

# OBITUARY

## Dr. Fazlur Rahman

(June 01, 1930-June 27, 2013)

With profound grief and sorrow, we announce the passing away of the Chairman of our Shariah Board, Dr. Fazlur Rahman Inna lillahe wa inna ilahe rajioon. Dr. Sahib was associated with BankIslami since its inception, in 2006.

Earlier in his career, Dr. Sahib had the privilege of working with renowned scholars of Islam; especially Maulana Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi, Maulana Manzoor Nomani, Maulana Saeed Ahmed Akbarabadi, as well as Sheikh Abdul Fattah Abu Ghuddah. His interest in research, particularly on contemporary issues, lead him to undertake pioneering work on commercial interest, which was published in 1967 under the title, "A Study of Commercial Interest from the Point of View of Fiqh and History". This book has been extensively quoted in Supreme Court of Pakistan's judgment on Riba, in 1999. Recently, he had supervised completion of an extensive review of the contemporary rules of Provident and Gratuity Funds from the standpoint of Shariah, hitherto a relatively unexplored topic.

Dr. Sahib was PhD in Islamic Studies from Muslim University Aligarh in India, where he subsequently rose to become the Dean of Faculty of Theology. He also had the distinction of teaching at Imam Muhammad bin Sa'ud Islamic University in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and International Islamic University in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Azra Kamal and a daughter, Qudsia Kamal.

His Namaz-e-Janaza will be offered after Jummah prayers at Masjid-e-Farooq-e-Azam in Block J, North Nazimabad on June 28, 2013.

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