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## Advising pilgrims to cover their shoulders

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(Al-Hudaa wan-Noor, 409)

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

The Imaam (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ)<sup>1</sup> said, “Brothers, there is a common mistake [present] wherever we go or stay during Hajj or ‘Umrah, I see a widespread mistake made by most of the pilgrims especially the foreigners amongst them or the Bedouins who have not been given understanding or knowledge [of the religion]—they purposefully uncover their shoulder so, unfortunately, you will see them walking like that under the sun, thinking that doing so is a part of the rites of Hajj.

[By doing so] they fall into two issues which make them oppose the Prophet’s (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ)<sup>2</sup> statement, but we will delay [mentioning] that now [since it’s time for prayer]—so what I mean [right] now is that you cover your shoulders, cover your shoulders, don’t uncover them, the shoulder is only uncovered when a person begins tawaaf. Now straighten your rows and get ready for the prayer ...”

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<sup>1</sup> (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

<sup>2</sup> (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) (sallallaahu ‘alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him