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Shz. Dr. Aziz bhaisaheb Meeting with Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam

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فِيهَا ۖ فَادْهَبْ أَنْتَ وَرَبُّكَ فَقَاتِلَا إِنَّا هَاهُنَا
قَاعِدُونَ *

(Surat al-Ma'idah: 21-24)

They [the people of Musa's Dawat] said, 'O Moses, we will never enter it so long as they [Musa's enemies] are in it. So go forth, you and your Lord, and fight, we will be sitting here.'

SYEDNA BURHANUDDIN

100TH BIRTHDAY: 6TH March 2015

Today is the 100th Birthday of Syedna Mohammed Burhanuddin ^{RA} according to the Gregorian Calendar. Syedna was born on 6th March 1915.

We pray that may the *nazaraat* of Syedna Burhanuddin ^{RA} continue towards us from the highest ranks of Jannat. May Allah Ta'ala grant him Afzalul-jaza by the waseela of panjetan, Aimmat and their Du'aat. May Allah Ta'ala sanctify his *ruh* Mubarak in his eternal abode. May Allah Ta'ala grant

us the strength to celebrate his memory by continuing to follow his example, and by following his true successor, Syedna Khuzaima Outbuddin ^{TUS}.

SIJILL ARTICLE: "Go with your Lord and Fight, we are sitting here"

The Qur'anic Ayat quoted above is in the context of the story of Nabi Musa ^{AS}. As it is narrated in the Qur'an, Nabi Musa AS urged his people to enter the Holy Land (ard muqaddasa) and not to turn back in fear: Musa said, "O my people, enter the Holy Land which God has ordained for you, and do not turn back in flight, or you will end up as losers" They said, "O Moses, there are giants in it; we will never enter it until they depart from it; if they depart from it only then will we enter". Then said two men who were God fearing and to whom God had been gracious, "Enter against them [the giants] by the gate! For if you enter by it, you will be victorious. Put your trust in God, if indeed you are believers." (Surat al-Maida: 21-23). The people responded, "we will never enter [the gate] as long as they [the giants] are in it. So go forth, you and your Lord, and fight, we will be sitting here." Musa



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beseched Allah Ta'ala, "My Lord, I control none but myself and my brother.

So separate us from these pernicious people'. Allah ta'ala responded, "Then it shall be forbidden them for forty years, they shall wander lost in the earth; so do not grieve for the pernicious people" (Surat al-Maida: 24-26).

Nabi Musa ^{AS}, despite the lame response of his followers, persevered without their help, and succeeded in the Dawat's mission.

The conviction of each Nabi, each Imam and, in the Imam's seclusion, each Dai is unshakable. This same conviction is manifest in the 53rd Dai, Syedna Khuzaima Qutbuddin ^{TUS}. As the date for the final hearing for the Court Case nears (the final hearing and Syedna's testimony and cross examination is scheduled to begin on 18th March), may Allah Ta'ala grant us the strength to be like the two God fearing men who put their trust in Allah Ta'ala, and stand by Dai of Imam uz Zaman. May God spare us the fate of the people who forsook and abandoned Musa ^{AS}

NEWS & EVENTS: Maulatuna Fatema ^{SA} Shahaadat Majlis

Syedna Qutbuddin ^{TUS} presided over the shahaadat Majlis of Maulatuna Fatema ^{SA} on Saturday, 10th Jumadal-Ula (28th February) at Darus Sakina. In the waaz, Syedna ^{TUS} narrated the shahaadat bayaan of Maulatuna Fatema ^{SA} and the heart-rending salaam prayed by Maulana Ali ^{SA} on her qabar after the shahaadat. Syedna ^{TUS} asserted that he is the Fatemi Dai and that Maulatuna Fatema ^{SA} is pleased, Imam-uz-zaman ^{SA} is pleased, as he is establishing their Da'wat with utmost conviction. Syedna ^{TUS} took the wasila of Maulatuna Fatema ^{SA} after the shahaadat and beseeched doa, especially for the trial that will begin in less than two weeks. The video excerpt of this sincere doa will be published next week inshallah.

Photos of the Majlis are presented on Fatemidawat.com.

FROM THE CRADLE TO THE GRAVE MONTHLY SABAQ

SERIES: Part 4 – Tarbiyat & the Responsibility of a Child's Upbringing

We are pleased to present the fourth part in the series 'From the Cradle to the Grave'. In this 16 minute sabaq video, Shz Taher bhaisaheb focuses on the responsibility of parents in the education (*tarbiyat*) of their children. He states that in the *Rasail of Ikhwanus Safa*, a human's life is divided into four stages, just as we have four seasons and four eids. The four stages are: childhood, young age, middle age, and old age. In the first stage, childhood, the responsibility of the parents is to raise their children with love and compassion and to inculcate good values (*adab*). In this sabaq, Taher bhaisaheb refers to many sayings by Rasulullah ^{SA}, Amirul Mumineen ^{SA} and Aimmat Tahereen ^{SA}. Amirul Mumineen ^{SA} identified the responsibilities of a child towards his parents and the responsibilities of the parents to the child. The child is responsible to follow the directions of his parents in all things, except if following their directions will result in disobedience of the Creator. The parents are responsible to give their child a good name (*yuhsina ismahu*), to inculcate good manners (*yuhsina adabahu*), and to teach him to read and understand the meanings of the Quran. Taher bhaisaheb stressed that while schooling is very important, the responsibility of a child's education and upbringing lies with the parents. That cannot be outsourced. This responsibility can only be fulfilled by spending quality time with the child, talking with him, and teaching him. He added that sometimes there is so much pressure on the child that there is no time to play, which is also necessary. Part 4 (16 min) of the sabaq series is now available for viewing on Fatemidawat.com.

In previous weeks, the first, second and third part in the series 'From the Cradle to the Grave' were presented on FatemiDawat.com. In the first two parts, Shz Taher Bhaisaheb addresses the meaning and purpose of the Shari'at of Islam, Shari'at

Mohammadiyya and introduces the Sabaq Series. Through the sabaq he raises and answers pertinent questions. The Sabaq videos are available on Fatemidawat.com and also as a Podcast through [iTunes](https://www.apple.com/itunes/) and [Google Play](https://www.google.com/play/).

NEWS & EVENTS: Shz. Dr. Aziz bs meets Dr. Abdul Kalam – 11th President of India

Shz. Dr. Aziz bhaisaheb met with Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam at his residence in New Delhi on 10th February 2015. During the hour long meeting, Dr. Aziz bhaisaheb conveyed to Dr. Kalam the greetings and prayers of Syedna Qutbuddin TUS and also conveyed to him Syedna's vision for education in the community and society in general through the Qutbi Jubilee Scholarship Program (QJSP). Dr. Kalam was very pleased to learn about Syedna's vision, his efforts for education, and the academic achievements of his family members. Dr. Kalam also enthusiastically engaged in discussion about QJSP and offered his insights and advice from years of experience. He communicated later through email that he would be "available for the QJSP for any advice or suggestions" and conveyed "his best wishes to Respected Syedna Khuzaima Qutbuddin, Head of the Dawoodi Bohra Community and all the members of the community". Dr. Aziz bhaisaheb presented him with a copy of *Golden Panorama* and *Treasury of Virtues* and a customary shawl. Dr. Kalam very graciously accepted and reciprocated with autographed copies of his works, including *Beyond 2020*. Photos of the meeting are presented on Fatemidawat.com.

MEDIA: Article in Ahmedabad on QJSP & Other Issues

The Indian Express (Ahmedabad Edition) recently reported on the efforts of the Qutbi Jubilee Scholarship Program (QJSP) to promote Higher Education in the Dawoodi Bohra Community and society in general,

particularly education for girls. Below is an excerpt from the article.

"...The late Syedna Burhanuddin has spoken several times about how women should be allowed to work in public spaces and pursue higher education. "I am here to convey a message of solidarity and steadfastness and a prayer for my community. Our focus is on promoting the vision of Syedna Outbuddin (my father and promoting education among boys and girls, especially higher education" said Outbuddin, a Mumbai-based academic, trustee of QJSP, and community member...."



interact with media about the ongoing issue. A PhD in Arabic literature, he has been fighting for the cause of the Bohra community and his father's succession as the rightful Syedna..."



Another Article was published in DNA (Ahmedabad), below is an excerpt from the article.

"...Dr Aziz was in the city on Monday to

The article is presented on the media section of Fatemidawat.com.

This Newsletter

This newsletter will inshaallah be published every Friday. It will include the latest news and instructions from Syedna Outbuddin's office and will be published in Dawat-ni-zaban and Gujarati. It will also highlight the latest updates on fatemidawat.com. Please register to receive the newsletter regularly at info@fatemidawat.com

Sijill is an Arabic word which literally means official letter. It was a term often used in the Fatimid chancery. The name is inspired by the most auspicious letter 'Sijill-ul-Bisharat'.

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