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BENEFITS OF SADAQAH JARIYA IN A ISLAMIC RELIGION PERSPECTIVE

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Abstract

Sadaqah is any voluntary act of righteousness or kindness that is made with no expectation for anything in return. There is no minimum amount of Sadaqah that must be given and no requirement to give regularly. Sadaqah can be split into two further acts of kindness, Sadaqah itself, which is considered a short-term gesture and Sadaqah Jariyah, which is a gesture that gives long-term. There is no requirement to what you need to do to fulfil Sadaqah, meaning that something as simple as sharing your knowledge in Islam can be a gesture that continues to give.

Sadaqah Jariyah differs slightly from Sadaqah. While Sadaqah Jariyah is still a voluntary form of charity like Sadaqah, it must have a lasting impact on the receiver. To that end, examples of Sadaqah Jariyah include planting a resourceful tree, such as fruit trees or contributing towards the building of water wells, schools, or hospitals .

What's beautiful about Sadaqah Jariyah is, you can donate on behalf of someone, whether it's for someone alive or a deceased family member. For your loved ones, they will be rewarded in their graves and in the hereafter as if it was a deed they've performed when they were alive.

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INTRODUCTION

Islam is a comprehensive religion and it teaches us the benefit of Sadaqah jariyah to those who are able to do it . and to make donation in order to help the needy and unfortunate people. Islam also encourages helping and supporting each other in the case of needs on sadaqah or either sadaqah jariyah it play an important role in a Islamic perspective.

Sadaqah will help an individual to establish a good sense of sincerity and accountability for the rich. In addition sadaqah it creates favourable conditions for the needy to recover from the financial difficulty and has a positive significance in nation building .Among the needs of human being, the health is one of the

most important and vital for each and every person. Thus, in our research, we focus on the important of sadaqah jariyah on the Islamic perspective . This paper reveal that Sadaqah jariyah Is a way of purifying the soul and seeking forgiveness for our sins. It banishes the influence of evil eye and removes calamity.It will be a great source of relief on the Day of Judgement .

Once Prophet Muhammad (SAW) (PBUH)was sitting along with his companions. Meanwhile, a Jew (woodcutter) passed from there. He (SAW) saw him and told his companions that today he will be bitten by a snake and will die. In the evening, the companions of the Prophet (SWT) were shocked to see him. They straightly went

to the prophet and asked him how his prediction got wronged? He (SWT) called the Jew and asked him to open up the bundle of chopped woods. As soon he opened the bundle a deadly snake came out from it. Then Prophet (SWT) interrogated from Jew about what special act he had done today? To its reply, Jew said I had not done anything special today except for I fed a hungry beggar today. Then Prophet Muhammad (SWT) said that the Jew was destined to die today but Allah increased his life because of his act of charity. He further added that charity closes seventy doors of evil and Allah said, 'He asked Israel to spare one's life, if he does charity, before the time of his death (Bukhari).

What is Sadaqah Jariyah?

Sadaqah jariyah : Continue Charity that keep benefit others even after we were gone , sadaqah jariyah can take many form , It could be digging a well that provide a clean water for generation. Building a mosque , hospital , school where knowledge flourishes or Supporting an orphanage.

In Islam, there are many acts which can lead to immeasurable reward – both today and in our Hereafter; these acts are commonly referred to as sadaqah jariyah.

Sadaqah jariyah is an act of giving in a way that keeps on giving. For example, if you were to invest in planting a tree, that tree would then go on to provide shelter for as long as it stands – meaning you shall receive an ongoing reward for as long as it stands, too. Sadaqah jariyah differs from Sadaqah in this way, due to the ongoing reward.

On the authority of Abu Hurairah (ra) that the Messenger of Allah (saw) said, 'When a person dies, his deeds come to an end except for three: Sadaqah Jariyah (a continuous charity), or knowledge from which benefit is gained, or a righteous child who prays for him'. (Muslim)

There are many different types of sadaqah jariyah one can contribute towards and we have selected five key examples of these to explore. Hopefully, you will be inspired by these ideas

and engage in ongoing charity for the people of today and the future.

2 types of Sadaqah?

Like Zakat, there are two different types of Sadaqah as outlined by the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). They are: 1 Sadaqah and 2 Sadaqah Jariyah.

Acts of Sadaqah Jaariyah in Islam

*** Sponsoring a Child or Orphan**

Many of us forget that the children of today are the future of tomorrow and in order to provide a secure future, we must work together to ensure every child's right to an education is fulfilled. All children are entitled to an education and should be granted the opportunity to acquire the life skills they need to prosper.

Today, there are many millions of people around the world who have very little or absolutely no access to clean, safe drinking water. You could donate towards an Islamic charity campaign such as the Muslim Aid Safe Water Programme which aims to provide those in need with access to clean, safe, hygienic water by building water wells and hand pumps.

Participating in child sponsorship can ensure that not only the child but their whole family has the possibility of a prosperous future, where the skills they learn can be utilised in driving the community forward.

Contributing towards educating a child can reap countless rewards for years to come by securing the future of a child, their family and even the surrounding community, making it one of the most popular types of sadaqah jariyah.

*** Education / Skills / Teaching / Spreading Awareness of Islam**

Spreading knowledge is highly rewarded in Islam and as Muslims, we are responsible for sharing the correct knowledge of Islam and inviting others into the faith. If you disclose just one correct religious fact to another human being, and that individual follows your advice and shares your knowledge with someone new, you are gaining reward every step of the way.

In the same way, teaching someone how to recite the Holy Qur'an is something which will bring you continuous reward even after you die, as every time that person recites the Holy Qur'an, or in turn, teaches someone else the Holy Qur'an, you are benefitting from the rewards for each of those people.

*** Building a Water Well**

We often take the simplest necessities of life for granted - has it crossed our minds what we would do without access to clean water? It would, in fact, put a complete halt to our entire lives in terms of health, not to mention sanitation.

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Although this is a relatively simple act, it can be incredibly life-changing for communities without any access to a water supply, and the rewards for your contribution shall continue for as long as others are benefitting from it. A truly impactful type of sadaqah jariyah.

*** Partaking in the Building of a Mosque, School or Hospital**

Many Muslims choose to donate towards the construction of a mosque in order to gain significant rewards. Similar to this, you can also contribute towards the building of a school or hospital, which goes on to benefit others. In turn, your rewards will continue for as long as others benefit from your generosity. In fact, you shall be rewarded for every single prayer recited in the Mosque; every single patient being treated in the hospital and every single individual gaining knowledge in the school. An invaluable act of sadaqah which will impact countless lives.

*** Donating Religious Items**

Similar to sharing and spreading knowledge,

distributing religious material, such as copies of the Holy Qur'an and books of Dua, can reap significant rewards for you. Every time a person reads or learns from your donated material, you shall gain the reward of sadaqah jariyah as a result.

As well as religious books, there are many other items you can give to benefit others, such as tasbihs, prayer mats, hijabs, medical supplies, clothing and so on. Even putting a watering can in a graveyard, will go a long way as every time someone fills up the can to water a grave, you, in turn, receive the benefits.

*** Sadaqah Jariyah is Investing in the Hereafter**

Throughout life, we invest a lot of money, time and effort into achieving our various personal goals and dreams. We often focus our energy on work or home, putting in a lot of hard work to obtain the results we wish to see.

We should remember to give just as much energy and focus into investing in our Hereafter as this is where the rewards are the greatest; not only for our today but for long after we have died.

“The semblance of those who spend their wealth in the Way of Allah SWT, is as the likeness of a grain of corn, which grows seven ears and each ear has a hundred grains. Allah SWT gives manifold increase to whomever He pleases. Allah SWT is All-Sufficient, All-Knowing.”

- The Holy Qur'an (2:261)

We should all aim to adopt ongoing charity as a habit in Islam as opposed to an occasional gesture as we will, one day, be thankful of our actions when the resulting rewards continue to benefit us in our Hereafter.

May Allah SWT reward us all for our good deeds and acts of charity, and may He grant us all a place in Jannah. Ameen.

Give sadaqah jariyah today by donating to our sadaqah jariyah appeal to help secure further rewards. With your help, we can continue to make a difference.

What is the best sadaqah Jariyah?

giving water

The best form of Sadaqah Jariyah is giving water. The Prophet (SAW) said: "The best charity is giving water to drink", so giving water is a great charitable act that brings us closer to Allah (SWT). There are many ways to give Sadaqah on behalf of parents, like building a water well.

What are the benefits of Sadaqah Jariyah?

It is a way of purifying the soul and seeking forgiveness for our sins.

It banishes the influence of evil eye and removes calamity.

It will be a great source of relief on the Day of Judgement

What Du,a to recite when giving Sadaqah?

The one who is giving zakaah should say what is narrated in the reports of du'aa's, such as: Allaahumma taqabbal minni innaka anta al-samee' al-'aleem (O Allaah, accept from me, for You are the All-Hearing, All-Knowing) and Allaahumma aj'alha maghnaman wa la taj'alha maghraman (O Allaah make a cause a gain, and do not .

Can you do Sadaqah jariyah on behalf of someone alive?

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How to give Sadaqah without money?

Quenching someone's thirst

A deed as simple as giving water to someone thirsty is considered an act of reward in Islam. And this can be done easily in so many cases! Giving water to a fasting person or the needy, or even keeping a bowl of water on your windowsill for birds to drink from – all these are acts of sadaqah

17 types of sadaqah in Islam

- * Donating money
- * Make a Du,a
- * Spread knowledge
- * Giving Good advice
- * Smile
- * Helping other
- * Raising your children
- * Stop from evil
- * Talk softly
- * Forgive others
- * To visit a sick person
- * To clear path from a harmful object
- * Guiding towards the right path
- * Sexual relation with your spouse
- * Offering water to some one to drink
- * Family spending
- * Judge justly between 2 person.

The following are the benefits of Sadaqah in this world

Sadaqah has great importance, its impact on the giver, through which he obtains blessing in his money and an increase in his sustenance, the Prophet Muhammad – Peace Be Upon Him – said:

There is no day when people become but two angels who descend, and one of them says: Oh God, give the one who spends a successor, and the other says: Oh God, give hold damage.

Sadaqah Will Fulfill Your Urgent Needs

The effect of Sadaqah in this world is that it:

Extinguish the wrath of Allah, for this person who commits sins when he repents, to combine it with almsgiving to God Almighty, will extinguish God's wrath on him because of the many sins.

Sadaqah repels calamities from the Muslim

because the Muslim is exposed to many trials in his life, so the Muslim's persistence in paying the charitable giving protects him from falling into these trials.

Sadaqah softens hearts, purifies the soul, revives the conscience, makes people feel the pain of other people, and breaks the hardness of the heart.

Sadaqah helps purify money, and blesses it, as the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said "No money lacked from Sadaqah".

Sadaqah Removes Sins

The Prophet (saw) said: Sadaqah extinguishes the sins like water extinguishes a fire.

(Ibn Majah) On the Day of Judgement, every person will be held accountable for their major and minor sins. Giving Sadaqah regularly is a simple way of helping to expiate any sins we have committed knowingly and unknowingly.

Sadaqah Will Be Your Shade on The Day of Resurrection.

On the Day of Judgement, the burning sun will be right above our heads and everyone will want to sit under the shade of Allah (SWT). The person who gives hidden charity is one of the seven who will be offered shade.

The Prophet (saw) said: The believer's shade on the Day of Resurrection will be his Sadaqah.

(Tirmidhi)

Sadaqah Shutdown the Doors of Evil

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Sadaqah Trade with Allah

Giving something in the path of Allah purely for His pleasure and not to seek recognition and praise from others is the best trade a person can make in this world and hereafter. 'Sadaqah removes sins of a person just as water extinguishes fire' (Tirmidhi). Sadaqah not only removes worldly calamities but also ensures the best investment for the hereafter. Allah rewards the person at least seven hundred times greater than what he has spent in his path. As Quran says,

The example of those who spend their wealth in the way of Allah is like a seed of grain, which grows seven ears; in each ear is a hundred grains. And Allah multiplies His reward for whom He wills. And Allah is all-Encompassing and all-Knowing. [2:261]

Sadaqah Removes Illness

The Prophet (saw) said Treat your sick ones with charity.

(Saheeh al-Jaami).

It is good to give Sadaqah when a loved one falls ill in order to help cure disease and avert ill fate. The Prophet (saw) also said that "Sadaqah appeases the Lord's anger and averts an evil death." (Tirmidhi)

CONCLUSION

This paper has basically discussed the benefits of Sadaqah jariyah when a person planted a tree, or dig a water well or either Build a mosque, hospital, school where knowledge are flourishes or supporting orphanage. This

research revealed that the best Sadaqah jariyah is water . Digging a water well to provide a clean water for generation .

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