

ULAMA - A LIVING LEGACY

What do you know about the ancient wonders of the world such as the Pyramids of Egypt, Petra in Jordan, the Parthenon in Greece, the Colosseum in Rome, Stonehenge in England, the Moai statues of Easter Islands in Chile and Machu Picchu in Peru? What do they have in common?

They are monumental structures of epic proportions of ancient civilisations built as far back as several millenniums to several centuries ago that have stood majestically against the elements and ravages of time. It was a celebration of the technological prowess and advances created by civilizations at the pinnacle of their powers to leave an awe-inspiring legacy for the people who were to rise up after they had died out.

What about Islam and what legacy did it give to humanity? The Noble Quraan which is a legacy in itself, pristine and without adulteration by any human being in Surah 44, Verses 25 and 26 states "How many were the gardens and springs they left behind, and corn-fields and noble buildings."

As one reflects on its accuracy in relation to the hanging Gardens of Babylon, buildings such as the Colosseum and the corn-fields of Machu Picchu, the most important and greater lesson that must be drawn is to ponder on the fate of those who built these gigantic monuments with pride yet it meant nothing when the Creator decreed that they be "left behind." To Allah we belong and unto Him is our return.

While the legacy of Islam has presented innumerable contributions including Islamic architecture with the highest expression in religious buildings of exquisite mosques and palaces that exist and are in use to this day, its greatest and most enduring legacy is a living one i.e. the institution of the Ulama, the Pious Scholars who are regarded as inheritors of the knowledge of the Prophets (peace be upon them).

Their many years of intensive training and study of Islamic discipline at the highest level equips and elevates them to assume the leadership role of the community. They are well-versed in jurisprudence, sciences of the study of the Noble Quraan, the Hadith which is the traditions of the Prophet (peace be upon him) and are teachers and Imaams of their communities. After fourteen centuries this collective community which they lead has spread to almost every corner of the globe with Muslims being of all hue and nationalities, who speak many languages and account for a huge portion of mankind. It is estimated that Islam has 1.6 billion adherents.

The establishment of SANHA almost two decades ago was initiated by reputable Ulama who desired that its mission be independent of vested business interests transcending tribalism, sectionalism and nationalism. Hence, SANHA's Ulama Council was entrusted as the supreme decision-making authority in its constitution. SANHA further taps into this collective independence and righteous leadership of the Ulama by ensuring that a major portion of the SANHA team are drawn from the broader Ulama fraternity. Alhamdulillah, Ulama members account for

90% of the inspectorate and 33% of the total people employed.

Their Islamic integrity in accordance with their role as the inheritors of the Prophets (peace be upon them) serves as an additional safeguard for independent ongoing review and a conscience check of our systems in ensuring that the highest standards of Halaal are maintained.

These scholars have graduated from institutions of higher Islamic learning from India, Pakistan Egypt, Saudi Arabia, South Africa and Malawi. We are most grateful to our esteemed Ulama Council Members and Ulama team listed below for their role in the mission of Halaal assurance to the Muslim consumer.

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