

Hadrot Shaykh Muhammad Mehmet Adil al-Hakkani

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#### HAJJI MESTAN EFFENDI

Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh, Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem, Wassalatu Wassalamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidul Awwalin wal Akhirin, Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi RasuLillah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina, Sheykh Abdullah Daghestani, Sheykh Nazim al-Haqqani. Dastur. Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.

What Allah says occurs. Allah did not leave us on earth forever. Allah Exalted and Glorious be He states:

# إِنَّا لِلهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

"Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'oon." (Sura Baqara:156) "We come from Allah and to Him we will return." May Allah have mercy on him. We were with our elder brother Hajji Mestan for 33 years. He was next to Shaykh Mawlana (QS) most of the time.

Shaykh Mawlana used to love him. He also gave him himmat (spiritual support) and his station rose. This is what is important. The lifetime Allah has provided is limited. Mashallah, thank Allah, I think he lived to be 77 years old. This means he was next to Shaykh Mawlana for almost half of his life. Shaykh Mawlana gave him himmat and helped him. He became an accepted person wherever he went. They would be expecting him. Doors would open wherever he went.

He was a person of states (haal). What is meant by a person of haal is a difficult person. They said, "Sahibul ahwal laa tatahammaluhul jibaal." "Mountains cannot withstand the person of states." Sometimes he would say or do things people could not stand, and other times different things would happen. However, he was protected very well even in that state with the himmat of Shaykh Mawlana. There are many people of states whom nobody knows and nobody approaches. With Shaykh Mawlana's himmat and with Shaykh Mawlana's karamat (spiritual gifts), it would be in its place if we said people would ask about Hajji almost all over the world, wherever went from America to Malaysia, and from Indonesia to Africa. May Allah have mercy on him.

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When you are with the shaykhs, they make you reach felicity both in this world and in the hereafter. They say about those who are with them, "Laa yashqaa jaleesuhum." Those who sit with them do not become people of brigandage (brigands), they do not see harm, and are continuously under protection. May Allah have mercy on him. He would make Shaykh Mawlana pretty joyful, he would make him laugh. We have many beautiful memories with Hajji. We were together twice in seclusion (khalwat), we were together twice in hajj (pilgrimage), and we were together in some trips. May Allah have mercy on him.

He was a beautiful person and would know the old customs. Most people do not know some things now. He would know them. He would remind them and sometimes tell Shaykh Mawlana about them. Shaykh Mawlana would take pleasure and ask, "What is this? What do they call this? How do you do it?" He would laugh and find relief. He would joke a lot with Shaykh Mawlana.

Shaykh Mawlana would eat downstairs. One time he pointed at someone and he filled Hajji Mestan's pockets with all the forks and spoons he could find without him being aware. This was not enough. This time they threw in melon and watermelon. Shaykh Mawlana laughed so hard. Shaykh Mawlana would joke with him like this. He would not do this much to others, but he would call this person specifically. In fact, he knew about it but pretended not to know. May Allah have mercy on him.

However, as we said, it is human nature and nobody lives forever. May Allah have mercy on him. He left a pleasant effect. Like Nasreddin Hodja, he had plenty of activities and plenty of good states. Every time we remember these we will mention him with mercy Inshallah. People are with those they love. As an analogy, when coming back from London, people there were sad while those who were meeting us here were happy.

It is the same when going to the hereafter. We are sending him with sadness here and there Shaykh Mawlana, mumins, his friends, his relatives, his mother, his father, and all of them meet him with joy. Because Mashallah his states were for Allah and nothing else. Inshallah Allah made him go to paradise. Inshallah those of paradise meet him there. Now he is saved from this body and is in the gardens of paradise Inshallah.

May Allah grant us all such beautiful conditions. These conditions will befall all of us. As our hodjas say, they recite a poem: "If death were bad, prophets would not die." Death will come upon everyone. What is important is being ready for it, and for them to meet us with joy there Inshallah. May his abode be paradise. May Allah have abundant mercy on him. May we attain his shafaat (intercession) Inshallah.

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