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Q: Some people used to celebrate the circumcision of children on the occasion of the Mawlid (the Prophet's birthday) offering sacrifices and inviting other families. After the circumcision, they offer money to the circumcised child. Is there a special way to celebrate the circumcision?

A: All praise be to Allah Alone, and peace and blessings be upon the Messenger of Allah, his family and Companions. **First**, circumcision is one of Sunan-ul-Fitrah (Islamic practices of personal hygiene) instructed to by the Prophet (peace be upon him).

Second, in Islam there is no celebration for circumcision. Moreover, to circumcise children on the Prophet's birthday along with celebrating it is an act of Bid`ah (innovation in religion). The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) is reported to have said: [\(Anyone who introduces anything into this matter of ours \(Islam\) that is not part of it will have it rejected.\)](#) (Related by Al-Bukhari and Muslim)

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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