

RAMADAN SPECIAL APPEAL

Your donation may change the life of the poor! It can ensure access of poor children to education! It can help doing advocacy for an egalitarian society that is based on justice and equity! Thus, make donation and create the difference!

Respected brothers and sisters

Assalamu Alaikum

The month of Ramadan with limitless bounty from the Almighty Allah is approaching. This is a special month in which the Quran- the last divine guidance for the humanity was revealed. This month has a glorious night- al Qadar- which is better than a thousand months. It is a month for concentrated worship and charity. During the month the doors of heavens are opened and the doors of hells closed. The fasting of Ramadan gives the Muslims an opportunity to be empathetic for other brothers and sisters.

Dear brothers and sisters

Masjid Council for Community Advancement [MACCA] as a faith-based humanitarian, campaigning and development organization runs various interventions to serve the poor and needy people in various parts of Bangladesh depending on donations such as sadaqah, zakat of its hundreds of supporters and well-wishers. The contribution of MACCA to development in Bangladesh is acknowledged both by the government and various national and international organizations. Apart from humanitarian and development efforts the organizations strives to promote a culture of cooperation among people of different faiths in Bangladesh and in pursuance of interfaith cooperation it undertakes various advocacy initiatives.

The major programs of MACCA include the following:

- Income generation project for the poor and marginalized people
- Abandoned children welfare program
- Skill promotional training for faith leaders
- Mosque based schooling for poor children
- Zakat based ideal village program
- Dowry less marriage program
- Interfaith harmony promotional project
- HIV and AIDS prevention program
- Village piped water supply [in arsenic affected area] project

Dear brothers and sisters

Islam is a universal religion in its spiritual and social dimensions and its main accent in on belief in the unity of God, equality and justice. However, they are broadly divided as the Haqullah- the claim of Allah i.e worships and Haqulibadh- the claim of the fellow creature i.e social responsibility. While there is clear indication for help to the poor and needy people irrespective of religion and color in Islam, today unfortunately most poor people concentrate in the Muslim countries. Income inequality is rising in an unabated form and pace making poor people's life more vulnerable. There have been societies within society in Muslim countries recognizing the dazzling contrast between the poor

and the rich. Thus, the two important rituals of fasting and charity (zakat) practiced by Muslims during the month of Ramadan should serve to bolster Muslim spirituality and cooperation with the poor people.

Dear brothers and sisters

Most of MACCA's initiatives fully depend on your charity. By the grace of Allah (swt) MACCA's spectrum of intervention is expanding gradually in terms of area coverage and program beneficiaries. Every Ramadan we beg special support from you as most of you pay Zakat this time. A minimum increase in your support may be huge to us and eventually to our poor people. Thus, we fervently request you to donate us lavishly and also make your friends and neighbors MACCA's friends and supporters.

We want your continued support, advice and cooperation in the fight against poverty and injustice.

May Allah help and guide us.

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