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And for those who fear Allah, He (ever) prepares a way out. And He provides for him from (sources) he could never expect. And if any one puts his trust in Allah, sufficient is (Allah) for him.

(At-Talaaq: 2-3)

Chairman's Word



A decade ago, the India's growing population was considered a liability. But International Monetary Fund found in 2011 that the growth achieved by India during 1980s could be the result of its changing demography, especially the age structure of the country. Now it is being claimed that India's per capita GDP growth may gain about two percent because of "demographic dividend" that shall be available to India during next fifteen

years. Ireland, African and East Asia countries and India are among the countries likely to benefit from demographic dividends provided they succeed in pursuing effective public policies and maintaining prudent markets. This requires immediate introspection: Are we ready to reap this dividend?

Indeed demographic dividend is a rare opportunity for the development of our society and the nation that should not be allowed to go waste. As economists have identified, demographic dividend accompanies four changes in the polity: increased labor supply, increased inhuman capital, increased savings, and increasing domestic demand. Fortunately, all these factors seem to favour us in immediate future. As Dr. Narendra Jadhav told us, "India's average age at present is 24 years. In 2030, when India's average age shall be 29 years, America's average age shall be 37 years, China's 38 years, Western Europe's 42 years and Japan's 48 to 49 years". The situation is likely to persist for next fifteen years, giving lead to India in terms of employable workforce. This increase in labor force coupled with decrease in fertility can increase national productivity leading to greater stock of capital and higher GDP per capita with decreasing dependency ratio. This gift of nature is termed as 'Demographic Dividend'. This means that we are going to witness an era when we shall be able to invest more per family to realize better health and better education as there will be fewer economic pressures.

However, the boon is not without its caveat. The changing scenario shall also require us to be prepared for meeting the challenges of production skills, education, health, and family values. Demographic dividend shall be of no avail in lack of our economy's capacity to absorb the increased work force productively, which is directly linked to our education policies and the capacity built up for it. Indian labor market has predominant share of unskilled labor. Changing them into skilled labors is an uphill task for our educational system. India's 12th five-year plan (2012-2017) has aimed at creating 100 million work opportunities by 2022 but present estimates tell that 'only 5% of India's labor force is estimated to have had any formal training' for meeting the coming challenge. It is here that minorities can contribute in a constructive way, and the government id favorable for it. Increase in an unhealthy workforce is obviously a burden for domestic market and of no use abroad, especially at a time when our health budget is tending to become lowest. The period of demographic dividend has also been envisioned as a period when our women may have to enter the labor force on unprecedented scaled demanding dramatic changes in our social habits regarding working hours and family relations. Increased divorce rates, delayed marriages, and single-person shall surely disturb many of us. Thus we will have to surmount diverse challenges before reaping the demographic dividend.

Have we geared up ourselves for this national challenge?

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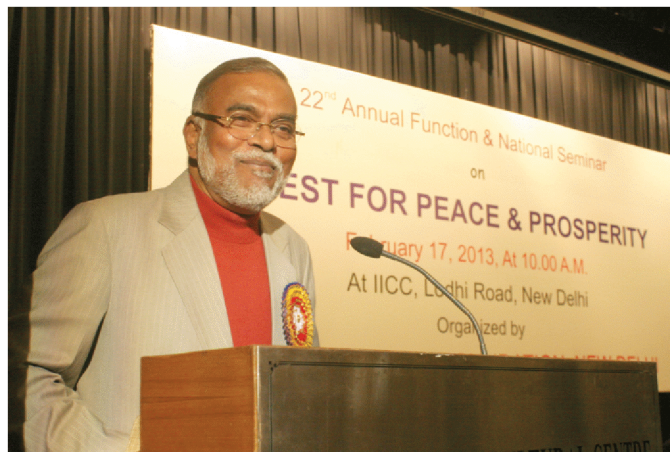
The Alhikmah Foundation celebrated its 22nd Annual Function on 17th February 2013 at India Islamic Cultural Centre, New Delhi, and organized a National Seminar on “Quest for Peace and Prosperity” to mark the occasion. The basic objective behind organizing the seminar on such an important theme was to highlight the centrality of peace in achieving prosperity in the country. In fact, it was the seventh and the last seminar culminating the series covering the broad theme of “Peace & Development” that was started by the Foundation in 2005.

The Foundation had invited a number of distinguished personalities representing various fields of knowledge in order to discuss the issue at length. These personalities include Mr. S. M. A. Kazmi, Senior Advocate General and Ex Chairman of U P Minorities Commission, Mr. Mohammed Yousuf Habeeb, President, Muslim Majlis, UP, Janab Syed Sharafat Ali Nadvi, Faculty, Tajul Masajid, Bhopal, Janab Mohammad Farooq Khan, the renowned Islamic Scholar from New Delhi, and Prof. A. D. N. Bajpai, Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. Dr. Narendra Jadhav, Member, Planning Commission and National Advisory Council, Government of India, was the Chief Guest at the function and Mr. Tariq Anwar,

Hon'ble Minister of State for Agriculture and Food Processing was the Grace of Occasion. Mr. Safdar Husain Khan, Chairman, Delhi Minorities Commission presided over the function.

Welcoming the guests and the delegates, the Founder Chairman of the Alhikmah Foundation, Dr. Ziauddin Ahmad said, “The Foundation has been offering its contribution in vital departments of social progress like Health, Education, Moral Values, Interfaith Peace, employment, mutual cooperation and general welfare to the maximum possible extent within its capacity, and its desired results are visible today.” A big number of parents who agreed to continue their children's education after persuasion by the Foundation, their children are touching the zenith of education today. There are

uncountable number of people who are now living properly by improving their health after giving up intoxicants and changing their life style. Similar results are seen in the spheres of employment, moral and cultural values and mutual cooperation. Dr. Ahmad, however, lamented, “All efforts seem futile and a failure when the Satan and its forces start disrupting peaceful society and spreading lawlessness.” To seek its remedy, “Prominent intellectuals and



religionists representing politics, journalism, religion and education, the four vital departments deciding the direction of the society, have been invited in today's session who shall analyze the situation in their departments and pinpoint the elements responsible for spreading lawlessness in a bid to lead us to the ways by adopting which peace could be restored in the society," he said. He also exhorted that we should not imprudently depend on government expecting miracles from it to fix all problems. "This is also our responsibility to come forward and undertake our duties towards humanity", the Chairman said.

Former Senior Advocate General of Uttar Pradesh Government and former Chairman UP Minorities Commission, Mr. S M A Kazmi delivered the keynote address to the meet emphasizing the need for honoring the implications of both peace and prosperity. Developing his theme, he said that although the issues of peace and prosperity concern both the society and the individual but none of them can be judged by an individual's progress rather by the progress of the most essential element: the human soul. A person's prosperity does not imply that he is at peace too. The perfect role model of peace for the entire humanity comes from none other than Prophet Mohammad (P. B. U. H.), who highlighted the need for value education, truth, justice and charity for establishing and maintaining peace in human society.

Appreciating the efforts made by Alhikmah

Foundation for last twenty-two years in the field of education, health and general welfare the Chief Guest, Dr. Narendra Jadhav, Member, Planning Commission and National Advisory Council, Government of India, said that the peace is a basic ingredient for prosperity and if there is no peace there will be no progress as the experiences of disturbed nations tell us. He further suggested that the Alhikmah Foundation should take one more step forward in this direction, if it wants to contribute to establishment and maintain peace in order to infuse the spirit of prosperity in the society. It was in this context that Dr. Jadhav elaborated on demographic dividend to be available to India during next fifteen years.

Dr. Jadhav further divulged that the last meeting of National Development Council held on December 27, 2012, has decided to work for achieving faster rate of growth along with better inclusive growth so that the target of the Planning Commission to realise sustainable growth could be realized. Dr. Jadhav told that the Commission has attempted in its 12th Five Year plan to target youth for training them technically so that the nation could be put on fast track progress and development. The Prime Minister, Manmohan Singh has already announced to create fifty caror job opportunities by 2022 by imparting required job skills to the youth.

Dr. Jadhav told that the interactive schemes designed under the 12th Five-Year Plan are intended to pay special attention to skill development among



Dalits, minorities and backward classes and now this is up to social organizations to approach to these sections of the society. He further disclosed that strong plea for formation of Assessment and Monitoring Authority forwarded by him and Sayeedah Hameed, a Planning Commission member, has been approved and the Authority has started its work. The Authority was first proposed by Sachchar Commission on India minorities. “If organizations like Alhikmah Foundation come forward for promoting skill development among minorities, they will find that the opportunity shall not only bring prosperity but shall also promote peace among the masses”, Dr. Jadhav said. He also assured full cooperation by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Yousuf Habeeb, UP President of Muslim Majlis, said that justice is biggest problem in our society but unfortunately most leaders are busy in petty politics for saving power and as a result of it, the benefits of the government schemes and programs are not reaching to the needy. Lambasting the development hype, he said, “Which rate of development do they talk about by saying earning Rs 32.00 per day to be sufficient? He reminded that Hasrat Muhani, the veteran freedom fighter, had raised the demand for proportional representation but Muslims have been forced to resort to defensive politics by perpetrating one riot after the other. Mr. Yousuf said, “There will be peace and prosperity only



when all sections of the society receive their due right.” So, changing the system is the only solution.

In the context of recent gang-rape in Delhi, Bhopal-based renowned Islamic Scholar, Mr. Sharafat A. Nadwi maintained that total surrender to Allah is only sure solution to peace as was practiced by Syedna Ibraheem (A.S.) Instead people are thronging to those political leaders who spit venom. He claimed that Muslims have the requisite solution to peace that was given to them by the best practices of Prophet

Mohammad (P.B.U.H.): benefit others in as much as you can---“Serve Allah, and join not any partners with Him and do good to parents, kinfolks, orphans, those in need, neighbours who are near, neighbours who are strangers, the companion by your side, the wayfarer (ye meet)---” (Al-Nisa: 36), and “If enemy inclines towards peace, you also incline towards and trust in Allah” (Infaal: 61). Shun politics, it divides minds too.

Prof. A.D.N Bajpai, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla believed that peace is an abstract value whereas prosperity is a materialistic coinage. Religions are meant to promote humanity and spirituality but we have reduced ourselves to the rituals only. The key to a peaceful life lies in imbibing the virtues of soul into our physical being but the desire to become billionaire overnight turns one into a corrupt and crooked person. Therefore it is necessary to penetrate to the root-cause of the problems rather than go on treating illness by just observing the symptoms. Quoting from the Holy Hindu

Scriptures, Mr. Bajpai clarified that spirituality pervades all barriers that lead to universal brotherhood. In his opinion, the man-made rules are of no help in protecting women and environment. He lamented that today all our welfare efforts are cosmetic and lack sincerity as we do not have any developmental model that can integrate growth with inclusiveness and sustainability. He reiterated that although peace and prosperity are complimentary to each other but its base has to be spirituality.



Renowned Islamic scholar Janab Farooque Khan Sahib blamed human beings for creating disturbances on the planet earth. Injustice, rape, corruption, unrest etc. are only symptoms of some serious illness, he said. The root-cause of all these illnesses is in the fact that we have downgraded ourselves to abysmally low positions, whereas, according to the Holy Qur'an, we must be supreme. The Delhi-based scholar propounded that entire universe operates on the principle of cooperation and the same law applies to human relations as well. He said that the basic ingredients of mutual cooperation are love, sympathy and respect whereas materialism is the great illness that breeds selfishness. On the other hand, it is spirituality that makes a man great. Quoting a hadith, he said, the best among all human beings is the one who cares for and serves Allah's all creatures.

At this juncture, the “Grace of the Occasion”, Mr. Tariq Anwar, was requested to release the first issue of the quarterly newsletter of the Alhikmah

Foundation. Speaking after the release ceremony, the Minister of State for Agriculture and Food Processing said “If there is no peace, our problems may not get solved. (Then) disillusioned people will take recourse to extremism because their faith in our system would have gone.” He was building on the theme that 'Unity in Diversity' is our unique identity that led us to 'Save Dharma Sambhav' building on which our country could become a democratic secular nation and a welfare state, so now the government should

solve basic problems of its citizens, otherwise it will be a dangerous state for our future. Appreciating the Foundation's commendable record of social service, the minister said, our social structure throws up a lot of opportunities for welfare activities and it is the duty of every inhabitant of this country to care and help fellow countrymen especially the downtrodden and the destitute.

In his presidential address, Mr. Safdar Husain Khan, Chairman, Delhi Minorities Commission, summed up the speeches made by all participants. He appealed to uproot real causes of dissension and disagreement. He hailed Dr. Jadhav's attempt to raise people's awareness. He himself gave useful information about the performance of Abul Kalam Azad Foundation and Delhi Minorities Commission and suggested that public should vote only those candidates who work for them. However, he complained that Muslim minority is indolent in approaching concerned authorities, for instance, whereas Jains (2%) received 50%

loans from Delhi Minorities Commission, 70% Muslims approached for mere 0.2% loans Referring to Syed Sharafat Nadvi's complaint about police efforts to raise private cars' curtains, he said what is needed is raising curtains from our hearts. He suggested that things will work properly if society works properly. Finally, he thanked the Alhikmah Foundation for organizing a National Seminar on an important issue like

“Quest for Peace and Prosperity”.

Mr. Syed Shuaib Ahmad, Joint Secretary of the Foundation proposed the vote of thanks. Success of the program and participants' enthusiasm reflected the hard work put by the Organizing Secretary, Mr. Mushahid Ali. The program was conducted by Dr. Shakeel Habibi.

Alhikmah Foundation Awards Social Activists and Philanthropists

On the occasion of the Alhikmah's 22nd Annual Function, the Alhikmah Foundation awarded three noted social activists and philanthropists, namely Mr. Akhilesh Sharma, Mr. R. N. Gupta and Mr. Mohammad Azad for their distinguished contribution in the field of social welfare and education of the poor children. Mr. Akhilesh Sharma is a Social activist from Noida and Mr. R. N. Gupta of R. N. Gupta Associates (Noida) is a

kind-hearted philanthropist, and Mr. Mohammad Azad is editor of 'Jai Hind Janab', a Hindi Daily published from Noida. Mr. Tariq Anwar, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture and Food Processing Industries, Government of India, presented these awards to selected personalities. The Foundation salutes their spirit and wishes them better health and more dedication towards social welfare of the society.



Alhikmah Awards, Nishan-e-Yaadgar presented to Participants of Its National Seminar

The Alhikmah Foundation also presented **Nishan-e-Yaadgar** to distinguished participants of its National Seminar, namely the Chief Guest **Dr. Narendra Jadhav**, Member, Planning Commission & National Advisory Council, Government of India, New Delhi, **Mr. Tariq Anwar**, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture and Food Processing Industries, Government of India and Mr. Safdar Husain Khan, Chairman, Delhi Minorities Commission, Government of NCT of Delhi, Mr. S. M. A. Kazmi, Ex-Advocate General and Ex-Chairman, UP Minorities Commission, Mr. Mohammad Yousuf Habeeb, President, Muslim Majlis, (UP), Mr. Syed Sharafat Ali Nadvi, Faculty, Tajul Masajid, Bhopal, Prof. A. D. N. Bajpai, Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, and Mr. Mohammad Farooq Khan Sahib, Renowned Islamic Scholar, New Delhi, and Mr. Mohammad Javed Rehmani an eminent Social Activist of New Delhi.

The memento presented to Mr. Mohammad Javed Rehmani was received by Mr. Mohammad Yousuf, Director, Haryali on his behalf. The Foundation wishes better health and a happy and prosperous life to all of them.



Tariq Anwar Distributes Alhikmah Scholarship

The Alhikmah Foundation utilized the presence of Hon'ble Minister of State for Agriculture and Food Processing, Mr. Tariq Anwar, in its 22nd Annual Function for distributing scholarships to the poor but meritorious students facing pecuniary problems in pursuing further studies due to financial constraints. Mr. Tariq Anwar awarded Mr. Ghanshyam, Miss Zenab Fatima, Mr. Mohammad Akram, Mr. Mohammad Saleem Bari, Mr. Mohammad Tasleem, and Miss Nasirah with the Foundation's scholarships.



Alhikmah Foundation Distributes Sewing Machines to Poor and Needy



The Alhikmah Foundation distributed some Sewing Machines to poor women of the area on the occasion of its 22nd Annual Day Celebrations on 17th February 2013 at India Islamic Culture Centre, New Delhi. The main objective of this philanthropic gesture by the Foundation was to help those poor women who do not have any other source of income. The Foundation has done its bit to make these poor petiole self reliant. Eleven sewing machines were distributed to Ms. Mushtar Jahan, Ms. Parveen, Ms. Rubi, Ms. Razia, Ms. Ayesha, Ms. Gulshan, Mr. Roshan, Ms. Farheen, Ms. Roomi Khatoon, Ms. Shahnaaz, and Ms. Zaibun on this occasion.

Educational Kits Distributed in 22nd Alhikmah Annual Function

The Alhikmah Foundation on the occasion of its 22nd Annual Function-cum-National Seminar (on “Quest for Peace & Prosperity”) distributed an 'Education Kit' containing the study material for 11th standard students to the poor but meritorious. Fifteen girl students of Government Girls Senior Secondary School, Joga Bai, New Delhi were benefited by this offer. The basic aim of distributing these kits was

to aid and encourage the poor students in furthering their education. The girl students who received an 'Education Kit' include Miss Mohsina, Miss Mehjabeen, Ms. Fashiha Khalique, Miss Sanam Farheen, Miss Sadaf Khanam, Miss Hayaat, Miss Sufiya, Miss Sumbul, Miss Simran, Miss Arshi, Miss Shuma'ila, Miss Sadaf Naaz, Miss Marjeena, Miss Aafreen and Miss Gulafshan.



Prof. Akhtarul Wasey Honored with Padma Shri

The Government of India announced on the eve of the Republic Day this year that Prof. Akhtarul Wasey is one of those 80 personalities whom the President of India consented to confer Padma Shri Awards. Prof. Akhtarul Wasey is a member of Alhikmah Foundation's Advisory Board.



Padma Shri is one of India's three highest civilian awards that shall be conferred by Shri Pranab Mukharji, Hon'ble President of India, at a ceremonial function to be held at Rashtrapati Bhawan on 5th of April 2013 for outstanding contribution in the fields of social work, public affairs, science and engineering, trade and industry, medicine, literature and

education, sports, civil service, etc. from the categories of foreigners, NRIs, PIOs and Posthumous awardees.

Prof. Akhtarul Wasey has been the head of department of Islamic Studies at Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. He is also the director of Zakir Husain Institute of Islamic Studies and the deputy chairman of Delhi Urdu Academy. He is also the president of Khwaja Gharib Nawaz Dargarh Committee. Alhikmah Foundation and its members extend heartiest congratulations to the Jamia professor, a member of the advisory board of the Alhikmah Foundation and wish him better health and success in his endeavors.

Mr. Saad Bin Zia Joins A.M.U. as Faculty Member

Mr. Saad Bin Zia, an active member of Alhikmah Foundation, has joined the Department of Mass Communication at Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh as a Guest Faculty. His Ph. D. on 'Gulf Media' is in final stages of completion at the Academy of International Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. He possesses rich experience of more than a decade with media, and research and teaching facilities. Mr. Saad is the son of the

renowned scholar late Dr. Ziauddin Ansari, former Director, Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library, Patna.

•Mr. Saad has been a dynamic member of team raised by the Foundation. He is also the Sub Editor of its newsletter. The Executive Body of Alhikmah Foundation hails his appointment at AMU and prays for his success in life and career.

Foundation's Finance Secretary's Niece Awarded Gold Medal

Miss Durdana Yasin daughter of Mr. Shariq Yasin and niece of Mr. Saqib Yasin, Finance Secretary of the Alhikmah Foundation was awarded with Gold Medal in her B.Sc. (Bio-Science) from

Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. She got this award by topping in B. Sc. examinations in the University. She is now pursuing her M. Sc. Bio-science from JMI.

JCB Bags Best Cooperative Award

Mr. M. M. Zaman, Senior OSD, of the Jamia Co-operative Bank Ltd. (JCB), Sarai Jullena, New Delhi informed that the Bank has won this year's award for being Best Cooperative during 2012-13.

The Bank shares Alhikmah's ideology to support poor and downtrodden. The Bank has been advancing loans to the weakest sections of the society: scheduled Castes, scheduled tribes, minority groups, and small vendors lacking shops and operating at footpaths, such as Rickshaw pullers, Drivers etc.

Earlier, Delhi Chief Minister, Smt. Shiela Dixit bestowed the Eminent Co-operative Award 2009-10 on the Founder Director of JCB, Mr.

M.F.H. Beg. He was also presented Chaudhary Dalip Singh Memorial Award for 2011-12. The chairman of the bank, Prof. Asad Ali, has received Co-operative Award 2011-12 for being an Eminent Co-operator.

Jamia Cooperative Bank is rated as "A" under Audit classification, since inception. It is a direct member of Delhi Clearing House. Annual business of the Bank is over 152crores. JCB has been honored with the Co-operative Award for excellence by Govt. of NCT Delhi for the years 2001-2002 and 2008-2009. The Founder Director of the JCB Mr. M.F.H. Beg is a one of the well-wishers of the Alhikmah Foundation and always supports the Foundation in its endeavors.

Coaching for B. Ed., Basic and NTT Started

The Executive Body of the Foundation has managed to start B. Ed., Basic and NTT Coaching for the year 2013-14 w.e.f. 2nd of April 2013. Dr. Shakil Habibi has been coordinating this coaching program since last 12 years. All students aspiring to become a teacher in future are advised to get admitted at Alhikmah's Specialized Coaching Centre in order to prepare themselves for the next session. The success rate achieved by

Alhikmah Foundation in these coaching classes has been quite high. For more information, students are advised to contact Dr. Habibi at his mobile number 9811647505. Apart from carrying on teaching responsibilities, Dr. Habibi is also involved in academic and social activities of the Foundation. He is a dynamic, hard working and a dedicated member of the Foundation.

Alhikmah's Free Health-check up Camps

The Alhikmah Foundation who has been running a Charitable Health Center in alliance with Zuha Charitable Health Centre at Shaheen Bagh, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi organized three Health Camps during last three months. First Free Diabetes Check up Camp was organized in collaboration with Hopkins Laboratories at this Health Centre on 30th December 2012 in which more than 120 patients availed the facility.

Second Free Eye Check up Camp was organized at the

same venue in collaboration with Guru Kirpa Trust on 3rd February 2013. In this camp, 217 people availed the opportunity and got their eyes checked by expert ophthalmologists in the camp.

The third Camp which was organized in this Charitable Health Centre on severe problems related to Thyroid. The camp was organized on 27th March 2013. Besides, people were also provided Free Sugar Check-up in this camp. In all, more than 70 people were checked up in this camp.

Dr. Narendra Jadhav's Book Released

The Alhikmah Foundation feels immense pleasure in sharing with you the news that the Chief Guest of the Foundation's 22nd Annual Program, Dr. Narendra Jadhav, Hon'ble Member of Planning Commission of India and National Advisory Council has penned an important book titled as 'Ambedkar Speaks' in 3 volumes. The book was released by Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Hon'ble Vice President of India at a function held on 8th of March 2013 at Constitution Club, New Delhi. Kumari Shelja, Hon'ble Minister of Social

Justice and Empowerment was the Guest of Honor and Dr. D. Y. Patil, Hon'ble Governor of Tripura presided over the book release ceremony. Mr. Salman Khurshid, Hon'ble Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs was also present on the occasion. The book release ceremony was also attended by Dr. Ziauddin Ahmad, Founder Chairman, Alhikmah Foundation. He personally congratulated to Dr. Jadhav for his inspiring contribution.

Alhikmah Chairman Speaks on “Contemporary Relevance of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W.)”

Dr. Ziauddin Ahmad Nadwi, the Founder Chairman of the Alhikmah Foundation was invited by the Muslim Welfare Association, Vaishali, Ghaziabad, to address a public gathering of Ghaziabad residents on 10th of March, 2013, with special reference to contemporary relevance of the Final Prophet (S.A.W.) and his teachings for all sections of humanity.

“What is so peculiar with the Final Prophet (S.A.W.)?”, opening his talk to a mixed gentry of all religions, the Chairman said, “First, he was an Apostle of Allah for entire mankind and his Prophethood has not been limited to any particular epoch. Then, the principles of daily life enunciated by him are capable of solving all human problems and more importantly, he showed to the world how personal life can be passed in accordance with these rules and how a progressive and healthy society can be raised accordingly.” He substantiated his claims by

citing splendid aspects of the Final Prophet and insightful quotes of his sayings.

Summing up his oration, the Chairman claimed that the society raised by the Prophet also bears five distinguished hall-marks: “Preferential status given to education in that society, opening up of women's status and equality, reinforcing human rights and extending them to the rights of animals and inanimate world, utmost regard for justice and equity, and honoring and supporting poor, orphans, and helpless people.” He quoted J.M. Robert and Justice Sachchar (The Statesman, 26.4.1986) in support of his assertions.

Dr. Nadwi was highly appreciated by non-Muslim gentry who thronged around him at the end of his speech and put forward a number of queries regarding their doubts and misgivings about Islam and Muslims. Everyone seemed satisfied after this question-answer session.

A P P E A L

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Kind-hearted and liberal citizens like YOU are requested to join hands with Alhikmah Foundation in its bid to promote Health, Education, Peace, Welfare and Cooperation and make the world a better place to live, especially for our less fortunate fellow beings.

To,

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