

Duaas to be read at Gusl time.

## The Talqeen

TALQEEN is to remind the dying person of the two SHAHADATS, (i.e. Ash hadu alla ilaha illall-lahu wa ash hadu anna Muhammadan abduhu wa Rasuluh). When the end nears the dying person's breath quickens, the knees become so weak that they cannot move, the nose becomes bent and the temples subside. By these signs understand that the person is nearing the end.

The Talqeen should be read before the dying person takes his last breaths. The Muhtadar must NOT be asked or ORDERED to read the Kalimah, but must be helped to recall it. This can easily be done by reciting the Kalimah aloud while being present in the room. Once the departing person utters, the Kalimah all who are present should remain SILENT. The dying person should NOT be drawn into any WORLDLY discussions, but if he discusses any worldly affair, then the Talqeen should be repeated. After the Muhtadar passes away, his mouth should be kept CLOSED by fastening a piece of Paak material around his chin and over his head, his eyes should also be closed. Both feet should be tied together with a similar piece of cloth, and the body covered with a Paak sheet

The one who does this should read: -

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ وَعَلَىٰ مِلَّةِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ

*In the name of Allah and on the creed, religion and faith of Rasulullah.*

He may further read: -

اللَّهُمَّ يَسِّرْ عَلَيْهِ أَمْرَهُ وَسَهِّلْ عَلَيْهِ مَا بَعْدَهُ وَأَسْعِدْهُ  
بِلِقَائِكَ وَأَجْعَلْ مِمَّا خَرَجَ إِلَيْهِ خَيْرًا مِمَّا خَرَجَ عَنْهُ

*O Allah! Ease upon him his matters and make light for him whatever comes hereafter and honour him with Your meeting and make that which he has gone to better than that which he came out from.*

N.B. It is MAKROOH (disliked) to recite the Holy Quraan near the deceased person's body during the period between DEATH and the GHUSL.

All the individuals of the deceased's family may read: -

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِي وَلَهُ وَأَعْقِبْنِي مِنْهُ عُقْبًا حَسَنًا

*O Allah! Forgive me and him and grant me a good reward after him.*

And those who are grieved by this demise may read:-

إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

*To Allah do we belong and to shall we return.*

اللَّهُمَّ أَجِرْنِي فِي مُصِيبَتِي وَأَخْلِفْ لِي خَيْرًا مِنْهَا

*O Allah! Reward me in my affliction and requite me with (something) better than this.*