



## **Preserving the Spirit and Reward of Qurbaani**

The action of qurbaani is a great and meritorious ibaadah in the sight of Allah Ta'ala. It earns one immense blessings and rewards, on condition that one fulfils it according to the sunnah.

Hence, in the process of fulfilling this great ibaadah, one should not displease Allah Ta'ala by breaking any of the commandments of Deen. Therefore, on the day of qurbaani, the following should be adhered to:

- (1) One should not forego or delay any salaah. Males should perform all their salaah in the masjid with jamaat.
- (2) One should refrain from photography – taking pictures of the animal or videoing the slaughter, etc.
- (3) Non-mahram males and females should not intermingle at the venue of slaughter.

Unfortunately, in today's times, intermingling of non-mahram males and females is something that is commonly witnessed at the venue where qurbaani is performed. While it is commendable that we are concerned about carrying out the qurbaani, it is equally important for us to uphold the sanctity of the other laws of Deen while doing so.

Non-mahram men and women freely intermingling and speaking to one another, or non-mahram women looking at men slaughtering, or non-mahram men looking at women slaughtering, creates an environment of shamelessness and sin. Violating the laws of purdah and openly committing sins destroys the very spirit and reward of the qurbaani.