

## Borrowing (money)for An-Naṣeeka

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

**Question:** Is it religiously permissible to borrow (money) for the An-Naṣeeka<sup>1</sup>? And may Allaah reward you.

**Shaykh Aboo `Abd-al-Mu`iz `Alee Ferkous al-Qoobee:** All praise is due to Allaah, the Lord of the Worlds. Peace and blessing be upon whom Allaah sent as a mercy to the Worlds, upon his Family, his Companions and his Brothers till the Day of Resurrection:

The matter depends on whether the father (of the baby) is able to pay back the debt first. So, if he is able to pay back the debt, then it is recommended that he borrows (money) for Al-`Aqeeqa<sup>2</sup>, because redeems the bond of the baby and it is of an extreme benefit for him including invoking Allaah for him. Likewise, he benefits from being present at the rites [of pilgrimage] and assuming Ihraam<sup>3</sup> instead of him, and suchlike benefits that were fully detailed by Shaykh Al-Islam Ibn Al-Qayyim رحمه الله تعالى in "Tuhfat Al-Mawdood"<sup>4</sup>.

The perfect knowledge belongs to Allaah عزَّ وجلَّ. Our last prayer is all praise is due to Allaah, the Lord of the Worlds. Peace and blessing be upon our Prophet, his Family, his Companions and Brothers till the Day of Resurrection.

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<sup>1</sup> Al-`Aqeeqa and An-Naṣeeka are synonyms. Translator's note.

<sup>2</sup> See: "Al-Insaaf" by Al-Maardaawee (4/101).

<sup>3</sup> Ihraam: the state in which one is prohibited from doing particular things which are lawful at other times. 'Umrah and Hajj are performed in such a state. Translator's note.

<sup>4</sup> See: "Tuhfat Al-Mawdood Bi Ahkaam Al-Mawlood" by Ibn Qayyim Al-Jawziyyah (11/38).