DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PUNISHMENTS ON THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT AND PUNISHMENTS ON EARTH

- **1.** The punishments on the day of judgement are everlasting but earthly punishments are short-termed i.e people are set free afterwards.
- **2.** The punishments on the day of judgement will be administered by Allah Himself whereas earthly punishments are administered by man.
- **3.** Earthly punishments can be dodged by the criminal but this is not expected of in the hereafter by the unbelievers.
- **4.** Earthly punishments can be appealed but Allah's judgement has no appeal because he is the best of the judges.
- 5. Heavenly punishments are stipulated in the holy Qur'an and hadith but earthly punishments are clearly specified in the constitution and bi-laws of their respective countries.
- 6. Punishments on earth are sometimes are not fair i.e they may be less or greater than the crime committed but heavenly punishments are ever equivalent to what one did on earth.
- 7. Punishments in the hereafter are irreversible but earthly punishments can be reversed by the judge.
- **8.** The punishments on earth are simple and light e.g one can be for some time and later released but for those of the hereafter are very tough and unbearable.
- **9.** In earthly, there is a chance of one to beg for forgiveness especially for Ta'aziir punishments but there will be no such chance after death.
- **10.** In hereafter, man will be a witness of himself i.e each part of his body will testify against him but here on earth witnesses are fellow human beings who may give false evidence.

The magistrate's judgement on earth depends on combined consultations from different state bodies like police, CID and prosecutors but Allah makes no consultations