Slaughtering Animals as Sadaqah During times of Drought

Q: Imaan-110: Because there has been no rain in our village, the locals have embarked on a collection to purchase grains and goats to distribute amongst the poor. Can these grains and meat be given to non-Muslims?

Answer: It is incorrect to start collections during such times and to then think that it is compulsory to distribute the meat. Each person may donate in the name of Allaah whatever he can afford. The tradition of slaughtering goats is wrong. Optional Sadaqah may be given to no-Muslims as well. And Allaah knows best what is most correct.

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