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Foreword I



Waqf is a cornerstone of the Islamic socio-economic framework, nurturing communities through perpetual charity.

At National Waqf, we are committed to reviving this noble Sunnah, even within the constraints of a non-Muslim legal system. This booklet gathers 40 essential hadiths on waqf, offering timeless guidance for restoring this prophetic legacy today.

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Foreword II



All praise is due to Allah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Blessings, who made this Ummah a beacon of goodness through charitable giving and mutual care. Peace and blessings be upon our beloved Prophet Muḥammad ﷺ, who taught us not just how to live, but how to leave behind a legacy that lives on after we depart.

The subject of Waqf is nothing short of revolutionary. It is a testimony to Islam's divine balance between spiritual elevation and societal reform. It is not a footnote in our civilisation; it is a pillar. From the moment the Prophet ﷺ arrived in Madīnah, the first endowments were established and a movement of sustainable charity, waqf, was born. These initiatives outlived empires, nourished generations and stood as silent witnesses to Islam's legacy of mercy, foresight and structured benevolence.

This compilation *Forty Hadiths on Waqf* by National Waqf is not just another portion of Islamic contribution. Rather, it is a heartfelt invitation. An invitation to rethink charity, to understand it through the lens of sustainability and to reawaken a practice that built universities, hospitals, homes and safe passageways. Waqf is