

Abusing the names of Ulama for Money

The Jamiat has recently received complaints about a number of individuals who use the names of senior Ulama as tools for getting into the pockets of the Muslim community. Unscrupulous individuals use the names of senior Ulama when introducing investment schemes claiming their close relationship to these Ulama as well fraudulently stating the endorsement of these Ulama for their products.

A similar ruse is employed by certain collectors of public funds. A collector will visit a senior Aalim and give him the details of the good work he wishes to do, requesting for guidance and Duas. At the end of the conversation he will ask, "Hazrat, for Barkat sake, I want you to make the first contribution, just a small amount." So the Aalim will give a contribution which the collector will receipt. This person will then go around telling donors that this Aalim has endorsed my project and as a proof will show that the first contribution was made by the said Aalim.

The Jamiat urges the community to be circumspect and cautious when donating funds and in their financial matters.



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