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Pakistan's President, PM Felicitate Nation, Muslim Ummah on Eid-ul-Azha

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ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's President Asif Ali Zardari and Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif have extended their warm felicitations to the nation and the Muslim Ummah on the blessed occasion of Eid-ul-Azha. The Pakistani nation is celebrating Eid-ul-Azha today (Monday) with religious zeal and fervour.

In a message, President Asif Ali Zardari prayed to Allah Almighty to grant His blessings and happiness to the Muslim world and Pakistan on this auspicious day.

The president highlighted the significance of Eid-ul-Azha, which commemorates the willingness of two chosen Prophets of Allah-Hazrat Ibrahim (AS) and Hazrat Ismail (AS) to sacrifice their dearest possessions for the pleasure of Allah.

When Allah Almighty put these great personalities through trials, both of them bowed their heads to obtain the pleasure of Allah, he said adding that this act of sacrifice became so popular in the presence of Allah Almighty that He made this worship of sacrifice obligatory on the Ummah of Muhammad (PBUH).

“It is a lesson for us that the key to success is to remain firm in the situation of trials and tests and to obey Allah Almighty.”

President Zardari urged the nation to reaffirm their commitment to the values of brotherhood, sacrifice, and selflessness on this occasion.

He encouraged everyone to share the joy of Eid with those around them, especially those who are unable to celebrate due to financial constraints.

“I prayed to Allah Almighty to shower His blessings and mercy upon the entire Muslim ummah, particularly Pakistan”, he added.

Similarly, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif extended the heartiest felicitations to his countrymen and Muslims around the world on the occasion of Eid-ul-Azha.

"Eid-ul-Azha commemorates the unwavering commitment and readiness of Prophet Ibrahim to sacrifice his beloved son Prophet Ismail without hesitation, as commanded by Almighty Allah. The day reminds us of the importance of sacrificing what is most dear to us in the way of Allah. It teaches us the value of selflessness and devotion to Allah," the Prime Minister said.

"The day also serves as an occasion to unite people and foster the bond of brotherhood and fraternity as well as to look after the less fortunate amongst us and make them part of our collective celebration."

Whilst our wish is for peace, prosperity and love to prevail all over the world during Eid ul-Adha, we are also watching with sadness and concern about other ongoing conflicts and violence in many countries worldwide. We should not forget the sacrifices and sufferings of the people of Palestine and Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu & Kashmir. On this Eid day, we pray for our Palestinian and Kashmiri brothers and sisters who are bravely facing brutal foreign occupation but remain steadfast in their struggle to achieve their right of self-determination," PM Shehbaz said in a message.

"May the spirit of Eid-ul-Adha, with its message of solidarity and unity, bring prosperity, success and happiness to the entire Muslim ummah. Pakistan Paindabad," the Prime Minister concluded.

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