

# Waste Not, Want Not

Iftaar is the time that the fasting person enthusiastically awaits. Indeed, Rasulullah ﷺ has stated, **“For the fasting person there are two moments of joy; the joy of Iftaar and the joy at the meeting of his Rabb.”** (Bukhari)

As a natural consequence of this, the dastarkhan for Iftaar is well-laden in many Masjids. What has unfortunately been noticed in some Masjids, is that unfinished food is wrapped up in the dastarkhan and thrown away. This wastage must end.

On a personal level, each person should ensure that whatever he brings should be consumed and the extra should be taken home or given away. The Masjid should appoint responsible brothers to ensure that whatever is donated towards the Iftaar and not eaten is gathered and distributed to the poor.

This is part of the gratitude that is due to Allah for the food that he provides. **“If you are grateful, I will certainly give you more.”** (Quran)

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