THE
AHMADIYYA
MUSLIM COMMUNITY
An Introduction
Islam

Islam was revealed 1400 years ago in Saudi Arabia.

Its founder is The Prophet Mohammed (M.P.B.U.H).

Its teachings state that Muslims must believe in the Teachings and Books from all Prophets of God.
TEACHINGS OF ISLAM

The fundamental teachings of Islam are based upon the 5 pillars of Islam:

1. **Shahadah**: to recite and remain loyal to the Muslim kalima
2. **Salat**: to offer the 5 daily prayers
3. **Zakat**: to give financial donations to charity
4. **Sawm**: to fast during the month of Ramadan
5. **Hajj**: to perform the pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in a lifetime
A SAYING OF PROPHET MOHAMMED (SAW)

"FAITH IS TO AFFIRM YOUR FAITH IN ALLAH, HIS ANGELS, HIS BOOKS, HIS MESSENGERS AND THE LAST DAY, AND TO BELIEVE IN THE DIVINE DESTINY"
REVELATION OF AHMADIYYAT

Prophet Mohammed\(^{SAW}\) prophesied the advent of a Promised Messiah after his time, as a reformer of the latter days.

After Prophet Mohammed\(^{SAW}\), it seemed that the peaceful and unifying message of Islam began to disappear from society....

...And so the need for a reformer emerged.
AHMADIYYAT
THE CONCEPT

The Ahmadiyya Community was established in 1889 by Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as) in the small and remote village of Qadian, India.

He claimed to be the expected reformer of the latter days, the Awaited One of the World Community of Religions, The Mahdi and Messiah.

Hadhrat Ahmad (as) proclaimed Islam as the religion of mankind.

"The religion of the people of the right path"
‘I have been ordained to announce that those who are seekers after truth should swear allegiance to me, so that they may be enabled to find a way to the true faith, true purity and the love of God.’
In 1889 Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad\(^{(as)}\) received the Divine revelation:

‘When thou hast determined, put thine trust in Allah. And build the Ark under Our eyes, as commanded by our revelation. Verily, those who swear allegiance to thee indeed swear allegiance to Allah. The hand of Allah is over their hand.’
The Divine call for Initiation was answered immediately by those who had already recognised Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (AS) as the Awaited One.

The first Initiation ceremony took place in Ludhiana on 23rd March 1889, at the house of Sufi Ahmad Jaan (RA). Hadhrat Maulvi Nooruddin (RA), as was his wish, became the first person to be initiated at the Promised Messiah’s (AS) hand.
And so the renaissance of Islam, the complete and final religion, began.
AHMADIYYAT IN 2012

The numbers of Ahmadi Muslims has risen exponentially, since the first initiation was taken.

Ahmadi Muslims are spread in over 190 countries Worldwide, with over 10s of millions of followers, and counting.
OBJECTIVES OF AHMADIYYAT

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Association in Islam was created under divine guidance, with these objectives:

- To rejuvenate Islamic moral and spiritual values.
- To encourage interfaith dialogue and diligently defend Islam.
- To correct misunderstandings about Islam.
- To advocate peace, tolerance, love and understanding, among followers of different faiths.
- To firmly believe in and act upon the Qur'anic teaching: "There is no compulsion in religion." (2:257)
- To strongly reject violence and terrorism in any form and for any reason.
RITUAL LEADERSHIP
INSTITUTION OF KHILAFAT

The teachings and morals revived by Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad\(^{\text{AS}}\), continue to be promoted by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Association, under the spiritual leadership of his successors.

Our current spiritual leader is Hadhrat Khalifa-tul-Masih \(5^{\text{ATBA}}\) (5th Successor of the Promised Messiah\(^{\text{AS}}\)).
AUXILIARY ORGANISATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Association is organised into different groups:

The women's association is split into 2 sections:

Girls 7-15 years of age are called Nasirat ul Ahmadiyya.

Ladies 15 years and above all belong to Lajna Imaillah.

The male members of the association are divided into three sections:

Boys between the ages of 7-15 are organised into an association called the Atfal ul Ahmadiyya.

Males between 15-40 years of age are members of Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya.

Those above 40 are organised in an association called the Ansarullah
AIMS OF NASIRAT UL AHMADIYYA

Promoting religious education among the girls of the Community.

Ensuring good moral and ethical values.

Partaking in activities including speech competitions, poetry recitations, fundraising, charitable efforts and sports events.
AIMS OF LAJNA IMAILLAH

Established on 25th December 1922.

Although only 14 ladies attended the first meeting, the Community has now spread worldwide, to over 190 countries.

The dissemination and preservation of religious knowledge among ladies, achieved through regular monthly meetings and national programmes.

Instilling an awareness of duties to children and social responsibilities.

Ensuring commitment and obedience to the spiritual leader.

Non Ahmadi women are introduced to Ahmadiyyat.
AIMS OF ATFAL UL AHMADIYYA

Established on 4th February 1938 by Khalifa-tul-Masih II(RA), in Qadian, India.

To keep children informed and aware of religious and social responsibilities.

To help children develop good morals.

To organise sports and games for the development of mind and body.
AIMS OF KHUDDAM UL AHMADIYYA

Established in 1938 by Khalifa-tul-Masih II(RA)

Reinforcing Islamic values and knowledge.

To promote a sense of brotherhood amongst members.

Encouraging young men to spend their time and efforts for the benefit of other members of the Community, and the world at large.
AIMS OF ANSARULLAH

To ensure moral and spiritual training of their members, so as to promote the love of God and righteousness, as well as exhorting the discharge of duties towards their Creator and fellow human beings.

Promoting and propagating religious knowledge.

Inculcating obedience to the spiritual head of the Community.
At every level there is a Khidmat-e-Khalq team which works to serve the community, especially those in need.

Similarly, the Tabligh department works at every level to spread the message of Islam.

Other major departments include Religious education, Health & Fitness and Publications.
ACTIVITIES OF THE
AHMADIYYA MUSLIM ASSOCIATION

LOCAL AND NATIONAL PROGRAMMES INCLUDING:

ISLAMIC AWARENESS EVENTS (INCLUDING HOLY QUR’AN EXHIBITIONS AND THE BUS CAMPAIGN)

INTER-FAITH PEACE CONFERENCES

CHARITY WALKS AND MANY MORE EVENTS ARE ARRANGED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, OFTEN INVOLVING THE WIDER PUBLIC.
An annual international gathering takes place in the UK, to improve religious and spiritual understanding, to reflect on the events of the past year and to foster brotherly links and friendships. Local MPs and dignitaries as well as international government officials, are all warmly welcomed to such events.
‘I SHALL CARRY THY MESSAGE TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH’

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community propagates the true teachings of Islam and the message of peace and tolerance through:

A twenty-four hour satellite television channel (MTA)
The Internet (alislam.org)
Print (Islam International Publications).
HUMANITY FIRST (UK charity number 1050934) PROVIDES ASSISTANCE ON THE BASIS OF NEED, IRRESPECTIVE OF RACE, RELIGION OR POLITICS, FROM REGISTERED OFFICES IN 38 COUNTRIES ACROSS 6 CONTINENTS.

HUMANITY FIRST IS A UK BASED CHARITABLE ORGANISATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM ASSOCIATION, WHICH WORKS IN DISASTER-STRICKEN AND DISADVANTAGED AREAS. IT IS MADE UP ENTIRELY OF VOLUNTEERS.

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CELEBRATIONS OF NOTE

Key celebrations in recent times include:

1989: Ahmadiyya Muslim Centenary
This celebrated 100 years since the inception of the Ahmadiyya Movement.

2008: Khilafat centenary
This celebrated 100 years since the beginning of the spiritual successorship (Khilafat) to the Messiah.
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