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Australian Muslims pray for rain during Eid – 25th August, 2018

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Thousands of Muslims in Australia prayed for rain for farmers who are suffering in droughts. They prayed during the Muslim festival Eid al-Adha - one of Islam's holiest festivals. Muslims celebrate by sharing food with family, neighbours, the poor and needy. Over 30,000 Muslims gathered at one mosque in Sydney. An imam at the mosque said: "God will send down rainfall. It is our duty to help Australians, especially the farmers."

Australia's drought is the worst in living memory. The whole of one state is in drought. A farmers' spokeswoman said farmers appreciated the support and thoughts of the Muslim community. She said: "I think it really touched the heart of our farmers during this period. Every little bit helps." Australia recently promised \$1.3 billion in relief funds to help farmers. When the hot summer arrives in Australia, things could get worse.

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Tens of thousands of Muslims in Australia prayed for rain for Australia's farmers who are suffering in droughts. The prayers were part of the Muslim festival Eid al-Adha - one of Islam's holiest festivals. It is often referred to as the Festival of Sacrifice. It is celebrated by sharing food with family, neighbours, the poor and needy. The biggest gathering was at a mosque in Sydney, which was attended by over 30,000 Muslims. An imam at the mosque said: "God will send down rainfall. It is our duty to help Australians, especially the farmers."

Australia is having its most devastating drought in living memory. The whole of the state of New South Wales is in drought. A farmers' spokeswoman told the ABC news agency that farmers appreciated the support and thoughts of the Muslim community. She said: "I think it really touched the heart of our farmers during this period. Every little bit helps." Australian Prime Minister recently promised \$1.3 billion in relief funds for farmers to safeguard their livelihoods. It is currently winter in Australia and the hot summer weather is coming and threatening to worsen the situation.

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Tens of thousands of Muslims in Australia have gathered to pray for rain for Australia's drought-afflicted farmers. The prayers were incorporated into the Muslim festival of Eid al-Adha. Dozens of mosques included prayers for rain in their celebrations for the holy celebration. Eid al-Adha is one of Islam's holiest festivals. It is often referred to as the Festival of Sacrifice and is celebrated by sharing food with family, neighbours, as well as the poor and needy. The biggest gathering was at Sydney's Lakemba Mosque, which was attended by over 30,000 Muslims. An imam of the mosque said: "God will send down rainfall. It is our duty to help Australians, especially the farmers."

Australia is currently undergoing its most devastating drought in living memory. The whole of New South Wales, the country's most populous state, is in drought. A state farmers' spokeswoman, Kathleen Curry, told the ABC news agency how much farmers appreciated the support and thoughts of the Muslim community. She said: "I think it really touched the heart of our farmers during this period." She added: "Every little bit helps." Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull recently committed \$1.3 billion in relief funds for farmers to safeguard their livelihoods. The disturbing thing is that it is currently winter in Australia and the hot summer weather is looming and threatening to worsen the situation.