Sadaqat-ul-Fitr



Sadaqat-ul-Fitr (also called Zakat-ul-Fitr) is an obligatory charity for every Muslim who possess the Nisab (a minimum amount of wealth); it must be paid before Eid-ul-Fitr (i.e. before the end of Ramadan). The wisdom behind this act is two-fold:

- 1). to purify the month long fasting of the Muslims
- 2). to enable the poor and less fortunate to also enjoy the celebration of Eid

Hidaya Foundation uses the Sadaqat-ul-Fitr donations to provide food in the form of wheat, barley, grain, etc. for the less fortunate.

Narrated Nafi': Ibn 'Umar (Radi Allah Anhu) said, "The Prophet (sal-allahu- alleihi-wasallam) made incumbent on every male or female, free man or slave, the payment of one Sa' of dates or barley as Sadaqat-ul-Fitr (or said Sadaqa-Ramadan)." The people then substituted half Sa' of wheat for that. Ibn 'Umar used to give dates (as Sadaqat-ul-Fitr). Once there was scarcity of dates in Medina and Ibn 'Umar gave barley. 'And Ibn 'Umar used to give Sadaqat-ul-Fitr for every young and old person. He even used to give on behalf of my children. Ibn 'Umar used to give Sadaqatul-Fitr to those who had been officially appointed for its collection. People used to give Sadaqat-ul-Fitr (even) a day or two before the 'Eid.

[Sahih Bukhari : Volume 2, Book 25 Zakat ul Fitr, Number 587]

Sadaqat-ul-Fitr is \$3.50 (according to Hanafi school of thought) or \$7.00 (according to other major schools of thought) for each person in the family of the giver.

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