

# Putting Obligatory Chanda's into Perspective

## The Call of the Hour

***"What a blessed time this is! No one is asked to lay down his life. This is not the time for offering the ultimate sacrifice; rather it is the time to spend out of one's possessions, according to one's means."***

[The Promised Messiah ﷺ, Al-Hakam Qadian, July 10, 1903]

## The importance of engaging all members into the system of Chanda

***"I stress upon all of you, whether present or absent, to tell your brothers about the Chanda and try to bring your weak brothers into the system of Chanda. This opportunity will not present itself ever again."***

[Promised Messiah ﷺ, Malfoozat, volume 3, p360]

## Financial Sacrifice and Self Purification

***"One should keep one's dealing with Allah straightforward. Financial sacrifice is a means of moral training as well as to purify oneself."***

[Hadrat Khalifatul Masih V ﷺ, Summary of Friday Sermon, March 31 2006]

## Those in hardship should seek Concession

***"The real objective of financial sacrifice is to attain nearness to Allah rather than collect money. Therefore the correct income should be declared with regards the regular obligatory Chanda. If need be, concession should be sought"***

[Hadrat Khalifatul Masih V ﷺ, Summary of Friday Sermon, March 31 2006]

## Contributing according to one's blessing

***"If you acquire more income after the Budget has been drawn, you must not continue paying according to the Budget. Rather you must pay in relation to the blessings which Allah has showered upon you...So I beseech you that, for your prayers to be accepted, it is important that you keep your dealings with Allah clear."***

[Hadrat Khalifatul Masih V ﷺ, Friday Sermon, June 6 2003]

## Contributing regularly and the growth of one's wealth

***"The principal of giving according to one's means but giving regularly has the seeds of progress in it. Whoever starts giving a little bit regularly will naturally increase his sacrifice and his means will also grow."***

[Hadrat Khalifatul Masih IV ﷺ, Friday Sermon, June 6, 2003]

## The dangers of being dishonest with ones Chanda

***"Office-bearers accept whatever a person claims to be his income, even when they know that he is not speaking the truth. But what comes to pass later on is very dangerous indeed for such people: their sacrifices of a lifetime go in vain and they lose their wealth and fall into all kinds of troubles."***

[Hadrat Khalifatul Masih IV ﷺ, Friday Sermon, July 23 1982]

## Do not deprive yourself of your wealth and happiness

***"Tell those who are weak and are afraid of spending in the way of Allah that you are depriving yourselves both of virtue and of the blessings of Allah. You are even depriving yourselves of the world which you are striving for. Your wealth will decline, you will not see the happiness of your children. Before your very eyes your pleasures shall vanish and sorrow and worry shall have their place in your hearts."***

[Hadrat Khalifatul Masih IV ﷺ, Friday Sermon, September 10, 1982]