On April 25, 2014, Hadrat Khalifatul-Masih V (May Allah be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at the BaitulFutūh Mosque, Morden, London.

Huzoor announced the sad demise of Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib, an Ahmadi missionary and Amīr Jamā’at Australia, and shed light on his family background, his noble qualities and excellent services for the Jamā’at.

Huzoor said: All will one day leave this world, but fortunate are those who spend their lives according to the wishes of Allah, try their utmost to honour the pledges they make and do their best to serve the faith as well as humanity. These are the people about whom the Holy Prophet said that Paradise becomes obligatory for the m. And, one of such people was our brother Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib, who was a true servant of the Jamā’at and a devoted helper of the Khulafā of the time, for whom he had an intense sense of honour and respect. He followed the Khulafā like the pulse follows the heart. Indeed, he was a truly devoted and loyal servant of the Khulafā.

Huzoor gave some details about Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib’s illness and his passing, and said that he was born in Bangladesh. His father, Abul Khair Muḥammad Muhibullah, accepted Ahmadiyyat in 1943. On the motivation of Hadrat Khalifatul Masih II Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib’s father dedicated his son’s life for Ahmadiyyat in 1954. Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib obtained his elementary education in Bangladesh. In 1962, he was admitted to Jāmi’a Ahmadiyya, Rabwah, from where he obtained his Shāhid degree in 1974. He married Hajira Sahiba, daughter of Maulwi Muhammed Sahib, Amīr Jamā’at Bangladesh, in 1977. Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib is survived by three daughters and a son.

Huzoor spoke of Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib’s services for Khuddāmul Ahmadiyya and said that it was back in 1980 or 1981 when Hadrat Khalifatul-Masih III while addressing the annual convention of Khuddāmul Ahmadiyya said: Mahmood Ahmād Sahib was in fifth position as regards votes in the Khuddāmul Ahmadiyya election held last year. I wanted to give this lesson to the Jamā’at that the tasks of those four individuals who secured more votes would not have been blessed because of the number of votes they had. Rather, one who follows Khilāfat with sincerity is the one who receives blessings. Therefore, I appointed Mahmood Ahmād Bengali Sahib as the Sadr. He is a very sincere person, may Allah enhance his sincerity.
Huzoor (إِيَّا إِلَيْكُمْ اللَّهُ) said: At that time, Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya was headed by one central president, and the heads of the chapters across the world were designated as Qā‘iḍīn. This system came to an end in Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib’s time and he was the last worldwide President Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya.

Huzoor (إِيَّا إِلَيْكُمْ اللَّهُ) said: During his time Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya made prominent progress in many departments. He established ‘Asirān Trust’ for the welfare of Aḥmādi prisoners of conscience. He visited many countries outside Pakistan for the organisational advancement of Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya.

Huzoor (إِيَّا إِلَيْكُمْ اللَّهُ) quoted a letter written by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ IV (إِيَّا إِلَيْكُمْ اللَّهُ) to Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib and shed light on the services Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib rendered for the Jamāʿat in view of that letter.

Huzoor (إِيَّا إِلَيْكُمْ اللَّهُ) spoke of some of his extraordinary services for Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya and the Jamāʿat at large saying: He was a trusted companion of the Khulafāʾ of the time and gave true testimony whenever there was any questioning over any matter. He was ever keen on reformation and continuously sought guidance for the future from the Khulafāʾ. He prayed for them and asked them for their prayers.

Huzoor (إِيَّا إِلَيْكُمْ اللَّهُ) paid tribute to the services Mahmood Ahmad Bengali Sahib rendered for the betterment of Jamāʿat Aḥmadiyya Australia and said: He was kind to all, young and old, without exception and won their hearts through his excellent morals and example. He placed special emphasis on hospitality. His services for the Jamāʿat began when he became Zaʿīm Nāsir Hostel at Jāmiʿa Aḥmadiyya, Rabwah. He also served as Mohtamim Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya. Later, he served as Šadr Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya for ten years. He served in the department of Islāh o Irshād and as Wakīl supervised the central department of Audio and Video for many years. Since 28 June 1991, he was serving as Amīr Jamāʿat Australia. May Allāh have mercy on him and raise his status in heaven. He was surely a selfless worker of the Jamāʿat who helped the Jamāʿat with all his capacities. May Allāh also enable his children to follow in his footsteps. Āmīn

Please convey these guidelines given by Huzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) to members of your Jamāʿat.

Jazākumullāh.

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