

Lesson Twenty-Two

QAZA NAMAZ

When a person misses his prayers due to unconsciousness

A short period of unconsciousness	a long period of unconsciousness
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Considered less than five prayer times.• Thus one must make up prayers missed during short periods of unconsciousness.• E.g for a short operation under anesthetic.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Considered more than five prayer times.• Thus one does not have to make up any of these missed prayers.• E.g a coma lasting several weeks.

Making up missed prayers that have been missed for other reasons

- 1) It is absolutely essential to pray all the five daily namaz in its prescribed times.
- 2) In the Holy Quran and the Hadith of the Beloved Prophet (Peace and blessings be upon Him) are numerous verses and narrations about namaz, its importance, its virtues, the consequences and punishments of not performing the namaz.
- 3) In no circumstance is namaz allowed to be missed, even when one is ill..namaz still has to be prayed (see namaz of the ill and not able above).
- 4) If a person has missed their prayers in the past, then they should make sincere repentance, and their repentance is incomplete if there isn't an earnest effort in making the kaza namaz up, as they remain like a debt owed to Allah Almighty, as it was His right to be worshipped that has been missed by a person.
- 5) A person needs to calculate how many namaz have been missed (only the fardh and waajib need to be prayed back as qaza).

How does one calculate the namaz missed, and in what order do they need to be prayed?

- 1) The namaz missed needs to be calculated, or if one does not remember the amount of missed namaz due to the length of time it has been left, then a best estimation needs to be made.
- 2) Once one knows the amount of namaz - then they can offer it in the order it was missed, so for example if the first day they made namaz kaza was the 01/01/12...then they need to pray the namaz making the intention of that day and the particular namaz missed. Thereafter, the next day's missed namaz and so on.
- 3) Or they can pray back each namaz to its total and move on to the next. For example, one can pray all the Fajr namaz missed first, then they can pray back all the zohr missed, then Asr and so on- for this, the intention for example should be 'I am making up the first Fajr namaz I have missed'. So, for everyone prayed, the next one will be the first to be made up for kaza.
- 4) If one has a large amount of qaza to pray, then they should leave the Ghair Muakidah and Nafl prayers that are usually prayed in the daily namaz and pray their kaza namaz instead.
- 5) The namaz can be shortened by a person praying 1 tasbeeh in Ruku and Sujud, instead of 3. And completing namaz after praying the Tashahhud and leave praying Durood-e-Ibrahim and Dua Masoora. However, this should only be done when a person has a large amount of Kaza to pray back.