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"Be motivated, informed and educated with Custodians of the Haq" "The Haqeeqat (reality) of Hayaa is that your Maula (Allah) must not find you in that place which He has forbidden."

(Mulla Ali Qaari)

THE SOUKS

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### The Fatwa Of Mufti AH Elias

"When I was the so called "Mufti of Al Ansaar" then even they were not listening to me. But using me and other Ulema e Deoband as salad dressing to legalize their haraam activities. Some Ulema speak out but most love the mileage they get. Thus the public will be completely confused.

- Music is haraam.
- Beat-boxing is haraam.
- Having comedy shows is haraam.
- Male and female sitting in one cubicle chatting without hijaab is haraam. *Continued on page* 5

### The Need To Speak Out

"For one who is not a Nabi, it is Haraam for him to adopt silence (thus abstaining) from refuting (Baatil and Haraam) if he has the ability. In this regard, Rasulullah (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam) said:

### <u>"He who remains silent</u> regarding the Haqq is a dumb <u>shaitaan."</u>

...Because, verily, silence in the face of Baatil creates the impression of permissibility or abrogation, and this is not permissible by Ijma' (Consensus)..."

(Kashful-Asraar)

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# **THE SOUKS—THE WORST OF PLACES!**

# The Battlegrounds of the Shayaateen!

Hadhrat Salmaan Radhiyallahu anhu, narrating a Hadith of Jibraeel Alaihis salaam said:

"If you can, never be the first to enter the souk nor be the last one to leave it, for verily, the souk is the battleground of Shaitaan. There he plants his flag." (Muslim)

In The Company of the Shayaateen!

In his Ihyaaul Uloom, Imaam Ghazaali Rahmatullah alaih says:

"Muaaz Bin Jabal Radhiyallahu anhu and Abdullah Bin Umar Radhiyallahu anhu narrated: "Verily, Iblees says to his son Zalnabur: 'Approach the people of the souks. Adorn for them lies, oaths, fraud, deception and abuse of trust, and be with the one who is the first to enter (the souk) and the last to leave from the souk." (Ihyaaul Uloom)

The Meeting Venues of the Shayaateen

On the occasion when Iblees was expelled from the heaven, he supplicated to Allah Ta'ala for venues which could be the gathering places for the Shayaateen. Allah Ta'ala informed him that his places of meeting will be the Souks. After reading the reality of the Souks from the Ahaadith mentioned on the left, it is utterly sad and lamentable to know that Muslims organize a week of Souk in which Muslims are invited and encouraged to participate to *'support'* the stalls etc.

When one is made aware by reliable sources of some dangers which could possibly be faced when travelling on a certain road, then any sane person will avoid that road at all costs. Similarly, warnings are sounded from reliable personalities and authentic Kitaabs on the dangers one's Imaan will face at Souks.

Only sane Muslims who are extremely serious of their Aakhirat will avoid the Souk at all costs.

Remember, the Souks are merry-making venues in which many Haraam activities take place. These Haraam activities are not even regarded as Haraam by many participants due to it being named as a Souk.

Hence, Haraam and sins will be

committed under the false notion of all being Halaal and permissible, since the organizers are Muslims and the event is named in some Arabic term / name.

The evil end results of this is that many Muslims who participate in them don't even resort to Taubah thereafter! May Allah Ta'ala save and protect us all from these Fitnahs, Aameen. We urge all Muslims to abstain from going to the Souk!

# The Souk of 2017—A Total Disaster!

From what we have noticed, year by year, the Durban Souk gets worse. More evil and Haraam things are given birth to in the Souk each year. In the Souk of last year (2017), there were just too many Haraam things introduced.

### We hereby reproduce some messages which were written by participants of the Souk 2017:

All our messages are reproduced verbatim together with its spelling or grammatical mistakes. "Last night, like many others present at the Al-Ansaar Souk, I lost my last bit of confidence in Al Ansaar. I entered the Souk's Outdoor Entertainment stage to create a video of the horrendous 'nightclub-like' scene taking place inside and to approach sisters in order to advise them to exit the stage-area.

Deen Squad-Al Ansaar's International Guests had taken to the stage with music that literally pounded against my inside to the point that I was certain I would vomit.

Muslim Fathers reclined on chairs while Muslim daughters in headscarves stood at the front row of the stage and violently DANCED alongside Muslim men. What were they dancing to? Songs containing the Praises of Allah!

### **Music in the Ummah**

"Most certainly, there will be in my Ummah people who will make lawful fornication silk, liquor and musical instruments." (Bukhaari) I left the arena, nauseous, angryin fact infuriated-hateful, and barely managing to hold back tears. How could an 'Islamic' Organization so prominent in our Muslim Community, so guiltlessly endeavour to facilitate the corruption of so many Muslims?

For profits they have exploited you I as Muslim youth. They have used Youth as Scapegoats, insisting that "Music events" appeal to younger people, and to therefore innovate by introducing Concerts as 'Halal Entertainment', will spike our interest in our otherwise Pure Religion.

## The Worst of Lands

Rasulullah Sallallahu alaihi wasallam said once to Hadhrat Jibraeel Alaihis salaam:

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How dare they accuse us of requiring sinful instruments to remember our Deen? how dare they encourage us to not be Religiously inspired enough by the Book of Allah and the Sunnah?

Just as I thought it could not get any worse, we received news that while Representatives of the Ulama were distributing booklets outside the Souk, warning people about its Corruption, Souk Organizers sent out Kuffaar security-men to 'rough up' and intimidate those Esteemed Du'aat (Callers to Allah and His Shari'ah).

For the sake of their worldly interests, they sent out Kuffaar to confront Fellow Muslims with intimidation and threats of force? Have they no regard for the Command of Allah Who Prohibit the Believers from allying with Kuffar against Fellow Believers? Worse! They sent out Kuffaar to surpress the Deliverence and Propagation of Da'wah and Calling of people to not deviate from the straight Path!

And my words have been exhausted." (End of the message) (See more messages on pg. 11-13)

## Yet, the organizers of this disastrous Souk state the following:

"The Al Ansaar Souk Trade Fair strives to provide different forms of entertainment as well as shopping varieties every year. Some of the highlights include the following:

- Local and International nasheed artists.
- Food Demonstrations.
- Comedy festivals.
- Daily prize giveaways.
- Fun fair rides for kids.
- Entertainment lounges."

### OUR COMMENT IN THE LIGHT OF THE SHARI'AH:

Since the Nasheed artists perform with music, and singing is done on a Kaafir style stage in the presence of men and women, it renders their 'Nasheed' shows Haraam.

News have reached us that food demonstrations etc. are done in the

presence of men and women. Hence this is also Haraam.

Islaam has no space for comedy. Hence, a comedy show is Haraam.

News have also reached us concerning the method of prize giveaways in which the 'winner' is called to the stage in the presence of all. Hijaab – the Sacred and Integral Law of Deen, is 'flung' out of the Souk if the 'winner' happens to be a young female and the announcer is a young male! Yes, intermingling is done on the stage! Zina is done on the stage! Who will speak out? Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wasallam mentioned that the eyes, ears and tongue also commit Zina!

Allah Ta'ala Alone knows best what sins are perpetrated at the entertainment lounges. Shivers run down the spines of sincere Muslims to think what could be happening in those dens. If Zina takes place on the stage, what could be happening in the lounges?

## 'Happy' with their sins - the burden of which they will have to bear of all those who sinned, the Souk organizers further announced:

"Also included in the programme was a well-balanced comedy festival which saw a string of comedians with the likes of Neville Pillay, Leah, Spencer Govender and Masood Boomgard."

**<u>The Souk organizers also stated:</u>** *"The programme also saw a self-defence display and a fitness demo with Saman Munir. There was also a ladies* 

### The Fatwa Of Mufti AH Elias

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- Females speaking flirtatiously over the air is haraam.
- Females and males singing and dancing on stage is haraam.
- To eat rainbow chickens is haraam.
- Males and females competing against each other is making a mockery of Islaam.
- To support and promote Salafi views on air is haraam.
- To support and promote Shia views on air is haraam.
- To support and promote Bidaat on air is haraam.
- To support and promote the views of Kafirs, Murtaads and zindiqs is haraam.
- To support and promote views which are contrary to Islaam is haraam.

It is the responsibility of the Ulema e Rabbani Haqqaani to highlight the Haqq and expose the Baatil or await the wrath of Allaah." Naath programme with Shagufta Khan. The fair culminated with a car draw and there were lots of consolation prizes for lucky recipients."

## THE REAL COLOURS / BACKGROUND OF THESE HOSTS, AS RESEARCHED FROM THE INTERNET:

Neville Pillay - A father of one, lives in Ballito, and is an avid music lover and film producer. Neville Pillay has an alter ego, Top Dan. Comedian Neville Pillay also dominates the local comedy circuit. Currently presenting the Workzone on East Coast Radio, from 9 to 12, Neville Pillay is an in demand Mc and Comedian.

Leah - We are not sure which specific person this is as there is a few persons by the name of 'Leah'. However, what we are aware of is that Leah is a female's name. a female to address Muslim men and women?

**Masood Boomgard -** No stranger to the comedy scene, Boomgaard has been performing stand-up since 2007, and has shared the stage with pretty-much every top

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local comedian. A highly sought-after MC and corporate act, he has toured all over the country and become one of the most popular acts in Durban. His one-man comedy shows have been a huge hit over the years. Boomgaard writes, he makes movies...and he's FUNNY.

**Saman Munir -** (A Female.) Hijabi beauty blogger, stylist, fitness advocate and model.

### What The Ulama-e-Haq Said About Comedy Shows?

In his Fatwa, when asked about the Durban Souk, Mufti Afzal Hoosen Elias Rahmatullahi alaih said,

"Having comedy shows is Haraam."

(*The following is copied from a website*) Glamorous Muslim blogger becomes an online sensation for her videos showing women how to style their hijabs so they'll be 'covered

and still look beautiful'

She said: "I've always loved fashion, and you can inspire so many people through social media."

"So then, in 2011, I began doing videos on Instagram, Facebook and YouTube and I appeared in Canada's Fashion Magazine, which was my dream come true - an amazing opportunity."

"I started to post my own pictures on Facebook and got such great responses from everybody."

### **TRUE MODESTY**

Mullah Ali Qaari (Rahmatullahi alaih) has defined Hayaa (modesty) as:

"The Haqeeqat (reality) of Hayaa is that your Maula (Allah) must not find you in that place which He has forbidden."

"My message is that you can be covered and still look beautiful."

"When Dolce and Gabbana launched their hijab range recently I was so happy and impressed."

**Shaguftah Khan -** Is the official make up artist who will serve all contestants. She has served on a number of pageants (carnivals, fairs, fetes) in the United States, India and South Africa. Her work is legendary and has won wide acclaim from people in a number of countries.

<u>A QUESTION WORTH PONDERING OVER</u>: When the background of the above performers is of such a nature, then what effects will be left on the audience which are Muslims?

"They will most certainly carry their own burdens (of sins) together with the burdens (of the sins) of others (of those whom they had introduced to the sins). And, most certainly they will be questioned on the Day of Qiyaamah." (Our'an)

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### THE MUSIC OF THE 'DEEN SQUAD', THE COMEDY SHOWS, THE ENTERTAINMENT AT THE LOUNGES AND THE LADIES NAAT PROGRAM...THE HARAAM WAS TOO MUCH FOR THE ULAMA OF NATAL NOT TO SPEAK OUT!

LO AND BEHOLD! NATAL ULAMA SPOKE OUT! ALHAMDULILLAH! THIS IS WHAT THEY HAD TO WARN THE UMMAH ABOUT...



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#### AL ANSAAR SOUK 2017

The Jamiatul Ulama KZN makes an earnest appeal to the Muslim Community to refrain from attending the Al Ansaar Souk in Durban and other such similar events.

For many years now, many senior Ulama, including the late Moulana Yunus Patel (Rahmatullahi Alayh) have repeatedly warned against attending gatherings in the name of Islamic fairs and Souks.

The recent shocking events at the Al Ansaar Souk has triggered an outpouring of condemnation from the Muslim public and especially the events of last night, which the Ulama have been cautioning against for many years now. However, the recent events now bring home the reality of the dangers for attending such events.

Besides the music and dancing that has taken place, this event is an arena where time and money is wasted and where shamelessness, free intermingling and zina of the eyes and ears very often takes place with grave and precarious consequences.

It is ironical that whilst the Souk is advertised in the guise of an Islamic event, the conditions there are generally saturated with sin, which creates an atmosphere for the blatant disregard of the Shari'ah and mocks the Sunnah of Rasulullah (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam).

The presence of even Ulama or Muslim organizations at any event does not automatically render it permissible.

We therefore implore the public and stall holders alike to desist completely from participating and supporting such events.

May Allah Ta'ala guide the Ummah towards those deeds that are pleasing to Him and protect us from Divine Wrath and the calamities that have affected Muslims in so many parts of the globe, Ameen.

Executive Committee Jamiatul Ulama KZN Durban, South Africa

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# In The Name of Islaam

By Hazrat Maulana Yunus Patel Saheb Ra<u>h</u>matullahi alaih

There is a sickness in society which has now reached epidemic proportions. It is so serious that it requires a repetition in its warnings to drive the point home.

Fitnahs abound, and the worst and most dangerous fitnah is that which takes the form and garb of Deen.

In the name and guise of Deen, Muslims are being invited to 'Fund-raising' programmes, lunches, dinners, pre-Ramadaan and Eid Fairs. Funds are being raised for Deeni projects in this manner.

The context of these programmes is 'Fun' and 'Entertainment' which entails socializing. The Muslim is encouraged to bring along wife, daughters, mother and sisters.

Since this is in the name of Deen, people consider it as Ibaadah (worship), something virtuous. ...One can gauge how serious the matter is. The person is not going to make Taubah for this. He is not going to consider the intermingling and the socializing as sinful, because the event is promoted as something meritorious and 'Halaal', and because the invitation is from people and organizations that are representing Deen, and whom it is expected, would know better as to what is Haraam and Halaal.

'What a kind of revolution! ... That Ummah which detested Haraam, which stayed far from that which is doubtful, now has no fear indulging in Haraam.'

Even if an 'Aalim is involved in such activities or endorsing such programmes and is seen at such venues, this does not make Haraam, Halaal. ...This is the weakness of that 'Aalim.

There are so many who are Deendaar (religious) and they know better than to attend such programmes; their hearts will give them the Fatwa: 'Don't go' – then why still go? ... Thereafter complaints are presented of the immodest dressing of the women, the intermingling of sexes, the disconcerting condition of the youth, etc. ... This is the trap of Shaytaan and Nafs! ... So the person is gazing at such strange women (or vice versa), engaging the

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Nafs in Haraam pleasure and destroying the heart with evil desires.

Those who have *Ta-alluk* with Deen and have *Ta-alluk* with the Mashaa`ik, must prove their piety and sincerity by restraining themselves from such Fitnah. The instruction and order of Shariah is:

### 'IT IS <u>NOT</u> PERMISSIBLE TO BE PRESENT IN A GATHERING WHERE ALLAH TA'ALA IS BEING DISOBEYED.'

Mullah Ali Qaari (Rahmatullahi 'alaih) has defined Hayaa (modesty) as:

"The Haqeeqat (reality) of Hayaa is that your Maula must not find you in that place which He has forbidden." ...Or indulging in that which He has forbidden.

Such events and functions bring one close to Zina (adultery). Allah Ta'ala says:

"And come not near to Zina. Verily it is a shameful and evil path" [Surah Al- Isra 17 : 32]

Such functions promote Zina of the eyes, whereas it is from the Commandments of Allah Ta'ala that we lower our gazes from looking at Ghair-Mahareem. Allah Ta'ala addresses both the believing men and believing women:

"Tell the believing men to lower their gaze (from looking at that which is Haraam) and to be modest ... ...And tell the believing women to lower their gaze (from looking at that which is forbidden) and to be modest and not to show off their beauty." [Surah Nur 24 : 29/ 30]

Young men have written to me and have mentioned quite explicitly that their intentions in frequenting such functions, fairs, souks and programmes is for no other purpose but to admire the women. Some have even mentioned deriving Haraam pleasure by deliberately touching those women in the crowd (*Na-uzu Billahi min zaalik*) – and if these are not our wives, then they are our daughters or mothers or sisters or nieces who are exposed to lustful glances and touching.

So when it is plainly evident that these programmes and fairs are against the Pleasure of Allah Ta'ala, we can stop ourselves and our families even if we cannot stop others.

### Rasulullah (Sallallaahu 'alayhi waSallam) said:

## "THE MOST BELOVED PLACES IN THE SIGHT OF ALLAH ARE THE MASAAJID, AND THE MOST DISLIKED PLACES IN THE SIGHT OF ALLAH ARE THE MARKETS (SOUKS)." (Sahih Muslim)

(End of the article by Hazrat Moulana Yunus Patel Rahmatullahi alaih.)

# Another Fatwa of Mufti Afzal Hoosen Elias Rahmatullahi alaih issued in 2016!

A question was asked on December 29, 2015 8:30 pm [the link to this page is https://www.alislam.co.za/answers-ajax/] as to whether it is permissible to attend the Souk. In this regard, Hazrat Mufti Elias Rahmatullahi alaih answered as follows:

**ANSWER:** Firstly, understand a few basic simple points.

1) It is permissible to go to the Bazaar to shop for necessities.

2) The Masaajids are the best places on earth whilst the Bazaars are the worst.

3) A Muslim must not go to places where open sinning is taking place.

4) We/I have tried to save them from their deviation from the right path for a few years now with no avail.

The 'Souk' is sending a completely wrong signal, that it is so called 'Islaamic'. But upon investigation it gets worse year by year.

Music, dancing, photography, videoing and all done under the guise of promoting Islaam.

Whilst songs with music are sung on stage, smoke bombs are unleashed, artists begin to strip, crowds are whistling, cheering and clapping.

Some activities of gender mixing ashamedly take place which is even worse than Kaafir bazaar which concentrates more on selling their merchandise than trying out various forms of immodesty/immorality.

### Can a Muslim attend?

The 'souk' is promoted by Radio Al Ansaar which openly promotes, Shiasm, Salafism, Bidat, modernism and Shirk. Thus by paying an entrance fee one will be supporting 'Baatil' without any shadow of a doubt.

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All reasons to justify this nefarious activities have absolutely no Shaari standing. Those who support are aiding sin, disobedience, transgression and immodesty 'in the name of Muslims!'		
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**seeing year after year the Souk is ending up in more sins!** To the contrary, the Souk organizers boast on their website in the following manner:

Souk. Alas! Their words had no effect on its organizers! And we are

"With almost 20 years of experience, the Al Ansaar Souk Trade Fair promises to be another spectacular event. The entry fee is only R15 per person and profits raised from this initiative are injected into the Al Ansaar Foundation and utilised for various operational activities and projects."

### THE CONCERN OF A MUSLIM! THE DEMAND OF IMAAN!

"As Salaamu Aliakum

Respected Hounorable Ulama

You are receiving this email as I feel you are the only credible organisations who can answer. Please assist with this. Yet again I am amazed by the doings of Al Ansaar.

Before Ramadaan I called Mr Joosub and had asked him as to what is going on with Al Ansaar as there is a lot of fitnah that goes on there in terms of all these shows that are being presented, Fairs that take place from time to time as well the encouragement of illicit relationships at these fairs. He swore me **"go do what F#\*# you want"** (*Highlighted by Custodians of the Haq for emphasis.*) For a Muslim to speak to anyone like that is disgraceful.

At present they have intermingling of sexes at the station which is forbidden in Islam. They have shows that have a mix of men and women. Is this permissible in Islam?

I need clarity on this neither does the Jamiat, Darul Ihsan or Radio Islam have these problems (*Perhaps you are unaware, but believe us, these things are happening even at Jamiat Fordsburg offices and at their Radio 'Islam' - Custodians of the Haq*). I am also aware that we have various Moulanas come on from Jamiat and Darul Ihsan etc. but what I fail to understand is that with all these haraam activities happening, how is this still possible for the Ulama to participate? Please advise me as I am very disturbed

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about all of this glaringly haraam activities. Forgive me for saying but this is like sitting on the fence situation.

There is music that is being played daily and Al Ansaar says that's ok. It doesn't have, but if you really think about it, artists like Milad Raza Qadri use musical instruments when singing. In the morning and evening is Hafiz Wadi whose doing the 'halaal' segments. He plays only Qiraat and speaks to Moulanas. Then comes the breakfast show with a male and female both ghair mahrams sitting in one studio laughing and flirting like over the air of Al Ansaar which is un-Islamic with all those music items.

"The presence of even Ulama or Muslim organizations at any event does not automatically render it permissible." Jamiatul Ulama KZN Is this station really portraying Islam as it should be? Is it because there are wealthy business people supporting this station therefore one cannot turn away from this? Please help me and the rest of the community understand what is this all about. The station does not respond to any queries. They say they will get back to you. Islamically they do not follow the fardz or the sunnah way of doing things.

When there was the problem about music and they had

a meeting they called a Mufti, and they lashed him about his comments.

They are promoting there "wonderful" Souk yet again. This is a money making scheme, promoting haraam activities, illicit relationships and intermingling of sexes and scantily dressed women with no modesty whatsoever.

Someone please help me understand this. I'm not here to make a problem but when issues need to be addressed one should be able to get answers. Jazakallaah!" (End of letter)

### **ANOTHER BROTHER'S LETTER TO THE SOUK ORGANIZERS:**

As Salamu alaikum

To the Al-Ansaar team

Please tell me, what is Al-Ansaar's Aqeedah? Al-Ansaar seems to fit in well with the South African concept of a *Rainbow Nation* when it comes to Aqeedah (belief)... difference is, the reality is that there is no such a thing as different colors of a 'Rainbow Islam', there is only one pure Deen!! All these different *squads* in the name of Deen are simply setting the *stage* for dajjaal. The real 'Al-Ansaar' were the Sahaabah رضي الله , the helpers of Deenul Islam, whose foundation was Al-Qur'an (Al-Ansar *Foundation* should therefore mean, the helpers of Islam *founded* upon the laws of Qur'an, ie, the Shari'ah)

The **Al-Ansaar** were the helpers of Ahmad-e-Mujtaba, Muhammad-e-Mustafa, Taajdaar-e-Madeenah, Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم - Compare those 'Ansaar' (helpers,

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ie.Sahaba (رضي الله عنهم) to the people of the Al-Ansaar Radio station & their affiliates/associates..... it's an insult to Sahabah and to Islam and a stab in the heart of the one Al-Ansaar claims to love. Can one ever imagine the Sahaabah and juving and behaving like hooligans and celebrating like the infidels, together with the Sahaabiyaat رضى الله عنهن, clapping, screaming.... na'oozu billah!!!! It's absurd to even begin to imagine. This is the pits! Really!! A pit from the pits of hell!

...makes me wonder if you guys are shia... only they hate Sahaba, they do filth and call it virtue. Al-Ansaar is **rolling** in the defecation of the devil with their introduction of *rock 'n roll*.... all in the name of Islam???!!!!

What Islam is this, anyone who believes in Allah Ta'ala and loves Muhammad عليه will see this as filth!! It is the kuffaar who hate the Shariah, it is they who promote the filth of haram and see it as a light. This is not the way of the believers. And if someone claims to be a believer, a Muslim, because of his name, his umrahs or whatever, but he believes that sin is virtue, that darkness is light, that filth is purity then he is just like the kaafir who believes such.

Does Al-Ansaar think that making the youth and the Ummah roll in filth will bring them out pure??

Your Prophet, Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم opposed the kuffaar even in Ibaadat, how is it that we choose to adopt their sin??!!! **Don't be so broad minded that your brain** falls out!!!

Does Al-Ansaar love the kuffaar and their ways over the way of Muhammad صلى الله and his companions (the Al-Ansaar included)??

Allah, The Pure, your Rabb says:

"Qul in kuntum tuhibboonallaha fattabi'oonee yuhbibkumullahu wa yaghfirlakum dhunoobakum. Wallahu ghafoorur Raheem"

Say (O Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم), 'If you love Allah, then follow me, Allah will love you and forgive your sins. And Allah is Most Forgiving, Most Merciful."

Be clear about your Aqeedah! Be like the name you've chosen for yourselves, the 'Al-Ansaar' (the helpers) of your Prophet and of Deenul Islam. Don't be helpers of the kuffaar, shaytaan and dajjaal. The ones you help are the ones you love... and if you believe in Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم as As-Saadiq, The Truthful, the he has said: "Al-Mar'u ma'a man ahabba" - A man will be (in Aakhirah) with whom he loved.

May Allah guide you and us, on the straight path, and forgive you and us and use you and us to be true *Al-Ansaar*. Aameen.

Was Salaam – A helper and lover of the true Ansaar

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# *Muslim Rappers – Deen Squad Angers Durban Islamic Community*

### THE REALITY OF THE DEEN SQUAD

Deen Squad are an influential Muslim duo from Ottawa, Canada. Together they combine the raw essence of the urban hip-hop genre with core tenets of spirituality and values in the effort to rouse appreciation of the contemporary Muslim identity in today's youth.

Karter Zaher shot to viral fame in 2015 as one-half of the rap duo Deen Squad, and the Lebanese-Canadian rapper's success has only increased since.

With the mission of promoting the positive values of Islam through his music, Zaher and his musical partner

### <u>The Fatwa of Nabi</u> <u>Sallallahu Alaihi</u> Wasallam on Music

Hadhrat Abu Hurairah (Radhiyallahu anhu) narrates that Rasulullah (Sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said: "Listening to music and singing is sinful. Sitting at such gatherings is fisq (immoral transgression). Deriving pleasure from it is kufr." (Nailul Autaar)

Jae Deen aim to build pride within the Muslim community while also challenging the misconceptions about the global religion.

Having launched his first music videos just a few years back, Zaher has definitely come a long way. With more than 1 million followers on Facebook, and having opened for Justin Bieber in Dubai, Zaher has built a global fan base.

The rapping Muslim duo made their appearance in Durban at the annual Souk festival as guests of Muslim community foundation, Al-Ansaar this weekend however their performance was frowned upon.

A group of what seems to be orthodox Muslims found the performance by Deen Squad to be 'shameful' with commentary below spewing hate at Al-Ansaar for bringing Deen Squad to the Souk Festival.

How could an 'Islamic' Organisation so prominent in our Muslim Community, so guiltlessly endeavour to facilitate the Corruption of so many Muslims!? – (*Comment by some brother / sister*)

### **BUT...THE SOUK ORGANIZERS PATCH UP THE MESS...**

# Following an outburst by Al-Ansaar audiences, a media statement has been circulating on Facebook:

We, the management of the Alansaar Foundation unreservedly apologise to the Muslim community for hosting the Deen Squad who performed at the Souk on Saturday.

Our expectations and engagement of the deen squad were based purely on international prominence and their reputation within wider audiences over the world. We fully acknowledge that the show was not in keeping with Islamic standards and ran

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counter to our expectations. We ask you, the community, for maaf (forgiveness) and above all beseech Allah to forgive us. We further extend our sincere apologies to the. stakeholders, sponsors and all participants in the Souk trade fair.

We further confirm that all further shows have been cancelled and the Deen Squad have departed.

**OUR COMMENT:** Remember, when the past proves un-Islamic behaviour, then do not be fooled by the apology letters and messages which are then circulated. These serve no Islamic apology besides damage control. Why in the first place did the organizers not do their homework, then when the mess is done, and the Ulama-e-Haq speak out, the organizers send out their apologies?

The examples of this nature are too many. Many a times, organizations peddling on Baatil, had such nasty experiences. In 2017, when a Haraam Marriage Conference was held in Gauteng, in which prominent Ulama of the Fordsburg Jamiat even hosted programs there in which total butchery of the Sacred and Integral Laws of Hijaab took place, a comedian ended up scoffing and mocking two great Sahaabah! Astaghfirullah! "Verily, singing generates hypocrisy in the heart just as water causes farm-produce to grow". (Baihqi)

Then in their damage control venture, the organizers and Ulama sent out apology letters etc. Remember, these letters hold NO Islamic credentials. They are scrap pieces of paper worth to be thrown into the bins.

Our question to such events in which Islam is demolished, why did the organizers and Ulama in the first place allow those individuals or groups to 'perform'? Why didn't they do their 'homework' first to see the background of those individuals?

Another recent example is the Haraam 'Halaal' certified pork which we commonly witness in supermarkets. In their damage control apology messages the Halaal Authorities circulate, among the things they state is that this was a mistake, or labelling error etc. We ask the community, then how can we trust such organizations whose work it is to ensure we eat Halaal and Tayyib meat, when their management in the wrapping, labelling and packing has so many defects?

Truly, we do not encourage concerned Muslim to follow such organizations, Ulama, Halaal authorities, Radio stations, Souks etc. who don't enforce Islamic Laws in their works and surroundings.

Ulama who appear on TV stations and camouflage their sin in the name of 'Islamic channel / TV' are in the same boat. They can never be true, proper and genuine upholders of the Shariah when they openly commit Haraam and sins and justify it in 'Islamic' attire. May Allah Ta'ala protect us from such evils, Aameen.

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