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**Was the Hilal of Dhul Hijjah 1431 sighted on 28th Dhul Qai'dah?
The opponents are using the Hanafism card to deceive the public !
How long will they continue with such scaremongering of the public?**

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Dear Readers

It is now widespread knowledge regarding the deception created by the anti-Saudi lobby as well as the opponents of the Central Moon Sighting Committee of Great Britain (CMSCGB). Both antagonists have been deceiving the public by giving assurances they don't follow the 'Hilal Sighting Probabilities based on the Astronomical Calculations'.

But in practice they do just that: follow the Astronomical calculations even if they have to reject '*Nabwee Muhaqqaq Ru'yate Basari*', as established by Prophet, *sallahau alaihi wasallam*, the *Sahaabah Kiram*, *Khulafaa-e- Rashedin radiallaahu anhum ajmaeen*, and *Fuqahaa r.* over past 1400 years. They have been caught out red handed: therefore they openly admit to follow Astronomical Calculations established way before Islam by the Jews in 358 BC and by Meton in 431 BC.

They are making an all out effort to justify their transgression, they are mocking the *Hadith* and *Sunnah* of Prophet *sallahau alaihi wasallam*: They request people to follow the *Sunnah* to search the crescent on the evening of 29th of the month, while declaring at the same time that its sighting is against all probabilities because Moonset is before Sunset, and so if anybody sights the crescent, they will NOT accept the testimony. **They only want to accept from public reports of negative sightings to please their Astronomical Guroo.**

Is this the meaning of following the Sunnah? This is just like the Jews who were prohibited from fishing on Saturdays. They entrapped fish on Saturday and caught them on Sundays, and when their Prophet tried to stop them from mocking with the divine order, they rebuked him saying they were following the order of not fishing on Saturdays.

This is offensive towards the Sunnah of Hilal sighting. On the one hand they blame others for not seeing the crescent in this country, and on the other, they say publicly that their

practice to be the 'Prophet's *Sunnah*': Nay, it's a slander to *Sunnah* and a blatant deception to the public. What a farce?

The latest example of this is their requesting the public to search the 1431 Dhul Hijjah crescent on Saturday 6th November, patched up with the false accusation of this being Islamic and *Sunnah* practice of searching and then blatantly refusing to accept the testimony.

Which Verse of *Qur'an*, or Prophet's *Hadith*, or example of *Sahaabah* practice taught them to falsify the testimony of just Muslims only because their Astronomy lords reject the sighting probability?

Is this not like making their Astronomy experts to be lords whom they cannot disobey? They are ever so ready to doubt and falsify sworn testimony of true and just Muslims at the behest of their lords.

Their falsifying, slandering, and deceiving the public goes beyond this – they falsely accuse *Hadhrat* Mufti Abdur Raheem Lajpuri *rahimahullah* as having approved accepting and following Astronomical calculations. (We have exposed their accusing and slandering nature on our web site). It has become their normal practice to stamp falsehood every year at Eidul Ad'ha by spreading rumours of the month being of 28 or 31 days, and so *Qurbaani* and Haj of Millions are doubtful. How long will they continue with such scaremongering of the public?

It has also been exposed that these Breakaways from Majority Sunni Community (BMSCs) are trying to deceive and fool the general public by accepting and confirming the Shar'iah evidence such as *Hadith Ummi*, for non-acceptability of Astronomical calculations, yet in reality they are doing exactly the same by basing their judgement upon such Calculations. Allah says – they plan and Allah also Plans, and Allah is best of Planners. Indeed Allah has forced them to confirm the truth of the *Hadith*, yet they reject it by their practice.

Their two faced behaviour is a sufficient eye opener for Scholars & Public alike, so they cannot and will not be deceived: at first they claimed they do not follow Astronomy, and when they are exposed, they are trying to associate following Astronomic calculations with

the *Hadith* and thereby trying to justify their action by validating their action as Prophetic and Islamic.

Just Consider:

(a) As we have disclosed before, the Central Moon Sighting Committee has been receiving verbal report of Hilal dates every month from Saudi Arabia for over 25 years through our representative *Hadhrat* Moulana Dr. Saeed Ahmed Inaayatullah *sahib(Hafizahulah)*. When Hilal is sighted on 29th, the Saudi Authorities declare on many occasions, the location of sighting. We inform the public as we receive the Hilal news from Saudi Arabia. We received the brief news of 29 days of Shawwaal 1431 from there, and we also received the news of multiple Hilal sighting reports for Dhul Hijjah 1431 on Saturday evening 6th November 2010. (See our Website).

(b) Saudi Authority requested people to search Hilal on the evening of Saturday 6th November 2010, and many people sighted the Hilal that evening. This in itself is evidence that it was the evening of 29th and NOT 28th of Dhul Qai'dah just as Shawwaal was of 29 days. So there is no disagreement between the Saudi Authority's and our announcements on the evening of Saturday 9th October as being the first of Dhul Qai'dah.

(c) The Authority also requested that if the Hilal is not sighted on Saturday, then it should be searched on Sunday evening too (instead of believing it to be 30th). This in itself is a clear evidence of the Saudi Authority's extra carefulness for ensuring people's worship is done properly and on correct dates. This also rejects the falsehood and slanders from opponents of the Saudi Authority, and their attempts of deceiving the public. This also happened twice before in last 25 years.

(d) There are reasons for which the Saudi authority requested that if Hilal is not sighted on 29th, then to search it on the evening of 30th. These reasons also exist in other *mazaahib* including our *Hanafi Mazhab*. The slanderers own 'criteria' confirm the *Fuqahaa* ruling that '*if the Hilal is not sighted on the 30th*' But when it comes from the *Haramain*, they oppose.

(e) These slanderers declare themselves strict *Hanafi* followers, and to deceive the public they say Saudi Arabia do not follow *Hanafi Mazhab*. Yet they advocate following Morocco decisions. Do they think Morocco follow *Hanafi Mazhab*? They most definitely do not. It begs the question then: why do they deceive themselves and the public under this false pretence? What is their motive?

Remember that the *Hanafi* Scholars of *Jamiatul Ulama* Britain, and *Hanafi Hizbul Ulama* UK unanimously declared to follow 'non-Hanafi' Saudi Arabia at a conference in *Hanafi Darul Uloom* Bury, UK. And that was after the *fatawa* approval of great *Hanafi* Jurists. Yet the opponents are using the Hanafism card to deceive the public. Do they think the UK's *Hanafi* scholars, dozens of Muftis of *Hanafi Darul Uloom* Bury, *Hanafi Darul Uloom* Deoband, *Hanafi Mazahirul Uloom* of Saharanpur, Jhonpur, Lucknow, Agra, Bijnor, Rander *Hussainiah*, *Dabhel*, and *Hanafi* Mufti Abdur Raheem Lajpuri were collectively unaware of the fact Saudi Arabia do not follow the ***Hanafi*** School?

These opponents will do anything to deceive the public, even if they have to create disunity by discrimination among the four authentic *Mazaahib* stipulated by the four greatest Jurists during 1300 years. They are also creating suspicions, not only on Saudi jurists, Scholars and Judges, but also on our own aforementioned great *Muftiyane Kiraam* whose *fataawa* we are following. Do these opponents think these *Muftiyane Kiraam* are less intelligent or less informed than them, or that they issued *fataawa* without proper knowledge? (Readers can see these *fataawa*, including that from Barelwi *Darul Ifta* 's Mufti *Hadhrat* and *Fazil Bareli* Maulana Ahmed Raza Khan in our Urdu and English books – **Hilal Judgement on Moon Sighting...**, both on our website).

Apart from the above mentioned Scholars, isn't this an insult to many great *Fuqahaa* like *Hadhrat* Moulana Rashid Ahmed Gangohi *rahimahullah*, *Hakimul Ummah* *Hadhrat* Thaanwi *rahimahullah*, as well as the *Fazil Bareli* in *Fatawa Radhwiyyah*, all of them issued *Fataawa* that *if a fast has been missed according to Haramain dates, it is waajib to make Qadha of such missed fast*. There are so many discourses and *Fataawa* validating *Haramain* Hilal decisions issued by other great Scholars such as *Shaikhul Islam* Moulana Husain Ahmed Madani *rahimahullah*, Mufti Mahmudul Hasan Gangohi *rahimahullah*, Mufti Rashid Ahmed Ludhyanwi *rahimahullah*, and *Shaikhul Hadith* *Hadhrat* Maulana Zakaria *rahimahullah*. All these are in the direct targets of these slanderers. Are these slanderers over and above

such most senior Jurists? *Shaikhul Hadith Hadhrat Zakaria rahimahullah* openly rejected, with evidence from original texts, the permissibility of Astronomical calculations in Hilal decisions as opined by *Allamah Subki r.*, *Allamah Ibn Rooshd r.*, etc. Are these slanderers so brave that they oppose *Hadhrat Shaikh rahimahullah*, and such great *Mashaikh* and Saints of the past 1400 years, and beyond them, the Companions of Prophet *sallallahu alaihi wasallam*, and even further, the Prophet, *sallallahu alaihi wasallam* himself?

The Prophet *sallallahu alaihi wasallam* has unambiguously and openly rejected use of calculations in Hilal decisions. All his Companions *radiallaahu anhum ajmaeen* and their followers followed his order to the letter. But these slanderers say – No, don't do as the Prophet, *sallallahu alaihi wasallam* ordered, and instead, follow us just as we tell you to do. What bravery they are showing, and where are they leading the *Ummah*? May Allah guide us all to follow instructions of our beloved Prophet, *sallallahu alaihi wasallam* .

Oh Allah Show us the strait way, The way of those whom Thou has bestowed They Grace, Those who go not astray , Aameen (Al Ftihah-6,7) .