

## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### ZAKAT FITRAH RATE FOR RAMADAN 2010 / 1431H

The Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (Muis) wishes to announce that the *Zakat Fitrah* rates for Ramadan 2010 / 1431H is **S\$4.50** (normal rate) and **S\$7.00** (higher rate) per head.

2. *Zakat Fitrah* is a 'head tax' payable by **ALL** Muslims during the month of Ramadan. In Singapore, the *Zakat Fitrah* rate is determined by the Muis *Zakat and Fitrah* Committee, by using the average price of 2.3kg of the grade of rice that is generally consumed by the Muslim community.

3. Since 2005, Muis had introduced a two-tier *Zakat Fitrah* rate to facilitate the zakat payers who may wish to pay more than the normal rate as they may consume a higher grade of rice. The payer may choose the rate that is most suitable for them based on their daily consumption.

4. *Zakat Fitrah* must be paid during the month of Ramadan but no later than the morning of *Eidul Fitr* (before the commencement of the special *Eidul Fitr* prayer). However, the Muslim public is advised to pay earlier to avoid last minute rush to pay.

5. There are various methods for Muslims to pay their *Fitrah*. They include the following:

- Cash/cheques/NETS at all mosques, authorised Muslim organisations and at Muis
- AXS stations
- *Fitrah* Telepoll 1900-112-3450 (for S\$4.50/person) / 1900-112-3700 (for S\$7.00/person) – closing date/time 10 September 2010 before 7.00 am (each call is for the *fitrah* contribution of one person only & administration charge of \$0.20 per call).
- Via the internet – [www.zakat.sg](http://www.zakat.sg)

6. This year, a new initiative is introduced as a pilot phase at selected mosques (Please refer to the attached Annex for the list of selected mosques) to automate *Zakat Fitrah* collection using *Zakat* computerised system instead of *Zakat Fitrah* coupons. This will enhance effectiveness and efficiency in collection and administration process, and at the same time facilitate payers who wish to declare their *Zakat Fitrah* payment via the IRAS auto-inclusion scheme that Muis provides.

7. For any further information on the above, kindly contact Muis at 6359-1199.

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## **ANNEX**

1. Darul Aman Mosque
2. Kassim Mosque
3. Al Istiqamah Mosque
4. Al Mawaddah Mosque
5. Al Iman Mosque
6. Assyakirin Mosque
7. Al Falah Mosque
8. Al Muttaqin Mosque
9. An Nahdhah Mosque
10. Muhajirin Mosque
11. Mujahidin Mosque
12. Al Ansar Mosque
13. Al Istighfar Mosque
14. Darul Ghufuran Mosque
15. An Nur Mosque
16. Al Mukminin Mosque
17. Al Khair Mosque
18. Darussalam Mosque