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The Amīr/National President
Jamā‘at Aḥmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

Inauguration of the Anṣārullāh, Lajna, and Nāṣirāt UK Ijtimas, and a reminder of sticking to our pledges and discharging our responsibilities.

Praise for late Mazhar Ahsan, of Jāmi‘a Aḥmadiyya UK. He was a completely devoted Aḥmadī who understood the purpose of his life.

I knew him personally and found him to be a model of sincerity and devotion and an ardent lover of Khilāfat.

On 30th September, 2016, Hazrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V (May Allāh be his Helper) delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūḥ Mosque, London.

In the beginning, speaking about the start of the Anṣārullāh, Lajna, and Nāṣirāt Ijtimā‘s, Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) reminded all the three auxiliary organisations to fulfil their pledges and be aware of their responsibilities. Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: The actual spirit of our Ijtimā‘s is that we grow in our love for Allāh and foster mutual love and brotherhood. The purpose of the sport competitions is to improve our spiritual and intellectual abilities. The very name of Anṣārullāh should be enough to remind its members of their responsibilities. Every Nāṣir (or helper of the faith) should strive to grow in conviction, become firmly established upon Aḥmadiyyat, prove himself to be a helper of the faith, help Khilāfat in its objectives, and attach his children with Khilāfat.

Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Lajna Imāillāh should similarly be mindful of their pledge. The members of Lajna are very strong in belief but they have to bring their practical condition up to the standard laid down by God and His Prophet (peace be upon him). It is part of their pledge to give their children a proper upbringing, guide them towards faith, establish their connection with God, inculcate the spirit of sacrifice for community and nation, teach them to obey the law, and help them distinguish between truth and falsehood. Attaching the children to Khilāfat is as much the mothers’ responsibility as the fathers’. Similarly, the Nāṣirāt should also live up to the pledge they have made. In this stage of life one has many desires, and if one is inclined towards the world these desires become dominant over the faith. If you make your pledge a part of your life, you will secure your own life as well as the lives of future generations.

Speaking about the sad demise of Mazhar Ahsan, Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: A few days ago a much loved student of Jāmi‘a UK who had completed his education died after a period of illness. He had not yet appeared for his final exam, but the way he led his life he was practically a missionary. Allāh had granted him with the zeal to serve the faith. Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: I knew personally that he was exemplary in his sincerity, devotion, knowledge and piety. May Allāh raise his spiritual status. His mother has shown

great example of being reconciled to the will of God. Mazhar Ahsan also departed from this world urging patience. The parents and siblings are the ones that are most grieved. But by turning this sorrow into prayers we can make it a means of his spiritual exaltation and of peace and contentment.

Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Mazhar Ahsan was the only son with two sisters. He had cancer from which he recovered after receiving treatment. But he then developed a chest infection which proved fatal. His great-grandfather, Mistri Nizamud Din, was a Companion of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام. His maternal grandfather, Chaudhary Munawar Ali Khan, and his paternal grandfather, Ḥajī Manzoor Aḥmad, were among the Derweshes of Qādiān. The deceased was also a Mūṣī. Even during his illness he asked the Amīr Sahib to give him some work. He designed certificates for the Nāṣirāt and Lajna Ijtimā'. When he was diagnosed with cancer in 2015, he asked his sister to be careful in how she broke the news to their mother, because, he said, he could not bear to see her cry.

Citing some memories related by his mother, sisters, teachers and missionaries, Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: His mother said that we are content with the will of God. Our duty is to pray and it is for God whether He accepts or not. Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: Mazhar Ahsan stayed in hospital alone and sent all his family to attend the Jalsa. He also took part in a five-kilometre charity walk. He was so happy the day he got admitted into Jāmi'a Aḥmadiyya that it seemed he had been given all the bounties of this world. In a WhatsApp message to a missionary, he said that God had blessed him with so many favours that he did not find it difficult to bear the pain. He accepted the illness as a trial. He always did everything with patience and courage. He was never lax or lazy. He loved Jāmi'a. He had a great determination. Right from the first year in Jāmi'a he was a missionary and treaded the fine paths of *Taqwa*.

Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: He was a noble person who understood the spirit of waqf. He died at the age of 26 but he taught and instructed his friends on every occasion. Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) said: When I talked to him on the phone, he spoke with great spirit. He demonstrated extreme fidelity and understood the purpose of his life. He was always found to be content with the will of God. May Allāh grant us thousands of similar life-devotees who understand this purpose. Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) asked the Jamā'at to pray particularly for his parents and sisters that Allāh may grant them patience and courage. Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) led his funeral prayer after the Friday prayer.

Please convey these guidelines given by Ḥuzoor (May Allāh be his Helper) to members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

Tahrīk Jadīd Anjuman Aḥmadiyya Pakistan.

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