

Understanding Zakāh

Introduction:

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1	How many meanings of Zakāh can be found in the dictionary?	7
2	One of the meanings of Zakāh is "to increase". What does this mean?	7
3	Another meaning of Zakāh is "purification". What does Zakāh purify a person from?	7
4	What is Zakāh in Islām? Give an accurate and thorough definition.	7
5	Zakāh is the right of the poor upon the rich. In which <u>two</u> ways would a person deprive a poor person of this right?	7
6	Describe the background regarding how Zakāh became Fardh on this Ummah. Your answer must include a reference to Makkah and Madīnah.	7
7	How did the Muslims pay Zakāh in Makkah and Madīnah?	7
8	What is the ruling of Zakāh?	8
9	Why does failure to pay Zakāh result in a major sin as opposed to a minor sin? Explain your answer.	8
10	How many times does the Qur'ān refer to Zakāh?	8
11	How many times does the Qur'an refer to Zakah immediately after Salah?	8
12	Relate <u>both</u> verses of the Qur'ān mentioned in the book related to Zakāh.	8
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Benefits Of Zakāh:

14	Zakāh has two types of benefits. What are they?	11
15	Define "spiritual benefits" Zakāh.	11
16	List all four spiritual benefits of Zakāh with an explanation of each.	11
17	Define "social benefits" of Zakāh.	12
18	One of the social benefits of Zakāh is that "it enables redistribution of	12
10	wealth." What does this mean? Explain in detail.	12
19	How does Zakāh benefit society "economically"? Explain in detail.	12
20	Explain how Zakāh can play a role in "eliminating poverty"?	12
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22	Explain how Zakāh can play a role in "creating brotherhood in the Ummah"?	12



Giving And Receiving Zakāh:

23	What are the <u>four</u> conditions that must be met for it to be necessary for a person to pay Zakāh?	15
24	Who is a "Sāhibun Nisāb"? Explain your answer in detail. Your answer must	15
24	also make reference to "Nisāb".	13
25	How many categories of people eligible to receive Zakāh are mentioned in the	15
25	Qur'ān?	13
26	Explain in detail who a "poor" and "destitute" person" is in relation to being	15
20	eligible to receive Zakāh.	13
27	Which <u>six</u> categories of people <u>cannot</u> be given Zakāh?	16
28	What can Non-Muslims be given instead of Zakāh?	16
29	Who is considered a "wealthy person" in relation to being ineligible to receive	16
29	Zakāh?	16
30	Simply, who is a "Hāshimī"?	16
31	Why does giving Zakāh to a relative carry double reward as opposed to only	16
21	single reward for giving Zakāh to a non-relative?	16

Conditions When Giving Zakāh:

33	How many conditions must be met by the person giving Zakāh to ensure his Zakāh is accepted by Allāh?	
34	Explain condition 1.	
35	Explain condition 2.	
36	Explain condition 3. Your answer must make reference to the term تَـمْلِيْكُ.	



Zakātable Assets:

37	Define "assets".	24
38	What are "Zakātable Assets"?	24
39	List all the Zakātable Assets.	24
40	Is Zakāh payable on gold and silver that is for personal use?	25
41	When calculating the value of gold and silver in one's possessions, what three	25
71	steps must be taken?	23
42	Explain <u>fully</u> the ruling on Gold plated jewellery.	25
43	Define fully the term "Business Assets".	27
44	Is Zakāh payable on items bought with the intention of re-selling?	27
45	Is Zakāh payable on items bought with the no intention of re-selling, or	27
43	without any clear intention?	27
46	Is Zakāh payable on a property/house? Explain your answer thoroughly	27
40	covering all angles.	27
47	What are "shares"?	28
49	What are "dividends"?	28
50	When is Zakāh payable on shares?	28
51	Is Zakāh payable on dividends? Explain your answer.	28

Non-Zakātable Assets:

52	What are "Non-Zakātable Assets"?	33
53	List all the Non–Zakātable Assets.	33
54	What is meant by "personal belongings"? Give examples.	33
55	What is meant by "business items"? Give examples.	33
56	When would Zakāh be payable on precious gemstones?	34
57	Define the term "debts".	34
58	Explain what is meant by "Harām wealth".	34
59	What must be done with Haram wealth?	34



Nisāb:

60	Define the term "Nisāb".	38
61	Who is a "Sāhibun Nisāb"?	38
62	What Nisāb values were set by Our Prophet □?	38
63	Why were these particular Nisāb values set by Our Prophet □?	38
64	Is the value of each of these Nisāb values the same?	38
65	Which Nisāb value must be used by a person, gold or silver? Explain your	38
03	answer.	36
	In the case of a mixture of Zakātable assets, the Nisāb value of silver is used as	
66	it is most beneficial for the poor. How is using the Nisāb value for silver most	39
	benefitting to the poor?	
67	Does the Nisāb in sterling remain the same or does it fluctuate?	39
68	What must a person do on his Zakāh anniversary to work the current value of	39
08	Nisāb in sterling? Explain all <u>three</u> steps.	39
69	How much does each Nisāb value equate to in grams?	39

When To Pay Zakāh:

70	How long do assets have to be held in one's possession for Zakāh to be payable?	44
71	How does a person determine his Zakāh anniversary? Explain your answer.	44
72	If someone cannot remember the date when he first became Sāhibun Nisāb, what should he do? Explain your answer.	44
73	Can the Zakāh anniversary change? Explain your answer by giving an example.	45
	Hāmid's assets at the beginning and the end of the year reached the value of	
74	Nisāb, but there was a period during the year when he possessed less than the	45
	Nisāb value. Does he have to give Zakāh? Explain your answer.	

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80	Can a very large sum of Zakāh money be given to one poor person? Explain	47
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