

RAJAB

Rajab, being the seventh month of the Islamic calendar is a stepping stone to the auspicious months of Sha'baan and Ramadaan. Rajab is from the Ashurul Hurum (Sacred months), where the rewards of virtuous deeds are increased. On the commencement of the month of Rajab, Rasulullah ﷺ would recite the following Dua:

اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ لَنَا فِي رَجَبٍ وَشَعْبَانَ
وَبَلِّغْنَا رَمَضَانَ

“Allahumma baarik lanaa fee Rajabin wa Sha'baana wa ballighnaa Ramadaan.”

“Oh Allah! grant us blessings in the month of Rajab and Shabaan, and make us reach the month of Ramadaan.” *(Shu'abul-Imaan)*

This *Dua* should be recited regularly at the advent of the month of Rajab. In preparation for Ramadhaan, the relevance of Rajab maybe understood as the month to sow seeds (good actions), Sha'baan is the month in which we should water those seeds (with tears of remorse) and Ramadaan is the month in which we reap the harvest.

May Allah Ta'ala bless us with witnessing Ramadaan and grant us the ability to spend it in a manner that is most pleasing to Him, *Ameen*.

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