

Ridiculous Fatwa

I wonder why our Ulema (Scholars) issue Fatwas, which seem ridiculous. For example:

- 1> 300 years ago, when clocks and watches were invented; use of those devices for prayer times was not allowed per Fatwas of Ulema'.
- 2> 150 years ago, translating Quraan in any other language was considered a taboo, and was not allowed per Fatwas by Ulema of that time.
- 3> 100 years ago, in India, calculated Prayer Times were not acceptable per Fatwas by Ulema of that time.
- 4> 60 years ago, loud speakers use for Prayers was considered Haraam, per Fatwas by Ulema in Indo-Pak.
- 5> 50 years ago, taking picture for ID or passports was considered Haraam, per Fatwas by Ulema in Indo-Pak.
- 6> Telephone first introduced to King Faisal in Saudi Arabia was announced Haraam due to human voice, and later accepted as Halaal due to listening Recitation of the Quraan through it for demonstration.
- 7> Vote to elect a candidate in election were initially declared Haraam and later accepted.
- 8> Around 573 years ago in 1440 printing the Quraan in printing press was not allowed and around 250 years later were accepted.
- 9> Blood donation initially declared Haraam and later after several decades accepted Halaal to save a life.
- 10> When airplane was first invented our outdated religious scholars denied and later accepted.
- 11> When Sir Syed Ahmed Khan in India in 18 century asked Muslims to learn English and started Alighar School, outdated Religious Scholars declared him as Kafir and later he was accepted as Mujaddid of that time by other fellow Muslims.
- 12> Man has gone to the moon, walked on it, spoke to us from there, yet our Ulema refuse to seriously consider using modern technology for the unity of the Ummah.
- 13> Why Eid Moon cannot be calculated while Sea travelers can since long time until the arrival of GPS.
- 14> For the last 30 years, Ulema do not accept moon-sighting by telescope/Satellites etc. Would it take another few decades to accept that???

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