



THE MOON SIGHTING

MONTHLY NEWS LETTER

Islamic Date Calendar



Central Moon Sighting Committee of Great Britain

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Part 1; Eid United Alhamdulillah almost all Muslims of UK celebrated Eidul Fitr on same day – Sunday 19th August 2012. Those who followed Central Moon sighting Committee of Great Britain (CMCGB) completed 30 days of Ramadhan, and those who follow others had 29 days of Ramadhan. Despite our division at the start of Ramadhan, we managed to get united for its end.

Our readers will be happy to learn that over 90 % of world's Muslims, in 75 countries (according to Moon-sighting.com) celebrated the Eid on the same day, Sunday 19th August. Of those 75 countries the hilal was not sighted in 50 countries on 17th August: they simply followed the hilal sighting decisions from Saudi Arabia. Despite the fact that in many of these countries, hilal wasn't and couldn't be sighted according to the astronomical predictions, they chose to be united with the holy land for celebrating Eidul Fitr. There must be thousands of Scholars, Muftis, and Jurists in these 50 countries who understand the implication of the hadith that instructs to end Ramadhan by sighting hilal, yet they followed Saudi decisions just to maintain solidarity and unity in Ummah internationally. Over 90 % of Deobandi Muslims of UK are united with Haramain Hilal Dates by following the hilal announcement from CMCGB who make hilal decision after receiving news of hilal decision from Saudi Arabia.

Reliability of Calculations & Visibility Charts

How much should we rely upon Astronomical Calculations and visibility charts predicting hilal sighting probabilities? Some modern scientific 'Ulama and Muftis' would like to place total and unequivocal reliance upon these calculations. They regard them to be qatai or absolute truth. Hence they scrutinise all claims of hilal sighting in light of these calculations, and if the claim contradicts calculations, they will reject it no matter how many pious Muslims claim to have sighted the hilal. They have gone too far from the direct implication of the very authentic Hadith Ummi which says – 'we are illiterate ummah, we neither write nor calculate' when it comes to moon sighting. We must not use or rely upon visibility predictions and calculations.

This year, Allah, the Creator of the universe, has shown that He can enable hilal sighting for Ramadhan and Eid even against the calculated predictions. **More than half of all sighting reports received this year**

falsified predictions by Astronomical calculations and visibility charts.

Here is some example:-

1. The very first Eid hilal was sighted by FIVE Muslims in China on Friday 17th August, **BEFORE ITS CALCULATED BIRTH** as predicted by Astronomers' calculations. This sighting was accepted by local Ulama as genuine – it was **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE** to sight the hilal according to calculated prediction, yet our Creator has proved their calculations to be fallible.

2. Second report, sighting again on 17th August in Waziristan Pakistan, where **SEVEN** pious Muslims, including three Huffaaz of Qur'an, sighted the Eid hilal **BEFORE ITS CALCULATED BIRTH**. Although predicted to be **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE**, these sighting claims were regarded to be genuine after thorough scrutiny by panel of over two dozen strict Deobandi Ulama and Muftis, and Eid was celebrated on that basis by over 500,000 Muslims.

3. First report of naked eye sighting of Eid hilal on 18th August was received from Fiji – impossible to see hilal without telescope according to visibility charts. Scrutinised and declared genuine by Deobandi Ulama. The calculated prediction was again proved to be wrong

4. Second sighting report, on 18th August, was from New Zealand, where sighting was deemed impossible without telescope. Witnesses were scrutinised and declared genuine by strict Deobandi Ulama, and again the calculated prediction was proved to be wrong.

5. Eid Hilal was also sighted on 18th August in Australia, near Melbourne and Darwin, where sighting was declared to be impossible without telescope.

6. Eid hilal was sighted on 18th August in three different regions of Indonesia, country with largest population of Muslims. Sighting claims were authenticated by local Ulama and Hilal Committees, and Eid was announced.

7. Hilal was also sighted on 18th August in many areas around Peshawar by 24 Muslims, authenticated by Provincial Hilal Committee's strict Deobandi Ulama and Muftis. This sighting was declared to be **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE**, even with telescope, by calculations and visibility charts.

8. Eid hilal was sighted in Iran on 18th August, declared to be **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE** even by using telescope. Onznce again, charts and Astronomical calculations were rejected.

9. Eid hilal was sighted in Oman, and was accepted as authentic by local Jurists and Scholars, although it was predicted as impossible to see it without Telescope.

10. Eid Hilal sighted by many in Sri Lanka on 18th August. This was accepted as authentic by the national Hilal committee, although it was deemed impossible to see without telescope.

11. Ramadhan hilal was sighted in Nigeria by 12 adult Muslims in 4 or 5 different cities on Thursday 19th July. Hilal Committee of Ngeria accepted these witnesses as authentic and decided start of Ramadhan from Friday 20th July. It was **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE** to see hilal in Nigeria according to Astronomical calculations and visibility charts.

12. Ramadhan hilal was also sighted on Thursday 19th July in two different areas of Saudi Arabia. After scrutinising witnesses, and acting in

accordance with the Sharai rules, the Chief Justice accepted the sighting claim as genuine although it was **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE** to see hilal according to visibility calculations.

13. Ramadhan Fasting also began in Zambia and Zimbabwe after local hilal sighting on Thursday 19th July as listed on Moon sighting.com, although sighting was **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE** according to Astronomical calculations.

14. Ramadhan also began in Waziristan area by local hilal sighting on Thursday 19th July, although sighting was **TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE** according to Astronomical calculations.

(2nd and last part will be next time)

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Muharram 1434AH **Saudi Ummul Qura Calander Dates**

Duration: Nov-Dec 2012

Islamic Date Calendar The Islamic Week Starts Every Friday

First of Muharram 1434AH

Commenced on the evening of Wednesday 14th November 2012

FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
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2 16	3 17	4 18	5 19	6 20	7 21	8 22
9 23	10 24	11 25	12 26	13 27	14 28	15 29
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23 7	24 8	25 9	26 10	27 11	28 12	29 13

Sunnah acts (Sunnah: the practice of Prophet Muhammad SAW, emulation of which attains great reward)
 1. To fast on the days of Yaum-e-Beadh these are the 13, 14 & 15 except during Ramadhan where fasting is obligatory for the whole month.
 2. To look the new moon crescent at the end of the Rasmi 29 day, please contact us to report a sighting.

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