty (40) would be replaced from those three hundred (300),
 - e. the dearth of three hundred (300) would be completed by general Muslims.
- 3. Hadhrat Shaikh Mohi Uddin ibn Arabi العالي said, "the center of the world (عالم) is standing firm by a Qutub-e- 'Aalam (Highest cadre in the spiritual pivot), who has two minsters (وزير), right and left. The Right-minister (باياں وزير) safeguards the Spiritual-world (عالم ارواح) and the left minister (باياں وزير) looks after the physical world (حافظ). They have four (4) Awtaar (اوتار) who are the guards (محافظ) of the East, West, South, and North of the world. There would be seven (7) Abdaal who are the guards of Aqaalim-Saba (Seven Zones).
- 4. Saheb-e-Roohul Bayan (مفسرالقران) says, "After the demise of Qutub-e-Aalam, his Right-minister takes over his place and Left-minister will take the place of Right and anyone from the bottom will be promoted to take over Left-minister place. In this series, the Right is better than the Left while the Left is awe-inspiring (جلالی) being from people of extinction (ابل فنا) and the Right is graceful (جمالی). This is the strength of those Aulia Allah who is the service providers (ابل خدمت). They are called Takviini Aulia and are responsible for the management of world

affairs. Other Aulia is out and not included in this strength. However, Syedna Abdullah ibn Abbas المتقى says, "Where 40 pious (متقى) Muslims gathered, there will be essentially a Wali (ولى) amongst them who is called Tashri'ai (تشريع ولى) and most of them would be unaware of their saintliness (ولايت).

Q6- How would you justify that the Aulia Allah have diverse recognition due to their faith and abstinence? Ans- Justification concerning Aulia Allah ; During the day of resurrection (قيامت), our parents, relatives would be thinking about themselves. But our guardian (والى) and guard of Ummah (امت کے رکھوالے) Sarkar Muhammad ﷺ, on whom the parents of the entire world are sacrificed, is concerned about the Ummah. Aulia Allah الله became free from anxiety after taking the sinners (کنهگروں) to the court (بارگاه) of Sarkar Nabi Kareem ﷺ. Therefore, it is stated in the Holy Quran Surah Younus verse- 62

"أَلاَ إِنَّ أَوْلِيَاءَ اللهِ لاَ خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلاَ هُمْ يَحْزَنُون"

(Beware! Verily, the friends of Allah will not have any fear, nor will they grieve).

In this verse, two signs of Aulia are described. 1. They are true Momins (believers) 2. And are also pious (متقى).

Remember! conviction (ايمان) and Abstinence (تقوى). The meaning of Abstinence (تقوىن) is fearing (درج) or refraining (درج). There are three stages (درج) of Abstinence:

1. General Abstinence (تقوى عوام) means, refraining from an illegal act. This is the general Abstinence

2. Special Abstinence (تقوى خواص), means desisting from suspicious activity. This is Special Abstinence.
 3. Most Special Abstinence (تقوى اخص الخواص) means, abstain from matters but for Allah. This is the Most Special Abstinence.

2. Therefore, there are three stages of saintliness (ولايت) too.

- 1. Wilayet-e-Awaam (General),
- 2. 2. Wilayet-e-Khawaas (special),
- 3. Akhsal khaas (Most Special).

This way, the reality of conviction is to believe in Rasoolullah ﷺ and recognize him deep-heartedly. Then all the matters are covered in it. One who recognized Huzoor ﷺ means he recognized Allah, the Quran, the day of judgment, paradise, Hell, and all the things.

3. There are three stages of belief (يقين);

پلا کر جامِ وحدت بےضرر کر دیتے ہیں ب سے ++ بنا کر مست اپنا بے اثر کر دیتے ہیں سب سے نہیں دکھتا کوئی بے نظر کر دیتے ہیں سب سے ++ کہ کر کے غرق ہستی بے خبر کر دیتے ہیں سب سے

تمهار ے مست دیوانے تمهار ے مست دیوا ے (خالد وجودیؓ)

a) Ilm ul yaqeen (علم اليقين), b) 'Ayi nul Yaqeen (عين اليقين), c) Haqq ul Yaqeen (حق اليقين).

- a. Ilm ul yaqeen (علم اليقين); Belief by hearing is called Ilm ul yaqeen (علم اليقين).
- b. 'Ain ul Yaqeen (عين اليقين); Belief by seeing is called Ain ul Yaqeen (عين اليقين).

c. Haqq ul Yaqeen (حق اليقين); Belief by annihilating it, is called Haqq ul Yaqeen (حق اليقين).

Look at this example!

1ST person believed by hearing that the fire is hot, never seeing it. His belief is 'Ilm ul Yaqeen (اليقين). This is the first stage of the belief that every Muslim has.

2nd person sits near the fire looking at it and feeling its heat. His belief is **'Ain ul Yaqeen (عين اليقين).** This is the second stage of the belief that special persons have. For E.g. Hadhrat Ibrahim ها said in the court of Allah, "زَبِّ اَرِنِي كَيْفَ تُحْيُ اَلْمَوْتَى" (*O Lord! I would like to see how will a dead be made alive.) This belief is 'Ain ul Yaqeen (عين اليقين).*

3rd person puts himself into the fire and feels its heat, by getting annihilated into the fire, this belief is **Haqq ul Yaqeen (حق اليقين).** The third belief is attained by persons annihilating into Allah ﷺ (فنا فى) شاه and annihilating into Rasool ﷺ (فنا فى الرسول).

In Mishkat Sharif (مشكوة شريف) a Hadith-e-Qudsi is mentioned, under the topic 'Babuz Zikr' stating that Allah ﷺ Says, "I become the hand of my Wali (the friend of Allah), by which he touches, I become his eye and tongue, by which he sees and speaks." Attaining such a state, a few Aulia used to say, "أنَا " (I am the Lord)." And some say, "الْحَق مَا يَانِي مَا عَظَمَ شَانِي الله المحيد ا

Similarly, during the battle of Badr Rasoolullah ﷺ threw a handful of the grail (كنكريان) over the disbelievers, then Almighty Allah said, "وَمَارَمَيْتَ اِذْ رَمَيْتَ وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ رَمَي اللَّهُ رَمَي اللَّهُ مَعَارَ اللَّهُ عَالَي اللَّهُ عَالَي اللَّهُ عَالَي اللَّهُ عَالَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَالَى اللَّهُ عَلَى اللَّهُ عَالَى إلَّهُ عَالَى اللَ

جو چاہین اُلٹ سکتے ہیں دو عالم کے تختے کو ++ نظام دو جہاں کر سکتے برہم ذرا سوچو اِشاروں میں بھی اُنکے کیسا ہے اثر سمجھو ++ عوالم کو ابھی کرسکتے ہیں زیر و زبر دیکھو تمھار ے مست دیوانے تمھار ے مست دیوام (خالد وجودیؒ)

3-EXCELLENCE OF AULIA ALLAH

(فضائل اولياء الله)

تڑپ کر لوٹ کر قدموں په اپنی جان دیتے ہیں ++ جو کرتے پیش کش ہیں تو نذر ایمان دیتے ہیں

سمجھ کر تم ہی عمر جاودان دیتے ہیں ++ نہیں ڈرتے سر اپنا دار پر شادان دیتے ہیں

تمهار ے مست دیوائے تمهار ے مست دیوا ے (خالد وجودیؓ)

Q7- Innumerate the excellences of Aulia Allah and their extreme exigence for the ummah?

Ans. The Excellence of Aulia Allah and their exigencies; there are numerous excellences of Aulia Allah, for instance!

- 1. As the standing and elegance of the sky depends on the moon & the stars, in the same way, the existence (قيام) and beauty of the earth is dependent on Aulia Allah
- 2. The extrinsic (ظاہری) illumination of the world is due to the moon & Sun, and the intrinsic (باطنی) illumination of the living being is on account of Aulia Allah.
- 3. Many excellences of Aulia Allah are mentioned in the Holy Quran like not to say dead to those who are martyred in the way of Allah and it also says to not imagine them as dead because they are alive with their lord and they are even nourished (رزق دے جاتے). Further, it is said that they have no fear nor will they grieve.
- 4. As a boat can't run without the sailor, similarly it is very difficult for the boat of a human being's life to arrive at the intended destination without the Aulia Allah
- 5. Like the connection of parts of the body is established through the nerves, in the same way, the relevance between Prophet & Ummah is established by the Aulia Allah
- 6. Aulia Allah is the live miracles of the prophet Muhammad ﷺ since their excellences bear the reflection of the Mustafawi excellences
- 7. Like the electricity is generated in the electric powerhouse but it will reach up to the town and villages through electric poles for illuminating the different electrical appliances, similarly, Medina Munawwara is the powerhouse of conviction and faith where the electricity of conviction is generated. The four series namely Chisty, Quadri, Nakshbandi & Sohrwardi e.t.c.. are its connecting spiritual wires and the sheiks (مسائخ) serve as spiritual poles, while the Aulia Allah as different modes of spiritual appliances, therefore there is only one spiritual electric flow which illuminates in Chisty's, Quadri's, Nakshbandi's & Sohrwardi's, (سحروردی نقشبندی چشتی قادری).

تمہار ے فیض ہی سے فیض سب پاتے ہو ے دیکھے ++ تمہار ے عشق میں عُشاق کھوجاتے ہوئے دیکھے تمہار ے فضل سے گم تم میں ہوجا تے ہوئے دیکھے ++ تمہار ے صدقے میں خالد کو بن جاتے ہوئے دیکھے تمھار ے مست دیوانے تمھار ے مست دیواے (خالد وجودیؒ)

4-Great Martyrs (شهداکرام) Preamble

Q8- What do you know about the martyr and martyrdom and its significance?

Ans- Martyr and martyrdom and its significance; A Saint (ولى) is a type of Martyr (شهيد). Therefore, the excellences Of a Martyr (شهيد) may be, the excellences of Aulia. As far as a martyr is concerned, he is "One who has been assassinated tyrannically (ظلماً) and termed as a martyr (شهيد)". There are a few causes for this statement. For instance!

- During the day of judgment, the entire Ummah of Muhammad Mustafa ﷺ would give evidence (گوابی) for the previous Prophets (انبیاء کرام). Witness (گواه) is of two types. a. Suggested by Plaintiff (مدعی) b. Official witness (سرکاری گواه). Maybe, Common Muslims would give a witness for the Prophets: Some give witness by their statement (قول): e.g. Reciting the Islamic Creed is termed as evidence of monotheism (توحید) the statement. Some give witness by their action (شهداخ عظام): e.g. Performing Salah, observing fast, etc. is termed as a witness by action. But great martyrs (شهداخ عظام) would give evidence of monotheism (شهداخ عظام) would give action. But great martyrs (شهداخ عظام) would give evidence of monotheism by their blood. So, their evidence is highly valuable compared to all other evidence and this is a perfect witness too. Therefore, martyrs are buried along with blood-stained clothing. Maybe departing them with the witness (evidence).
- 2. During the day of judgment, nobody can enter Paradise (جنت) for the sake of reward (جزاء). However, for a pious dead person, a window from heaven would be opened in his grave (قبر) through which a cool breeze comes. The dead person sees it but cannot enter there. But, for the martyrs (شهداء) their souls (روحين) go to paradise in the form of green birds nourishing food. Therefore, they are called martyrs in the Quran and Hadith means dweller of paradise before doomsday arose.
- 3. During the day of judgment, the martyr is made present in the court of Allah الله and asked to say whether he has any desires. He requests that he be sent back to the world again for martyrdom (شهادت) so that he might taste the hot gravel, injury, and murder. He is instructed, "Here with us, you wouldn't be examined again after examining." Therefore, he is called martyr (شهيد) meaning present in the court of the Lord.

Q9- Summarise the categories of martyrdom (شهادت) and define enforcement of prescribed rules?

Ans- the categories of martyrdom (شهادت); There are two categories of martyrdom (شهادت):

- 1. Factual martyrdom (شهادت حقيقی) 2. Infallible martyrdom (شهادت حمی)
 - **1. Factual** martyrdom (شهادت حقيقى); One who has been assassinated tyrannically (ظلماً) and the diyat/ديت/is money which is reived from a murderer) is not-binding on murder.
 - 2. Infallible martyrdom ((ظلماً); One who hasn't been assassinated tyrannically (ظلماً), but Almighty Allah decided to raise him in the category of martyrs (شهداء) like the one who died by burning in fire or by drowning in water or many more are martyrs.
 - **3. Factual** martyrdom (شهادت حقیقی); (شهادت حقیقی) has two types:
 - a. Martyrdom-e-Fiqhi/فقرى (under the rules of Islamic law); A wise (عاقل) and matured (بالغ) Muslim be assassinated tyrannically (ظلماً) in such a way that despite being injured, he couldn't opt for worldly benefits nor could get treated medically and nourished himself or be alive with sense and understanding (بوش و بواس) till his end. The Islamic rule for such martyrs is to be buried along with blood-stained clothing without bathing (كفن).
 - b. Martyrdom-e-Gair-Fiqhi/غيرفقهى (not under the rules of Islamic law); This is also martyrdom (شهادت), but the rule of Islamic law wouldn't be enforced.
 - c. Look! At Shuhadaa-e-Karbala, all of them are martyrs (شهداء), but there is a difference between the martyrdoms (شهدتون) of Hadhrat Ali Azgar الله , Hadhrat Ali Akbar الله , and Hadhrat

Imam Hussain ﷺ. The way, Syed ash, Shuhadaa (سيدالشهداء) has suffered, no one from Hadhrat Adam ﷺ to now has suffered.

Imam Hussain المسافر), and also a hero (غازى) in the field of Karbala, Also a traveler (مسافر), and also an immigrant (مهاجر). An observer of continuous fasts and also the spender (لٹانے والے) of household (لٹانے والے) and performer of Salah (نماز) as he المح was martyred in the field of Karbala while prostrating (سجده) to Almighty Allah on knees and forehead.

(فضائل شهداء) 5-Excellences of Martyrs

Q10- - Innumerate the excellences of martyrs and their extreme exigence for the ummah?

Ans- The Excellence of martyrs and their exigencies; there are numerous excellences of Aulia Allah for instance!

- People generally spend their time or money and other things for the service of Deen-e-Islam. But a martyr (شهيد) does the service of Deen-e-Islam with his blood. Therefore, his sacrifice is great, and this is the reason a martyr is considered the best servant of Deen-e-Islam.
- 2. The martyr (شهيد) to the Prophet and martyrdom (شهادت) to Prophethood (نبوت) bears great similarity and vicinity altogether. For instance!
 - a. There is an issue (مسئلہ) that sleeping (نيند) breaks the ablution (وضو) and demise (عسل) breaks bathing (غسل), Salah (غسل) is not permissible without ablution (وضو) and the dead body cannot be buried without bathing (غسل). But the sleeping (نيند) of a Prophet doesn't break the ablution (وضو) and the demise (موت) of a martyr (غسل) doesn't break bathing (سهيد). The Prophet after awaking from asleep can perform Salah without ablution (وضو) and a martyr (غسل) can be buried without bathing (فريد) and be shrouded (کفن) along with blood-stained clothing.
 - b. The Prophet's excrements (فضلات), urine, and stools (پیشاب پئخانه), etc. are chaste (پاک) for the Ummah (امت) and if the blood-stained cloth (حون آلود کپڑا) is fallen in a well (امت), the water of well doesn't become unchaste (ناپاک).
 - c. A forgiven servant (مغفور بنده) after his death doesn't desire to come back into the world and undergo troubles except for the martyr (شهيد) who requests in the court of Allah ﷺ, "O Lord, let there be the same field of fighting (ميدان جهاد), the same hot sand, the same wound, and killing." ---(*Mishkuwat*(مشر). Martyrdom (شهادت) erases all sins except the loan (مشركة)–(قرض).
 - d. Rasoolullah ﷺ says, "The martyr (شهيد) has six distinctive features (خصوصيات). 1. He has first-hand deliverance (مغفرت). 2. He will be shown his heavenly place. 3. He doesn't have the chastisement of the grave (قبركاعذاب). 4. He will be protected against embarrassment during doomsday (قيامت). 5. He will be crowned for his honor on his head. 6. He would do intercession (شفاعت) of 70 relatives (*Timizi, Ibn Majah*)

6-Zikr and Fikr (ذکر و فکر) Preamble

It is imperative for a Seeker of divine connection, that he should adopt such activities (اشغال) that it must attract him towards Zikr and Fikr by itself because no other deed is better than Zikr and Fikr. So, The Salik (mystic devotee) might turn his entire courage towards the Islamic creed of monotheism (کلمه توحید) and Zikr and Fikr after being free from performing obligatory, Sunnan Muakkida acts. Then be stable in the station of amity (أنس). Also, he should spare some time for doing essential Nafl acts, recitation of the Quran, and invocation (فنا کر ے). And be trying day and night to annihilate (فنا کر ے) your fancied being (تسبيح و دعا). Yet he can hope that eternal favor (عنايت ازلى) would take him to the limits of extinction (فنا) and Survival (بقال) and then up to Survival (بقال) and utmost survival (ار البقا).

Q11- Elucidate the kinds of Zikr and Fikr concerning their importance and benefits to a Seeker?

Ans- kinds of Zikr and Fikr and their importance and benefits; It is imperative for a Seeker of divine connection, should adopt such activities (اشغال) that it must attract him towards Zikr and Fikr by itself because no other deed is better than Zikr and Fikr. But there are some kinds of Zikr and some of Fikr. For instance!

- The reflection or thoughtfulness (تفكر) of a Salik (mystic devotee) is manifest by thinking of sinning (مخالفت) and enmity (مخالفت) and denial of the rights of Almighty Allah.
- 2. The reflection or thoughtfulness (تفكر) of a Salik (mystic devotee) in connection with that of not being thankful for the obligation (احسان) and favor and grace (لطف وكرم) of Almighty Allah, and even being thankful, considering it is inadequate compared to that obligation, besides being worthless (ناقص).
- 3. The reflection or thoughtfulness (تفكر) of that matter which has been running in eternity (ازل) and now is to be manifested. <mark>be good fortune (سعادت) or misfortune (شعاوت).</mark>
- 4. The reflection or thoughtfulness (تفكر) of a Salik (mystic devotee) in marvelous (عجيب و غريب) industry (صنعت) of the manifested world (مخلوقات دنيا) and the spiritual world (صنعت), by which the impression of the great Allah's (حق تعالىٰ) enormity (كبريائى) becomes fresh (تازه) in the heart of the Salik. And then the promise and evasion of the promise (وعده و وعيده و وعيده) are remembered by him.
- 5. Hadhrat Abu Abdur Rahman Aslmi r.a says, "You must know that the companion (جليس) of concerned over thoughtfulness (متفكر) is soul/self (نفس) and the companion (جليس) of Zikr is the great-Lord (حقال). This is the reason that A'immah (انمه) gives preference to Zikr over Fikr.
- One more piece of evidence is that Zikr is the divine attribute and Fikr is not so. Therefore, being a divine attribute, it would be perfect (كامل) and the one which is not His attribute will be worthless (ناقص). Moreover, Zikr is returning (راجع) towards Almighty Allah, because, the Zikr is the outcome of mystic knowledge (معرفت) and love.
- Conclusion: Zikr is subordinated to Fikr and Fikr is subordinated to Zikr. But Zikr is perfect and superior to Fikr because Fikr is the preamble (مقدمه) of penitence (توبه) and the Zikr is of Almighty Allah's realization (وصول). Allah ﷺ says, " فَأَذْكُرُنِئَ أَذْكُرُنِئَ أَذْكُرُنِي اللَّهُ says, " فَأَذْكُرُنِي اللَّهُ كَرُنِي اللَّهُ says, " مقدمه) of penitence (وصول). Allah ﷺ says, " متفكر إذكُرُنْ المُنْكُرُنِي اللَّهُ says, " متناكر المعالية المعالية المعالية المعالية المعالية (You do my Zikr, I shall do your Zikr). Here Allah المعالية (رمول المعالية says). (متفكر المعالية says) (متفكر).

Q12- Exemplify briefly the kinds of Zikr and their comprehensive features?

Ans- kinds of Zikr and their comprehensive features; Hadhrat Abu Abdur Rahman Aslami r.a says that there are few kinds of Zikr. For instance!

- 1. Zikr-e-tongue (ذکر زبان یا لسان). This is outward Zikr (ذکر ظاہر).
 - a. Zikr with a loud voice is called Zikr-e-Jeher (ذکر جهر).
 - b. Zikr with a silent voice is called Zikr-e-Khafi (ذكر خفى).
- 2. Zikr-e-heart (ذكر باطن). This is inward Zikr (ذكر باطن).
 - a. Zikr-e-heart (ذکر قلب) is Zikr-e-Khafi (ذکر خفی) only, which purifies the heart from carnal notions (شیطانی and devil's notion (شیطانی خطرات), so that should there be concertation in Zikr-e-Allah.
 - b. Aarif Rabbani Hadhrat Abdul Kareem Jili wa Zaidi r.a. says, "whoever attained Zikr-e-Qalb, its sign is that the Zakir listens at all times or sometimes to the Zikr of divine unity (ذات الہٰی) offered by all things or some things according to his ability".
- 3. Zikr-e-Soul or spirit (ذكر روح). Zakir by doing Zikr-e-Soul was annihilated from his attributes. When the Zakir would know that Almighty Allah also does his Zikr, then his Zikr no longer remains, neither his situation (حال) nor his attribute (صفت). Further, whoever attained Zikr-e-Rooh his sign is, that he begins to listen to all things their specific Glorification of Lord (حال) and he never considers anybody as the real performer (فاعل) except Allah ﷺ. In the Zikr-e-Rooh, the presence of Haq or God (حضور حق) is prevalent over the presence of the manifest being (حضور حق).
- **4.** Zikr-e-mystery (ذکر سِر): it will fill the inside (باطن) in such a manner that if some notion (خطره) intends to enter into the heart, it can never do so. So, it is obvious that Zikr-e-mystery (ذکر سِر) is the upshot of Zikr-e-heart (لطيفه) over the heart. Eternal

presence (حضور دائمی) is demanding of the mystery (سِر). The Zakir of Zikr-e-mystery (ذکر سِر), shouldn't have others' presence (حضور غير) except divine presence (حضور حق).

5. Zikr-e-concealed (ذکر خفی): is hidden in the existence of the soul (روح) as Zikr-e-secrecy (ذکر خفاء) is hidden in the mystery (سِر).

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