

Conveying what the Imam says

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Q1: Is it permissible to convey what the Imam (the one who leads congregational Prayer) says to those behind him? If so, when is it permitted? Some scholars said that this is permissible when the people performing Salah (Prayer) behind the Imam cannot hear his voice, but it is not permitted if they can hear his voice. Is this true and what is the evidence for this?

A: This is permissible when necessity calls for it, because the Prophet (peace be upon him) in his fatal illness led the people in prayer while Abu Bakr was on his right, following him in prayer, and the people behind them following the prayer of Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him).

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and his Companions!

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