HIJRI (LUNAR) MONTHS AND THEIR MEANINGS

1
MUHARRAM
It is the first Hijri month.
It means forbidden. War was forbidden among Arabs in the month of Muharram before Islam. Therefore, it was named like that. That was forbidden; that was rendered haram.

2
SAFAR
It is the second Hijri month.
It means to become empty, vacant and to turn yellow/pale.

3
RABIUL-AWWAL
It is the third Hijri month.
Spring, abundance and blessing. The season in which flowers blossom and plants grow.

4
RABIUL-AKHIR
It is the fourth Hijri month.
End of spring.

5
JUMADAL-AWWAL
It is the fifth Hijri month.
Jumada means cold and arid. The first past.

6
JUMADAL-AKHIR
It is the sixth Hijri month.
The last past.

7
RAJAB
It is the seventh Hijri month.
Magnificent, majestic. To show respect. The name of a river in Paradise. One of the haram months in which fighting is forbidden. It is the first one of the three blessed months.

8
SHABAN
It is the eighth Hijri month.
Interval, gap. It is the second one of the three blessed months.

9
RAMADAN
It is the ninth Hijri month.
It means to burn. For, the sins of those who fast and repent in this month are burnt and eliminated. It is the third one of the three blessed months.

10
SHAWWAL
It is the tenth Hijri month.
One of the reasons why this month is called Shawwal is that the female camels felt sexually aroused in this month or that the milk of the camels decreased because of the hot weather.

11
DHUL-QADA
It is the eleventh Hijri month.
It was used in the sense of the ripening of the dates and harvesting. It is one of the haram months.

12
DHUL-HIJJA
It is the twelfth Hijri month.
The worship of hajj is performed between the eighth and thirteenth days of this month. It is one of the haram months.