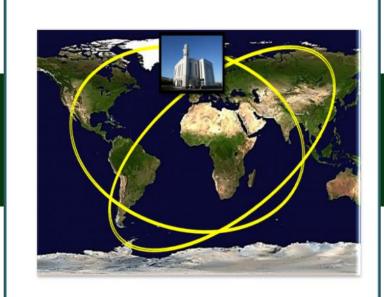
"Jalsa Salana Germany – Fulfilling the Objectives Outlined by the Promised Messiah (as)"



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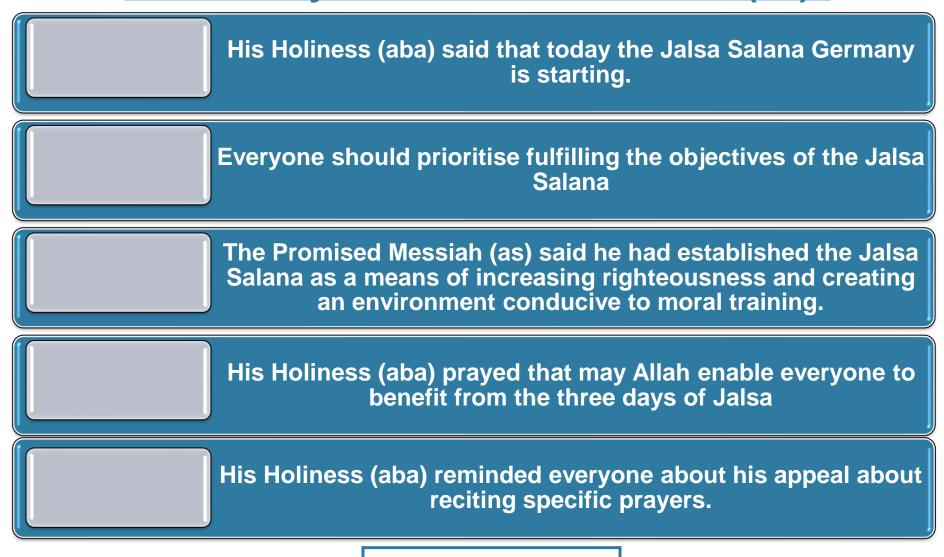


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Summary

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Jalsa Salana Germany

His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) said that today the Jalsa Salana Germany is starting.

His Holiness (aba) said that the Ahmadiyya Community in Germany would haven liked to see His Holiness (aba) attending the Jalsa in person.

However there are certain human dictates, such as health which are unavoidable.

His Holiness (aba) said that upon the recommendation of doctors, the decision was made for His Holiness (aba) not to travel to Germany, but instead to take part in the Jalsa Salana Germany virtually through MTA and to deliver the addresses in this way.

The Blessings of Allah the Almighty

This too will happen only through the blessings of Allah the Almighty. His Holiness (aba) requested prayers that he may be able to do so.

His Holiness (aba) said that it is the favour of Allah the Almighty that among the inventions of this era are those of communication.

His Holiness (aba) said that there were many who wished to meet him, and Allah the Almighty will create another opportunity in the future, God willing.

However, through the virtual medium, 60-70% of the experience of actually attending remains.

His Holiness (aba) prayed that may the Jalsa and its organisation be blessed in every way and may Allah enable people to fully participate in the Jalsa proceedings.

Guidelines for the Attendees

His Holiness
(aba) said that
this time the
Jalsa Salana
Germany is
being held
differently to the
way in which the
Community in
Germany has
become
accustomed.

Before, the
Jalsa Gah would
be held in halls
and so there
would not be
much work
required in
setting up the
Jalsa. This year,
the Jalsa is
being held in an
open area.

As it is the first time, it could be that there will be various challenges, however the objective for the organisers and attendees should be to overcome these challenges while fulfilling the objective of the Jalsa.

There shouldn't be any worries or complaints, as things will get better with time.

Hence, with a smile of their faces, everyone should prioritise fulfilling the objectives of the Jalsa Salana.

Guidelines for the Attendees

Not a month has passed since the Jalsa Salana UK was held. Along with the positives, there was also some feedback about how it could be improved and the oganisers strive to implement these things. This can only happened when everyone plays their part and the workers strive to fulfil their duties to the best of their abilities and then their efforts are blessed.

His Holiness (aba) advised the workers of the Jalsa that they should strive their utmost to serve the guests whilst displaying the best morals,

whilst smiling and praying with the passion that they must serve the guests of the Promised Messiah (as).

No matter what, they will never allow their moral conduct to be compromised. Wherever Jalsas are held, its primary objectives must be kept at the forefront and when this is done then all the attendees will be able to overcome any sort of challenges.

The Divine Blessings of Jalsa Salana

His Holiness (aba) said that the Jalsa is a huge favour of God which He bestowed upon us through the Promised Messiah (as).

He has given us an opportunity to gather and improve our moral and spiritual conditions,

where we can draw closer to Allah and improve in righteousness, while also increasing in ties of mutual brotherhood and abstaining from that which is vain.

These are some of the objectives for which the Promised Messiah (as) initiated this convention.

Hence, everyone should keep these objectives in mind and if they are not being fulfilled then there is no point in attending the Jalsa.

The prayers of the Promised Messiah (as) will be accepted in favour of those who strive to fulfil these objectives.

<u>Messiah (as)</u>

The Objectives of Jalsa Salana

His Holiness (aba) said that the Promised Messiah (as) has challenged us to give precedence to our love for God and His Messenger (sa) over any other love.

If we establish this within our hearts, then it will establish good for us in our worldly and spiritual matters, and good for us in this world as well as the hereafter.

Hence, the attendees of Jalsa should bear this in mind and should constantly remain mindful of this.

If they do this, then they can rest assured that they have fulfilled the objective of the Jalsa.

Having pledged allegiance to the Promised Messiah (as) if we do not strive to attain higher levels of morality and righteousness, then we are not doing justice to our pledge.

<u>Messiah (as)</u>

The Objectives of Jalsa Salana

His Holiness (aba)
said that worldly
things should not
draw an Ahmadi
away from
righteousness, the
worship of God or
cause them to forget
worship and snatch
away their high
moral standards.

For those who have migrated outside of Pakistan to European or Western countries, their circumstances have significantly improved. Hence these aspects should be kept well in mind.

It was hence that
the Promised
Messiah (as) said
he had established
the Jalsa Salana as
a means of
increasing
righteousness and
creating an
environment
conducive to moral
training.

The very purpose for pledging allegiance to the Promised Messiah (as) is to increase in righteousness, and this is the very purpose which should be borne in mind when attending the Jalsa.

Connection with God

The Promised Messiah (as) said that the work which one naturally has to do in this world should not draw them away from righteousness,

as Allah the Almighty states, 'By men, whom neither merchandise nor traffic diverts from the remembrance of Allah ' (The Holy Qur'an, 24:38)

A person should never become unmindful of God, just as a person whose child falls ill, and no matter what they may go about doing in their day, they cannot stop thinking about their child's wellbeing.

This is the state which the Promised Messiah (as) expects to see in us when it comes to our relationship with God.

Hence, we must vow to fulfil our pledge to the Promised Messiah (as) of increasing in righteousness and in our connection with God, fulfilling the statement from the Holy Qur'an,

'O ye who believe! Remember Allah with much remembrance.' (The Holy Qur'an, 33:42)

Connection with God

His Holiness (aba) said that this is the very objective which all attendees of Jalsa should have.

If we do not give due importance to this, then we will neither do justice to our association with the Promised Messiah (as), nor will we establish a connection with God.

The Promised Messiah (as) that one will only truly be regarded in the heavens as a member of his community when they truly tread upon the path of righteousness. A true and sincere Ahmadi should ponder over this with great care.

His Holiness (aba) said that in these days, everyone should focus on prayers, establish a connection with God, give emphasis to the remembrance of Allah and erase the darkness of their hearts.

His Holiness (aba) said that these days when Satan is trying to attack our Community and the world at large, the only way for us to remain safeguarded is through prayers.

(as)

Messiah

Academic, Moral & Spiritual Progress

His Holiness (aba) said that there will be many speeches delivered with the aim of facilitating academic, moral and spiritual progress. These speeches should be listened to and whilst listening one should sincerely vow that having

pledged allegiance to the Promised Messiah (as) we have attended in order to better ourselves, but we cannot do it alone, and so, O God, we seek Your help for without Your help we cannot do anything.

Purify our hearts so that we do not just listened to these speeches and take away academic points, rather we may elevate our moral and spiritual standards which help us attain Your nearness.

His Holiness (aba) said that when we do this, we will bring about a revolution in our lives for which the Promised Messiah (as) was sent, and this will then translate into the rest of the world. Hence, every Ahmadi must remain mindful of the pledge of allegiance they have made with the Promised Messiah (as) and how to fulfil that pledge.

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Fostering ties of Mutual Brotherhood

His Holiness (aba) said that one of the purposes outlined by the Promised Messiah (as) for the Jalsa is to foster ties of mutual brotherhood. Hence everyone should strive to foster mutual love and brotherhood and when this is done then we will become the Ahmadis which the Promised Messiah (as) wished us to become.

We should strive to remove any past grievances.

Not only should we avoid grievances, but we should focus on creating an atmosphere of love and harmony.

Furthermore everyone should let go of their egos and should not be at each other's throats over the smallest of matters.

We must uphold the dignity of the Community, and if ever any disciplinary action is taken by the Community of the Khalifa,

then it is to uphold the dignity of the Community, which supersedes any personal connections.

Focus on Worship

His Holiness (aba) said that in these days those attending the Jalsa should especially focus on worship and focus on fulfilling the commandments of God and if this is done then it won't be possible to deviate from the code of conduct of the Community of the Promised Messiah (as).

Hence, one should take full advantage of this opportunity and if they are attending this convention with true sincerity then it will become a source of purifying them.

His Holiness (aba) said that office bearers must bear in mind that they should exhibit the highest moral character and that they must remove any personal grievances or malice.

If office bearers consider themselves to be servants and if the general public considers office bearers to be the appointed workers of the Khalifa, then these connections will always remain loving & harmonious.

We will then be those who fulfil the objective of pledging allegiance to the Promised Messiah (as).

Messiah

The True Teachings of Islam

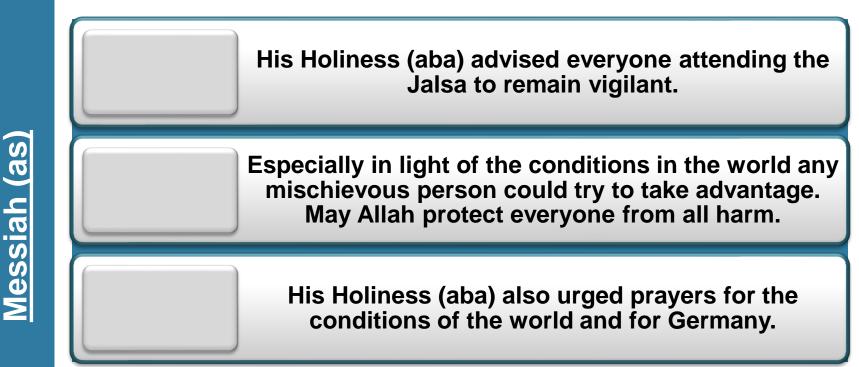
His Holiness (aba) said that external guests who visit the Jalsa become impressed by the manner in which Ahmadis conduct themselves with love and affection. This serves as a silent form of propagation.

His Holiness (aba) said that guests will also be attending the Jalsa in Germany and he expects that so long as Ahmadis exhibit their high moral standards, then they too will be impressed by the standards that they see at the Jalsa.

Hence, everyone's conduct should be such that people see it and say that this is the true embodiment of Islam's teachings.

This will serve as a silent means of silent propagation, that doesn't need any literature or arguments.

The True Teachings of Islam



When we strive to attain the pleasure of Allah, act according to the teachings of Islam, the Holy Prophet (sa) the Promised Messiah (as)

The Promised Messiah (as) then certainly Allah the Almighty will hear our prayers and we will become a means of guiding the world.

<u>Messiah (as)</u>

Prayers for Attendees

His Holiness (aba)
prayed that may
Allah enable
everyone to benefit
from the three days
of Jalsa and may He
keep everyone in His
protection while
showering His
blessings upon
everyone.

His Holiness
(aba) reminded
everyone about
his appeal about
reciting specific
prayers.

His Holiness
(aba) said that
there are also
certain
exhibitions on
display at the
Jalsa which the
attendees should
visit.

His Holiness (aba) said that he can see that there is a large number attending the Jalsa in Germany –

They should all focus on prayers and the remembrance of Allah.

May Allah enable them to do so.