



TANZEEM E ISLAMI

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The decline of the Muslim Ummah is the result of its distance from the Holy Qur'an and the blessed example of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W.W.).

The only path to salvation lies in returning to the Qur'an.

(Shujauddin Shaikh)

Karachi (PR): Tanzeem-e-Islami has formally launched its nationwide campaign titled "The Plight of the Muslim Ummah and the Path to Salvation." Addressing a press conference at the Karachi Press Club today, the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami, **Shujauddin Shaikh**, presented a detailed analysis of the crises confronting the Muslim Ummah, the causes of its decline, and the path to salvation in the light of the Holy Quran and the Sunnah. At the outset of his address, he emphasized that the Muslim Ummah is the chosen and distinguished community whose establishment was the subject of the sincere supplications of Prophet Ibrahim (A.S.) during the construction of the Ka'bah. Allah (SWT) selected this Ummah to guide humanity, bear witness to the truth of His Deen, and fulfill the responsibility of Shahadah 'ala an-Nas (bearing witness over mankind). The Holy Quran presents the universal manifestation of this mission through the obligation of Amr bil Ma'ruf wa Nahi 'anil Munkar (enjoining what is right and forbidding what is wrong). History bears witness that as long as this Ummah made the Holy Quran and the blessed example (Uswah Hasanah) of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W.W.) the foundation of its individual, collective, and political life, Allah (SWT) granted it honor, dignity, supremacy, and leadership over the world. Expressing profound sorrow and concern over the present condition of the Ummah, the Ameer stated that when its relationship with the Holy Quran weakened, when it became detached from its meanings and objectives, and when the spirit of acting upon its teachings faded away, the comprehensive understanding of Islam likewise disappeared from people's minds. As a result, Islam was gradually reduced to a collection of rituals and customary practices. The painful consequence is that today, despite the immense natural resources, fertile lands, and vast population of nearly fifty-seven Muslim countries, Muslims in Gaza, Lebanon, Palestine, Kashmir, Afghanistan, and other regions continue to suffer the worst forms of oppression and aggression. Despite possessing such enormous resources, Muslim rulers and nations appear incapable of raising an effective voice or taking meaningful action against the oppression and aggression of the forces of disbelief. The Holy Prophet (S.A.W.W.) foretold this condition of the Ummah in one of his blessed Ahadith, warning that a time would come when the Ummah, despite its great numbers, would become as weightless and insignificant as the foam upon the sea, and hostile nations would descend upon it just as hungry people gather around a meal. As Allama Muhammad Iqbal aptly expressed: "They were honored because they were Muslims; and you have fallen into disgrace because you abandoned the Quran."

Shujauddin Shaikh stressed that the one and only lasting solution to the humiliation, decline, and crises confronting the Muslim Ummah lies in restoring its intellectual, practical, and collective relationship with the Holy Quran. Allah (SWT) has clearly commanded in Surah Aal-e-Imran: "And hold firmly, all together, to the Rope of Allah and do not become divided." The Holy Quran is the living and eternal Book that guides humanity to the Straight Path, and the renaissance of the Muslim Ummah will begin from the very point at which its rise first began: the renewal of faith, the revival of a living relationship with the Holy Quran, and complete adherence to the blessed example (Uswah Hasanah) of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W.W.). Concluding the press conference, the Ameer of Tanzeem-e-Islami appealed to Muslims throughout the world, especially the rulers of Pakistan, the general public, and the country's scholars and intellectuals, to strive collectively for this great objective. He reaffirmed that the salvation of the Muslims lies in abandoning materialism, reviving true faith, and implementing Islamic principles at every level of life. If the Muslim Ummah adopts this path, the help and victory of Allah (SWT) will, Insha'Allah, become its destiny.

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