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MUSAAJID REMAIN OPEN! JAMAAT SALAAT IS NOT UNLAWFUL!

The Association of Muslim Professionals of South Africa (AMPSA) issues the following statement pertaining to the satanic covid regulations:



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Bismihī Ta'ala

Assalamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuh

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Islam

1. All praise is due to Allah Ta'ala, the Sovereign, the Legislator, the Lord of the Worlds.
2. On 29 December 2020, the Minister of Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs issued certain regulations ("the regulations") by virtue of the powers conferred upon her in terms of the Disaster Management Act, No. 57 of 2002

3. The regulations cover a wide area. They list a number of gatherings that are permitted
They also prohibit certain gatherings
4. Among the gatherings permitted in terms of the regulations are gatherings at casinos, theatres, movies, museums, libraries and galleries.
5. Among the prohibited gatherings are gatherings at sports grounds and fields.
6. Certain places are closed to the public. These include beaches in areas declared hotspots, public swimming pools and recreational facilities at such places.
7. Section 36 (3) of the regulations prohibits all *social gatherings*, including, "faith based gatherings" for two weeks, after which the prohibition will be reviewed.
8. Unlike the original regulations first promulgated in March 2020, there is no prohibition on masjids remaining open, nor any directive requiring masjids to close.
9. The principal legal issue arising from the current regulations is whether or not they proscribe or prohibit congregational worship.
10. The regulations are obscure on this point. A possible interpretation of regulation 36(3), and a very generous and elastic one at that, is that the mere inclusion therein of faith-based gatherings serves to prohibit congregational worship at a masjid.
11. Such interpretation is in our respectful view untenable. We do not believe that the provisions of regulation 36(3) proscribe or prohibit congregational salah for the following reasons:
 - a. the regulations do not require the closure of places of worship to the public. Such places may continue to remain open;
 - b. regulation 36(3) specifically prohibits "*social gatherings*";
 - c. the essence of a social gathering is the element of *social interaction* between people;
 - d. the "faith based gatherings" contemplated in regulation 36(3) are restricted to those that are primarily *social gatherings*, the hallmark of which is social interaction among their attendees;
 - e. salah neither entails nor requires any social interaction between musallees;
 - f. in any event, and at the very lowest, the provisions of regulation 36(3) are ambiguous;

g. the limitation of a constitutionally entrenched right, such as freedom of religion or the right to practice one's religion in community, cannot be achieved through an ambiguous regulation. Such a limitation, if it is to be effective, must at the very least be expressed in clear and unambiguous terms. Regulation 36(3) is anything but clear and unambiguous;

h. to the extent that the relevant regulation may be capable of being construed as prohibiting all faith-based gatherings and not merely faith-based *social* gatherings (a proposition that we reject), such prohibition would in any event be invalid as irrational and unconstitutional in the context of the provisions of regulations 36(6), (7) and (8) that permit gatherings at casinos, cinemas, theatres, museums, galleries, libraries and the like.

12. In all the premises, congregational salaah in masaajid has in our view not been proscribed or prohibited in terms of the current regulations.

13. May Allah Ta'ala protect our Deen from intrusion, curtailment or limitation!

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(End of Ampsa's statement)

COMMENT

While the body, *Hizbush Shaitaan (The Legion of Iblees)* was suffering extreme labour pains in its shaitaani endeavour to keep the Musaaqid close, their chief exponent in this regard being the council of Murtaddeen (MJC), the government has not prohibited the operation of the Musaaqid. In terms of the draconian, oppressive regulations dictatorially issued by the government, the Musaaqid have not been ordered to close as was the impression which Hizbush Shaitaan was deceptively trading to dupe and misguide the Muslim masses.

The NNB jamiat (the bogus jusa) component of *Hizbush Shaitaan* has been compelled to retract its earlier stance, i.e. calling for the closure of the Musaaqid. It has now, with extreme reluctance and begrudgingly announced that the Musaaqid should remain open. This new stance shoved down their throat by Muslim pressure, has further compelled them to split with their illegitimate bedfellow (i.e. the Murtad MJC) on the Musjid issue. The MJC Murtaddeen still cling to their kufr of Musjid closure. But Allah Ta'ala is causing the ground to slip under

their feet. Their kufr is hemming them into their own destruction – a destruction for which the Ummah should supplicate to Allah Ta’ala.

“They plot and Allah too plans, and Allah is the best of planners.”

(Qur’aan)

If any Musalli is arrested for performing Salaat in a Musjid, he should not pay the admission of guilt fine. Insha-Allah, he will be acquitted by the court.

“Who is a greater ZAALIM (oppressor/tyrant) than the one who prevents the Thikr of Allah from the Musaaqid, and who (furthermore) strives (plots) to destroy the Musaaqid?”

(Qur’aan)

Beware of the members of Hizbush Shaitaan. Among them are Taqi Uthmani, Taha Karaan, reverend Abraham Bham, Zubair Bhayat, Suliman Ravat, Ebrahim Desai, Menk, the NNB jamiat cartel, the MJC pork and carrion halaalizers and many others. In the history of Islam there never existed such a vile, despicable cartel of ulama-e-soo’ as we find in today’s *Hizbush Shaitaan*. It is essential for Muslims to understand that these agents of Iblees should not be touched with even a barge pole. Avoid their evil shadows. Salaat behind these ‘religious’ scoundrels is not valid. In the words of the Hadith they are devils in human form. They are miserable epistasis with the hearts of wolves ever ready to devour your Imaan. **SO BEWARE OF THEM!**

DO NOT CONTRIBUTE FUNDS FOR THE UPKEEP OF THE MUSAAJID WHICH THESE AGENTS OF IBLEES HAVE PILLAGED, PLUNDERED AND CONVERTED INTO WEIRD TEMPLES WITH THE PROTOCOLS OF IBLEES.