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Eid Mubarak



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The festival season has been set into motion with the celebration of Eid-Ul-Fitr today. The Muslims the world over assemble in various mosques and Iddgahs in order to offer Namaj and express their gratitude to Allah on the occasion of Eid-ul-Fitr. The preparations for this joyous occasion start days in advance as devout muslims end the month long Ramadan fast. The word Eid signifies “greatest happiness” and Fitr stands for ‘breaking Fast’. The month of Ramadan is a sacred one for the Muslims, because it was in this month that the revelation of the holy Quran began and fasting as an obligatory institution was prescribed by Allah.

But today the celebrations and festivities are marred by incidents of violence as the world today is reeling under the onslaughts of violence in various forms. Recently the sanctity of the holy shrine of Sufi saint Khwaja Moinuddin Chistie of Ajmer was destroyed by the recent attack on it by terrorist bombs. Two persons were killed and seventeen others were injured in the incident, all pilgrims to the holy shrine who had visited the shrine on the holy month of Ramadan. Both the Hindu and the Muslim community holds the mosque in reverence and visit it in hoards every day. Terrorists are increasingly making such holy places targets of their attacks as earlier also the Akshaya Dham Temple in Gujarat, Shakti Mochan Temple in Varanasi, Hamidiya mosque in Malegaon and even the Kamakhya temple in Guwahati have been targeted in the past.

The fear of attacks has led the state government in Assam to beef up the security measures in the state on the occasion of Eid-ul-Fitr. Police personnel have been deployed at all religious sites in the city while the traffic would also be regulated and parking areas monitored.

Nowadays security is the first priority of people during any kind of festivities be it Eid or Durga puja. Such are the times that devotion has taken a backseat thanks to the disturbed times and acts of violent terrorism.

However, on the occasion of the holy festival of Eid lets pray to Allah to reward us for our good deeds and show the path of righteousness to the sinners. Amen.



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