

## **Belief in Qadha and Qadar**

### **1. State the belief in Allah's *Qadha* and *Qadar***

- i. This is the sixth article of faith in Islam.
- ii. Al Qadar means the judgment passed by Allah over any particular thing.
- iii. Al-Qadha means nothing can happen in the world without the will of Allah.

### **2. Discuss the Islamic teaching about Qadha (predetermination) and Qadar (pre-judgment)**

- i. Allah and His prophet (saw) have told us everything that is required to us within the capacity of human understanding and all that is necessary for this world and the next world.
- ii. Islam tells to accept the reality of Allah`s Qadar and Qadha and belief that we are accountable of our doing on the day of judgment
- iii. The responsibility of our deeds rest on us, and not on Allah. Man has a power of freedom to decide and choose.
- iv. Everyone is accountable to Allah according to his God-given abilities.
- v. The ultimate choice for choosing the right path or going astray essentially rests with man.
- vi. The wish of a man to change himself for the better and the will has to come from man himself,

### **3. Describe the Jabariyya (Determine school)**

- i. This school argued that since every event has been pre-determined by Allah; hence there is no room for man to change its course. If he was doomed to hell, he would taste fire and if he was stated/decided to enter paradise, he would enjoy its benefits.
- ii. Such man should not be held responsible for his actions as is merely carrying out what is ordained for him.

### **4. Describe the Qadarites (Qadiriyya) or free will school**

- i. This school argued that man endowed with free will to do good or bad and he does that for his own self.

- ii. A man who repents and makes amends to his life in the path of Allah will be rewarded while one who is unrepentant and obstinate will face His displeasure.

5. **Mention the purpose of belief in *Qadha* and *Qadar***

- i. Is to produce in man contentment, devotion and trust in Allah.
- ii. To keep man steadfast on the path of truth, righteousness and piety.
- iii. To enable him to endure even the greatest hardships for the sake of Allah.
- iv. To condition him not to fear anyone but God
- v. To teach him not to hope for an atom of benefit from anyone save Allah.
- vi. To accustom him not to lose courage in want and for lack of means and resources
- vii. To encourage him not to give up in failures of life
- viii. Make a really believer in only one God

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