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The status of the Muhtamim (Manager) and Contribution Collectors of Madarsa♦

It is a fact that the amount under *Zakat* collected by the Madaris is not spent immediately. Some times the money remains unspent for a long period. It creates the question whether the duty to pay *Zakat* has been done? The Fiqh Academy has therefore, in the light of the responses to the questionnaire issued on the subject has adopted the following proposals.

In the matter of collection of *Zakat*, the Muhtamim or his assistant (collector of the *Zakat*) is the agent of the students. If *Zakat* is paid to a Muhtamim or his assistant, it would be deemed as having been paid. It is incumbent on the Muhtamim of a Madarsa to ensure that the *Zakat* amount is spent on the students in accordance with rules of the Shariah.

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