



# THE MOON SIGHTING

## MONTHLY NEWS LETTER

Islamic Date Calendar



Central Moon Sighting Committee of Great Britain

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**Answer:** Firstly, let's examine the facts:

**FACT:** 1st of Ramadhan 1433 in UK and Haramain Sharifain was on Friday 20th July 2012. On the basis that: Hilal of 1st Ramadhan 1433h was sighted on eve of 29th Shaban 1433h (eve of Thursday 19th July 2012) at 2 places in the land of Haramain Al Sharifain, Saudi Arabia. The first Rasmi (Shar'ee) date of Ramadhan 1433H was on Friday 20th July 2012. Therefore, the month of Ramadhan 1433h commenced according to Shar'ee moon sighting and not according to the pre-determined Umul-Qura Calendar nor an Islamic visibility predictions.

**FACT:** Eid-ul-Fitr 1433h (1st Shawwal 1433h) in UK and Haramain Sharifain was on Sunday 19th August 2012.

On the basis that: New Moon for 1st Shawwal 1433h (Eid-ul-Fitr 1433h) was not sighted in the UK or at the land of Haramain Sharifain, Saudi Arabia, on the eve of 29th Ramadhan (eve of Friday 17th August 2012).

Therefore Ramadhan had 30 days and the first Rasmi (Shar'ee) date of Shawwal 1433H was on Sunday 19th August 2012. Therefore, the month of Shawwal 1433h commenced according to Shar'ee moon sighting and not according to the pre-determined Umul-Qura Calendar.

**CONCLUSION:** The vicious propaganda and lies directed against those who practice the pure and pristine practice of Prophet Muhammad SAW is an open lie. Theories and visibility charts were used by the Jews of Madinah during the time of our Prophet SAW, but he not only refused to use them, he explicitly forbade his Ummah from using them for establishing Islamic months. The heinous anti-Saudi campaign directed by people (using the title of Mufti and Moulana) is both shameful and vindictive. The personal attacks on learned Ulama, the Saudi Shar'ee authorities and even against Shar'ee Taqaddus of Haramain Al Sharifain appear to be continuing unabated even though the eminent Pakistani Jurist Mufti Taqi Uthmani Sahib (DBT) recently stated at the Rabatah (World Muslim League) Conference in February 2012, that he believed in the truthfulness of Saudi moon sighting announcements. He very clearly stated that he does not believe the Saudi Shar'ee authorities follow the pre-determined Umul-Qura Calendar and went on to say that their (Saudi authority's) practice is to conduct a naked eye observation every Islamic month throughout the year in order to sight the new moon.

Click to read his Urdu article printed in the monthly Al Balagh & Deene Islam website [http://www.hizbululama.org.uk/articles/english/Conference\\_resolutions\\_Urdu.pdf](http://www.hizbululama.org.uk/articles/english/Conference_resolutions_Urdu.pdf), [http://www.hizbululama.org.uk/articles/english/Rabatah\\_Book.pdf](http://www.hizbululama.org.uk/articles/english/Rabatah_Book.pdf)

It is an undeniable truth that the Saudi Shar'ee authority has a pure Shariah system in place for moon sighting decisions. Their decisions are only made on pure naked eye moon sightings as directed by the Qur'aan and Sunnah of Prophet Muhammad SAW. The local Qadhi (Judge) is approached by witnesses who verify their claims according to Shariah and the Qadhi relays his findings to the Shar'ee authorities to make the decision.

Below is more proof that despite the un-Islamic announcement by the World Muslim League, of conditional acceptance of Moon sighting witnesses with theoretical visibility calculation, the Saudi Shar'ee authorities only follow the pure practice of Prophet Muhammad SAW's. This is using purely naked eye moon sighting reports unaided by visibility charts, birth of new moon conditions or any other Judeo-Pagan inspired practices and theories. May Allah keep us steadfast on his path and protect us from ever leaving the Sunnah of Rasullah SAW in the practice of our Deen. Ameen.

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#### Saudi Supreme Court's announcement requesting people to sight the Hilal of Ramadhan 1433

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Riyadh, Sha'ban 26, 1433, Jul 16, 2012, SPA- The Supreme Court has called on all Muslims in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to sight the crescent of the blessed month of Ramadan on Thursday evening, Shaaban 29, 1433AH, corresponding to July 19, 2012, according to Umm Al-Qura Calendar. In an announcement, the Supreme Court also called on whoever sees the crescent of the blessed month of Ramadan by naked eyes or through binoculars to report to the nearest court and register his testimony, or report to the authority of the regional's governorate if there is no judge in the area where he sighted the crescent in order to facilitate his reaching to the nearest court. The Supreme Court also urges all Muslims to sight the Crescent for the cooperation of all Muslims in righteousness and piety. SPA-LOCAL TIME 09:24 GMT 12:24

#### Saudi Supreme Court's announcement requesting people to sight the Hilal of Eidul Fitr 1433 (Read full...2)

Riyadh, Ramadan 28, 1433, Aug 16, 2012, SPA- The Supreme Court has called on all Muslims in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to sight the crescent of the month of Shawwal on Friday evening, Ramadan 29, 1433 A.H, corresponding to August 17, 2012, according to Umm Al-Qura Calendar. In an announcement today, the Supreme Court also called on whoever sees the crescent of the month of Shawwal by naked eyes or through binoculars to report to the nearest court and register his testimony, or report to the authority of the regional's governorate if there is no judge in the area where he sighted the crescent in order to facilitate his reaching to the nearest court. The Supreme Court also urges all Muslims to sight the Crescent for the cooperation of all Muslims in righteousness and piety. --SPA 13:46 LOCAL TIME 10:46 GM

#### World Hilal sighting Report for Ramadhan 1433H

##### On the evening of Jumaah 17th August 2012

(1) Saudi Arabia (2) Zambia, by ms.come (3) Nigeria (moon was sighted in 4 cities by twelve adult Muslims) (4) Ghana (5) Mozambique (seen at many places in the north Mozambique, by Imam M.I. M. Ameen Damani) (6) Pakistan (Miran shah, NWN)

##### World Ramadhan 1433 in different Countries

(1) On Jumaah 20th JULY 2012; 77 Countries (including UK, Europ, USA, Canada, India (Kerala state all) Bangladesh & Pakistan=minority

##### (2) On Saturday 21st July 2012;

32 Countries (including most of India except State of Maharashtra & Gujarat but some people had fast on Saturday at Gujarat too, like Hansot, Bharooch, and other places, by M.I. Bokda, Gothra, Jambusar by Mufti I. Bhadkodravi)

##### (3) On Sunday 22nd July 2012;

Pakistan (also on Jumaah at Miran shah), India (2 or more States including Maharashtra & Gujarat (some people had fast on Saturday too)

**Shawwal 1433AH**  
Duration: Aug-Sept 2012

**Saudi Ummul Qura Calendar-Dates**  
The Islamic Week Starts Every Friday

*Islamic Date Calendar*

### First of Shawwal 1433AH

Commenced on the evening of Saturday 18th August 2012

FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
		1 <sup>19</sup> Aug	2 <sup>20</sup>	3 <sup>21</sup>	4 <sup>22</sup>	5 <sup>23</sup>
6 <sup>24</sup>	7 <sup>25</sup>	8 <sup>26</sup>	9 <sup>27</sup>	10 <sup>28</sup>	11 <sup>29</sup>	12 <sup>30</sup>
13 <sup>31</sup>	14 <sup>1</sup> Sep	15 <sup>2</sup>	16 <sup>3</sup>	17 <sup>4</sup>	18 <sup>5</sup>	19 <sup>6</sup>
20 <sup>7</sup>	21 <sup>8</sup>	22 <sup>9</sup>	23 <sup>10</sup>	24 <sup>11</sup>	25 <sup>12</sup>	26 <sup>13</sup>
27 <sup>14</sup>	28 <sup>15</sup>	29 <sup>16</sup>	30 <sup>17</sup>			

**Sunnah acts** (Sunnah: the practice of Prophet Muhammad SAW, emulation of which attains great reward)

- To fast on the days of Yaum-e-Beadh these are the 13, 14 & 15 except during Ramadhan where fasting is obligatory for the whole month.
- To look the new moon crescent at the end of the Rasmi 29 day, please contact us to report a sighting.

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#### World Hilal sighting Report for Eidul Fitr 1433H

##### Hilal of Shawwal 1433 has sighted (1) On Jumaah 17th August 2012

China at the village of Lucaogou in the State of Xinjiang by ms.com, Pakistan at Miran Shah, by 5 people (Pak News),

##### (2) On Saturday 18th August 2012

Pakistan at Mir Ali, Mir Header, North Waziristan, 24 Witnesses, by Pak News, India some witnesses at Laddakh, Kashmir by Inqilab Mumbai.

##### World Eidul Fitr 1433 in different Countries

##### (1) Saturday 18th August 2012

3 Countries including China, India (at Laddakh, Kashmir) & Pakistan (At Miran Shah District)

##### (2) Sunday 19th August 2012

77 Countries including UK, Europe all, Bangladesh (minority), Pakistan (officially declared Eid by Provincial KHYP Govt) INDIA (Kerala state all)

##### (3) Monday 20th August 2012

5 Countries (Including, Morocco, Pakistan, India, Bangladesh) (Most sources ms.com)

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