

Starting Point of Journey ♦

- 26.1 If a person sets out on a journey to go to a certain place in the town, he may cover any remote distance but if he intends to remain within the limits of the town he will not be counted a way farer. He will therefore, not be entitled to avail the relief that relates to the travel distance under the Shariah.
- 26.2 One who leaves his home to go out of the town with an intent to travel and to offer shortened (Qasr) prayers, he will be treated a traveler and allowed to offer shortened prayers and not to observe the fast as laid down by the Shariah.
- 26.3 In the smaller town the travel distances as per the Shariah norms..... Would be counted from the point the town limits end ie if 48 miles are covered from this point then he will be treated as a way farer.
- 26.4 In the larger towns where habitations cover miles together from which point the distance of travel under the Shariah would be counted? There are two points of view on this issue. Most of the scholars are of the opinion that the distance of 48 miles will be counted from the *Muhalla* (locality) one sets out on his journey. There is consensus on the point that shortened prayer (*Qasr*) will be offered only when one goes out beyond the town limits and while returning the shortened prayers will be offered till the traveler is still and side the town limits.