I list below some of the supplications for the journey, *hajj* and '*umrah*. It is important to remember that *du'a* is the outpouring of the heart before Allah. So it is best that we read the following *du'as* as much as possible and then offer *du'as* and supplications in our own language both in our minds and in words.

While stepping out of the home, offer the following supplication:

Bismillaahi tawakkalthu 'ala Allaahi laa hawla walaa quwwatha illaa billaahi

(I start by the name of Allah; in Allah, I place my trust. There is no strength (to do good) nor power (to resist evil) except with Allah.)

On bidding farewell to the family offer this du'a

<u>:</u>

Astawdi'ukum Allaaha al-ladhee laa tadhee'u wada'iuhu

(I entrust you to the care of Allah, who never neglects His trusts.)

On beginning the journey say the following du'a:

Allaahu akbar; Allaahu akbar; Allaahu akbar

Subhaana alladhee sakkhara lanaa haadhaa wamaa kunnaa lahu muqrineen wa innaa ilaa rabbinaa la mungaliboon

In the name of Allah. Allah is Great. Allah is Great. Allah is Great. Glory to Him who has subjugated this to us, and we would not have been able to do it without Him, and truly

unto our Lord, we shall return.

اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ فِي سَفَرِنَا هَذَا الْبِرَّ وَالتَّقْوَى وَمِنَ الْعَمَلِ مَا تَرْضَى ، اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا بَعْدَهُ ، اَللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الصَّاحِبُ فِي اللَّهُمَّ هَوِّنْ عَلَيْنَا سَفَرَنَا هَذَا وَاطْوِ عَنَّا بُعْدَهُ ، اَللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الصَّاحِبُ فِي السَّفَرِ وَالْخَلِيفَةُ فِي الْأَهْلِ ، اَللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ وَعْتَاءِ السَّفَرِ وَكَآبَةِ السَّفَرِ وَكَآبَةِ الْمَنْظَرِ وَسُوءِ الْمُنْقَلَبِ فِي الْمَالِ وَالْأَهْلِ

Allaahumma innaa nas'aluka fee safarinaa haadha al-birra wa al-taqwa wa mina al-'amali maa tardhaa

Allaahumma hawwin 'alaynaa safaranaa haadhaa wa itwi annaa bu'dahu
Allaahumma anta al-ssaahibu fi al-ssafari wa al-khaleefathu fi al-ahli
Allaahumma innee a'oodhu bika min wa'thaa'i al-ssafari wa ka'aabathi al-mandhari wa soo'i al-mungalabi fi al-maali wa al-ahli

O Allah, we ask You, in this journey of ours, for virtuous conduct and Godconsciousness, and for deeds that would please You.

O Allah, Make this journey comfortable, and shorten its distance for us. O Allah! You are our Companion in travel and the Overseer of our families in our home. O Allah! I seek refuge in You from the rigors of travel, from distressing sights, and from harm that may unsettle wealth and families.

## Formulate the intention for *hajj* and umrah as follows:

1. Since we are first doing the '*umrah* we are to do '*umrah* first, we should say *talbiyah* as follows:

لَبَّيْكَ اللَّهُمَّ عُمْرَةً

Labbayka Allaahumma 'umratan

(O Allah, I answer your call for '*umrah*) If you are doing *hajj* on behalf of someone else, then we should specify it as follows:

لَبَّيْكَ اللَّهُمَّ عُمْرَةً عَنْ....

O Allah, I answer your call for "*umrah* on behalf of so and so: After saying the above, say the *talbiyah* as follows:

Labbayka Allaahumma labbayka labbayka laa shareeka laka labbayka inna al-hamda wa al-ni'matha laka wa al-mulk laa shareeka laka

(Here I am, O Allah, at Your service; here I am at Your service. Here I am at Your service. You have no partner. All praise, all favours and all power are Yours alone. You have no partner.)

Labbayka Allaahumma hajjathan wa 'umrathan laa riyaa'a feehaa wa laa sum'atan

(O Allah, I answer Your call for *Hajj* and Umrah without desire for fame or title) Ask Allah to make everything easy by saying this *du'a*:

You may turn to Allah always to make everything easy by saying this du'a:

Allaahumma laa sahla illaa maa ja'lathahu sahlan wa anta thaj'alu al-hazana idhaa shi'tha sahlan

(O Allah, nothing is easy unless if You make it easy. You can if You wish make a difficult task easy; so make this task easy for me.)

Continue to make *dhikr* and *du'a* by repeating phrases such as the following:

Subhaana Allaah wa al-hamdu lillaah wa Allaahu akbar wa laa hawla walaa quwwattha illaa bi Allaahi

(Glory be to Allah. Praise be to Allah. Allah is Great. There is no power or strength except by Allah)

Subhaana Allaah wabi hamdihi subhaana Allah al-azheemi

(Glory to Allah; praise be to Him. Glory be to Allah, the Great)

Subhaana Allaahi wabi hamdihi 'adada khalqihi wa ridhaa'a nafsihi wa zinatha 'arshihi wa midaada kalimaathihi

(Glory be to Allah and praise be to Him according to the number of His creatures, as it pleases Him, and as it befits the weight of His throne, and His infinite words which are beyond descriptions).

Rabbi ighfir wa irham wa tub 'alayya innaka anta al-tthawwaabu al-rraheem

(My Lord, forgive me and have mercy on me. Verily, You are the Acceptor of repentance and the Merciful)

On entering the mosque supplicate as follows:

أَعوذُ باللهِ العَظيم وَبِوَجْهِهِ الكَرِيم وَسُلْطانِه القَديم مِنَ الشَّيْطانِ الرَّجيم، بِسْمِ الله، وَالصَّلاةُ وَالسَّلامُ عَلى رَسولِ الله، اللهُمَّ افْتَحْ لي أَبُوابَ رَحْمَتَكِ

A'oodhbu billaahi al-azheemi wa bi wajhihi al-kareem wa sultaanihi al-qadeemi mina als-shaytaani al-rrajeem bismillaahi wa al-ssalaathu wa al-ssalaamu 'alaa rasooli Allahi Allaahumma ifthah lee abwaaba rahmathika

(I seek refuge in Allah, the Great, and in His Noble Face, and Eternal Power from Satan the accursed; In the name of Allah I enter; I pray for blessings on the Messenger of Allah. O Allah, I ask You to you're your doors of mercy for me.)

Upon beholding the Ka'bah say the following:

اللهُ أَكْبَرُ اللهُ أَكْبَرُ اللهُ أَكْبَرُ

اَللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ السَّلاَمُ وَمِنْكَ السَّلاَمُ فَحَيِّنَا رَبَّنَا بِالسَّلاَمِ اَللَّهُمَّ زِدْ هَذَا البَيْتَ تَشْرِيفًا وَتَعْظِيمًا وَتَكْرِيمًا وَمَهَابَةً وَزِدْ مَنْ حَجَّهُ أَوِ اعْتَمَرَهُ تَكْرِيمًا وَتَشْرِيفًا وَتَعْظِيمًا وَبِرًّا

Allaahu akbar! Allaahu akbar! Allaahu akbar!

Allaahumma antha al-ssalaam wa minka al-ssalaam fa hayyinaa rabbanaa bi al-ssalaam Allaahumma zid haadha al-bayta tashreefan wa ta'zheeman wa takreeman wa mahaabantan wa zid man hajjahu wa'itamarahu takreeman wa tashreefan wa ta'zheeman wa birran

(Allah is Great. O Allah, You are Peace and You is peace. Greet us, our Lord with peace. O Allah, increase this House in eminence, magnificence, honour and reverence. And increase whoever approaches it in Pilgrimage (*Hajj*) or the Lesser Pilgrimage (*"umrah*) in honour, eminence, magnificence, and virtuousness.)

While beginning tawaaf from the black stone by kissing or raising hands say:

بسْمِ اللهِ اللهُ أَكْبَرُ

Bismillaahi Allaahu akbar

Allaahumma eemaanan bika wa tasdeeqan bi kitaabika wa wafaa'an li 'ahdika wa ittibaa'an li sunnathi nabiyyika Muhammadin sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam

O Allah, I do this out of faith in You and to affirm Your Book, and to fulfil Your covenant, and to follow the way of Your Prophet, Muhammad, God's blessings and peace be upon him.

Begin the tawaaf and offer du'as and supplications such as the following:

Allaahumma inna al-baytha baythuka wa al-harma haramuka wa al-amnu amnuka wa hadhaa maqaam al-a'aidhi bika

(O Allah, the house is Yours, and the sanctuary is Yours. Peace/security is Yours. This is the station of those who seek refuge in You and implore Your mercy and protection)

Allaahumma innee a'oodhbu bika mina al-sshakki wa al-sshirak wa al-sshiqaaqi wa al-nnifaaqi wa soo'i al-akhlaaqi wa soo'i al-mandhar fi al-maali wa al-ahli wa al-waladhi

(O Allah, I seek Your protection from doubts, paganism, wrangling, hypocriscy, charcater vices, and distressing sights in wealth, family and children)

Allaahumma ighfir wa irham wa'fu wa takarram wa tajaawaz ammaa ta'lamu innaka anta al-a'zzu al-akram

(O Allah, forgive me and have mercy on me; forgive me and be compassionate toward me; forgive all the sins of mine that You know. You are indeed the Mighty and the Generous)

Rabbanaa aathinaa fi al-ddhunyaa hasanathan wafi al-aakhirathi hasanathan wa qinaa 'adhaaba al-nnaari

Our Lord, give us good in this world and good in the Hereafter, and save us from the torment of the Fire.

Rabbi ij'alnee muqeema al-ssalaathi wa min dhurriyyathee rabbanaa wa taqabbal du'aa'e

(My Lord, make me among those who are diligent in establishing Prayer, and make my children among those who do so. Our Lord, accept this prayer of mine.)

Rabbana ighfir lee wali waalidayya wali al-mu'mineena yawma yaqoomu al-hisaabi

(Our Lord, forgive me, my parents and all the believers on the Day of Judgement)

Rabbi irhamhumaa kamaa rabbayaanee sagheeran

(My Lord, have mercy on my parents even as they nurtured me when I was little).

Rabbanaa hab lanaa min azwaajinaa wa dhurriyyaatinaa qurrata a'yunin waij'lnaa lil muttaqeena imaaman

(Our Lord, grant us true joy in our spouses and children and make us role models for the God-fearing).

Yaa hayyu yaa qayyoomu bi rahmathika astagheehu

(O the Everliving One and the Source of all beings! I invoke Your mercy).

Bismillaahi alladhee laa yadhurru ma'ismihi sha'un fi al-ardhi walaa fi al-ssamaa'i wahuwa al-ssamee'u al-aleem

(In the name of Allah. With His name nothing in heaven or earth can do any harm. He is All-Hearing, All-Knowing).

Hasbiya Allaahu laa ilaaha illaahuwa 'alayhi tawakkalthu wahuwa rabbu al-arshi alazheem

(Allah is sufficient for me. There is no god beside Him. In Him alone I place my trust. He is the Lord of the Mighty Throne).

After completing tawaaf pray two rak'as facing maqaam Ibraheem and the ka'bah, and then drink from zamzam water and supplicate as follows:

Allaahumma innee as'aluka ilman naafi'an wa rizqan waasi'an wa shifaa'an min kulli daa'in

(O Allah, I ask You to bestow on me beneficial knowledge, abundant sustenance and healing and cure from all ailments).

On arriving at Safa for beginning of sa'ay one should climb the hillock as best as one can and then read the following verse of the Qur'an:

("[Hence,] behold, As-Safa and Al-Marwah are among the symbols set up by Allah; [126] and thus, no wrong does he who, having come to the (sacred) House on pilgrimage or on a pious visit, strides to and fro between these two: [127] for, if one does more good than he is bound to do-behold, Allah is responsive to gratitude, all-knowing." (Qur'an" 2:158).)

Then supplicate as follows:

Laa ilaaha illa Allaahu wahdahu laa shareeka lahu lahu al-mulku walahu al-hamdu wa huwa 'alaa kulli sha'yin qadeer sadaqa Allaahu wa'dahu wa nasara 'abdahu wa hazama al-ahzaaba wa'adahu

(There is no god but Allah. He has no partner. To Him belongs all power and for Him is all praise, and He has absolute power over all things. There is no god but Allah. He fulfilled His promise, gave victory to His servant, and He alone defeated the confederates.)

Then you may continue to offer the above supplications, while praying freely from your heart in your preferred language. And don't forge to induce tears.