Criticising the Ambiyss alayhissalaam. and the Sahabsh RADI. in the Light of the Qur,aan the Ahadeeth and the Words of the Pious Predecessors

This Fatwa has also been published as a separate booklet by Suhayb Brothers in Agra. The manager of the publishing house Hadhrat Moulana Mufti Abdul Quddoos Roomi added a few valuable points at the beginning of the booklet. Which have been cited here for your benefit. The author of this booklet is Moulana Haji Mufti Sayyid Abdur Raheem Lajpori Randeri, who is the Mufti of Gujarat. He is an abstinent and pious saint who is well renowned in the scholarly circles. In his writing of Fataawaa, Hadhrat Moulana is unique in the manner in which he replies in a most satisfying and comprehensive manner. He has again displayed this manner in thhis booklet (which is actually a reply to a query). The question put to Hadhrat Mufti Sahib was: "What is wrong with the beliefs of Maududi Sahib? Are his services to Deen and reformation acceptable or not? What is the ruling on praising him and his works?"

In his reply to the above query, Hadhrat Mufti Sahib quoted from the literature of Maududi Sahib to prove the following:

- 1. Maududi Sahib's literature contain a substantial amount of content that damages and taints the honour and dignity of the Ambiyaa alayhissalaam. And the Sahabah RADI. This leaves no doubt that Maududi Sahib did actually defame and criticise the Ambiyaa alayhissalaam. and the Sahabah RADI. in his works.
- 2. After proving this, the next step was to state the ruling of the Shari'ah in This regard. In the light of the Qur'aan, the Ahadeeth and the words of the pious predecessors, Hadhrat Mufti Sahib proceeds to prove with great clarity that criticising the Ambiyaa alayhissalaam. and sahabah RADI. is Haraam and totally impermissible. In fact, in certain instances, there exists a of ear of kufr. The person who does this therefore becomes a Faasiq.
- 3. The next question is that since Maududi Sahib has been defined as a Faasiq, will it be permissible to praise him? Again from the light of the Qur'aan, the Ahadeeth and the words of the pious predecessors, Hadhrat mufti Sahib explains that it is forbidden to praise a Faasiq.

After these three stages in the discussion, the status of praising Maududi sahib becomes self evident and no further clarification is necessary.

The proofs Hadhrat Mufti Sahib uses and the replies he gives are so sound And concrete that it

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