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Abraham: The English name of Hazrat Ibrahim (as)

Arafaat: An area about 25 km away from Mecca, Saudi Arabia; to stay here is one of the wajib ahkam of Hajj to stay on the 9th of Zilhajj between noon and sunset.

Baitul Mamur: The House of Allah (swt) that exists up in the Heavens, which is circumambulated by Angels.

Baitullah: The House of Allah (swt) in Makkah (The Holy Kaba)

Baligh: Reaching the stage of Buloogh which means, the appearance of one of the signs of maturity in a human being

Circumambulation: To perform Tawaaf: Circling around the Holy Kaba during Hajj or Umra. 7 rounds equals one Tawaaf

Dhuhr: The Afternoon prayer comprising of four units (rak'ats). The time for it sets in when the Sun starts declining and ends a little before sunset.

Eidul Adha: The Eid celebrated on 10th Zilhajj every year representing the completion of Hajj as well as the acceptance of Sacrifice of Prophet Ibrahim (as)

Fusouq: Outrage one of the prohibited acts in the state of Ihram

Hajarul Aswad: The Black Stone – a stone of Jannah, attached on one comer of the Holy Kabah, which also marks the starting and ending line for Tawaaf

Hajj: A wajib act for all Muslims; to go for Pilgrimage to the House of Allah (swt) in the month of Zilhajj, with additional, significant rites to perform.

Hajj al-Tamattu: The second part of hajj for those who are not living in or nearby Makkah

Hajj al- Ifraad: A type of hajj, which is applicable to those who live in Makkah or at a certain distance from it.

Hajj al-Qiraan: The performance of hajj and umrah at the same time.

Hajjatul Islam: The first Wajib Hajj performed by a person – thus fulfilling this Furoo' al-Deen for the sake of Allah's pleasure

Halag: The act of shaving one's head, as part of rites performed in Mina (for Men)

Haraam: Acts that are strictly forbidden in Islam

Haram: A Holy sanctuary

Harwala: The act of speeding up and jogging between the boundary with green lights In Sa'ee (For men)

Haydh: Menstruation

Iddah: The waiting period of a woman who either becomes a Widow or Divorcee

Ihram: The spiritual state of being prohibited from certain acts; the physical state of adorning a white dress, representing purity and unity – worn as part of Hajj and Umra

Infallible: The sinless; referring to the 14 Ma'sumeen

Ishmael: English name for Prophet Istmael (as)

Istihadha: A female bleeding which is neither nifas nor haydh and flows for less than 3 days or more than 10 days

Jabalur Rahmah: The Mount of Mercy that is situated on the plains of Arafaat

Jamaraat: The three stone pillars in Mina – representing Satan. To stone these pillars is one of the rites of Hajj

Jamaratul Aqaba: The biggest stone pillar amongst the Jamaraat

Jamaratul Sughra: The smallest stone pillar amongst the Jamaraat

Jamaratul Wusta: The medium sized pillar amongst the Jamaraat

Kabah: The first house built by Hazrat Ibrahim and Ismail for the worship of Allah in Mecca. Also the Muslims face this direction while praying and this is known as the House of Allah (swt) centered in the Masjidul Haraam in Makkah

Kaffarah: Penalty

Khalooq-ul-Kaba: The scent extracted from materials like saffron, and applied on the cloth of the Holy Kabah

Khums: Islamic tax: 1/5 of one's annual savings

Lady Hager: English name for Bibi Hajra

Mahr: Dowry

Mahram: A male or female relative whom one cannot marry due to the closeness of their relationship. Also, the people around whom one is not obliged to observe Hijab

Makruh: Undesirable acts

Maqame Ibrahim: The standing place of Prophet Ibrahim (as), monumented with a stone that retains his foot prints

Marwah: The second hill to walk between for Sa'ee (i.e. Sa'ee is performed between Mount Safa and Mount Marwah). Also, the rounds of Sa'ee ends on the Mount of Marwa

Mash'arul Haraam: Another name for the plains of Muzdalifah

Masjidul Haraam: The Holy mosque where the Holy Kaabah is situated. The thawaab of reciting one unit of Salaat in this mosque is equivalent to reciting 100,000 units salaat elsewhere

Masjidul Khief: A mosque that was the Musallah of many Prophets in History; situated between Muzdalifah and Mina

Masjidun Nabawi: The Mosque of the Holy Prophet (saws) in Madinah

Mina: The place outside Makkah on the way to Arafaat, where Hajj pilgrims stay on the 1tth and 12th of Zilhajj; also where Rami of Jamaraat is done, and qurbani of animal.

Migat: A special place designated by the sacred rules of Islam for wearing ihram

Muhrim: A person who is in the state of ihram

Mummayaz: Mentally and physically mature but not biologically (transitional stage towards Buloogh)

Mustahab: Recommended acts in Islam

Muzdalifah: The place between Arafaat and Mina; one of the places where Wuquf is Wajib on the night of the 10th of Zilhajj – during Hajj rites

Na Mahram: A person with whom one can get married and hijaab is to be observed like cousin brother,

etc.

Nisa: Arabic word for 'Women'

Niyaabat: The act of representing someone in an act – when being appointed as a proxy (deputy)

Niyyat: Intention

Paak: Clean

Qadha: Delayed performance

Qurbatan Ilallah: Intention of Seeking Closeness to Allah (swt)

Rami: To stone

Sa'ee: The wajib act of Hajj and Umra which involves recalling and imitating the act of Bibi Hajra (as) that of running between Mount Safa and Marwah 7 times in search of water for Prophet Ibrahim (as)

Safa: The starting point from where one starts Sa'ee

Salatul Nafila: The recommended prayers that are performed before the daily Day-Time Wajib prayers; and performed after the daily Evening Wajib prayers

Sehm al-Saadaat: The descendants of the family of the Prophet (saws) and the Aimmah (as)

Shi'a Ithna Asheri: The Shi'as who believe and follow in the 12 Holy Vicigerents (imams) of the Holy Prophet (saws)

Surma: Antimony used for beautification of eyes

Taharah: Cleanliness and purity

Talbiyah: The call that Pilgrims make to Allah (swt) as a message or plea for Acceptance of their venture (of pilgrimage); recited as "Labbaik Allah humma Labbaik; innal hamda wan ne'mata, laka wul mulk, la shareeka lak"

Taqseer: Act of clipping one's nails and hair-ends after Sa'ee; also performed by Ladies after Qurbani (whilst the men perform Halaq)

Taw'aaf: Circumambulation of the Holy Kabah such that one tawaf equals seven rounds around the Kabah

Tawaaful Wida: The Farewell Tawaaf performed out of respect of bidding farewell to the Holy House of Allah (swt) and returning from the Spiritual world towards the Material world.

Tawaafun Nisa: Literally means: Circumambulation of Women; however it is wajib on both men and women and it is the tawaf after which the relations with the spouse of the person performing hajj return to normal.

Tawhid: Oneness of God; this is the foundation of Muslim Belief

Umra: The minor Pilgrimage to the House of Allah (swt). This can be performed anytime during the year and has less rites to be performed as compared to the rites of Hajj.

Umra al-Mufrida: The Umra for people residing in Makkah or areas close to it; this is also the Umra for which there is no Tawaafun Nisa

Umra ut Tamattu: The first stage of Hajj; the wajib Umra that acts as a rehersal and stepping stone to the spirit of Hajj al-Baytullah

Wajib: Compulsory and Obligatory acts in Islam

Wajib al-Ayni: A Wajibat which is obligatory for every individual.

Wajib-e-Fawri: A Wajibnt which becomes obligatory as a result of performing another Wajibat

Wajib al-Kifai: A Wajibat which is obligatory upon all present until one person fulfils it

Wajib al-Takhiri: Translated as Optional Wajib

Wudhoo: The minor ablution; a process of cleansing ourselves spiritually, and also a weapon to defend ourselves from the evils of Satan

Wuguf: a period of stay

Wuquf al-Ikhtiyari: Optional stay

Wuquf al-Iztirari: Compulsory stay

Zam Zam: The water flushed out by the foot of Hazrat Ismail when Hazrat Hajra was not able to find water for him

Zawwal: Time when the sun begins to set

Ziarat: To make a visit to a Holy place

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