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Adhan for Salat-ul-'Eid

The fourth question of Fatwa no. 1002

Q4: What is the opinion on using a microphone to call people to come to Salat-ul-'Eid-ul-Fitr (Prayer for the Festival of Breaking the Fast) and 'Eid-ul-Adha (the Festival of the Sacrifice)? Also, what is the opinion on teaching them that this Salah (Prayer) is obligatory and includes reciting the Takbir (saying: "Allahu Akbar [Allah is the Greatest]") six times?

A: The guidance and teachings of the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) indicate that there should be no Adhan (call to Prayer) before either Salat-ul-'Eid-ul-Fitr or 'Eid-ul-Adha to summon people to the Musalla (place for Prayer) or to teach them the ruling on this Salah. It should not be done by either a microphone or anything else, as its time is known - Al-Hamdu lillah (all praise be to Allah). Allah (may he be Exalted) says: (Indeed, in the Messenger of Allâh (Muhammad peace be upon him) you have a good example to follow for him who hopes for (the Meeting with) Allâh and the Last Day.)The rulers and scholars should clarify the ruling on this Salah to all Muslims before the day of 'Eid. They should explain how it is to be performed and what is to be done before and after it, so the people can prepare themselves to go to the Musalla (place for Prayer) on time and perform the Salah in accordance with the Islamic prescribed way.

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

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