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CLARIFICATION/[REDACTED]

By Madrasah Taleemuddeen

A well - known Aalim of Pakistan visited the Madrasah on Monday 26 January 2026 shortly before Zuhr. After Zuhr he delivered a short impromptu address, which was for 5-10 mins, which actually happened on the spur of the moment to the students of the Madrasah.

Subsequently messages have been circulating that the Madrasah has changed its stance on the issue of photography since the Aalim who gave the address is very popular on YouTube. In this regard the following should be noted:

Firstly, the Madrasah has **NOT changed its stance** on all forms of photography of animate objects, including digital photography. In light of the many clear Ahadith that prohibit picture-making, all forms of picture-making and photography of animate objects is Haraam.

Secondly, the Principal of the Madrasah was not aware that the Aalim appears on YouTube and hence allowed the spur of the moment, impromptu address.

The Madrasah wishes to reiterate its stance of clear prohibition of ALL photography of animate objects, including digital photography.

Furthermore, Hazrat Mufti Ahmed Khanpuri Saheb (hafizahullah) has made several very clear statements and declarations on the issue (attached herewith). Hazrat also revokes the Ijazah of Hadith of anyone who is involved in this action. **The Madrasah also echoes the same declaration and sentiments, and, accordingly, revokes permission to narrate ḥadīth from those engaged in this action.**

May Allah Ta'ala guide us all to His obedience at all times.

Taleemuddeen Senior Asaatizah		Sign
1	MUFTI EBRAHIM SALAJEE	
2	MOULANA ILYAS PATEL	
3	MOULANA HOUSEN SALEJEE	
4	MOULANA ABDUL QADIR VAWDA	



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5	MULANA M HOUSEN SALEJEE	
6	MUFTI ZAKARIA MAKADA	
7	MOULANA ZAHEER KARIM	
8	QARI DAWOOD RANDERA	
9	MOULANA YAHYA JEEWA	
10	MOULANA AHMAD PARUK	
11	MUFTI YUSUF MULLA	
12	MOULANA ZAKARIYA MOTALA	
13	MOULANA EBRAHIM SALAJEE	
14	MOULANA ISMAIL BAYAT	

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PHOTOGRAPHY

On 16 Rajab 1446 AH / 16 January 2025, Mufti Ahmed Khanpuri hafizahullāh—a very senior student of Hazrat Mufti Mahmood Şaheb rahimahullah—issued an important announcement. He clearly stated that any Aalim or student who takes photographs or records videos will not be granted ijazah (permission) to narrate ḥadith from him.

He also emphasized the necessity of refraining from this widespread moral crime—one for which people feel neither regret nor remorse, and therefore make no tawbah. He explained that matters have deteriorated to such detestable levels that people now even pose while performing ṭawaaf, displaying it to the world while claiming they are making ṭawaaf for Allah Ta'ala. In this manner, the moral fabric of society has been severely damaged on all occasions.

On another occasion, he warned:

"No one should dare take any photograph. If someone has taken my picture, then tomorrow, on the Day of Qiyamah, on the plains of resurrection, I will seize that person and I will never forgive him. Rather, I will appeal to Allah Ta'ala to implement justice. Therefore, do not even think of taking a picture."

(<https://ummatti.co.za/audio-114-mufti-ahmad-khanpuri-saheb-severe-warning-to-the-animate-photographers/>)

Hazrat Abu Juhaifah (radiyallahu anhu) reports that Sayyiduna Rasulallah (Sallallahu Alaihi wasallam) cursed... the consumer of interest, the one giving interest, as well as the picture maker.

(Bukhari, 5/2223)



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