

Rabi-ul-Awwal

رَبِيعُ الْأَوَّلِ

Rabi-ul-Awwal is the third month of the Islamic calendar. The month is named as the first (Awwal) month of Spring (Rabi), in which it would rain and flower buds would blossom. It was this month in which the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, was born and the month in which he departed 63 years later. This is also the month of Hijrat from which the Islamic calendar takes its name.

Illustration: Madina, the city of the Prophet ﷺ

January 2013

صَفَرٌ / رَبِيعُ الْأَوَّلِ ١٤٣٣



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February 2013

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Lunar calendar is subject to appearance of the moon



Rabi-ul-Thani

ربيع الثاني

Rabi-ul-Thani is the fourth month of the Islamic calendar. The month is named as the second (Thani) month of Spring (Rabi), in which fruits would ripen and the crops would be ready for harvest.

Illustration: Desert crops and palm trees in spring, nearing the time of harvest

February 2013

ربيع الأول / ربيع الثاني ١٤٣٣



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Jamadu al-'Ula /
Jamadal Awal

جُمَادَى الْأُولَى

Jamadu al-'Ula, the fifth month of the Islamic calendar, is named for the change in season as the first ('Ula) month of winter in which the sources of water got frozen. This was a month of both joy and loss for the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ prior to Prophethood, as he married Bibi Khatija (R.A) in this month and lost his grandfather Abdul Muttalib in this month.

Illustration: A caravan collecting water from a partially frozen oasis

March 2013

ربيع الثاني / جُمَادَى الْأُولَى ١٤٣٣



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April 2013

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Jamad-al Aakhira

جُمَادَى الْآخِرَةَ

Jamadal Aakhira is the sixth month of the Hijri calendar. The word "Jumada" is derived from the word "Jumood" meaning "to freeze". This is the second of the two months in which water used to freeze at the time when these months were named.

Illustration: A river in an Arab winter

April 2013

جُمَادَى الْآخِرَةَ / جُمَادَى الْأُولَى ١٤٣٣



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Rajab /
Rajab-ul-Fard

رَجَبٌ

The lexical definition of Rajab is "to respect". The Arabs regarded the month of Rajab, the seventh month of the Islamic calendar, as one of the sacred months in which they would refrain from trading and fighting. The word 'Fard' means alone, because unlike the other three sacred months for Muslims which are consecutive, this sacred month comes alone. It is generally believed that the event of Me'raj, that is the ascension of the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ to the heavens, took place on a night in the end of Rajab

Illustration: Al-Aqsa Mosque, Jerusalem - the place from where the journey of Me'raj began

May 2013

جُمَادَى الْآخِرَةَ / رَجَبٌ ١٤٣٢



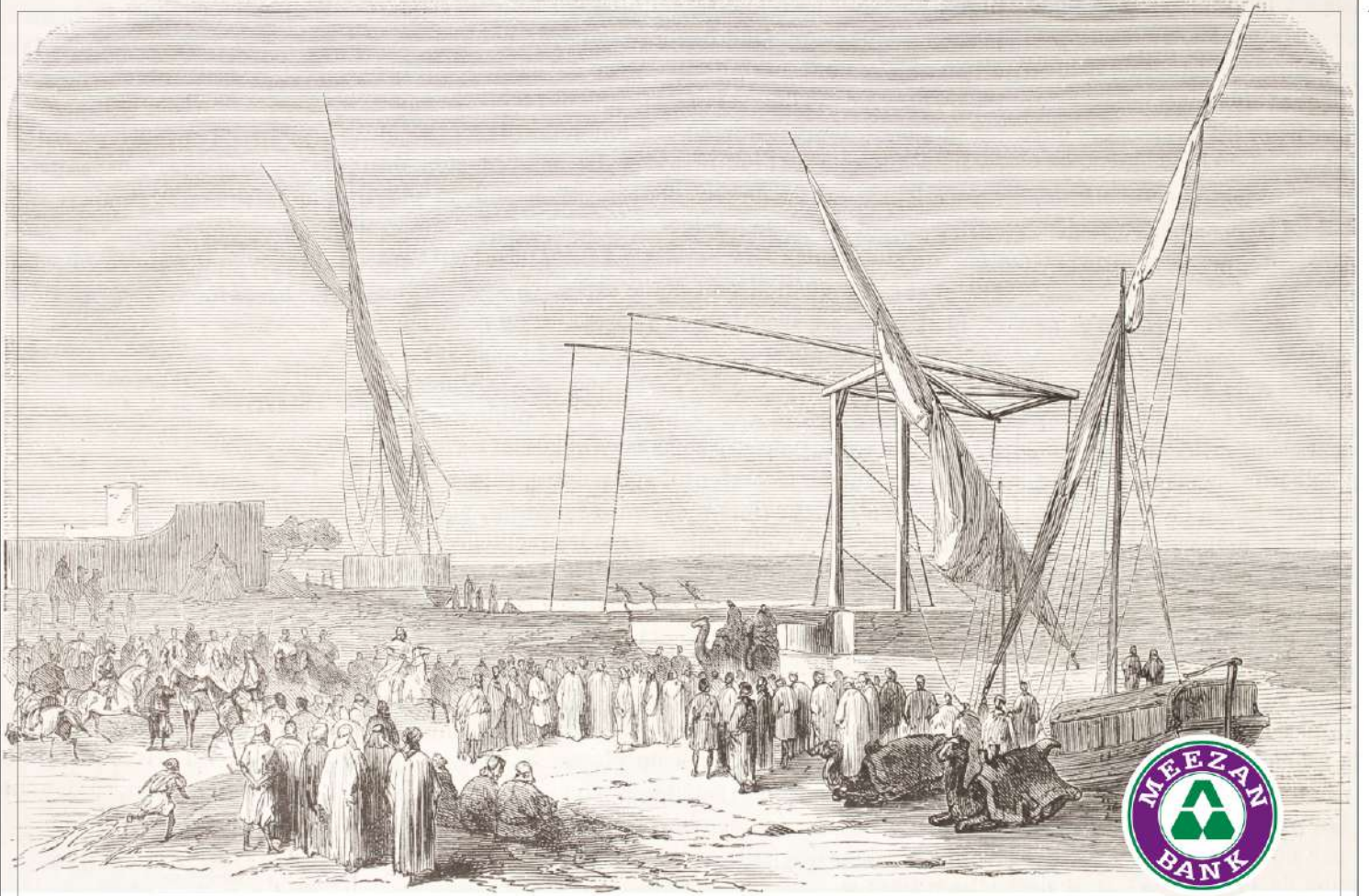
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June 2013

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Sha'ban

شَعْبَانَ

Shaban is the eighth month of the Islamic calendar. The Arabic word 'Sha`ban' is derived from the word 'tash`aba', which means to divide into groups and disperse into different directions. Traditionally the Arabs would leave their land and travel in this month. This is the month in which the Ka'aba was established as Qibla for the Muslims

Illustration: Arabs setting out to travel as was their tradition in the month of Sha'ban

June 2013

رَجَبٌ / شَعْبَانَ ١٤٣٢



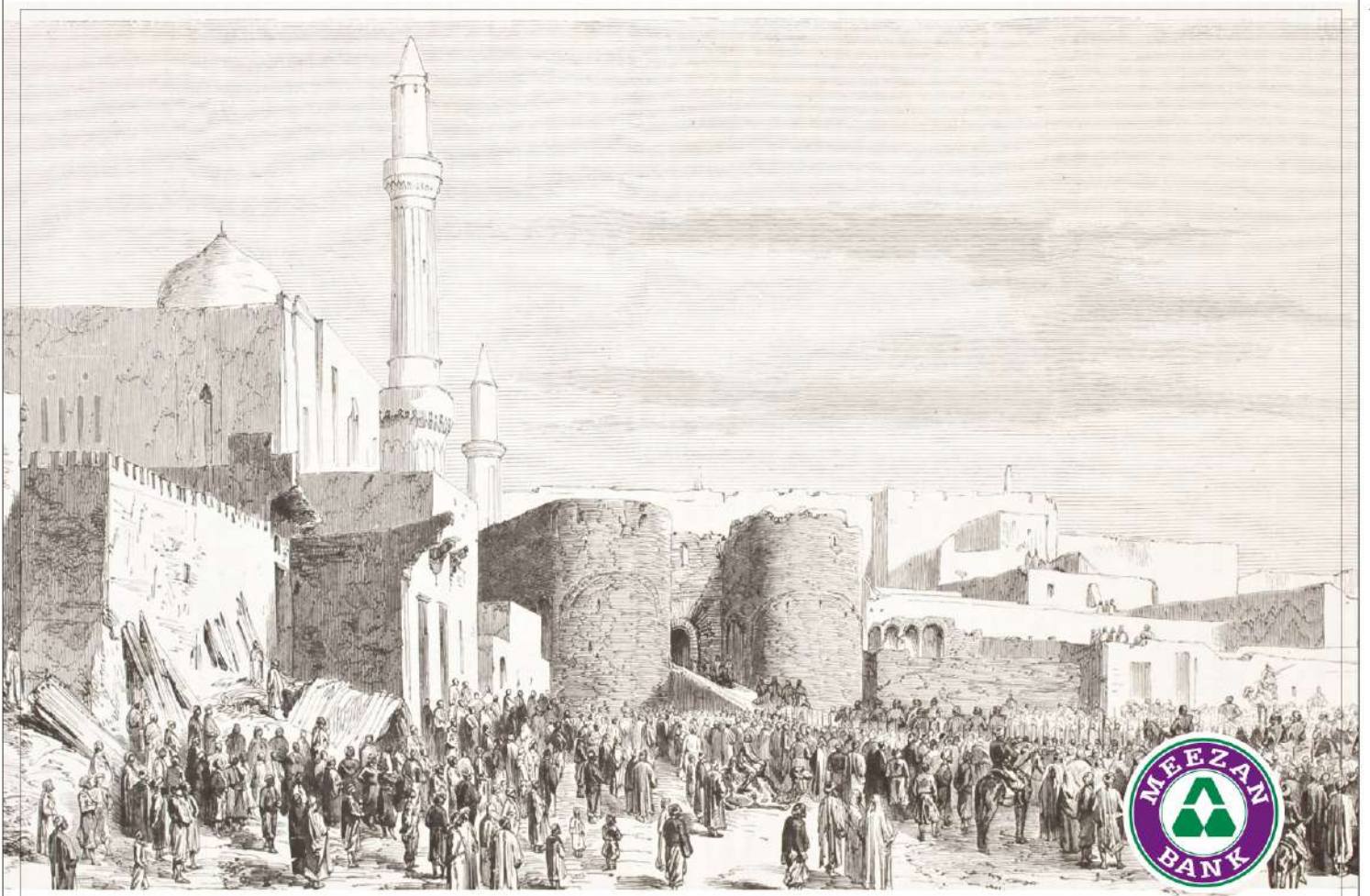
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July 2013

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Ramadan

رَمَضَانَ

The name Ramadan, the ninth month of the Islamic calendar is derived from the word 'Ar-ramda' which refers to extreme heat as the month used to coincide with the climate of extreme heat in the Arab Peninsula. Allah ﷻ has ordered Muslims to fast in this month and has gifted them with the night of Shab-e-Qadr.

"The month of Ramadan is the one in which the Quran was revealed as guidance for mankind, and as clear signs that show the right way and distinguish between right and wrong. So those of you who witness the month shall fast in it..."
(Verse 185, Surah Al-Baqarah)

Illustration: Muslims heading towards the city mosque for Prayers

July 2013

شَعْبَانَ / رَمَضَانَ ١٤٣٤



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August 2013

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Shawwal

شَوَّالٌ

The name of the tenth month of the Islamic calendar, 'Shawwal' is derived from the Arabic word 'tashawwala', which refers to the scarcity in she-camels' milk, as it used to be the time for camel breeding. Prior to Islam this month was traditionally considered a month of doom and despair by the Arabs, but contrary to their superstitions, Allah ﷻ revealed this to be the first of three consecutive sacred months. This month begins with the celebration and blessings of Eid-ul-Fitr.

Illustration: Arabs tending to their camels

August 2013

رَمَضَانَ / شَوَّالَ ١٤٣٤



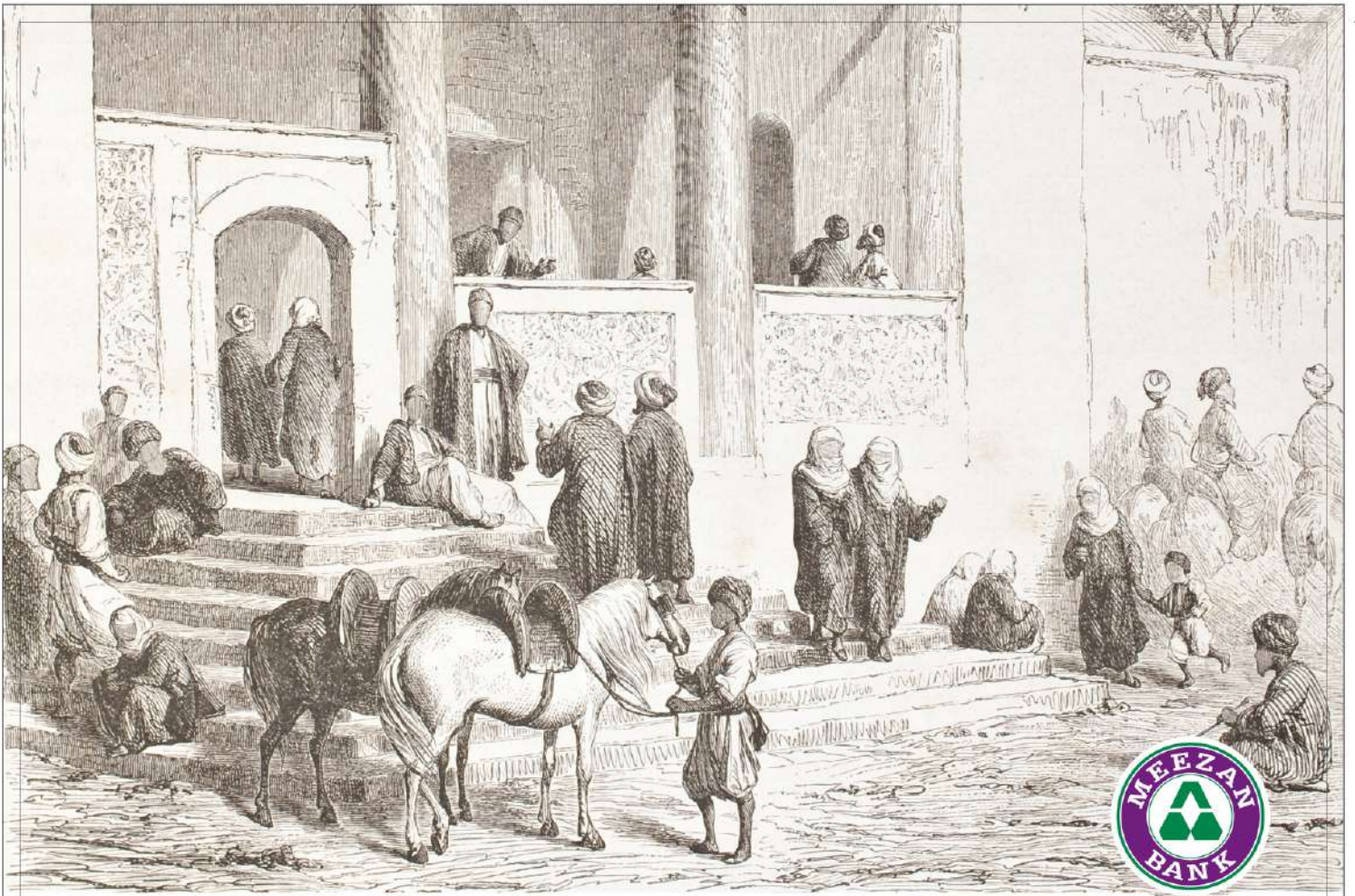
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September 2013

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Dhul-Qa'dah

ذُو الْقَعْدَةِ

The name Dhul-Qa'dah comes from the word "qa'ada" which means to sit. The Arabs would stop their business activities to sit and prepare for the next month's religious pilgrimage to Makkah, the hajj. Dhul-Qa'dah is the eleventh month of the Islamic calendar and is the second consecutive month of the four sacred months for Muslims.

Illustration: People resting and preparing for the Hajj

September 2013

سَهَوَال / ذُو الْقَعْدَةِ ١٤٣٤



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October 2013

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23 ^{٢٣}	24 ^{٢٤}	25 ^{٢٥}	26 ^{٢٦}	27 ^{٢٧}	28 ^{٢٨}	29 ^{٢٩}

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Dhul-Hijjah

ذُو الْحِجَّةِ

The name of Dhul-Hijjah comes from the word Hajj or pilgrimage which the Arabs would make to Makkah even before Islam. For Muslims, Dhul-Hijjah this is the last of the three consecutive sacred months and the last month of the calendar year. It was in this month in which Allah ﷻ revealed the following Ayat:

"...This day those who disbelieve have despaired of [defeating] your religion; so fear them not, but fear Me. This day I have perfected for you your religion and completed My favor upon you and have approved for you Islam as religion..." (Verse 3 - Surah Al-Maidah)

Illustration: Masjid-al-Haram in Makkah

October 2013

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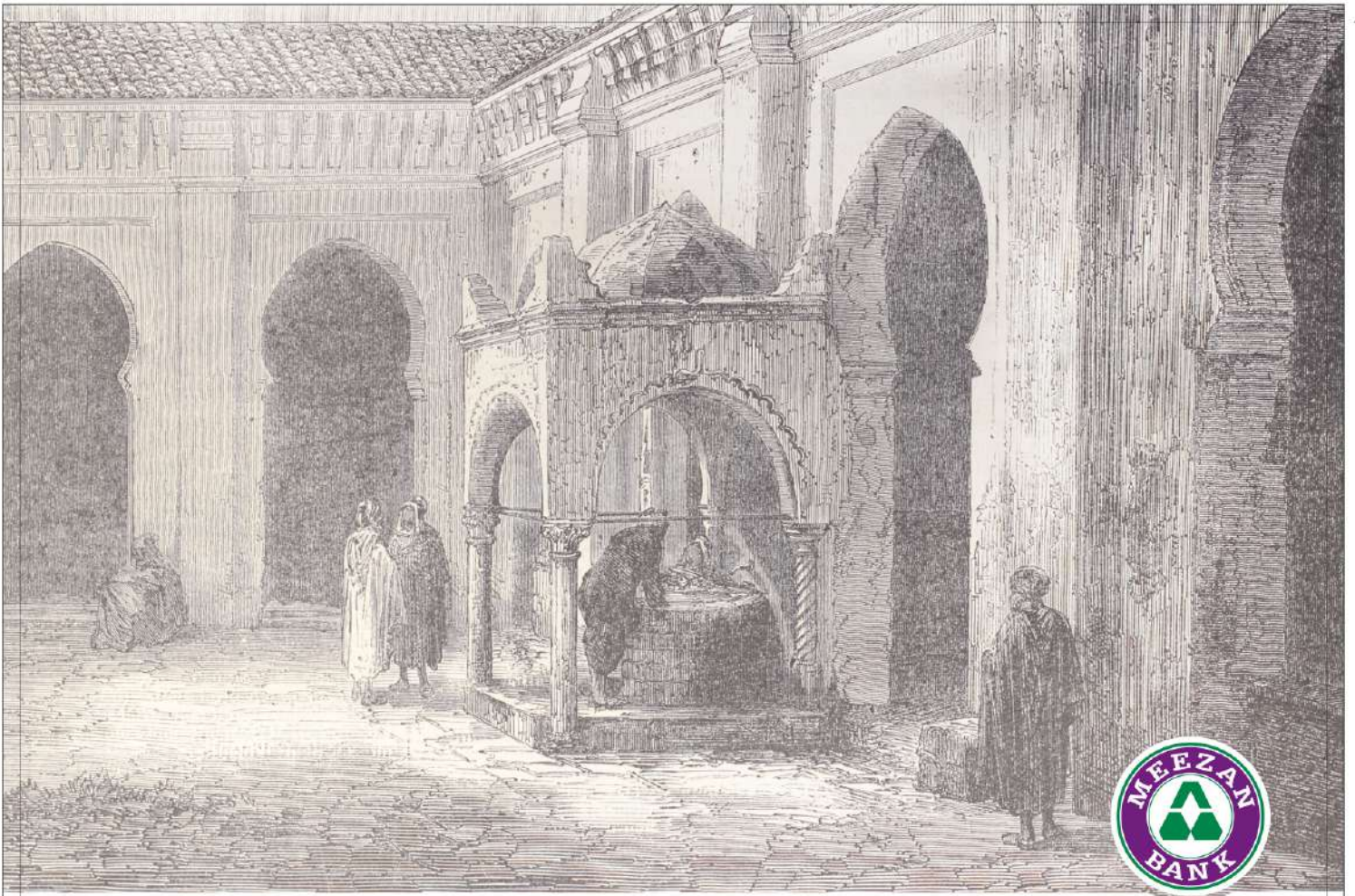
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November 2013

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Muharram

مُحَرَّمٌ

Muharram, the first month of the Islamic calendar, derives its name from the word "Haram" which means forbidden. Prior to the advent of Islam, the Arabs respected this month and sanctified it by abstaining from warfare and practicing piety.

Illustration: A man performing ablution in a Masjid courtyard

November 2013

ذُو الْحِجَّةِ ١٤٣٢ / مُحَرَّمٌ ١٤٣٥



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December 2013

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Safar

صَفَرٌ

The name Safar, the second month of the Islamic calendar, comes from the word "Empty", because in pre-Islamic days the Arabs used to leave their houses empty during month to set out to fight their enemies, while other traditions say they would leave their homes to escape the summer heat. The month of Safar was considered to be evil and ominous by the Arabs, while the Holy Prophet Muhammad ﷺ rejected such beliefs and ideas.

'There is nothing ominous about the month of Safar'.

(Bukhari, Vol.1 - Pg. 857)

Illustration: An army heading out for war

December 2013

مَحَرَّمٌ / صَفَرٌ ١٤٣٥



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January 2014

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