



Jumādā al-'Ūlā 15, 1445 AH November 29, 2023

As-salāmu ʿalaykum wa-raḥmatu -llāhi wa-barakātuh

Muhtaram Bhika Family,

We at Roshnee Islāmic School say إِنَّا لِلَهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ وَاجْعُونَ for your colossal loss and offer our most heartfelt condolences to you and your family on this occasion. Verily, "we belong to Allāh تَبَارَكُوَتَعَالَ and onto Him is our return" (al-Baġarah:156).

At the demise of someone close, it is only natural to be sad. However, solace may be taken from the advice given to 'Abdullāh ibn 'Abbās (مَوَاَلِيَهُ عَنْهُ upon the demise of his father, 'Abbās تَبَارِكُوَتَعَانَ. He was advised, "'Abbās رَضَوَالِيَهُ is gone to Allāh تَبَارِكُوَتَعَانَ and Allāh أَلَا تَبَارِكُوَتَعَانَ is far better for him than being with you. You can also reach Allāh تَبَارِكُوَتَعَانَ by exercising patience". The Prophet مَرَالِلَا عَلَيْهُوَسَاتُر has said,

إِنَّ لِلَّهِ مَا أَخَذَ وَلَهُ مَا أَعْطَى، وَكُلُّ شَيْءٍ عِنْدَهُ بِأَجَل مُسَمًّى، فَمُرْهَا فَلْتَصْبِرْ وَلْتَحْتَسِبْ

"Whatever Allāh takes away or gives, belongs to Him, and everything with Him has a limited fixed term (in this world), so be patient and anticipate Allāh's reward." (Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī - 7377)

May Allāh تَبَارَكَوَتَعَانَ forgive the Marḥoom, grant him Jannah and the bereaved, patience to deal with the colossal loss with fortitude.

Wa-Salām

M.E. Seedat

Mohammed Seedat (Maulāna) Chief Executive Officer

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