

The Japan Visit



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**relayed live all across the
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Summary

Today's Friday sermon was based on Huzoor's recent Visit to Japan

The Promised Messiah (as) said that pious souls will accept Ahmadiyyat in Japan.

Inauguration of the first Mosque in Japan and receptions at Nagoya and Tokyo

The locals were conveyed teachings of Islam and they have changed their opinion of Islam

The message of Islam Ahmadiyyat reached more than 52 million people through media

An act of great violence occurred in Jehlum recently. An Ahmadi owned chipboard factory was set on fire

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Huzoor said that he had been visiting Japan to inaugurate their first mosque.

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If we examine the conditions in Japan, it seemed very difficult for this mosque to be constructed.

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Our lawyer who is Japanese, met and congratulated Huzoor while expressing his surprise ... He said that for me **this mosque is a wonder and a sign and an amazing thing.**

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He said that I was fighting this case for you but I did not have any expectation of success. This is why, at one stage, I had told the people incharge of the Jama'at that it would be better for them to abandon this idea

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But the reliance on God of the members of the Jama'at is strange indeed and they said to me that **you keep striving and Insha'Allah we will be granted this place and construct this mosque.**

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This is indeed the grace of Allah, the Exalted, upon the Jama'at which He goes on bestowing upon the Jama'at thus increasing our faith in Him.

When Allah, the Exalted, decreed that this mosque should be constructed, He enabled us to construct the mosque despite all the obstacles .



Thus was established the first center for the spreading of the message of Islam in Japan



There is no doubt that one mosque or center cannot fulfil the needs for spreading the message of Islam in the whole country but this is certain that **we have laid the foundation for spreading the true teachings of Islam in the whole country.**

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The Promised Messiah (as) said that pious souls will accept Ahmadiyyat in Japan.

With this mosque Allah has opened such avenues where tens of millions are receiving the message of Islam as was the desire of the Promised Messiah (as)..

He had expressed his intense desire for the spread of the message of Islam to the rest of the world and also exerted himself to achieve those goals, **he also stated with respect to Japan that a book should be written for the Japanese**



He wanted a most fluent and capable Japanese person to be paid a thousand rupees to translate this book and then he wanted 10,000 copies of this book to be printed and distributed in Japan.

Besides Holy Qur'an, there is literature being prepared and available in thousands and is being spread.

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They recognized and openly expressed their feelings that that by partaking in the reception of the mosque, they have learned the true teachings of Islam and our false notions about Islam have been removed.

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The Promised Messiah (as) stated that if one wants to introduce Islam, construct a mosque. People will be inclined towards it.

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We see this being fulfilled everywhere and also in Japan. And when one sees how by participating in the inauguration of the mosque the views of people changed so completely one is left amazed.

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There were some 49, 50 Japanese guests from various faiths and government officials, professors present.

They came to the mosque, heard the sermon & saw the prayer service

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A few comments of people in Japan illustrates how the Japanese are viewing the true teachings of Islam as presented by the Ahmadiyya Jama'at.

A Priest:

As a Buddhist, it felt really nice to enter a mosque. We thought it is not permissible for non-Muslims and Buddhists to enter the mosque but not only were we welcomed warmly but by joining the prayer and the sermon we were heartily pleased and our impression about Islam changed.

Director of Public Affairs of Church of Jesus Christ:

We hope that this mosque will serve as a bridge between Islam and the Japanese people.

Member of City Parliament:

We welcome the mosque in our area and we hope that in accord with the stand of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at this mosque will become a center for those who love humanity and who love to serve humanity.

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Member of Parliament (*traveled 1,000 km to attend*): When I saw this beautiful mosque, my fatigue was eliminated. The Ahmadiyya Muslim community has earned a great reputation through their humanitarian service at the time of the earthquakes and we hope this mosque will cause this good name of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at to increase.

University Professor: It was very important for Ahmadiyya mosque to be constructed in Japan. This was a great need. The role of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at in conveying the beautiful teachings of Islam in the world is very prominent. We hope that through this mosque ...real peace and security will spread in the world.

The Jama'at in Japan is small but many guests from various nations were visiting the reception There were as many guests as the local members. ...The Jama'at in Japan discharged their responsibility vis a vis hospitality in a very good manner to the Ahmadi from various nations.

Saturday evening a reception was held in the outside area of the mosque.

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109 Japanese and eight non-Ahmadi guests attended. Guests included politicians, directors of international tourism, professors and other professions from society.

Priest: The leader of the Ahmadiyya community came at a right time, The fear we had of Islam during these days has been eliminated by the simple and beautiful way in which he has expressed the teachings of Islam.

Japanese Friend : I have never participated in an event like this. ...listening to the Khalifa ..the first time I realized the objectives for the construction of a mosque

A Japanese Orthopaedic Surgeon working with us for three years in humanitarian work : Persons following other faiths like Shintoism, Buddhism etc should have no difficulty in accepting the Islam presented by Imam of Ahmadiyya Jama'at.

Japanese Friend : Islam means peace and mutual security. These words of the Imam of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at have left a deep mark on my heart

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Brazilian Exchange Student : I have learnt a great deal about Islam. I became quite emotional ... There is no doubt that his words can change hearts. He has told us that Islam does not teach violence. It is clear ...that media paints a picture of Islam which is not correct

Japanese Lady : I think this is a day that has changed my life. ...modified my perception of Islam. He said that this is not the era of Jihad with the sword. It is an era of Jihad with love. ...has made a deep impact upon me. I would say that all people should come and see this mosque and learn about Islam from the Ahmadis.

Japanese School Teacher: [with approx 18 students and five teachers] The Khalifa answered all of my questions ...I now have firm faith that Islam is a religion of peace. ... students were fearful of Islam but .. they have changed their views. In fact they.. began to feel very safe at the mosque. I want that this connection between Ahmadis and the Japanese goes on increasing..

Japanese Lady: today the Imam of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at answered all my questions. Now there is no fear of Islam left in my heart. Today I have also learnt that Islam is not a danger for the world but that in fact Islam can unite us all.

A Japanese student: this address was a message of peace. I think now that through this mosque the gulf that exists between Muslims and the other people will be removed and Islam will begin to spread in Japan.

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By the Grace of Allah people heard about Islam Ahmadiyyat on a grand scale through the media as well

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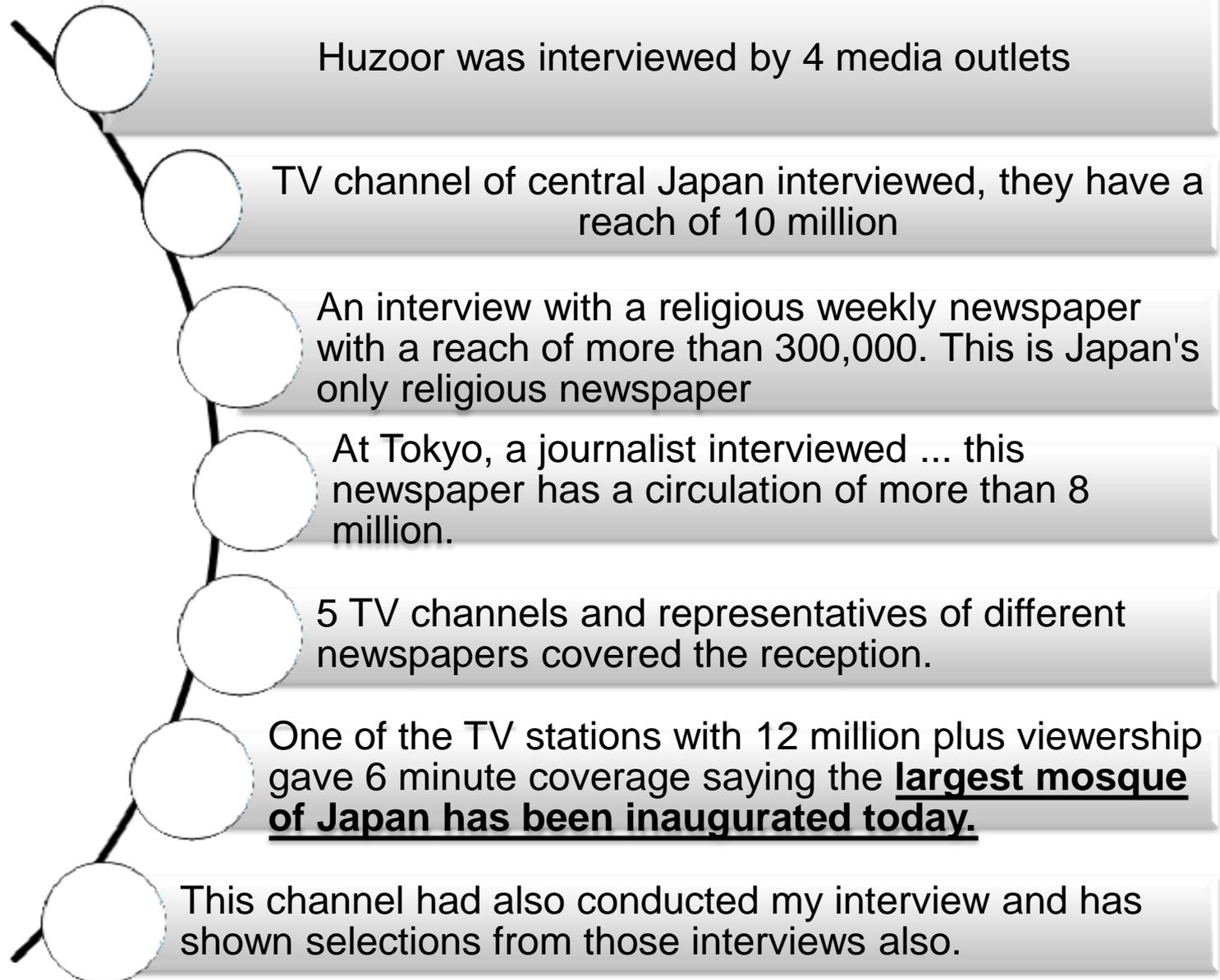
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A tv channel with viewership of more than 12.5 million:

they aired the news 5 times during the day and said that **the largest mosque of Japan has been inaugurated today in the city of Tsushima.**

TBS Channel also covered the news. This is a popular channel and also has a viewership of more than 10 million

They showed scenes from the inauguration and also picture of the Promised Messiah (as). This news also was broadcast three times in the day.

Another news channel with an audience of more than 10 million

They also showed the scenes of the inauguration, the friday sermon and the impressions of various people. It was shown in the afternoon and evening news broadcasts.

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Reports stated: Those participating said that while their hearts are happy at the construction of this mosque ... **Prayers were offered at the event for the peace and security of the world.** ...the news was shown twice during the day

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A daily newspaper with a circulation of 11.2 million is said to be the largest newspaper sold in the world said in its headline that **Islam's true teachings can be seen in this new mosque.**

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The report stated that this mosque has been built by the 200 member Ahmadiyya Community and that some 500 people attended from various parts of the world

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A News agency with wide reach covered our mosque inauguration. The readers of all these sites is greater than 15 million.

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Another daily newspaper with a circulation greater than 8 million published the news that **"our belief is to promote harmony."**

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A news agency that provides news to 75 outlets and reaches some 6.5 million people. The headings they gave said that this was the largest mosque in Japan and that they desire peace and offered prayers.



Through these tv channels, newspapers, internet, in total due to the inauguration of the mosque in Japan the message of Islam Ahmadiyyat reached more than 52 million people.

On the other hand, Mullahs are exceeding in their animosity

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The Promised Messiah (as) has said:

I have firm faith that even if a book on Islam is published by me in Japan, the Clerics will reach Japan to oppose me but only that happens which it is the will of Allah to permit happen.

A Pakistani cleric opposed Huzoor (aba) in Japan in 2013 and said that this was the mission of his father that no matter where the Qadianis go to preach they will go to oppose .



May Allah deflect all of enemy's evil ploys back at them. These days the news circulating is not current but is about the 2013 visit when they had said that they would ask the Japanese government that as the Ahmadiyya Jama'at should be banned in Japan

In Tokyo 63 dignitaries including a Chief Priest of Buddhism, the Chancellor of a University, a poet and many others from all walks of life attended the reception.

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The Chancellor of the University : I kept thinking what will you convey to us .. you have told us matters of the past and the future in 20 minutes. .. You have advised us of the losses likely from war. You warned us regarding the future wars. In such a short time, you have explained the true teachings of Islam. ... this message should be spread all across Japan in English and Japanese.

A friend: This speech of the Khalifa has opened our eyes and has made us aware of such things as we had never even thought about. Living in peace and security we could not even have imagined all the dangers you alluded to and how devastating war can be and how terrifying atomic attacks are.

Chief Reporter of Newspaper : If Ahmadiyya Jama'at had not come in front of us through their services to humanity, we would have deprived of seeing this beautiful face of Islam.

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Japanese Muslim friend: I am a Muslim but I have not heard any Muslim scholar mention such teachings. I am very pleased that Khalifa mentioned everything placing Qur'an at it's foundation. I have never thought of the third world war but have realized this is a relevant danger.



Japanese friend: today I learnt that how great a difference there is between ISIS and true Muslims. Whatever fears and worries that existed before in my heart all have been removed. .. we are going towards a third world war and the Khalifa drew our attention towards our responsibilities that we should do everything possible to stop this war.

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Japanese friend: It is proven by today's speech **that Islam-Ahmadiyyat is a very powerful peace loving religion.** Most Japanese people think that Islam is a bad religion **but I bear witness that your Khalifa is a personification of peace.** The Khalifa advised that the errors committed 70 years ago should not be repeated and all that he said was based on truth.

A Guest: The address of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra) condemning the atomic attacks on Japan was an extraordinary thing. This makes clear the stand of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at about peace very clear.

A Buddhist Chief Priest: I am a Buddhist but having listened to the statements of the Imam of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at **my eyes have shed tears.**

After a meeting with Huzoor he prayed with Ahmadi and kept sitting there in the hall tearful. He had met Huzoor in 2013 as well and was told by a friend to pray to God that He should show him His Being. He had responded by saying that I do not even believe in God then why should I pray to Him. But **today this same Buddhist priest after meeting Huzoor again prayed with Huzoor and stayed there tearful.**

May Allah bless the Japan Jama'at with the ability to go on growing and expanding this widespread introduction of the Jama'at as per the wishes of the Promised Messiah (as). May they fulfill the hopes that the Japanese have from them.

The clerics are full of malice and rancour especially in Pakistan and they go on expressing it

One extreme act of great violence occurred in Jehlum recently. An Ahmadi owned chipboard factory was set on fire

They wanted the owner and the factory workers to be burned alive. But thank God they were not able to succeed in this nefarious goal.

In such testing circumstances the faith of the Ahmadis increases. It happened in 1974 when people lit fires and tried to put Ahmadis through a trial but they failed utterly in their objectives.

All their desires remained unfulfilled.

These trials cannot shake our faith. Indeed they strengthen our faith. If financial loss has occurred Allah replaces it. There are innumerable number of Ahmadis who underwent such trials and Allah, the Exalted, bestowed upon them immensely. If these owners have suffered financial loss it also will be replenished.

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This chipboard factory belonged to Sahibzada Mirza Munir Ahmad Sahib, the son of Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad Sahib (ra) - and then upon his passing away his children were the owners

I am happy that as it ought to be, the expression of a momin, a believer, upon occurrence of such a loss, was expressed by the owners. And their tongues uttered only expressions of thankfulness to God.

Allah, the Exalted, kept all their Ahmadi workers safe and also safeguarded the lives and honour of all the women and children. Alhamdulillah

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Mirza Naseer Ahmad Tariq Sahib who is the oldest son of Mirza Munir Ahmad Sahib runs the factory and resides there.... his son as well who works at the factory.

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Mirza Naseer Ahmad Sahib and his wife were present in the factory at the time. When the attack started the mob broke into their home and set fire to it. But Allah wanted to save them and the Police arrived.

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Though the police did not stop the mob. They saved them by taking them out by some back doors etc. Then they went over the wall and reached an open area in the jungle where they kept walking till they found a ride and ultimately arrived at a safe place.

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Similarly many Ahmadi workers escaped into jungle and hid there and were eventually found by the khuddam and led to safety

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A security officer, Qamar Ahmed was arrested and imprisoned and a very serious charge levelled upon him. **May Allah make avenues for his freedom.**

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Mirza Naseer sahib was placed under house arrest but was later released ...

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the mobs were given full freedom but those who incurred this loss and were treated as criminals

Mirza Naseer Ahmad Sahib is also the Ameer of Jhelum District. From the way that the attack unfolded it seems that the event was pre-planned

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The mob had gathered in their thousands and had arranged for bulldozers, brought all the necessary items to set the factory on fire and they kept gathering there for quite some time. The police and the other law enforcement agencies showed up very late into things, well after the fire had been set

People inside the factory did not realize what was happening so much so that it was even difficult for them to save their lives and run away.

The expression of patience and contentment that Mirza Naseer Sahib and his wife and their children have expressed is also worthy of mention. May Allah reward them.

By virtue of their blood relation with the Promised Messiah it is good that they showed such exemplary patience and courage. **Wealth comes and goes. The God that provided before will provide again and can and indeed will bestow in greater measure.**

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Qamar Ahmad Sahib who has been arrested and charged with desecrating the Holy Quran - a very serious charge. May Allah, the Exalted, increase the patience and courage of Qamar sahib's wife and give the enemies the taste of the punishment of their misdeeds.

The daughter in law of Mirza Naseer Ahmad Sahib went to visit the wife of Qamar sahib - she says that she was utterly amazed to see that she was smiling and perfectly content as if nothing had happened - whereas her husband has in fact been charged with a very serious crime.

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May Allah free them all from the false charges levelled against them.
And especially, may Allah grant freedom to Qamar Sahib

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One good thing that has happened is that some non-Ahmadis have also raised their voices against this attack. One TV program also discussed this with the local politicians. The presenters spoke against this and the participants in the program said that they would go after the culprits and seek justice.

After burning the factory, the mob attacked two of our Jama'ats and attacked the mosques. One of the mosques has been sealed. First the mosque was attacked by the maulvis, they took out the prayer mats and lit the items on fire, then they washed the mosque and offered prayers there. However the police took it from them and sealed the mosque. So although the mosque is not in their possession these two Jama'ats are still in considerable danger.

May Allah safeguard the Ahmadis in those areas. May Allah enable justice to prevail in Pakistan. May Allah also provide for the factory workers who are now unemployed. Aameen!

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