

Question: PLZ GIVE THE CORRECT VIEW ABOUT GREETINGS NON MUSLIMS ON THEIR FESTIVALS...E.G SAYING HAPPY DIPAWALI TO OUR NON MUSLIM FRNDS IS PROHIBITED OR PERMITTED.

Answer: As per my best understanding there is nothing wrong in greeting non muslim brethren on their festivals. In fact sometimes it may be recommended to do so because it can bring them closer to you. Some muslims will argue with you that by greeting them u r trying to please them rather than Allah. This argument is based on emotion.

1. There is nothing in deen that prohibits us from greeting them. Some people get confused with narration in hadees book wherein the Prophet forbade MUSLIMS from CELEBRATING pre-islamic festivals. There is lot of difference between CELEBRATING a festival (apart from Eid ul fitr and Eid ul azha) and Wishing your non muslim friend on occasion of their festival.

2. There was a post floating on facebook last year wherein it was said that if a Muslim says "Merry Christmas" then it means he agrees that Jesus was born on 25th dec and it means that he agrees that Jesus is the son of God--thus such Muslims are guilty of SHIRK!!!! Now this absurd logic is similar to saying that if you say that today is 13 December 2014 then you agree that this year is 2014, and since years in AD are calculated since birth of Jesus (Christians era) so u agree that Jesus was born 2014 years back hence u agree that Jesus was the son of God; hence u r doing shirk!!!!

3. When any muslim says "merry Christmas" or "Happy Diwali" then does he ever think in his mind that Jesus was son of God or Shri Ram was incarnation of God??? NOO.. No muslim of the world thinks so. It is wrong assumption on the part of those muslims who think that wishing on others festivals is wrong. If you say Happy Janmashtmi then does it mean that you believe that Shri krishna was Almighty GOD??? Of course - NOT!!!! When u wish them you will have cordial relationship with them and you will have better chances of dawah. If someone wants to avoid greeting; then he/she is free to do so. No issue.

4. To say that wishing is haraam is another example of extremism. Let's put things in balance otherwise we will be moving towards extremism.

Most important: It is only Allah who can make anything Haraam. Allah has not given this right to any person of the world. Those people should be very careful who declare wishing on non-muslim festival as haraam act.

I will recommend this [video](#) for those who are sincerely interested in this topic:
