

AQEEQAH AND QURBANI

A misconception that has taken root in society is that Aqeeqah takes preference over Qurbani.

It is vital to note that Qurbani is a Wajib (compulsory) act whilst Aqeeqah is a Mustahab (optional) act.

A Wajib form of Ibadah will always take precedence over a Mustahab. By a person possessing the Zakaat Nisaab amount during the days of Eidul Adha i.e. 10, 11, 12 of Zul Hijjah, Qurbani becomes Wajib upon him.

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A person will not be sinful for omitting a Mustahab act but will be sinful for omitting a Wajib act. Thus Qurbani must be given preference over Aqeeqah.

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