

Establishing more than one place to offer `Eid prayers in one city

Seventh question of Fatwa No. 3081

Q 7: The Muslim Association hires a large hall to use as a place for Salat-ul-`Eidayn (the Two Festivals' Prayer). Is it permissible for a group of Muslims who are about thirty miles away from that hall to make Salat-ul-`Eid (the Festival Prayer) in their Masjid (mosque) bearing in mind that means of transportation are available? Is it preferred that the majority of Muslims pray in one hall instead of offering Salat-ul-`Eid in more than one congregation?

A: It is preferred for the majority of Muslims to pray if they are able to do so. However, if there is difficulty to gather in one place; they may offer the Salah (Prayer) in their town which is about thirty miles away from the place in which Salat-ul-`Eidayn is established.

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

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