Question 517) - What is Hajj linguistically and Islaamically?

A: Linguistically it is an intention to do something which is honoured. In Shari'ah is it the visiting of specified places at specified times with specified actions. We shall explain all these in detail InshaAllaah.*

*The special place is the Ka'bah and the Plains of 'Arafat. The special time is the times specified for Tawaf, staying at 'Arafat. The special acts are Ihram with then intention of Hajj which should be made before the Tawaf and 'Arafat.

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