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Understanding the Faydah Tijaniyyah - Part 2

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The Grand Faydah al-Kubra is One but Small faydahs may come out of it:

It has been suggested that there might be "another *Faydah*". However, Sidna Shaykh (RA) did not mention "many *Faydah*'s", but one single *Faydah*..."*Ta'ti <u>Faydah</u> ala Ashabi*", i.e. "<u>A Faydah</u> will come upon my disciples".

This *Faydah Tijaniyyah* appeared without doubt on the hands of Shaykh-al-Islam Ibrahim Niyass (RA), and we are all living in the Age of this blessed Tijani *Faydah*. May Allah make us from its supporters. *Amin*.

Of course, the appearance of the Great Predicted *Faydah* doesn't mean that there will not be any more 'small *faydahs*' appearing.

Sahib al-Faydah Shaykh Ibrahim (RA) already mentioned that, "*his Faydah* will cover the horizons".

Read these words of Shaykh Ibrahim (RA) carefully, knowing that the *Ghawth* cannot speak wrong, moreso if he is the complete *Khalifah* of the Seal of the Saints. **READ**:

"والفيضة تعم الآفاق بحول الله وقدرته لا يمسكها أحد ولا يوقفها أحد ولا يحبسها شيء، لابد تمتد على البسيطة حيث كانت التجانية"

"And indeed, the *Faydah* will cover the Horizons with the Power of Allah. None can stop it or limit it, for it must spread to every place on this Earth *where the Tariqah Tijaniyyah exists.*"

If that is the case, then what is the purpose of a "new *faydah*"??? What are we talking???

Indeed, this Tariqah will continue to flourish and flood the world. But these lesser *faydah*'s will generally emanate from the Great *Faydah al-Ibrahimiyyah al-Kubra* and its *Barakah*.

For example, the amazing spread of the Tariqah that took place at the hands of Sidna Shaykh Hassan Cisse (RA), especially in English peaking lands such as the USA and South Africa.

Tens of Thousands of people entered the Tariqah, experiencing great *futuhat*, and numerous *Zawaya* have been established. The main Tijani Muqaddams from Pakistan and Indonesia personally told me that since they had renewed their *Bay'ah* and *Ijazah* with Mawlana *Imam al-Faydah* Imam al-Hassan Cisse (RA) in Fez, people have been *flocking* to enter the Tijani Tariqah on their hands! They themselves were amazed by the power of this *Ijazah*.

One may definitely call this a '*faydah Tijaniyyah*' (a Tijani Flood). However, both Shaykh Hassan (RA) and those who take from him acknowledge that this is simply an extension of *al-Faydah al-Tijaniyyah al-Kubra* that appeared with Shaykh Ibrahim (RA).

The Faydah Tijaniyyah and the Imam al-Mahdi (AS):

The same will be true till the Imam al-Mahdi (AS) emerges and takes the *Wird* from the people of the *Faydah Tijaniyyah*.

While Sidna Shaykh (RA) mentioned that the Mahdi (AS) will take the Tijani *Wird*, he did not connect the appearance of the *Faydah* to him. In actual fact, the *Faydah* will appear before the *Mahdi*, and then prepare the scene for him.

What proves this is that Shaykh Ibrahim (RA) himself mentioned in his *Diwan* that he will be the *Shaykh* of the *Mahdi* (AS)! I quote from his *Diwan Mubarak*:

أرجو لقا المهدى عونا و مرشدا كل وقت من رضاى مجاله له

Arju Liqa 'I-Mahdi Awnan wa Murshida Lahu Kula Waqtin min Ridaya Majaluhu

I desire to meet the *Mahdi* as a supporter and Guide... Always, my support and consent be with his domain

And in another poem:

داو أهدي الإمام المهدي الختم مرش له كل وقت في مجال و مرقد

Wa Ahdi 'I-Imam al-Mahdi 'I-Khatma Murshidan Lahu Kulla Waqtin Fi Majalin wa Marqadi

And May I guide the *Imam al-Mahdi* the Seal, all the time as his Teacher, while Alive and from the Grave

So, Sidna Shaykh al-Tijani (RA) predicted that the Imam al-Mahdi (AS) will take the *Wird* of this Tariqah from its Men. Shaykh Ibrahim (RA), the *Khalifah* of Sidna (RA), confirms that he will be the *Murshid* of the Mahdi (AS), whether alive or from the grave.

What this means is that he is already the *Murshid* of the Imam al-Mahdi (AS) in the *Batin*, and that the Mahdi (AS) will take from his *Khalifah* in the *Zahir*. For the *Faydah Tijaniyyah* is itself a preparation for the *Mahdi*, as the *Mahdi*'s support will be the Men of Complete *Ma'rifah*, which is only found in the Ahmadi Muhammadi Ibrahimi Path.

It is also known that when Shaykh Ibrahim (RA) went to Sudan, he was asked, "Are you the Mahdi?", so he replied:

"No, but I carry his sword!"

The sword here is interpreted to mean, the Ma'rifah.

Shaykh Ibrahim (RA) as the "Mahdi" of this Tariqah:

It is well known that the role of the Seal of the Saints (RA) and his Muhammadan Tariqah in the world of *Wilayah* is the same as the role of Seal of Prophethood (SAW) and his Islamic Religion, in the world of *Nubuwwat*. The Inheritance is complete.

Shaykh Ahmad al-Tijani's position among the *Awliya* is like that of Sayyidina Muhammad (SAW) among the *Anbiya*. Subsequently, the position of the Tariqah Tijaniyyah amongst the *Turuq* is like the position of Islam amongst the Religions.

Upon research, one will be astonished at the similarity between the two! I mention five points here:

- In the Islamic Shari'ah we have the *Surat al-Fatihah*; in the Tijani Tariqah we have the *Salat al-Fatih*.
- In the Shari'ah we have the *Salat al-Jum'ah*; in the Tariqah we have the *Hadrat al-Ju'mah*
- In the Shari'ah we have extensive rules and regulations regarding the performance of the Obligatory *Ibdadat*; in the Tariqah we also have we have extensive rules and regulations regarding the performance of the Obligatory *Awrad*
- We cannot combine the Muhammadan Shari'ah with any other prophetic Shari'ah. Likewise, we cannot combine the Ahmadian Tariqah with any other saintly Tariqah
- The Muhammadan Shari'ah guarantees great rewards for small deeds; the Tariqah Tijaniyyah also guarantees great Spiritual Stations for little effort

Another point that has been mentioned in this regards it that the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) predicted the appearance of the *Mahdi* in his *Ummah*, who will appear in the most difficult times, to renew and revive the *Din al-Muhammadi* and then millions of people will enter the *Din* of Islam.

In the same manner, the Saint Ahmad (RA) predicted the appearance of the *Faydah* in his *Tariqah*, which will also appear in the most difficult times, to renew and revive the *Tariq al-Ahmadi* and then millions of people will enter the Tariqah Tijaniyyah.

Indeed, this makes a lot of spiritual sense. Accordingly, we may say that the *Maqam* of the *Sahib al-Faydah* in this Tariqah is spiritually parallel to that of the *Imam al-Mahdi* in Islam general.

Both spiritualities will be combined in the *Akhir al-Zaman*, with the *Faydah Tijaniyyah* providing the support–base of the *Mahdi al-Muntazar*.

This point was mentioned by the famous Nigerian Master Sidi Shaykh Muhammad al-Aashir bin Shu'ayb al-Tijani (RA) of Kano in his work *Fat'h al-Mannani fi Wirathat al-Shaykh al-Tijani lin-Nabi Khayri Bani Adnani*.

In this interesting work, the learned Muqaddam presents 32 clear points that demonstrate the Shaykh al-Tijani's complete inheritance of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

Al-Humdul'Llah, the sinful writer of these lines presented 50 such points in my recent trip to the Tijanis in Indonesia, and most of those points were different from the ones mentioned in the Nigerian book! In fact, they were from Pure Ahmadi-Ibrahimi inspiration at that moment without the consultation of any book at all! The 100 plus Indonesian Muqaddams there told me they had not heard or read anything like that before!

Allah Willing, I wish to compile 100 such points, through the holy *Faydah* of the Shaykh.

In any case, I quote Shaykh Muhammad al-Aashir's thought-provoking words directly from his *Fat'h al-Mannan*:

"(Point) 27- And from that is the emergence of his (i.e. Shaykh al-Tijani's) *Khalifah* among the people of his Tariqah, and the emergence of his predicted *Faydah* on his hands....in the same manner as the *Mahdi al-Muntazar* will appear in the *Ummah* of the Prophet (SAW)....and that is why he (the *Mahdi*) will take *Idhn* from the *Khalifat al-Shaykh al-Tijani*, who is the *Sahib al-Faydah* of his Tariqah...either before his (i.e. Shaykh Ibrahim's) death or after it as his *As-hab* are the same as him, as he is one (Master) in his *Faydah*, before his death and after his death."

The above quote also proves that Shaykh Ibrahim (RA) continues as the *Sahib al-Faydah* even after his death, and that the work of those connected to his *Sanad*, is considered part and parcel of the *Faydah Tijaniyyah Kubra* that appeared on *his* hands.

Shaykh al-Aashir's book was personally *approved* by Mawlana Shaykh Ibrahim (RA) himself, therefore one can be rest assured of the veracity of the points he made.

Do note that the <u>authentic</u> *Ahadith* of the Prophet (SAW) make it clear that the Imam al-Mahdi (AS) will be a Hasani Sharif, will be born and bred in **al-Madinah al-Munawarrah**, will emerge as the *Mahdi* in **Makkah al-Mukarramah**, and will rule from **al-Quds al-Sharif** (Jerusalem), after destroying Bani-Israel.

Narrations that state otherwise are considered very weak or false by the Ulama of Hadith.

May Allah make us from the supporters of the Mahdi (AS).

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