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CLARIFICATION/RETRACTION

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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.

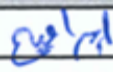
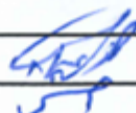

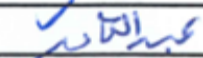
Secondly, the Principal of the Madrasah was not aware that the Aalim appears on YouTube and hence allowed the spur of the moment, impromptu address.

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.

THE MADRESSAH REVOKES PERMISSION TO NARRATE AHAADITH FROM ANY STUDENT WHO ENGAGES IN SUCH HARAAM

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

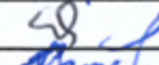

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PHOTOGRAPHY

On 16 Rajab 1446 AH / 16 January 2025, Mufti Ahmed Khanpuri ḥafīzahullāh—a very senior student of Hazrat Mufti Mahmood Ṣaḥeb 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 ḥadīth 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://ummati.co.za/audio-114-mufti-ahmad-khanpuri-saheb-severe-warning-to-the-animate-photographers/>)

Ḥazrat Abu Juḥaifah (raḍiyallahu anhu) reports that Sayyiduna Rasūlullah (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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Question:

Will there be any concession if the Aalim mentioned above is Moulana Fadhlur Rehman Saheb of Pakistan, who is a senior Aalim?

Answer:

The Shariah applies to all. Rasūlullah Sallallahu Alaihi wa Sallam did not make any exemption thus who are we to alter the Shariah. What applies to one, applies to all. It is a great injustice to think otherwise.

This is taught to us by Rasūlullah Sallallahu Alaihi wa Sallam:

“By Allah, if Fatimah the daughter of Muhammad were to steal, I would cut off her hand.”

(One of the narrators) Muhammad bin Rūmḥ Rahmatullahi alaihi said: *“I heard Laith bin Sa'd Rahmatullahi alaihi say: 'Allah(Ta'ala) protected her (Fatimah) from stealing, and every Muslim should say this.'”* (Ibn Majah 2547)

AN INTELLECTUAL DISCUSSION WITH MUFTI MAHMOOD GANGOHI RAHMATULLAHI ALAIHI

Faqeehul Ummah, Hadhrat Mufti Mahmood Gangohi Rahmatullahi Alaihi states:

“A person sought permission to take a photograph of me. I did not permit him and told him that photography is impermissible. This person responded saying,

Person: The impermissibility is with regards to Idols.

Mufti Saheb: Hadhrat A'isha Radhiyallu Anha had hung a curtain with pictures on it in her apartment. On seeing it, Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam tore it and said that the people to be inflicted with the worst punishment will be those who draw pictures (Bukhaari Shareef, vol 2, Pg 880)

In this incident, there were no Idols, yet Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam tore the curtain with pictures and expressed his displeasure.

Person: This is only a reflection, similar to a person's image reflected in water. one does not play any role in it.

Mufti Saheb: Man does play a role in it, for the simple reason, that the camera does not capture the picture out of its own accord. The entire process is commenced by man's action. Then man also completes the developing of the photo as well.

Malfoozaat Of Faqeehul Ummah, Vol 1 , pg 210