

Extracts from INQ000135 and INQ000303

INQ000135:

I first met Mr UDDIN about 3 years ago. At the time I was very unwell and was waiting for an operation in hospital. My mum suggested that I should meet Mr UDDIN for some prayers for me. He was well known, well liked and well respected in the area and used to teach at Jalalia Mosque.

Mr UDDIN came over to a family friend's house one evening. I was feeling very unwell at the time but went over to see him. Mr UDDIN did prayers with me. He also gave me a 'Tabeez'. This could be called an Amulet in English. It is a prayer or passage from the Qu'ran which is written out on paper and rolled up into a small metal cylinder which I keep around my neck.

In our culture only particularly well educated religious people can give these out.

After that evening with Mr UDDIN I went home and genuinely felt better in myself.

Mr UDDIN didn't take any payment for coming out to see me, he did out of the goodness of his heart.

INQ000303:

Mr UDDIN used to be an Imam at the local mosque where I visit to pray - Jalalia Mosque. He stopped being the Imam some years ago but he still attended regularly and was there on most occasions when I attended which was normally only on Fridays. He was a very quiet man, polite and civil and he was well respected as having a high level of religious knowledge, part of that was he was known to be able to treat illness. It was not in any way considered to be a bad thing and it was widely known.

I have for some years suffered with terrible headaches and one day at the Mosque about 4-6 months ago, I saw Mr UDDIN and explained this to him.

He told me that I should have come to him earlier and he placed his hands on my head and traced some words on my head with his fingers. He told me to come and see him again if I get any further problems. I got a headache again so went back to see him about 3 days later and he did the same thing again but on the other side of my head.

I have to say that from suffering regularly, I have not had a serious headache since he helped me.