

Zakah is of two categories

Voluntary: It is the money that the person donates as worship.

Obligatory

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Zakah of Fitr:

It is obligatory upon every Muslim; adult, child, male, female, slave, or free.

Zakah of Money:

Legislatively, it is to worship Allah by giving an obligatory portion of specific money to specific people [or entity]. It is the 3rd pillar of Islam,

and it is divided into four categories:

1 Wealth



Gold and Silver as well as other currencies used in their place. The minimum amount of Gold is 85g, while the minimum amount of silver is 595g.

4 Merchandise



Everything which has been prepared to be sold or bought.

Grains and Fruits.

3 That which Grows from Earth



The ones that graze freely for most of or the entire year, and baheematu al-An'aam; camels, cows, and sheep.

2 Animals that Graze Freely



The People Entitled to Receive Zakah

They have half or more than half of what they need. So, if we presume, for example, 12,000 a year is what they need to live, the poor is the one who has less than 6,000. The needy is the one who has 6,000 or more, but less than 12,000. The poor and the needy are given that which suffices them for the year since zakat is given every year.

The Needy /Masaakeen 2

They do not have any wealth, or they have very little.

The Poor /Fuqaraa' 1

It includes the collectors, the protectors, and those entrusted to distribute it selected by the one in charge of the Muslims. It is not a condition that they be poor themselves; rather, they are given from it even if they are rich.

Those employed to collect the funds 3

Those whom it is hoped they will accept Islam or to prevent their evil.

To attract the hearts of those who have been inclined towards Islam 4

It includes those fighting in the military army, as well as their needs from weapons and other essentials.

In the Sake of Allah 7

- a. A Muslim captive who buys his freedom from his master.
- b. Freeing a Muslim slave.
- c. Freeing a Muslim prisoner.

The slaves 5

He is given enough support to return to his homeland.

For a traveller who has become stranded 8

- a. Debts taken on to resolve conflicts or reconcile between people.
- b. The one who is in debt on his own account.

Those in debt 6